

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH IN BEVERLY

A progressive and welcoming Christian community

We are nearing the middle of January and look forward to reintroducing our annual theme of *Some Assembly Required*, here at FBC this week! There are many exciting opportunities to continue to assemble together, including a pizza party *de-greening* this Friday, our upcoming Church Council and Annual Meetings both this month, and a special celebratory luncheon & reception right after worship on the 21st. It might be getting colder outside but at FBC we are just warming up~ Hope to see you soon!



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Join us this **Sunday, January 14th at 10:00 a.m.** for Worship either in person or via our [FBC YouTube Channel](#).

Notes for Sunday:

- The Infant/Toddler room will be open during worship this week.
- Littlest Learners will meet during worship this week.
- Sunday School Class meets this week. The Playground 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 and Senior High Youth Fellowship groups Take II this week! Both groups are back at their regularly scheduled times after being snowed out last week. Middle School will be bowling & celebrating Dave's Birthday and Senior High will have *Life After Fellowship* in the youth lounge!

Sunday, January 14, 2024
First Baptist Church in Beverly

“ASSEMBLY (STILL) REQUIRED”

SCRIPTURE:
AMOS 5:14-15 & 21-24



Rev. Julie Flowers, Preaching

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

FBC's



PARENTS' NIGHT OUT

FBC's first PNO of 2024 was the best time sharing dinner, playing games, and thinking about our own Star Words to guide our year with a fantastic group of kids, youth, and volunteers last Friday night!

THANK YOU to all the volunteers who made PNO so much fun, and THANK YOU to all the parents and caregivers who shared your amazing kids with us!

Be sure to save Friday, February 2nd from 6:00-8:30 p.m. for our next PNO!



Thought You Missed FBC's Big Fall Pledge Drive?

...It's Not Too Late To Pledge!

Church Treasurer John Thomson has received all the budget requests for 2024 from church staff and committees and has been hard at work in his office in the church basement putting together a proposed budget for 2024 which will be presented to the Church Council on January 16 and then to the all-church midyear meeting in late January for approval. The 2024 pledge drive has been a very affirming one with many pledgers increasing their pledged amounts and many new people submitting pledges for the first time and in very generous amounts.

But there is still time to pledge, even at this last minute! The Finance Committee would like to have the most accurate and generous figure it can. Pledges are a major part of the income of the church and will play a major part in enabling the church and its members to meet whatever needs and challenges for service, spiritual inspiration, children's programs, and fun fellowship events that the year ahead may bring.

If you have a pledge card, this is the time to return it, or if you're at Sunday's worship service, pledge cards are still available in the pew racks and can be placed in the collection plate, or an electronic pledge card is available on the [church website under the "Donate" section](#) and can be submitted instantly. The church is extremely grateful to those who choose to support the church with a pledge.

[Link to Pledge Electronically](#)

INVESTING in the MINISTRY of FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH - 2024

As an affirmation of the importance of our church in these times of stress and challenge, I/we want to support its ministries as much as possible.

After prayerful consideration:

I/we pledge to contribute \$ _____ per week/ month/ year, for a total of \$ _____.
I/we do _____ do not _____ (check one) wish to receive weekly pledge envelopes.
____ [if checked] Please contact me/us about electronic giving at the email address below.

Thank you—your gift is IMPORTANT !

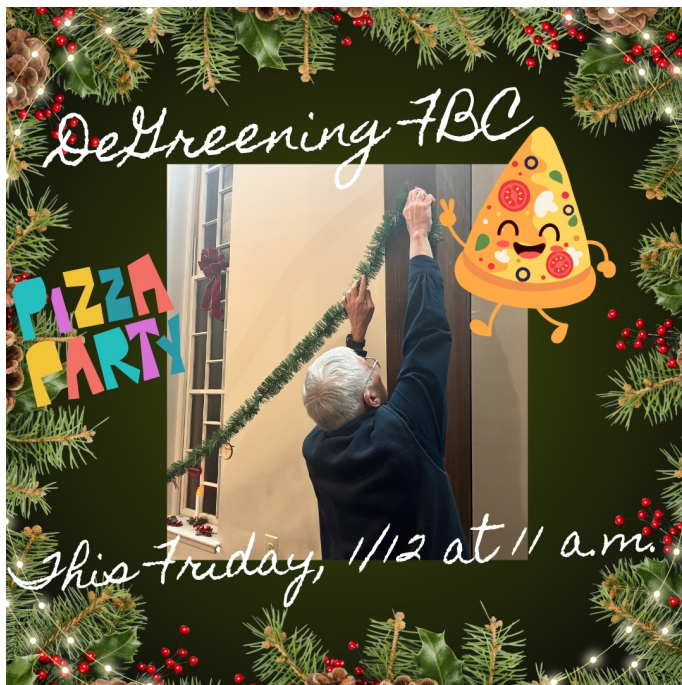
Print name(s) _____
Date: _____
Address: _____ Phone: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Email address: _____

Some Assembly Required

First Baptist Church in Beverly
2023-2024

2024 PLEDGE CARD

Youth Fellowships will meet this Sunday, both with the programs that were snowed out last week!



Speaking of Fellowship, Swing by and Join us for a little "take-down-the-greens" Party!

This Friday, January 12th at 11 a.m. we will officially De-Green the Church (taking down all of the greens and decorations from Advent) and would love some extra helping hands!

We will provide pizza for lunch for all helpers! Anyone who is available should *please RSVP to Julie* for an accurate food count (enough pizza is important- De-decorating can work up a hunger!).

[Link to Email Julie: I'm In!](#)

Double the fun (& Assembly!) this January!



Two **Important** FBC Meetings this Month

Some Assembly is **DEFINITELY** required!



Reminder that we have the **Church Council Meeting on Tuesday, January 16th at 7:00 p.m.**

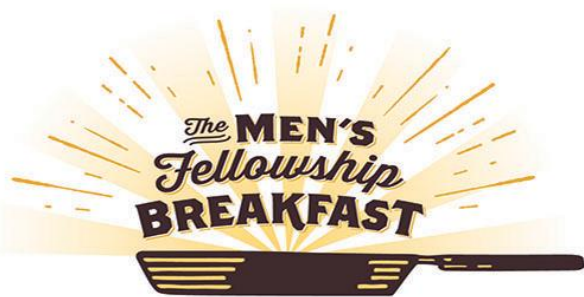
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Our **FBC Mid-Year Meeting** right after worship (*light meal and childcare provided*) on **Sunday, January 28th**, with a Snow Date on the following Sunday.

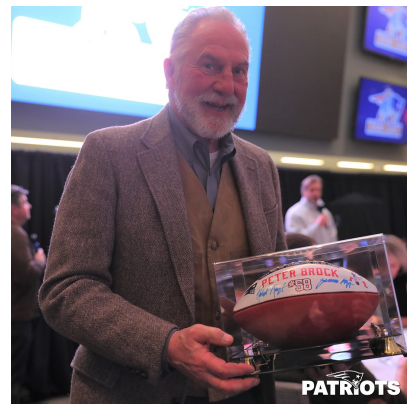
More details to follow, but we hope everyone will plan to stay following worship and join us for a celebratory event, generously hosted in conjunction with Jack Alves on:



Two Awesome Men's Fellowship Opportunities this Month



T3 Men's Fellowship Breakfast meets next **Tuesday, January 16th at 7:00 a.m. at Depot Diner**. This group gathers every third Tuesday of the month and will meet at Steph's in February.).



Hear from Pete Brock, former New England Patriot for 11 years and head of the Patriot Alumni Association for 25 years, at **Post in Hamilton on Wednesday, January 24th at 7 PM!**

Looking Ahead...

Together Again!

Zoom Coffee
Hour
Thursdays
@ 10am



[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 join Lectio via
Zoom](#)

Word Searchers

Let's try this one more time! Join the Word Searchers in the Conference Room at 11:30 this Sunday morning for a class that we have now missed twice. The primary text, again, will be Luke 1:26-55 (which surely everyone has memorized by now!). The final video presentation by Will Willimon in *Heaven and Earth* will focus our attention on the theme of rejoicing as we consider this text. We hope to see you there!

Come, Let Us Worship

FBC'S

PODCAST

The Weekly
Worship
Podcast of
First Baptist
Church in
Beverly,
Massachusetts



NEW EPISODE:

"...The Magi Went,
Anyway" with Scripture
from Matthew 2:1-12
Rev. Julie Flowers
January 7, 2024



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go!](#)



RIVERSIDE RENAISSANCE SWING BAND

MY NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION



PLAY MORE PICKLEBALL

Join us every Monday night at 7 o'clock in the FBC Beverly Gym! Come out and live, laugh & play some pickleball with us in 2024!

Learn more about RRSB ahead of their benefit concert for Amirah at FBC in early February

“

²⁴ But let justice roll on like a river,
righteousness like a never-failing stream! — Amos 5:24

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PENCIL IN FBC

January

16

Tuesday

T3 Men's Fellowship Breakfast

This growing group of FBC men will gather at 7:00 a.m. at Depot Diner off of Rte 1A
(Please Note that for February the group will meet at Stephy's.).

January

16

Tuesday

Church Council Meeting

The next Church Council meeting is set for 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday the 16th. Please mark your calendars, friends!

January

21

Sunday

Celebratory Luncheon and Event

Everyone is invited to stay immediately after church for a special luncheon and reception!

January

24

Wednesday

Men's Fellowship Event featuring speaker, Pete Brock, former New England Patriot Center!

We look forward to meeting at 7:00 p.m. at Post in Hamilton to hear from Pete Brock, who spent 11 years as the Center for the Patriots and 25 years as the President of the Patriots Alumni. Come out for an interesting & fun FBC evening!

January

28

Sunday

Save-The-Date! FBC's Mid-Year Meeting

Join us right after Worship at 11:30 a.m. for our Mid-Year Meeting (*Light meal and childcare provided!*). All are welcome to stay after Worship and attend. The snow date will be the following Sunday, which is February 4th.

February

2

Friday

Parents' Night Out for February!

Mark your calendars and start making plans for February's PNO at FBC! Bring the kids from 6:00-8:30 p.m. for a fun evening of dinner, fellowship and entertainment while you use the time however you need/wish! FREE and open to all in our community~ spread the Word!

February

2-4

Friday-Sunday

Middle School Fellowship Retreat to Grotonwood

Less than one month until our Middle School Fellowship group packs their bags for a special overnight! [See/Email Julie](#) with any questions and stay tuned on forthcoming details!

February

6

Tuesday

Theology On Tap

February's TOT will be back at our usual hot spot, Post in Hamilton at 8:00 p.m. Bring your hunger for fellowship and thirst for lively Biblical discussion!

February

9

Friday

Riverside Renaissance Concert at FBC!

We joyfully welcome the Riverside Renaissance Swing Band (RRSB) for a live performance at FBC from 7:00-9:00 p.m. this evening. The RRSB is a passionate community of musicians dedicated to spreading joy through the power of music. Come out for a great cause (proceeds benefit Amirah, Inc.) and to hear a wide array of live music from timeless swing to big band, rock and roll classics and even some contemporary hits!

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