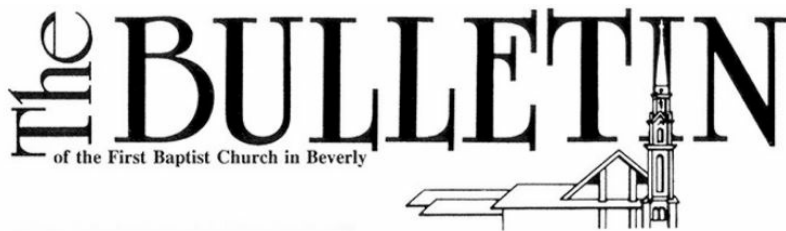


FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH IN BEVERLY

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Get Involved

**Worship with
Us**

Fall is upon us, and that means RALLY DAY is on the way! We are a mere eleven days from our annual Program Year Kickoff Event, and we can't wait to celebrate with you! We'll usher in the fresh program year by exploring our yet-to-be-announced Annual Theme for 2025-2026 (stay tuned for the next Bulletin to learn more!), enjoying a delicious breakfast together, playing and crafting with friends familiar and new, and gathering together in worship! Get out your calendars and circle, highlight, post-it note, and draw arrows on Sunday, September 28th, because it's an FBC day you won't want to miss! In the meantime, read on in this Bulletin edition to learn more about the latest and greatest happenings at First Baptist Beverly, including fun photos and recaps of fantastic kickoff events for both the Youth Fellowship program and our Wit and Wisdom group! Let's *fall* into the fun and community connections of life at FBC together!

Worship With Us!

Join us for our Worship Service this **Sunday, September 21st, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.**, either in person or via our **FBC YouTube Channel**.

Notes for Sunday:

- The Infant/Toddler room will be open during worship.
- Littlest Learners will meet during worship.
- The Playground will be open as worship begins to allow our elementary-age and younger friends to enter into the quiet enjoyment of worship in a flexible child-friendly space.
- The Youth Pew is available for youth in grades 5-12 to enjoy worship together with peers.
- Middle School Fellowship meets at their



SCRIPTURE:
PHILIPPIANS 4:4-9
PREACHER:
REV. JULIE FLOWERS

**Click [HERE](#) to join
Worship via Livestream
Sunday**

regularly scheduled time at the church
from 4:00-6:00 p.m. & Senior High from
6:00-9:00 p.m.



Youth Fellowship Notes for Sunday:

Middle School Fellowship

Sunday, September 21st: Getting Going with Middle Schooling!
4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. – Meet in the Youth Lounge at First Baptist

After a wonderful and lively Fellowship Kickoff event together with friends in Sr. High Fellowship, the Middle School Fellowship will be meeting in the Youth Lounge this coming Sunday to *officially* kick off *Middle Schooling* together for the 2025-2026 program year! This Sunday will be a perfect opportunity for Middle School friends in grades 5-8 to gather at the usual Middle School time (4 p.m. – 6 p.m.), to get settled into the Youth Lounge space, to play some getting going games, and to work on creating the shared covenant for the Fellowship year together (the agreements, expectations, and hopes the group shares and agrees to for the Fellowship year ahead and for how the group wants the year and group itself to be and to feel!). A snack will be provided during the afternoon (so please let Julie know if your Fellowships has any food allergies or dietary restrictions), and friends are always welcome to come join in the fun! Let's get ready for a *great* Middle School Fellowship year ahead!

Sr. High Fellowship

Sunday, September 21st: Starting off with Sr. High!
6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. in the Youth Lounge at First Baptist

Sr. High Fellowship will be getting into the Sr. High groove this week, following an excellent shared Kickoff event with Middle School this past Sunday! Youth in grades 9-12 are invited to come and gather in the youth lounge at the regular Sr. High time (6 p.m. – 9 p.m.) for an evening of getting to know one another, playing games, and working together to create a shared covenant (the agreements, expectations, and hopes the group shares and agrees to for the Fellowship year ahead and for how the group wants the year and group itself to be and to feel!) for the Sr. High year. The evening will close with sharing dinner (please let Julie know if your Sr. High youth has any food allergies or dietary restrictions) and the Sr. High tradition of sharing Concerns and Celebrations to end the evening, as well. Friends are, of course, welcome! Let's get this Sr. High Fellowship year rolling!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The + Club is BACK this Friday Night with an intriguing Chaos Party! You won't want to miss this!



CHAOS PARTY

FRIDAY, SEPT. 19TH

FBC LOUNGE-7:30PM

A PARTY WHERE EVERYONE IS GIVEN INDIVIDUALIZED MISSIONS TO ACHIEVE DURING THE EVENT, CREATING A NIGHT OF HILARIOUS INTERACTIONS. BECAUSE CRAFTED CHAOS AND CAREFUL MISCHIEF MAKE FOR THE BEST ADVENTURES!

**PLEASE RSVP TO KELSEY BELIS
BY THURSDAY 9/18 AT 9AM**

TO RSVP TEXT OR EMAIL KELSEY:

P: 207-610-3123

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Time to RSVP for Owen Cottrell's First Birthday & Baptism Celebration!



Come celebrate ONE lucky duck on Saturday, 9/27 @ 1:00 p.m. in the FBC Chapel! It's not only a birthday celebration, it will also be a baptism celebration! Owen's grandpa, who is a

minister in the United Methodist Church, will be baptizing Owen, just like he did for Owen's brother Brayden and cousin Jack.

FBC Folks will remember Owen from his star turn as our most recent Baby Jesus in last year's Unrehearsed Christmas Pageant at the 5 p.m. Christmas Eve service!

Please RSVP at <https://fb.me/e/3Fb00YWjp> to join in the joy and fun of turning 1!

HOORAY, HOORAY FOR Rally Day!

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28



JOIN US FOR BREAKFAST &
CELEBRATION AT 8:30 A.M.
FOLLOWED BY WORSHIP AT
10:00 A.M. (IN PERSON OR ON
THE LIVESTREAM) AS
WE OFFICIALLY KICK OFF OUR NEW
PROGRAM YEAR HERE AT FBC!

FBC Pictured: Service Trip Sunday, Fellowship Kick-Off & Wit and Wisdom Cookout!

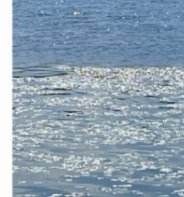
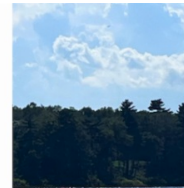


Service Trip Sunday was a joy-filled worship service where we had the chance to hear from FBC Service Trippers who ventured to Marion, VA this August. Click [**HERE**](#) to watch it on YouTube!





Fellowship Kick-Off was a Blast as you can tell from the Photos!





WIT & WISDOM COOKOUT RECAP:



Food, Music and Fun!



Wit & Wisdom kicked off Monday with 22 witty and wise participants at the Blanchards' Camp. The weather cooperated, the food was delicious & conversation flowed. There was even a sing-a-long led by Terri McFadden! Birthdays were also celebrated including Karen and Bob Popadic, Sue Kingston and Deb Blanchard (they share an August 29th birthday,) as well as Laura Stanton and Ed McFadden. Thanks so much again to all attendees and especially to Deb & Bob Blanchard for hosting.

Looking at the week(s) ahead at
FBC Beverly...

Zoom Coffee
Hour
Thursdays
@ 10am



Lectio Divina
continues Friday
with Daniel &
Friends at 5 pm.

Join us in the
Lounge!




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FRIDAY, SEPT. 19TH
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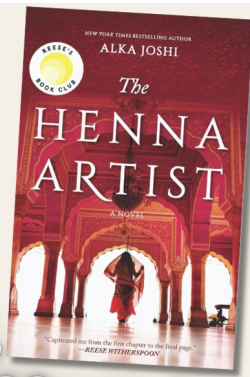
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JOIN FBC'S...
**Prayer
Shawl**
MEETS AT TURTLE CREEK
ON THE FOURTH SUNDAY
OF EVERY MONTH

**W&W
BOOK
GROUP!**



**Pencil in Monday,
September 29, 11:30 a.m. to
discuss "The Henna Artist"
with...**

WIT & WISDOM



“

Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. — Philippians 4:8

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PENCIL IN FBC

September

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Friday

The + Club Kick-Off Event

All are welcome to join The + Club for their upcoming fall event at 7:30 p.m. (The + Club is a recently formed group designed for LGBTQIA+ folks of all ages!).

September

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Sunday

Fellowships Back in Action at Regularly Scheduled Times

This is the first fall Sunday where Middle School Fellowship meets at their regular time at 4:00 p.m. at the church and Senior High at 6:00 p.m. at the church.

September

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Wednesday

Know Your Rights' Training

Learn how to handle interactions with immigration enforcement agents at 6:30 p.m. tonight (dessert and refreshments will be offered!).

September

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Thursday

Both Choirs Pick Back Up!

Esther will lead the Celebration Ringers at 6:00 p.m. and the Sanctuary Choir at 7:30 p.m. New members are welcome to join in and ring or sing (or both!) right along with Esther & Crew!

September

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Saturday

Owen Cottrell's First Birthday AND Baptism

We're thrilled to honor and celebrate Owen at 1:00 p.m. today with his family and friends!

September

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Sunday

Rally Day Sunday at FBC!

Join us for breakfast & celebration at 8:30 a.m. followed by Worship at 10:00 a.m. (in person or over livestream) as Julie and Daniel lead us in kicking off the new program year and unveil our new theme!

In addition to the excitement of Rally Day, ***Prayer Shawl* meets at Turtle Creek, *Esther's Children's Choir* will rehearse after worship, and *Word Searchers* is back at 11:30 a.m. as well!**

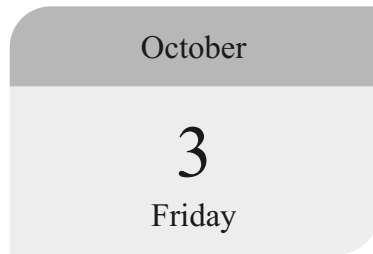
September

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Monday

Wit & Wisdom Book Group Meets

Our Wit and Wisdom Book Group (a subgroup of our wider Wit and Wisdom crew for folks retirement age and older) will meet to discuss "The Henna Artist" by Alka Joshi this month.



Parents' Night Out

Children and youth (through Middle School age) are welcome for this monthly program offered from 6:00-8:30 p.m.! Parents' Night Out is a chance for parents and caregivers to get some time to run errands, grab dinner, or catch their breath - all while our dedicated FBC volunteers offer an evening of excellent childcare, delicious dinner, and lots of fun here at the church! PNO is FREE and open to the wider community! *Youth in 8th grade and older are welcome as assistant group leaders, and are invited to contact Julie or Daniel for more information on volunteering!*



Communion Sunday

All are welcomed to gather for Communion Sunday at 10:00 a.m. this first Sunday of the month. Please remember to bring your own Elements of Communion if joining us via livestream.



Theology On Tap

Join us at the Kitchen Table located at 392 Cabot Street in Beverly at 8:00 p.m.! Be sure to bring your thirst for fellowship and hunger for lively conversation about life and faith.

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