

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH IN BEVERLY

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Worship with
Us

Enjoy taking a read through our second Holiday Edition Bulletin! This special Tuesday edition will give you a quick overview of upcoming events—such as our Bowling for Dollars event this Sunday to raise money for our summer service trip AND the new FBC Women's Fellowship event now coming up on Friday, January 24th! Don't miss a beat at FBC in 2025!

Worship With Us!

Join us for our our Epiphany Sunday Worship Service on **Sunday, January 5, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.** either in person or via our FBC YouTube Channel.

***Reminder to bring your Elements of Communion this Sunday if joining us via Livestream.**

Notes for Sunday:

- The Infant/Toddler room will be open during worship this week.
- Littlest Learners will meet during worship this week.
- The Prayground will be open as worship begins to allow our elementary-age and younger friends to enter into the quiet enjoyment of worship in a flexible child-friendly space.
- Our Elementary Class will meet following the Stepsitters children's message time during worship.
- The Youth Pew is available for youth in grades 5-12 to enjoy worship together with peers.

A graphic for a worship service featuring a starburst in the top left and light trails in the background. The text is centered and reads: 'Scripture: Isaiah 60:1-6', 'Epiphany Sunday, January 5, 2024', 'First Baptist Church in Beverly', '“Moving Into Light: Bedazzled!”', and 'Preaching: Dr. Daniel Johnson' with a starburst in the bottom right.

Scripture: Isaiah 60:1-6
Epiphany Sunday, January 5, 2024
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“Moving
Into
Light:
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Preaching: Dr. Daniel Johnson

Click [HERE](#) to join our 10
o'clock service via
livestream



MY HEART BE BRAVE:
FEARLESS HOPE IN
UNCERTAIN TIMES

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BEVERLY 2024-2025

Middle School & Senior High Fellowships will meet at their regularly scheduled times this Sunday. Our Middle School Fellowship group will be hitting Cape Ann Lanes at 4:00 p.m. in support of our big Summer Service Trip Fundraiser!

Our Senior High group will welcome Fellowship alums from previous years to talk about Life After Fellowship, with dinner provided, as usual. And don't forget: the Sr. High Retreat to North Conway, NH, January 10th-12th, is right around the bend! So stay tuned for more details as we gear up for a great time together!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Click
HERE to
view our
Web
Calendar



*Happy Start of 2025
& Shalom from
your church family
at FBC Beverly!*

Jumpstart 2025 by helping out with the first Parents' Night Out of the new year this Friday!

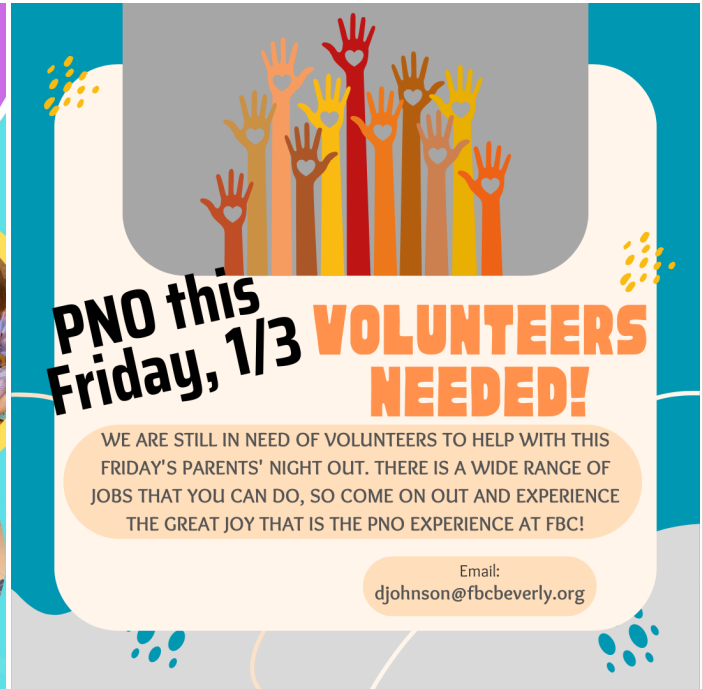


FBC's
PARENTS' NIGHT OUT!

Join us Friday, January 3rd for **Parents' Night Out (PNO)** at FBC Beverly!

This monthly FBC program runs from 6:00-8:30 p.m., and as always, we'll be ready with games, dinner and some fun learning time plus activities!

PNO is free & open to all!



PNO this Friday, 1/3 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

WE ARE STILL IN NEED OF VOLUNTEERS TO HELP WITH THIS FRIDAY'S PARENTS' NIGHT OUT. THERE IS A WIDE RANGE OF JOBS THAT YOU CAN DO, SO COME ON OUT AND EXPERIENCE THE GREAT JOY THAT IS THE PNO EXPERIENCE AT FBC!

Email: djohnson@fbcbeverly.org

FBC STAFF VACATION NOTE

JULIE WILL BE ON VACATION FROM 12/27-1/2, RETURNING TO THE OFFICE ON 1/3. ESTHER IS AWAY 12/25 THROUGH 1/18, AND IS BACK IN THE OFFICE STARTING ON 1/19.

DANIEL WILL BE AVAILABLE DURING THIS TIME FOR ANY PASTORAL NEEDS OR EMERGENCIES.

It's the final week for Gift of Heat! Please turn in your envelopes by Sunday if you plan on warming up a neighbor's home this winter.

Gift of Heat



FBC'S DEACONS ARE COLLECTING AGAIN FOR THE GIFT OF HEAT PROGRAM AND ARE ALL SET UP IN THE NARTHEX FOR FOLKS TO TAKE AN ENVELOPE TO CONTRIBUTE BY CASH OR CHECK.

YOUR GIFT IS GREATLY APPRECIATED AS WE SUPPORT BEVERLY BOOTSTRAPS IN THEIR EFFORT TO WARM HOMES AND HEARTS THROUGHOUT THE COLD NEW ENGLAND WINTER.



RETURN YOUR DONATION ANYTIME FROM NOW THROUGH EPIPHANY. THANK YOU!

2025 Service Trip Fundraiser: Bowling for Dollars with a 50/50 Raffle!

Our first service trip fundraiser will be at Cape Ann Lanes, in Gloucester, MA, on Sunday, January 5th, 4-6 pm. This is a "bowling for dollars" event in which bowlers of all ages can enjoy an evening of candlepin bowling while simultaneously supporting our summer service



trip. A portion of each ticket sold will benefit our service trippers; shoe rental is included with your ticket, but food and beverages are available for purchase at the bowling alley.

Bowling tickets are \$20 per person and are now on sale with [Eventbrite](#)! A 50/50 raffle drawing will take place as well; half of the proceeds will go to our service trip, the other half to a lucky winner!!! Raffle tickets cost \$5 for one, or five for \$20. The winning ticket will be drawn at the bowling alley, but the winner does not have to be present to win. Tickets can also be purchased with cash for both bowling and the raffle after worship service on Sunday, January 5th in the Narthex. Feel free to invite friends! The more, the merrier!

***This event is co-sponsored with our FBC Fun Squad, so expect lots of EXTRA fun, shenanigans and prizes!**

FBC Women's Fellowship Evening Planned!

Join us for a very special Women's Fellowship event at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, Jan 24th at the home of Tracey Armstrong. Our theme for the evening will be *Giving Ourselves Permission*. It may be permission to explore something we are curious about, to take a risk, to accept a circumstance, to grieve, to heal, to practice self care—whatever is needed! We will enjoy good food, great conversation, and a fun time of crafting creative permission slips for ourselves.



RSVP by clicking [HERE](#) so we have plenty of appetizers and craft supplies to go around.



Skiing for Service!

This winter, you can ski or snowboard at *Wachusett Mountain* AND simultaneously support our 2025 summer service trip! Just purchase your lift tickets online and add our code, DON-FBCBEV, into the coupon box. After your cart is updated, a portion of each ticket will go to our service trippers! The code is good for the entire season, so use it again and again. Please feel free to also share the code with ski and snowboard friends as well!

This is one easy way to help us get to our final service trip destination this summer!



Looking at the kick off to 2025 at FBC...

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

Join us in the
Lounge or via
Zoom!



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Zoom on in to Lectio this Friday by clicking [HERE](#)

Word Searchers

Our Word Searchers adult Bible study will resume after worship this Sunday, January 5, at 11:30 am in the Conference Room. This week we will dive back into our study of the book of Acts, picking up where we left off midway through chapter 5. Join us as we follow the exploits of the early leaders of the movement spawned by Jesus, as they bounce in and out of jail while the religious establishment weighs their fate!



8:00 O'CLOCK @
KITCHEN TABLE

FBC'S THEOLOGY ON TAP

500 ML • 7.5% ALC.

• HANDCRAFTED WHEAT BEER •



BEST SERVED
CHILLED: TUESDAY,
1/7/2025

LOCALLY
BREWED IN
BEVERLY, MA

SAVE-THE-DATE!



JAN 5 • 4-6 PM

Cape Ann Lanes in Gloucester, MA
Fun for all ages as co-sponsored w/FBC Fun Squad!

2025 Service Trip Fundraiser!

FREE
EVENT



BREAKING THE CYCLE:
UNDERSTANDING COERCIVE CONTROL
AND BUILDING HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS

WED | JAN 15 | 7PM

Join us for a *FREE* transformative evening exploring coercive control and the importance of healthy relationships.

Featuring insights from local community partners, we will explore the challenges of recognizing coercive control and pathways to nurturing respectful relationships.

Register at thecabot.org

“

The wise men
came with gifts
and bowed down
to worship
this perfection.

”

—William Carlos Williams,
from "The Gift"

PENCIL IN FBC

January

1

Wednesday

Church Office Closed for the New Years Holiday

The FBC Church Office will be closed for New Years and will reopen at the regular time on Thursday, January 2nd.

January

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Friday

First PNO of the New Year!

We can't wait to kick off 2025 with a Parents' Night Out from 6:00-8:30 p.m. at FBC!

January

5

Sunday

Epiphany & Communion Sunday Join us for our 10 o'clock worship service this Epiphany Sunday. Remember to have your own Elements of Communion with you if you are joining us via the Livestream.

Service Trip Fundraiser at Cape Ann Lanes

We're looking forward to an afternoon of bowling, fun, and fellowship at Cape Ann Lanes in Gloucester, with proceeds benefiting the FBC Service Trip planned for the summer of 2025.

January

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Tuesday

Theology On Tap

It's the first TOT of 2025! See you at The Kitchen Table in Beverly at 8:00 p.m. for some post-holiday fellowship time, some good food and drink, and some real talk about faith and life!

January

10-12

Friday-Sunday

Sr. High Fellowship Retreat

Our Senior High Fellowship Group heads out to North Conway, NH for a three-day retreat.

January

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Sunday

Save-The-Date for an Informational Meeting on this Summer's Service Trip

Stay after worship to get the full scoop on the upcoming FBC Summer Service Trip to Marion, VA!

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