

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH IN BEVERLY

A progressive and welcoming Christian community

The clocks might FALL BACK this Sunday, November 5th, but we are falling full steam ahead into Stewardship Season, Holiday Fair Prep, and even more intriguing fellowship opportunities (rock concert, anyone?!). It's getting colder outside, but take heart and come warm up using your God-given gifts at FBC!

THE BULLETIN

of the First Baptist Church in Beverly



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Worship with
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Join us this **Sunday, October 29th at 10:00 a.m.** for Worship either in person or via our [FBC YouTube Channel](#).

Barbara Brann-Weir will offer the Stewardship Moment this Sunday, speaking about the ways in which lay visitation and pastoral care impact our FBC church community. Our Stewardship Season will run through November 12th, leading to our having the opportunity to faithfully consider our gift to the church for 2024 and to offer our Pledge Cards in Worship (or returning them to the church office any time following) on Thanksgiving Sunday, November 19th.

Notes for Sunday:

- It's a Communion Sunday this week so if you are joining us via Livestream, please bring your own elements of Communion.
- The Infant/Toddler room will be open during worship this week.
- Littlest Learners will meet during worship this week.
- Sunday School Class continues this week. The Prayground will also be open for the enjoyment of our Elementary and younger friends & their families to use during worship.
- The Youth Pew is available for youth in grades 5-12 to enjoy worship together with peers.
- Middle School Fellowship meets regular time from 4:00-6:00 p.m.
- Senior High Fellowship meets from 6:00-9:00 p.m.

"THERE WE GATHER"

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2023
AT THE FIRST BAPTIST
CHURCH IN BEVERLY

DR. DANIEL JOHNSON, PREACHING
SCRIPTURE PASSAGE: ACTS 6:1-7



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IN BEVERLY

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

FBC's Children's Choir w/Dr. Esther Chang

Continues this Sunday!

Stay after Worship this Sunday, 11/5 for
Esther's Sing-A-Long rehearsal from 11:30-
Noon as we prep for our 11/19 performance



ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Stewardship Season Kicks Off with a Spotlight on Christian Education at FBC!



Our Stewardship Season officially kicked off on Sunday with a heartfelt stewardship moment from Susan Johnson followed by an inspirational sermon by Rev. Julie Flowers. Susan described her own personal “God moments” at the church, when she first entered the sanctuary and saw the Prayground which showed her that children were valued and given the most prominent position in the church, then heard teens talking about their joy in attending youth fellowship, and finally at Parents' Night Out when she heard a child exclaim, “I love coming to church!”

The Christian Education program has certainly been a shining light as the church re-opened after the pandemic years. There has been a remarkable increase in the number of children attending – children in Sunday school classes; in the Prayground, Stepsitters and Worship: in music with Esther, at Parents' Night Out, cute children everywhere! An entire new room has been created (remarkably in just a week’s time) especially for infants and toddlers, with new furniture, new toys, and a wonderful and welcoming child-friendly feel. The church now has three teachers, all highly trained educators in their professional lives, all supported with stipends, to run the expanded Sunday School programs.

The pledges that people made for 2023 helped make the growth and success of these Sunday School and youth programs possible. As Stewardship Season continues, please consider making a generous pledge. When you make a pledge, you support the Christian Education program, and so much more at the First Baptist Church in Beverly!

[Link to our Donations page of our Website](#)

PNO this Friday, November 3rd from 6:00-8:30 p.m.: **Volunteers Still Needed**

We are very excited to offer PNO again this Friday, especially after the busy week we are sure parents and caregivers have had!

A few more awesome, dedicated volunteers are needed to help run PNO this week. If you are interested and available, please contact Julie directly about helping and also for a CORI check. Please do not just show up to volunteer (as much as we *LOVE* volunteers!) be sure to contact Julie first. Thank you!

Contact Julie regarding PNO questions OR to Volunteer via [Email](#) please.

FBC Beverly's
Parents' Night Out
~A fun night for all!
(Typically the 1st Friday of each month from 6:00-8:30 pm.)

Bring your children this Friday, November 3rd from 6:00-8:30 pm!



IT'S OFFICIALLY APPLEPALOOZA TIME AT FBC!

Bring your favorite peeler because it's that time of year again to prep those pies! Come and chat and laugh while peeling--join in some fellowship as we prep for Crispy Top Pies!

There is NO NEED to donate apples this year, as a generous local farm is donating them all! We just need peelers w/cutting boards in tow!



**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER
4 FROM 9-11 AM**

Applepalooza is HERE!

This Saturday, November 4, we will assemble at the church at 9:00 a.m. to spend a few hours making our famous Crispy Top Apple Pies.

We need people with apple peelers and sharp paring knives to prepare bushels of apples for the kitchen crew. Please join in the peeling, laughter and enjoyment of munchkins!

A Note and an Open Invitation from our FBC Community Members

“We are so pleased to have Bob home after his heart transplant. For the past few months, we have certainly felt the support of our FBC family. The cards, letters, texts, thoughts, and prayers are so appreciated! We are deeply grateful.”

-Bob and Deb Blanchard-

This Episode of Bluey is called...

**Brayden Turns 2!
Hooray!**

Let's Celebrate on Friday,
Nov. 10; 2:00-4:30 pm in the
FBC Beverly Gym!



Everyone in the FBC Beverly Family is invited to celebrate Brayden turning 2 with pizza, light snacks and cake in the FBC Beverly Gym on Friday, Nov. 10th from 2:00-4:30 pm. What a happy occasion! Because Brayden and his parents are geographically far from family, let's step in as his FBC Fam and get this Bluey-themed party started!

Your presence is a present! But in case you can't help yourself, Brayden loves board books, toy musical instruments, and anything Bluey or Minions. Brayden also love going to an indoor playground called *The Children's Plaza*, (thechildrensplaza.com) so punch passes or gift cards come in handy for cooler months!

Crafters Reunite for Holiday Centerpieces!

Saturday, November 4th
6:00 p.m. in FBC's Chapel

FBC Crafters Continue! Join the fun on Saturday, November 4th as we tackle holiday centerpieces for the Fair

Grab your glue gun with full sized sticks and join us on November 4th at 6:00 p.m. as we get crafting on Holiday centerpieces! The fun will last until the glue sticks run out, haha! All kidding aside, Materials will be provided to create Holiday centerpieces to be sold at the fair, but feel free to bring a project you're working on. The magic will happen in the chapel and there will be snacks! The more the merrier!

How YOU can Support the Fast-Approaching
Holiday Fair at FBC! *Saturday, November 18th,
2023*

Silent Auction

Please let Doris-Ann or Brenda know what you will donate for the Silent Auction. It could be one item or a themed collection of items; like games, sewing or craft supplies, decorations, sporting items, or whatever else have you. People love our Fair in part because of our wide variety of baskets!

Raffles

Please donate a gift card to a local restaurant. It can be for any amount. We will bundle them all together for a Super Raffle— the tickets cost more, but the reward is fabulous!

Connect with [Doris-Ann](#) or Sign Up Directly on Sign Up Genius [HERE](#) re: what you can donate for the Silent Auction



REMINDERS FOR THE

HOLIDAY FAIR

Youth Groups both meet at their usual times this Sunday. Check out these fun pictures from our Halloween-themed events this past week! Included are also a few photos from Downtown Trick-Or-Treat, which was a HUGE success! We gave out candy along with our friends from Harborlight Nursery School and Family Promise, and Esther played songs like *Thriller* and *Phantom of the Opera* on the organ- a true highlight for those coming into the Narthex to trick-or-treat!

Beverly's
Downtown



TRICK OR TREAT

◆ FBC Photo Recap ◆



MIDDLE SCHOOL FELLOWSHIP FUN!



SENIOR HIGH FELLOWSHIP HALLOWEEN COOKIE DECORATING



Looking Ahead...

Together Again!

Zoom Coffee
Hour
Thursdays
@ 10am



Coffee Time

[Zoom Coffee Hour Link](#)

Lectio Divina
continues Friday
with Daniel and
Friends at 5:00 pm.

Join us in the
Lounge or via

Zoom!



[Link to Zoom on in to Lectio Friday
Night](#)

Word Searchers

The Word Searchers adult Bible study group will meet once again this Sunday at 11:30 am, in the Office Wing Conference Room. This week we will move on to John chapter 16, and we will supplement our reading of that passage by considering what Jaime Clark-Soles has to say about it in chapter 11 of *Reading John for Dear Life*. Join us as we dig deeply into how Jesus sought to prepare his disciples for the hard times that he knew they would face once he left them.



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5
IS DAYLIGHT SAVINGS

Don't forget to Fall Back this Sunday, or you may be at church by your lonesome!

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
IN BEVERLY

8:00 PM
@ POST IN
HAMILTON

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

BEST SERVED
FRESH ON
11/14/2023



LOCALLY
BREWED IN
BEVERLY, MA



FBC'S OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10TH IN OBSERVANCE OF
VETERANS DAY THIS YEAR & WILL REOPEN
NORMAL TIME ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13TH.

*In honor of those
who served.*

“

And he sat down and called the twelve. And he said to them, 'If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all.' —Mark 9:35

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PENCIL IN FBC

November

2

Thursday

De-Escalation Training and Support at First Parish

Come to First Parish at 6:00 p.m. for a free event to learn techniques for de-escalating potentially volatile situations, active listening skills and how to access appropriate resources for those in need. This event is free and open to everyone in the community, learn more [HERE](#).

November

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Friday

PNO: Time to Make Plans!

Parents and Caregivers, Rejoice! Another fabulous FBC Parents' Night Out is planned for Friday, November 3rd from 6:00-8:30 p.m. and YOU are welcome to drop off your lovely children and hit the town (or grocery store!) as you'll have a few hours to yourself that night. Make plans with friends - as always, PNO is FREE and open to the greater Beverly community. **If interested in volunteering to help make this evening a success, please email Julie.*

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November

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Saturday

Another FBC Craft Night on the books!

Join the craft-a-thon ahead of the Holiday Fair and come ready to channel your holiday centerpiece energy! We'll meet at 6:00 p.m. in the Chapel with full size glue guns in hand. We're looking forward to getting creative & sharing in lots of laughs again so pencil us in!

November

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Sunday

Daylight Savings Time

Don't forget to "fall back" an hour this Sunday!

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Children's Choir Rehearsal continues this week with Dr. Esther Chang

Esther's Sing-A-Long Children's Choir rehearses again after Worship from 11:30 a.m. til Noon as they prepare to perform on Sunday, November 19th.

November

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Friday

FBC's Church Office Closed in honor of Veteran's Day

The Church Office will be closed on the 10th and reopen regular time on Monday, November 13th. If you are off on Veteran's Day, swing by Brayden's birthday party (details below!) and let's celebrate and make this child's day!

November

Brayden's 2nd B-Day Celebration

10
Friday

Get ready for a Bluey-rific good time celebrating little Brayden's 2nd Birthday! All our FBC Family are invited to this joyful occasion as we honor this important member of our church family in a fun way from 2:00-4:30 p.m. in the FBC Gym. Please join us in honoring Brayden!

November

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Sunday

Refugee Immigration Ministry 37th Anniversary Dinner & Silent Auction

R.I.M. invites you to their 37th Anniversary International Dinner to help continue supporting Asylum Seekers to live among us safely. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and the event runs from 6:00-8:00 p.m. at the Armenian Cultural and Education Center located at 47 Nichols Avenue, Watertown, MA.

November

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Tuesday

Theology On Tap

Reminder that TOT meets this month on the SECOND Tuesday, but we're still at Post in Hamilton. Look forward to seeing you then!

December

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Friday

Hanging Of The Greens

Save-the-date for a festive FBC tradition where we usher in the Advent Season with dinner, church decorating, caroling, and TONS of fun! We'll gather together and start this holly jolly night from 5:00-7:30 p.m. or so. Please mark your calendars and [RSVP to Julie at jflowers@fbcbeverly.org](mailto:jflowers@fbcbeverly.org) to show interest so we can get the food count just right (all this festiveness can work up quite a hunger!)

December

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Saturday

Save-the-Date: Interfaith Concert at FBC!

We're hosting a really cool interfaith concert at FBC with a Hanukkah rock band called the *LeeVeas*. Adam Gardner of the band *Guster* is one of the lead singers for the LeeVeas, who will be featured on *NPRs "tiny desk concerts"* this month in fact! We're hoping to pack the Sanctuary for this special concert so stay tuned for more details!

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