

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH IN BEVERLY

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Get Involved

Worship with
Us

Happy August, FBC Wilderness Adventurers! Since The Big July Issue of *The Bulletin* hit your inboxes, we've had lots of faith-filled and fun experiences encountering God in the wilderness spaces and places of our lives – with much more to come. Break out those calendars, because here comes our BIG August issue of *The Bulletin*, packed with noteworthy events and dates that need saving! This edition is designed to inform you of the latest news starting right now, all the way through Labor Day. We'll be back to our regular weekly e-newsletter schedule starting on Thursday, September 10th. Please note: additional updates, changes, and exciting late-breaking events will continue to be shared via our social media account, FBC emails, and FBC text messages, too – stay tuned!

Worship With Us!

Join us for our **Worship Services for the rest of the summer through Labor Day**, either in person or via our ***FBC YouTube Channel***.

Notes for Sunday:

- All children of kindergarten age and younger will meet in the Littlest Learners room this week.
- The Prayground 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.
- Elementary-age friends can choose to go for a time of play and church adventuring after the Stepsitters message during worship each summer Sunday.

SUMMER WORSHIP OVERVIEW: AUGUST— SEPTEMBER



*PLEASE FOLLOW US ON
FACEBOOK AND INSTAGRAM
FOR OUR WEEKLY UPDATES ON
MESSAGE & SCRIPTURES!*

- The Youth Pew is available for youth in grades 5-12 to enjoy worship together with peers.

Click [HERE](#) to join Worship via our YouTube Livestream available every Sunday

It's Not Too Late! You Can Still Grab a Wilderness Adventurer Canteen and As Many As 18 Badges Trying Different Wilderness Moments and Adventures!

THE "KEY" TO BECOMING AN FBC... WILDERNESS ADVENTURER!



Summer Youth Adventure Trip
6/29-7/2/2026



"Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" on
7/9/2026



Fun Squad Outdoor Adventure at
Lynch Park on 7/26/2026



All-church Campfire at the
Blanchards' camp on Chebacco
Lake on 7/30/2026



Homecoming Interfaith Service in
Lynch Park Rose Garden on
8/9/2026



Hiking in White Mountains of NH
on 8/22/2026



Labor Day Weekend Family Camp
from 9/4-9/7/2026



Go on the Sailing Adventure with
FBC on 9/12/2026



Worship at Obear Park & Summer
Celebration on 9/13/2026



Take a nature photo walk



Attend worship



Go stargazing



Notice and identify a bird



Read a book by flashlight



Spend 10 minutes by the ocean



Take a walk in the woods



Enjoy 15 minutes of silent
pondering in nature



Choose-Your-Own-Wilderness
Adventure



**CHECK OFF THE ABOVE EVENTS & COLLECT
ALL THE FBC SUMMER 2026 WILDERNESS
ADVENTURER BADGES FOR YOUR BOTTLE!**

If anyone has a great new Wilderness Adventurer badge idea they'd like to suggest, click [HERE](#) to send it our way!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Click
[HERE](#) to
view our
Web
Calendar



Let There Be Light! *(Just Not at Night)*

In one of the beloved hymns of First Baptist Beverly, entitled *We Are the Church Together*, the lyrics rightly proclaim “*The church is not a building, / the church is not a steeple, / the church is not a resting place, / the church is a people!*” This sentiment is exactly right: no matter how beautiful our steeple, no matter how steadfast it is in its harbor light role, as it guides ships safely home, night after night, no matter how much we love our physical church home, it is indeed the people who are God’s church. All the same, as God’s people entrusted with common care and keeping of a physical church home and building we love, the FBC staff has a small plea this summer for the wider community of church members, friends, and building-users: please remember to turn out the lights! If you are the last to use the building (or an area of a building), or if you notice lights on in a part of the building with no one around, please help us conserve energy and care for closing up the building each evening by turning off the lights as you go!

Recently, there has been a little stretch of lights left on at night and overnight, as so many wonderful folks and wonderful community building-users make great use of the building and its many spaces – and we are so glad to see the building put to great and lively use! – we just need to work together to be sure things are closed down well each night. Please pause as you are wrapping up your work or time in the building and as you come and go and make sure lights are off and doors behind you are closed and locked (as needed). We are *indeed* the church together, and many hands will make light work of building care and keeping in this way! Thank you in advance to everyone for pitching in and helping out!

Check Out the Church Office Summer Office Hours and Vacation Schedules for Handy Reference

FIRST BAPTIST STAFF SCHEDULE SUMMER NOTES

The Summer Office Hours will be Mondays–Fridays from 9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m., weekly. Note that without a regular Receptionist, and with staff in and out for meetings and events, etc., the office may not be covered/ministers may not always be in the building during those times. If you are looking to meet with Julie, Daniel, or a member of the staff, please make sure to check that they will be in or schedule an appointment. Daniel and Julie are working their usual hours when not on vacation, with their usual days off (Julie: Wednesday/Saturday; Daniel: Thursday/Saturday).

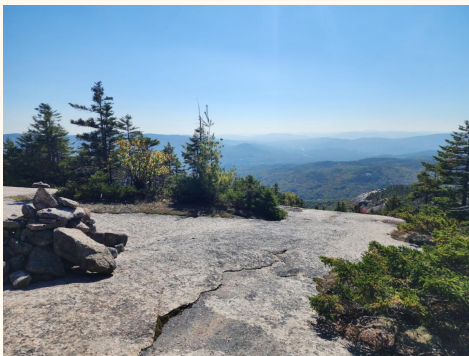
Julie will be out of the office on vacation from August 2–9;
August 16–30, and from September 4–7.

Esther will be out of the office on vacation from August 4–19.

Sherri, our Communications Associate will be out on vacation from
August 8–16.

Paul, our Business & Operations Manager, will be out of the office on
vacation from August 20–24.

The Church Office will be closed on Monday, September 7 for Labor Day.



Wilderness Adventurers: Church Hike is Set for Welch-Dickey Loop in New Hampshire

Join us on Saturday, August 22nd, as we continue our **Wilderness Adventures** summer theme with a memorable day of hiking, fellowship, and experiencing the beauty of God's creation on the Welch-Dickey Loop Trail

in New Hampshire.

This hike is more than a walk in the woods! The Welch-Dickey Loop is roughly 4.5 miles and is a challenging and rewarding mountain adventure featuring rocky terrain, uphill climbs, forest paths, and exposed granite ledges with breathtaking views of the

surrounding mountains. Along the way, we'll encourage one another, enjoy meaningful conversations, and take time to appreciate the amazing world God has created.

Hikers should come prepared for a moderate challenge and be ready for uneven ground, elevation changes, and a few steep sections. Please bring plenty of water, snacks/lunch, sturdy hiking shoes, and weather-appropriate clothing.

All are welcome to join us for this adventure—whether you're an experienced hiker or looking to step outside your comfort zone. Come ready for fellowship, fun, and a chance to discover God's presence in the wilderness!

More details about meeting time, transportation, and what to bring will be shared soon. In the meantime, let [Daniel](#) know if you want to join us for this great adventure, or even if you just think you *might* want to join us!

A Quick Zoom Coffee Hour Reminder for the Month of August...

Zoom Coffee Hour On Summer Break

Zoom Coffee Hour is taking an August hiatus and then resuming after Labor Day in September – on Thursday, September 10th to be exact!

Zoom Coffee hour regulars voted to take a little summer break and come back together in September – and all are welcome to jump in and join in the Zoom room conversations when the group gets back off and rolling this fall!



Sign Up for a Memorable Weekend in Nature
with Friends Celebrating the 80th Year of
LDWFC!

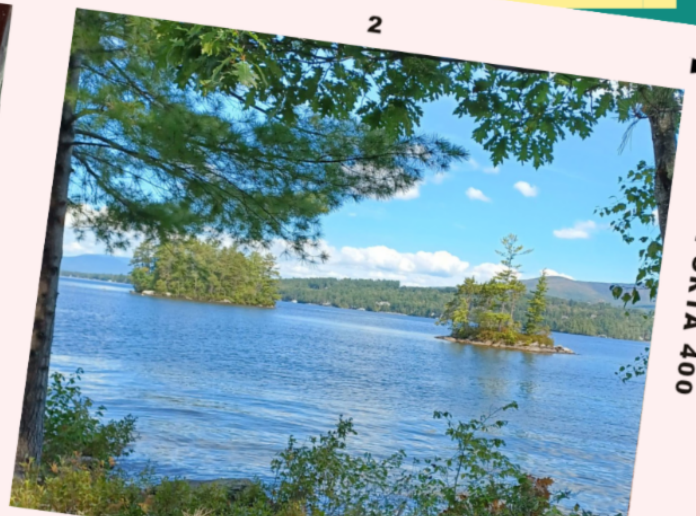


IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN US FOR...

Labor Day Weekend Family Camp!

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4-MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 7!

DON'T MISS OUT ON A
FUN WEEKEND W/FBC
MEMBERS & FRIENDS!



Have you been thinking about going?! Take the plunge! What could be a better way to wrap up the summer than a weekend away, at Geneva Point Center on Lake Winnepesaukee? The weekend is for all ages, singles, families, extended family, friends, and newcomers. It is a time of fun, exploration, community and recreation in a beautiful setting. Sit a while in a rocking chair overlooking the lake and mountains. This time together is sure to become a summer highlight!

Worried about transportation? Daniel will drive the Church Van for anyone in need of a lift. Please let Daniel know if you plan on riding along at djohnson@fbcbeverly.org.

You may find out more information at <https://www.ldwfc.com>. First time attendees will receive a discount and there are also funds available to make the weekend affordable for all those who would like to attend. For registration and any further questions, please contact Cindy Shupp at cjshupp@verizon.net.

Join us for one last great *wilderness adventure* to cap off the summer!

Sail Away with FBC this Summer!

Calling All Wilderness Adventurers! Join us on September 12th aboard the Schooner *Adirondack* for Adventures on the High Seas!

This summer finds us exploring the wild and wonderful spaces and places of God's good creation as we consider how these wilderness places invite us into deeper connection with God – and on Saturday, September 12th, we are taking our wilderness adventuring out on the high seas! The church has a block of 30 tickets for a midday sail on Classic Harbor Line's schooner *Adirondack*, which are

available on a first-come, first-serve basis for First Baptist Church members and friends. The schooner sets sail at 1 p.m., but those interested in setting sail will need to plan to arrive earlier to board the boat. More details and specifics will be coming as the adventure date gets closer. Carpooling or caravanning into Boston for this excursion will also be possible.

Children are welcome to come on the sail, as well, as long as they are accompanied by an adult. Tickets are \$45 per sailor, but financial assistance is available for those for whom it may be needed. Please contact [Daniel](#) if you would like a ticket to join in the adventure!

More information on the schooner itself can be found here: <https://boston-sailing.com/public-cruises/boston-sailboat-ride-aboard-the-adirondack-schooners/>.



Take a Look at our Latest FBC Summer
Wilderness Adventurers Enjoying a Fun
Squad Outdoor Adventure at Lynch Park on
Sunday, July 26th!



FBC WILDERNESS
ADVENTURERS WENT
WILD HAVING...



***FUN in
the Park!***



Looking at what's on the horizon
at FBC...



Join FBC Beverly for a time of prayer, song and reflection during Homecoming Worship with the Beverly Multifaith Coalition in person at 10 o'clock this Sunday, August 9th, 2026 at Lynch Park!



FBC'S T3 MEN'S
FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST
AT STEPHY'S ON TUESDAY,
8/18 @ 7AM!



8:00 O'CLOCK @
KITCHEN TABLE

500 ML • 7.5% ALC.
FBC'S THEOLOGY ON TAP
• HANDCRAFTED WHEAT BEER •

**BEST SERVED
CHILLED: TUESDAY,
9/1/2026**

**LOCALLY
BREWED IN
BEVERLY, MA**

FBC's

PARENTS' NIGHT OUT!

Join us on Friday, September 11th, 2026 for the first **Parents' Night Out (PNO)** of the program year at FBC Beverly!

This monthly FBC program open to ALL runs from 6:00-8:30 p.m. We will be ready with games, dinner, some learning time (think of it as a very progressive mini-Vacation Bible School kind of experience!) singing, and fun!

We hope all of our friends can come and join us!

FREE



The church office will be closed for Labor Day on Monday, September 7, 2026. We look forward to reconnecting on Tuesday, September 8th!

First Baptist Church in Beverly's 2026 Holiday Fair date is on the books...

SAVE
THE
DATE

21 NOV 2026

More details to come for crafters & vendors.
You won't want to miss this one!

221 Cabot St. Beverly, MA

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Sail Away
with FBC!



Calling All Wilderness Adventurers!

JOIN US ON SEPTEMBER 12TH

ABOARD THE SCHOONER

ADIRONDAK FOR ADVENTURES ON
THE HIGH SEAS!

“

I am about to do a new thing;
now it springs forth; do you not perceive it?
I will make a way in the wilderness
and rivers in the desert.

”

— Isaiah 43:19

PENCIL IN FBC

August

9

Sunday

Homecoming Interfaith Service

Join us at 10 a.m. in the Lynch Park Rose Garden as we participate in this annual tradition and worship outdoors among friends.

August

18

Tuesday

FBC's T3 Men's Fellowship Breakfast

The men of FBC will gather at 7 a.m. at Stephy's this morning for good coffee and great conversation!

August

22

Saturday

Hiking Adventure in the White Mountains of NH!

Save-the-Date and plan to get outdoors with FBC for a hiking adventure! Stay tuned for further details.

September

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Tuesday

Theology On Tap

Join us at 8 p.m. at Kitchen Table in Beverly and bring your thirst for fellowship and hunger for lively conversation about life and faith!

September

4

Friday

FBC Leaves for Labor Day Weekend Family Camp

What better way to wrap up the summer than at Lake Winnepesaukee? Join a weekend of fun, exploration and community in a beautiful setting at Geneva Point Center. Questions? Contact [Cindy Shupp](#).

September

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Sunday

Communion Sunday

Join us for the celebration of Communion this Sunday in worship.

September

7

Monday

Church Office is Closed

FBC's Church Office is closed today honoring Labor Day. We look forward to seeing you tomorrow during regular Church Office hours.

September

10

Thursday

Zoom Coffee Hour Kicks Back Off for the Program Year!

All are invited to Zoom on in with Julie and Friends as Zoom Coffee Hour starts back up after a brief summer hiatus. See you at 10 a.m.!

September

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Friday

Parents' Night Out

Don't miss the first PNO of the fall from 6:00-8:30 p.m.!

September

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Saturday

Sail the High Seas with FBC!

The church has a block of 30 tickets for a midday sail on Classic Harbor Line's schooner *Adirondack*, which are available on a first-come, first-serve basis for FBC members and friends. The schooner sets sail at 1 p.m. Tickets are \$45 per sailor, but financial assistance is available for those for whom it may be needed. Please [contact Daniel](#) if you would like a ticket to join in the adventure!

September

13

Sunday

Outdoor Worship Service & Party!

Pencil in a special outdoor service followed by a time of food, fellowship and fun!

September

15

Tuesday

FBC T3 Men's Fellowship Breakfast

This early-bird group meets at 7:00 a.m. back at Depot Diner this month.

September

18

Friday

The + Club Program Year Kick-Off Party!

Join The + Club in kicking off the program year in the Church Lounge at 7:30 p.m. Stay tuned for more details.

September

20

Sunday

Fellowship Kick-Off at Chebacco Lake

Our annual fellowship kick-off for Middle School and Sr. High Fellowship Groups will take place back at Chebacco Lake today. Stay tuned for timing and what to bring as we dive right into another great program year together!

September

27

Sunday

RALLY DAY AT FBC!

It's finally here! One of the best days of the whole year! Join us for breakfast, worship and the official start to the new program year at FBC Beverly!

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