

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH IN BEVERLY

A progressive and welcoming Christian community



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Get
Involved

Worship with
Us

It's already the middle of April and signs of spring abound all around us! As we look ahead at FBC, we see there's a lot of opportunity to reconnect with the earth, get a little dirt under our nails, and to even try something new in this new season! We hope you will take advantage of fresh groups forming, growing annual events like *World Labyrinth Day*, and nurturing traditions such as *Children and Youth Sunday* (May 12th already!). We are grateful to have you as part of our vibrant community and hope to see you soon!

Worship With Us!

Join us this **Sunday, April 21, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.** 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.
- 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.
- Youth Class meets this week immediately after worship for those in grades 5-12.
- Middle School and Senior High Fellowship groups will meet this Sunday at their regular times.

Sunday,
April 21, 2024
at 10 o'clock

First Baptist
Church in Beverly

**“WATCH ONE;
DO ONE;
TEACH ONE”**

Preaching:
Rev. Julie Flowers

Scripture:
John 20:11-18

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**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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Green Beverly Discussion Forum Event this Sunday at FBC, 2:00 p.m.!

Over the last six months, our friends at Green Beverly have been leading us in a series of thoughtful conversations on environmental stewardship. This month's installment in the forum series will focus on the Electric Vehicle revolution.

Join us in the Chapel at **2:00 p.m.** (note the new time!) this Sunday to learn more about how we can help to make a greener, more sustainable future together!

Visit the GB website to see all the cool things they are doing here in Beverly!

thank you

Dear Friends at FBC,
I cannot begin to thank you for the warmth with which you sent me off last Sunday as I finished up my time with you. The cakes -- chocolate and vanilla -- the kind words, the poetry (thanks, Marty), the You Rock rock, the presents from the Lay Visitation folks, the lap blanket, John's history of First Baptist Church, and the group sing of *O Manny Boy!* I have enjoyed my time with you so much and have loved working with Julie and Daniel. We may worship in different ways, but our understanding of the Gospel and how to live it is one and the same. I look forward to seeing you again from time to time. God's blessing be upon you all.

Thank you,
Manny

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Manny!



We had a wonderful time celebrating Manny & his time with us this past Sunday.

Youth Photo Recap + Updates for this Sunday:

For this coming Sunday, the Youth Class will meet immediately following worship, and then Middle School Fellowship meets 4-6 p.m. for a show from Curious Creatures. Sr. High meets from 6-9 p.m. for Vision Board creation this Sunday led by our very own Abby Johnstone!



FBC'S



MIDDLE SCHOOL FELLOWSHIP GROUP ENJOYED SOME KARAOKE & CRAFTING THIS PAST SUNDAY



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CHILDREN & YOUTH SUNDAY



Sunday,
May 12th!

A WORSHIP SERVICE
LED BY OUR CHILDREN
AND YOUTH!



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IN BEVERLY



FBC's

SENIOR HIGH FELLOWSHIP



**HIT CAPE ANN
LANES ON SUNDAY
TO KICK OFF
VACATION WEEK
WITH PIZZA, SKEE
BALL & BOWLING
FUN APLENTY!**



Earth Day Clean Up is this Saturday: Volunteer to Make a Difference!



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.

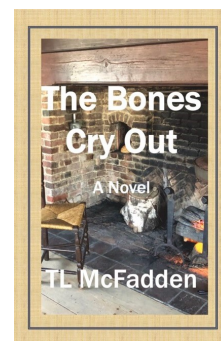
Email Brenda to RSVP ASAP for this fun and fruitful Saturday where we can all give a little time and gain a more beautiful Beverly back in return!

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

The discussion group for "The Bones Cry Out," authored by our very own Terri McFadden, meets this Saturday, April 20th at 1:30 p.m.

Stop by FBC and 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 one week!



Abby Sykes and Lisa LaPlante will join forces to offer a brand new, highly anticipated class starting on Wednesday, April 24th running 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 via email 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 alpfftchr@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!

Service Saturday *AND* World Labyrinth Day!

A graphic for Service Saturday. It features a large photograph of three people (two men and one woman) kneeling and working in a garden bed. Below the main photo are three circular inset images: one showing a person in a red shirt working in a garden, another showing a person in a white shirt working in a garden, and a third showing a person in a plaid shirt working in a garden. The text "SAVE-THE-DATE FOR FBC'S SERVICE SATURDAY" is written in large, bold, pink and black letters. Below that, the date and time "Saturday, May 4th, 2024 8:45 AM-12:15 PM" are listed in black text.

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!)

World Labyrinth Day 2024 at FBC Beverly



**Saturday, May 4, 2024 at 1:00 p.m.
221 Cabot St., Beverly, MA 01915**

On World Labyrinth Day, people are invited to **“Walk as One at 1.”** This acts as an opportunity to walk a prayer labyrinth collectively at 1:00 p.m. local time, with the purpose of creating a rolling wave of peace and energy passing around the globe, from one time zone to the next.

FREE event open to everyone in the community

New to walking labyrinths? Guides will be available plus experienced labyrinth makers on hand to answer any questions.

Children & youth are welcome!

**May 4, 2024:
World Labyrinth Day**

Every year on the first Saturday in May thousands of people around the globe participate in World Labyrinth Day as a moving meditation for world peace and celebration of the labyrinth experience.



WorldLabyrinthDay.org



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IN BEVERLY**

Looking Ahead...

Together Again!

Zoom Coffee
Hour
Thursdays
@ 10am



Coffee Time

[Zoom Coffee Hour Link](#)

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!

Come, Let Us Worship

**FBC'S
PODCAST**

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



NEW EPISODE:

"Taking Inventory to Assemble"

Scripture: John 20:19-31

Rev. Manny Faria

April 14, 2024



FPC NORTSHORE
INVITES YOU TO THE

Spring Hymn Sing

Featuring the FPC Choir and the
North Shore Christian Men's Choir

May 5, 2024
6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
179 County Rd., Ipswich

reception to follow



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¹⁵ Jesus said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?'
Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, 'Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me
where you have laid him, and I will take him away.'

¹⁶ Jesus said to her, 'Mary!' She turned and said to him in Hebrew, 'Rabbouni!' (*which means
Teacher*). – John 20:15-16
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PENCIL IN FBC

April

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Book Discussion Group: *The Bones Cry Out*

We have rescheduled the discussion for *The Bones Cry Out* authored by our very own Terri McFadden for 1:30 p.m. today!

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 (**and maybe only!**) 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 Daniel at djohnson@fbcbeverly.org in advance please.

May

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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

11

Saturday

North Shore Philharmonic Orchestra (NSPO) is performing a Children's Concert at FBC!

Fun for the whole family! 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. Tickets are on sale now at <https://www.nspo.org/concerts.php>.

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