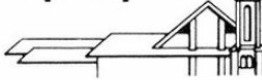


FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH IN BEVERLY

A progressive and welcoming Christian community

The BULLETIN

of the First Baptist Church in Beverly



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Get Involved

Worship with Us

It might have felt like we were heading into a wave of calm and quiet post-Lent, but that is not the case! We are ramping up at the First Baptist Church in Beverly more than ever with a ton of fellowship, volunteer and community-oriented opportunities to help connect with others and find ways to deepen your own faith journey this spring. Read on to see what might interest you as we look forward to warmer days ahead!

Worship With Us!

Join us this **Sunday, April 14, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.** either in person or via our [FBC YouTube Channel](#) for Rev. Manny's last Sunday with us.

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 will meet this week. The Prayground will 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 Fellowship groups will meet this Sunday at their regular times.

Sunday, April 14, 2024
10 o'clock

“Taking Inventory to Assemble”

First Baptist Church in Beverly



Preaching: Rev. Manny Faria
Scripture: Johnn 20:19-31

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

Thank Rev. Manny at...

Coffee Hour

Sunday, April 14
after Worship



Coffee Hour Planned Honoring Rev. Manny Faria

Join us this **Sunday, April 14th**, as that will be our Pastoral Care and Visitation Associate, Rev. Manny Faria's last Sunday with us!

Manny will be preaching as indicated above, and then we will have the chance to thank and celebrate Manny at a coffee hour gathering following worship (those who are planning to attend the LDWFC can do both – stop by coffee hour to celebrate Manny and then head to the meeting at 11:30!).

Thank you to Manny for being such a wonderful asset to our FBC Family these past few months!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Friday Night's PNO

Fun & Smiles were
both aplenty!



SAVE-THE-DATE

For Friday, May 3rd,
6:00-8:30 pm for our next
PNO here at FBC!



Recycling/Repurposing your Eclipse Glasses!

Did you have a chance to get outside with your eyes safely protected and covered with eclipse glasses to enjoy this Monday's solar eclipse? Or at least the 93% of it that Beverly got, which was still 100% amazing!

If you have eclipse glasses that are now done eclipse-viewing, please consider bringing them by the church to be collected and donated to allow folks in Central America to enjoy and view the eclipse that will pass over their area in October. This initiative, sponsored by Astronomers without Borders, is a great way to ensure your eclipse glasses don't end up single use and in our waste stream while *also* providing access and opportunity for others to enjoy an amazing eclipse event.



Our own Todd Ames will be taking all our donated eclipse glasses to a local Astronomers without Borders collection site (thank you, Todd, for discovering this opportunity to pass our glasses on AND for making it happen!). Please bring your glasses to the church the next time you come by and place them in the box in the main office for collection and donation. *Thanks for allowing others to experience a total eclipse thanks to your heart!*

Don't Miss the Labor Day Weekend Family Camp Informational Session this Sunday, April 14, 2024 at 11:30 a.m.!

LABOR DAY WEEKEND FAMILY CAMP

INFO. SESSION
THIS SUNDAY
@ 11:30 A.M.
AFTER WORSHIP!

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
IN BEVERLY

All are invited to hear about Labor Day Weekend Family Camp, especially those who are considering joining us for the first time. It's a wonderful way to spend the weekend at Geneva Point Center right on Lake Winnepesaukee. The weekend is for all ages, singles, families, extended family, friends, and newcomers. It is a time of fun, exploration, community, recreation, and a great way to get to know other FBC folks in a beautiful setting.

Read up more on LDWFC on their *website*. Please Note: First time attendees will receive a discount. Further questions? Contact Cindy Shupp at cjshupp@verizon.net.

MAKE A
DIFFERENCE
THIS EARTH
DAY RIGHT
HERE IN
BEVERLY!



Join us in cleaning up our community on Saturday, April 20th from 9:45-11:00 a.m. Let's work together to make a positive impact on the world starting in our own backyard!



Earth Day Clean Up in Beverly

In honor of Earth Day, please join us at Balch Park in Beverly on **Saturday, April 20th** to clean up the park and surrounding woods from **9:45 am-11 am**. All are welcome, especially children and youth! Gloves and bags will be provided. This is an event offered in conjunction with *SPUR*, a local organization that provides volunteer opportunities that meet the needs of the community.

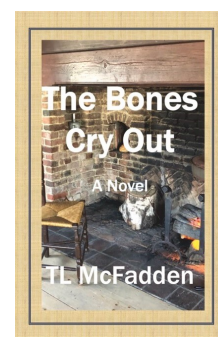
Email Brenda to RSVP for this fun and fruitful Saturday where we can all give a little time and gain a more beautiful Beverly back in return!

The Bones Cry Out Book Discussion Group is Back on the Books!

We have rescheduled the discussion for "The Bones Cry Out," authored by our very own Terri McFadden, for 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 20th !

This book discussion group will get the chance to chat with Terri 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!

If you are a reader and haven't had a chance to pick up your copy, head over to Copper Dog Books on Cabot Street or you can visit <https://www.copperdogbooks.com/product/bones-cry-out> to get your copy today!



NEW FBC Offering starts in exactly TWO weeks from Today!



Abby Sykes and Lisa LaPlante will join forces to offer a new class starting on Wednesday, April 24th every Wednesday through May 22nd from 6:30-8:00 p.m. at FBC Beverly. This is an invitation to connect with your body through reflection journaling and gentle, embodied movement.

Together we'll journey, learn and grow through this initial five week series where all are welcomed to explore how ALL humans are created in the image of God and ALL bodies are an important and highly valued part of our FBC Beverly community.

The five weeks will include topics such as:

- Body Image: What does it mean to be in relation with your body?;
- Food as a source of connection to oneself and others;
- Messages we receive about bodies and how to keep our center;
- How the language we use about bodies impacts us and others, and
- Holding Space for the joy & pain that comes with having a body in this world.

Please reach out to *Abby* or *Lisa* with any questions or to express your interest!

Let's Have Some Fun!

We invite you to be part of the FBC "Fun Squad"...a standing group of fun-loving FBC people who would like to engage our church community in activities for the purpose of play, fun, and joy!

The "burden is easy and the yoke is light!" There will be no regular meetings and an ease of commitment.

Amy Puff and Todd Ames will be leading this team on behalf of our church family. All are invited to an Informational Meeting on **Thursday, April 25th from 7:00-8:00 p.m. at FBC** to learn more!

Please RSVP to Amy at alpffchr@aol.com or Todd at todd.a.ames@gmail.com to confirm your attendance or interest. We hope to see you there!



Save Saturday, May 4th: Back-to-Back Opportunities at FBC with Lunch in between!

Save-The-Date!: Saturday May 4th is both Service Saturday *AND* World Labyrinth Day!

What is Service Saturday, you may ask?

Formerly called Super Mission Saturday, it is an all-ages church tradition in which we spend the morning volunteering together locally. Choose from a variety of service projects from within our church building as well as in the Beverly community from 8:45 am – 12:15 pm. There will be special activities for children. Additional details about the service opportunities will be forthcoming.

After a morning of service, volunteers can then enjoy lunch at the church before walking FBC's labyrinth in a meditation for world peace. We will walk creating a unified rolling wave of peaceful energy passing from one time zone to the next around the globe in celebration of World Labyrinth Day at 1:00 pm.

(Please note that participation in both events is encouraged, but not necessary. Enjoy Service Saturday, World Labyrinth Day, or both!)

More Opportunities for Women's Fellowship:

We're enVisioning a Women's Fellowship Event on Friday, May 10th!



We are happy to let you know that we have a Women's Fellowship program coming up on Friday, May 10th beginning at 6:30 p.m. at Tracey Armstrong's home. The program will involve creating Vision Boards. All supplies will be provided, although if you have a favorite pair of scissors, you are welcome to bring them along. Also if you have any photos of things that are important to you, and which you are comfortable glueing or taping to your vision board, bring those along as well.

Vision boards can be visual representations of goals, and we will take a loose approach to our projects so we can make what feels right to you. You might want to create a self-care vision board for example, or a personal growth vision board. We will collaborate and share everything you need to know for this fun and basic project.

We will have some munchies, please feel free to bring something along if you have any specific food or drink requirements.

We look forward to seeing you and being together in community on Friday, May 10th. Please RSVP to Pat by May 3rd at phaight@fbcbeverly.org so we can prepare for supplies and snacks. Pat can also assist if you need directions.

Save-The-Date & Step Right Up: Carnival Concert Comes to FBC on Saturday, May 11th from 1:30-3:30 p.m.!

The North Shore Philharmonic Orchestra (NSPO) is performing a Children's Concert at FBC Beverly on Saturday, May 11th, 2024! The festivities begin with an instrument petting zoo at 1:30 pm in the gym, along with crafts, and small student ensembles. The full orchestra performs at 3:00 p.m. playing a short concert in the FBC Sanctuary.

This community-wide event is open to everyone, although especially geared toward young children preschool and early elementary aged, but again, ALL ages are invited! Tickets are on sale now and can be purchased at the link below on the NSPO website. You won't want to miss this vibrant, child-friendly musical event!

Take a Listen [HERE](#) to get a taste of the music, then purchase your tickets right [HERE](#)!

NORTH SHORE PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA PRESENTS

CARNIVAL OF THE ANIMALS: UNCAGED

A concert for children of all ages!
by Saint-Saens, arr. J. Mashak

Concerto for Two Violins D minor by JS Bach
High Schoolers Ian Ryu and Maddie Dodge, soloists
Marshunda Smith, Guest Conductor

Instrument Petting Zoo,
Crafts, Student Ensembles

Tickets at NSPO.org
\$10 Adults
\$5 (child 5-18)
Free (age 4 and under)

Saturday May 11th
Student Performers @ 1:30p
Full Orchestra Concert @ 3pm

First Baptist Church,
221 Cabot St
Beverly

This program is supported in part by a grant from the Beverly Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Mass Cultural Council, a state agency.

Beverly Cultural Council | **Mass Cultural Council** | **The NORTH SHORE Philharmonic Orchestra**



Pictured are North Shore Philharmonic Orchestra children's concert planning committee members...



...prepping interactive musical giveaways for the children who come to the concert!

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

The Word Searcher adult Bible study will (finally!) be back again this Sunday at 11:30 a.m., in the Office Wing Conference Room. Our primary text this week is John 20:19-31, and we will also consider what Jamie Clark-Soles has to say about this passage in chapter 15 of *Reading John for Dear Life*. Let's imagine together what it would have been like to encounter the risen Christ as John reports it!

NEXT TUESDAY IS...

FBC's T3 Men's Fellowship Bfast!

Stephy's @ 7:00 a.m., Tuesday, April 16
41 Beckford Street, Beverly, MA 01915

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JOIN US ON SUNDAY, 4/21/24 AFTER WORSHIP FOR FBC'S...

YOUTH CLASS

A Youth Sunday School Class meeting right after worship for all youth in grades 5-12!

WHOLLY SUSTAINABLE FORUM PRESENTS:

ELECTRIC VEHICLES

Join us on Sunday, April 21, 2024 at 2:00 o'clock at FBC Beverly to hear from local clean energy consultant, Sean Leach, as he gets us all charged up about using EVs to go from here to there!

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³⁰ Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. ³¹ But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

– John 20:30-31
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PENCIL IN FBC

April

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Thursday

Women's Fellowship Field Trip!

A group from FBC are hitting the road for [Cambridge](#) to attend Anne Lamott's Book Tour for *Somehow: Thoughts On Love!*

April

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Sunday

Labor Day Weekend Family Camp Info. Session Post-Worship

Stay after Worship next Sunday for a brief informational session on Labor Day Weekend Family Camp, especially if you've never been! Great chance to talk with others and learn more about what a fun, meaningful weekend this can be for anyone and everyone!

April

16

Tuesday

T3 Men's Fellowship Breakfast

Our T3 Men's Fellowship Group are back at Stephy's this month at 7:00 a.m. for their monthly breakfast.

April

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Saturday

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Book Discussion *Rescheduled*

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April
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Sunday

Youth Class Reconvenes!

Youth in grades 5-12 are invited to stay immediately after Worship today for Youth Class.

Wholly Sustainable Forum Series Continues with Green Beverly

Join us at 2 o'clock for our fifth iteration in the Wholly Sustainable Discussion series as local clean energy consultant Sean Leach gets us all charged up about using Electric Vehicles!

April
24
Wednesday

Coming Home: Learning to Trust & Accept Your Body

Lisa and Abby kick off their new class from 6:30-8:00 p.m. running for five weeks. This is an invitation to connect with your body through reflection journaling and gentle, embodied movement.

April
25
Thursday

Fun Squad Meets :)

Join Amy and Todd tonight for the "Fun Squad" at FBC for the very first meeting from 7:00-8:00 p.m. to talk all things fun and engaging at FBC!

May
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Friday

Parents' Night Out for May

All youth and children ages 2 through middle school are welcome to attend FBC's PNO from 6:00-8:30 p.m. High School students can volunteer and receive service hours (while having a blast!) by reaching out to Julie at jjflowers@fbcbeverly.org in advance please.

May
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Lend a hand on service projects from within our church building as well as in the Beverly community from 8:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. There will be special activities for children too!

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May
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Tuesday

Theology On Tap

Our TOT crew will meet at The Kitchen Table again right here in Beverly to share in quality fellowship time in this casual setting. Reminder that friends are always welcome too!

May

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Friday

Women's Fellowship Event: Vision Boards

The ladies of FBC will have the opportunity to gather at Tracey Armstrong's home at 6:30 p.m. for a fun evening of fellowship involving much creativity making personalized vision boards. Please RSVP by May 3rd to Pat at phaight@fbcbeverly.org (who can also provide directions if needed).

May

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