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First Baptist Church Newsletter

December 3, 2025



Hello Bluffton FBC Family,

Welcome to the Christmas season! Hopefully you are doing well, staying safe, and staying warm. I'm certainly not a fan of the cold, but if I don't have to leave the house snow is a pretty sight... from inside with a warm cup of hot chocolate.

This past Sunday we started the advent season with the candle of hope and the story of John the Baptist's birth being foretold. Hope that came as a glimmer after roughly 400 years of silence. I suppose that makes the moments in my own life when God has felt silent seem massively dwarfed by comparison.

We have an amazing blessing to live in an era where a new day has dawned and John was the one that had the honor of heralding the coming of the Messiah. As John the disciple put it in his gospel when speaking of John the baptist...

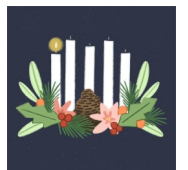
⁶ There was a man sent from God whose name was John.⁷ He came as a witness to testify concerning that light, so that through him all might believe.⁸ He himself was not the light; he came only as a witness to the light.

What was that light? It was a new dawn. A new age. A new era. The coming of the long-awaited Messiah. Jesus. As John the disciple put it...

⁹ The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world.

I hope and pray each one of us shines that light this week to others in our lives. Those going through periods of unbearable silence and need a glimmer of hope. The light of a savior.

God Bless,
Pastor Peter N. Fairchild



Men's Bible Study & Fellowship

Men's bible study will restart at 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, December 4, 2025.

We will be meeting in the fellowship hall and studying the book of John.

We will once again be using Pastor Gary Hamrick videos. He is the Senior Pastor at Cornerstone Chapel in Leesburg, Virginia. Please put this date on your calendar and join this casual group of guys for a great study and great fellowship.



Goody Bags

Each Holiday season, we take goody bags to our homebound members. This year we will have 9 bags in The Gathering Place. You may bring small items like snacks, puzzles, books, tissues, lotions, and cards or notes. The deadline for the collection is Sunday, December 16th, so that the deacons can distribute the bags by Christmas.



Teachers for Sunday

Sunday, December 7, 2025

Kids' Time
Evalyn Fate &
Jackson Collins



LOL
Remain in Service.



Stewardship

November 23, 2025

General Budget	\$1,105.00
Building Maintenance	\$40.00
Poinsettias	\$7.00
World Missions	\$20.00
Total	\$1,172.00

November 30, 2025

General Budget	\$490.00
Building Maintenance	\$20.00
Poinsettias	\$21.00
Total	\$531.00

This Weeks Schedule:

Small Groups - Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. or 7:00 p.m.

Adventure Kids & Youth Bible Study - Wednesday from 6:00 to 7:15 pm.

Men's Bible Study - Thursday at 8:00 a.m.



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Silent Night
Miracle
Savior
Three Kings

Gold
Nativity
Angels
Star

Rejoice
Faith
Baby Jesus
Shepherd

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Sunday

Adult Sunday School 9:00 a.m.

Worship Service 10:15 a.m.

Kids' Time 10:10 a.m.

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