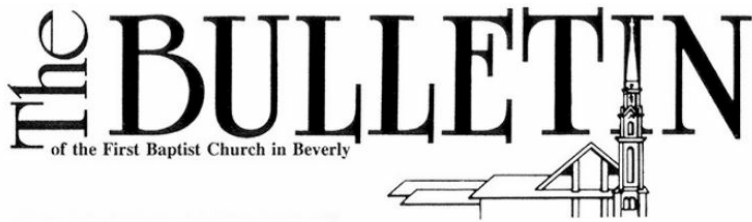


FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH IN BEVERLY

A progressive and welcoming Christian community

Lent is in full swing, and we're now taking Easter Lily and Tulip orders! Read on to learn all the details. Don't forget to mark your calendars for this Sunday after worship for our next installment in the Wholly Sustainable Discussion Forum Series presented in conjunction with our friends at Green Beverly as we hear from some real Trash Talkers at 11:30 a.m., 2/25!



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Get Involved

Worship with Us

Worship With Us!

Join us this **Sunday, February 25, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.** for Worship either in person or via our [FBC YouTube Channel](#) for the second Sunday of Lent.

Wholly Sustainable Event at 11:30 a.m.: Waste 101!

Notes for Sunday:

- The Infant/Toddler room will be open during worship this week.
- Littlest Learners will meet during worship this week.
- Our Elementary 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.
- The Baptism Class will start **THIS SUNDAY** from 1:30-3:00 p.m.; youth/adults can still [sign up with Julie](#) and join the class though!
- Middle School Fellowship will run 3:30-6:00 p.m. this week and Senior High Youth Fellowship from 6:00-9:00 p.m.

“Window Frames”

Sunday, February 25, 2024



Scripture Readings:
Matthew 11:2-19 and 15:21-28
First Egalitarian Translation

Preaching: Rev. Julie Flowers,
First Baptist Church in Beverly

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Youth Fellowship Scoop for this Sunday!

Middle School Fellowship Group, Sunday, 3:30-6:00 p.m.: Leap Year is Here so a field trip to SkyZone is in order! For any Middle Schoolers attending this Sunday, PLEASE make sure you have a current waiver at Danvers SkyZone and/or to fill out a waiver [HERE](#)!

Senior High Fellowship Group, Sunday 6-9 p.m.: Trust, Communication and Games, Oh MY! We'll have the chance to explore topics about trust and how we communicate with each other – all through some different games and group challenges (fun ones!). Dinner will also be provided, and friends are welcome, as always!

Lent 2024

First Baptist Church in Beverly

It's That Time of Year!

Place orders with Pat by Sunday, March 17th

✦
\$9.50 for lilies and \$8.00 for tulips

ORDER YOUR
*Easter Lilies &
Tulips*



Orders now being accepted for Easter Lilies and Tulips

Easter lilies and tulips are now available to order at FBC! Cost is \$9.50 for lilies and \$8.00 for tulips; Orders are due to Pat by Sunday, March 17th. You can sign up in the church office, contact Pat at phaight@fbcbeverly.org or call the church office at 978-922-3295.

The flowers, in memory or in honor of a loved one, will decorate our Sanctuary during our Easter Sunday Service and will be available to take with you after the service on March 31st. If you prefer, you can donate your flower(s) to be gifted to members of the First Baptist Church family who are not able to join us for worship as often as they would like in person but who are still very much a part of our FBC Family!

Baptism Class Begins on Sunday

Julie will begin running a Baptism Class starting on Sunday, but we'll joyfully welcome anyone else who still might be interested.

This is a class for learning and discerning and coming to the point of making a decision about baptism; it is NOT expected that interested baptism candidates will already know for certain if they wish to be baptized when the class begins. Additionally, if there are adults in the church family who wish to learn more about the decision to be baptized, they are also welcome to reach out to Julie as soon as possible to get the ball rolling!

Please *Connect with Julie regarding Baptism* ASAP if you are in grade 8 or above and still interested.



Service of Dedication for Young Children at FBC



FBC OFFERS SERVICE OF DEDICATION

"Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it." ~ Proverbs 22:6

For American Baptists, the decision to walk through the waters of baptism is one made by older youth and adults, but we also have a tradition for the welcome, the celebration, and the blessing of our youngest children as their lives are dedicated to the care and keeping of their loving God. We are inviting all families with babies or young children who have not yet had the opportunity to be dedicated in this way to be part of a Service of Dedication within our Sunday worship service.

Our tradition of a Service of Dedication is a joyful and faithful opportunity for parents to bring their children before the church family to dedicate their lives to God in a time of blessing and care. It is also a time for the church family, in turn, to make promises of the ways in which the church is called to the support and care of these children and their families.

If you are interested in having your child(ren) dedicated, ***please contact Julie*** for more information and/or to schedule the service on a Sunday that works for you and your family.



Special Update!

The Treasurer is delighted to report that the church has received a very generous donation, a large part of which is designated go toward the cost of replacing the outside lighting of the steeple. That need was discussed at our recent Mid-Year meeting as part of the capital budget, but had been deferred due to the need for fundraising. The donor wishes to remain anonymous but has expressed their hope that this gift will inspire others to contribute to a project that will keep our steeple a well-illuminated landmark in the nighttime skyline of Beverly for years to come.

EVENTS AND WAYS WE CAN MAKE THE DIFFERENCE: OPEN THE DOOR TO LOVE OUTWARD AND *CONNECT* THIS LENTEN SEASON

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
IN BEVERLY**

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WHOLLY SUSTAINABLE FORUM: WASTE 101

**SUNDAY,
FEB. 25 @
11:30 AM,
FBC**

**A TRUE TRASH TALKER FROM
THE BEVERLY WASTE
REDUCTION COMMITTEE WILL
SHARE TIPS FOR CUTTING
DOWN ON WASTE.**

ECCO

ESSEX COUNTY COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION

TAKE ACTION FOR JUSTICE WITH US!

IN-DISTRICT MEETINGS

JOIN OUR LATEST JUSTICE CAMPAIGN

Let's show up for housing justice! Join fellow community leaders from across your local Senate district for an **In-District Meeting (IDM)** with your legislators:

Senator Joan Lovely (confirmed)
Representative Manny Cruz (confirmed)
Representative Sally Kerans (confirmed)
Representative Jerald Parisella (invited)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27TH, 7PM
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH IN BEVERLY

221 CABOT STREET
BEVERLY, MA 01915

This IDM is an opportunity to engage with lawmakers directly. We will be securing public commitments from these lawmakers to address issues surrounding **public housing, affordable rental/homeownership, and reentry from incarceration**. Our asks will be supported by the sharing of stories by leaders with lived experience dealing with these issues.

Register today: <http://bit.ly/housing-2-27-24>



Saturday Lunch Program Informational Session & Volunteer Orientation

Every Saturday of the year, from the FBC kitchen, this church offers a free meal for our neighbors in need. Our volunteer teams work together to provide a hot, sit-down meal in a welcoming environment. Most volunteers commit their time once a month, but many serve periodically to fill in for a regular team member.

At this time, we are welcoming additional volunteers to join our teams! If you are interested in learning more about the program, or have been considering whether this special ministry might be a good fit for you, please plan to attend an informational session and orientation on either Wednesday, February 28th or Wednesday, March 6th from 7:00-8:00 p.m. in the FBC kitchen. (Both of the sessions will be the same, so choose the date that works best for your schedule).



Let's do
LUNCH!

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Informational Session &
Volunteer Orientation!

Either Wednesday, February 28th
or Wednesday, March 6th from
7:00-8:00 p.m. in the FBC kitchen.

RSVP to Cindy Shupp at cjshupp@verizon.net or 978-337-9662.

This is a great opportunity for students who are looking for volunteer hours or for anyone who would like to be more involved in the life of FBC!

RSVP to Cindy Shupp at cjshupp@verizon.net or at 978-337-9662 if you are IN!

Looking Ahead...

Together Again!

Zoom Coffee
Hour
Thursdays
@ 10 am

**CANCELED THIS
WEEK BUT SEE
YOU NEXT WEEK!**



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](#)

**NOT MEETING
Word Search
THIS SUNDAY ~
PLEASE COME
INSTEAD FOR
WASTE 101!**

Let's try this one more time. The
Word Search at the Conference
Room on this Sunday morning
for a class that we have now
twice. The new program, will
be on 12-13 (which surely
everyone has memorized by
now). The final video presentation with
Willimor on *Creation and Earth* will
focus our attention on the theme of
rejoicing as we consider this text.
We hope to see you there!

PICKLEBALL AT FBC

LOVE

See you Monday@ 7pm in the gym!

“

Wisdom will be vindicated by her own actions. —Matthew 11:19b

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PENCIL IN FBC

February

25

Sunday

Green Beverly Panel Discussion: Waste 101

Stay after worship for our next iteration in the Green Beverly series to learn how to cut down on our waste. The fun starts at 11:30 a.m. in the Chapel and our trash talker will be a representative from the Beverly Waste Reduction Committee for this week!

February

27

Tuesday

Take Action for Justice with Ecco! In-District Meeting on the Horizon

Join us on the 27th at 7:00 p.m. and show up for housing justice! This In-District Meeting will include community leaders from across our local State Senate District and three out of four legislators are confirmed at this present time. Please represent at this opportunity to speak out directly on issues surrounding public housing, affordable rental/home ownership, and reentry from incarceration.

February

28

Wednesday

Saturday Lunch Program Info. Session & Volunteer Orientation (1st Offering)

Meet us in the FBC kitchen from 7:00-8:00 p.m. either tonight or on March 6th, same time, same place, to see how you can make a difference through this amazing FBC Ministry!

March

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Friday

PNO

It's the first Friday of the month which means it's FBC's PNO from 6:00-8:30 p.m.! Youth ages 2-12 are invited in our church family and the great community as well.

March

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Sunday

Communion Sunday

Please note that this will be Communion Sunday being the first Sunday of the month and the Third Sunday in Lent. If joining us via Livestream, prepare to have your Elements of Communion ready.

March

5

Tuesday

Theology On Tap

Our TOT fellowship group will meet at 8:00 pm. If you are thirsting for some lively Biblical discussion, mark your calendar now!

March

6

Wednesday

Saturday Lunch Program Info. Session & Volunteer Orientation (2nd Offering)

Join us in the FBC kitchen from 7:00-8:00 p.m. if you missed us on the 28th to learn how you can make all the difference through helping serve others in a variety of ways thru FBC's Saturday Lunch Program!

March

8-10

Friday-Sunday

Women's Retreat to Grotonwood

The ladies of FBC are packing up and hitting the road for this powerful, bonding weekend away to Grotonwood.

March

16

Saturday

Book Club for *The Bones Cry Out*

Join Terri McFadden for a conversation about her recently published 17th century mystery, *The Bones Cry Out*. The story is set in Beverly between 1689 and 1692 and is based on actual events of the period! The first meeting to kick-off the book discussion will be held at FBC on the 16th at 1:30 pm. Copies available at [Copper Dog Books](#) on Cabot St.

March

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Sunday

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