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First Baptist Church Newsletter

February 11, 2026

Hello Bluffton FBC Family,

I hope and pray that each of you are having a great week and that God is working in all of your lives in various ways. An individual life can have many aspects on its own that we can invite God into, but also as a body of believers, as a resident of Bluffton, as an American, and as a temporary resident of this world as well. As that scope widens and increases it gets ever harder to see the big picture. Thankfully, we worship a God that sees it all from a scale we could never comprehend to the most intimate and “mundane” details of the individual.

It’s quite relieving to know that God has it all in His hands and under His control. Certainly, better than being in my hands or under my control. The best I can do is have faith in God and try to love those that God puts in my life. It’s a goal that Paul captured in his second letter to the Thessalonians. The church in Thessalonica persevering in their faith regardless of the persecution they were under and when Paul opens 2 Thessalonians he immediately praised and encourages them for their behavior in verse 3.

*<sup>3</sup> We ought always to give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters, as is only fitting, because your faith is increasing abundantly, and the love of each and every one of you toward one another grows ever greater.*

This is a picture that all churches should strive to be. Ever increasing in their faith and love that is obvious amongst the congregation. Churches should not be stagnated in either regard. There is no point where a believer should say, “Well, I’ve got enough God and Jesus. I’m done.” Believers should constantly be seeking to deepen their relationship with Christ whether they are the members, the pastor, or anywhere in between. There should be no point where a church member should look at another member (liked or unliked) and say, “Welp, stinks to be them,” and not help if they were able to do so in some way.

Thankfully, I am very pleased to see love in this church. Love towards God and towards each other. Doesn’t mean that it is always easy to do so, but frequently the best things require some extra effort on our behalf.

God Bless,

Pastor Peter N. Fairchild

# **Final Friday Church Movie Night**

The Film **King of Kings** will be shown at the first “Final Friday” event scheduled for February 27 at 7:00 p.m. This is an animated film about the life of Jesus that is meant for all audiences, children and adults alike. It is based on the book **The Life of Our Lord** by Charles Dickens and is presented as Charles Dickens tells his own children “the greatest story ever told.”

In the movie, Dickens’ son imagines himself in the events of Christ’s life as he witnesses the Nativity, Christ’s ministry and miracles, and the Passion. The joy, amazement, and emotions shown by Dickens’ son in the film will captivate you.

Join us as we present **King of Kings** during this season of Lent. It is a movie for the whole family!

Popcorn will be provided! We have a signup sheet on the bulletin board in the narthex for those willing to bring 2-liter drinks to share.



We hope to see you there!

## **New Directory In Progress**

We are in the process of updating our church directory and would appreciate your help. Please complete the insert found by the bulletins and place it in the offering plate, or return it to the church office.

Thank you!

**This Sunday**, Cruz will be taking photos in the basement after worship for those who are in need of a portrait for the new directory.



# Annual Report

The Annual Report for 2025 is complete and there will be copies on the table in the foyer this Sunday.

*And this is his command: to believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and to love one another as he commanded us.*

*1 John 3:23*

## Teachers for Sunday Sunday, February 15, 2026

**Kids' Time**  
Joyce Evans



**LOL**  
Darcy Isch

## Stewardship

**February 8, 2026**

General Budget	\$768.00
Building Maintenance	\$50.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$818.00</b>



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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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