

FBC News

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Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus *Philippians 2:5*

COTTON PATCH Gospel

Saturday, February 11

**Baptist Theological Seminary at Richmond
and**

Dinner at Buz and Ned's Barbeque

Sign up by Sunday, February 5!

As we think about the life and teachings of Jesus in the gospel of Luke this year, we will also be challenged to consider how the teachings, life, and ministry of Jesus apply to our lives today. In the 1960's, Clarence Jordan interpreted scripture to be told in the cultural setting in which he was living. The story of Jordan's ministry is fascinating and if you would like to know more about his ministry as well as the Cotton Patch Gospel, please go to www.koinoniapartners.org/clarence Some of the content of Clarence Jordan's work was made into a musical play which will be presented by Baptist Theological Seminary at Richmond's **Shoestring Players**. We hope you will join us to experience **The Greatest Story Ever Retold: The Cotton Patch Gospel!**

In order to reserve tickets, you will need to submit \$15 for transportation and ticket. We will travel in church buses to Richmond on Saturday, February 11, leaving the church parking lot at 4:30pm. On our way to the show, once we get to Richmond, we'll go to Buz and Ned's for great barbeque! You will probably want to plan on \$10 to \$15 for your dinner! The show starts at 7:30pm and we will probably be back at church by 11:00pm. Sign up now! We have reserved a limited number of tickets! Our group number must be confirmed soon, so make your reservation by Sunday, Feb 5.



*Christian Youth Theater
Fredericksburg*

**Presents
The Beloved Broadway
Musical**

Oliver

**Friday, March 9, 7:00pm
Spotsylvania High School**

The beloved musical **Oliver**, offers us a great opportunity to enjoy fellowship and to support the Fredericksburg Christian Youth Theater. One of our very talented youth, Olivia Thomas is cast in the role of, "Widow Corney" as well as being one of the dancers in "Consider Yourself" and "Oom-Pah-Pah."

We will plan to meet at the high school and the seats are numbered. So we will be able to sit together, please sign up by submitting your \$11 ticket price by February 19! Tickets will be purchased on the 20th. We hope to see YOU there!

Are you familiar with EGiving? EGiving is the on-line way to make contributions to the church. To make an online gift by bank draft from your checking account to the church checking account is more economical than using the offering envelopes you receive in the mail. For more information visit www.fredericksburgbaptistchurch.org/egivingfaq.htm or contact Dennis Sacrey

Looking Ahead

Saturday, January 28

Minister on Call-Patti English 899-6557

Sunday, January 29

8:30am Worship
 9:45am Sunday School
 11:00am Worship
 12:30pm Kirundi/Swahili Hymns & Scripture
 5:00pm Nepali Worship
 7:00pm Contemporary Worship

Monday, January 30

10:00am Staff Meeting

Tuesday, January 31

10:00am ESL Classes

Wednesday, February 1

5:20pm Church Family Dinner
 6:00pm Media Center Opens
 6:00pm PS/Children/Youth Activities
 6:00pm Citizenship Class
 6:10pm Prayer Time/Adult Study
 6:35pm First Light
 7:20pm Sanctuary Choir

Thursday, February 2

10:00am ESL Classes
 4:00pm International Choir
 5:00am Community Dinner

Friday, February 3

Saturday, February 4

Minister on Call-Ann Marlow 486-6063

Sunday, February 5

8:30am Worship/Lord's Supper
 9:45am Sunday School
 11:00am Worship/Lord's Supper
 12:30pm Kirundi/Swahili Hymns & Scripture
 5:00pm Nepali Worship
 7:00pm Contemporary Worship

Wednesday Night Dinner Menu For February 1

Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes, Spinach Casserole, Tossed Salad, Fruit, French Bread Pizza, Green Beans, PB&J Sandwiches, Dessert

Special Gifts

In Memory of

Embrey Endowment Fund for **Charles Hedrick**, given by Jackie Haney

In Honor of

Music Ministry for **Susan Cruse**, given by Jim & Bettie Wiltshire

Responsibilities for January 29, 2012

Extended Session

8:30am Service

Contact Person:
 Erin Silver 809-1303

Infant Care (PA14):

Jerry & Vicki Silver

Toddlers & Preschoolers (PA12):

Chuck & Donnell Pitts,
 Kelsey Pitts, Everett Pitts

11:00am Service

Contact Person:

Delores Stallings 898-8631

Bed Babies:

Sydney Monroe, Heather Campbell,
 Carol King

Toddlers & 2s :

Jeff & Becca Leggitt, Carson Leggitt

3s & 4s:

Lori Gudmundsson, Delores Stallings

Greeters Schedule

Princess Anne St: John & Karen Nastelli
Hallway outside Chapel:

Keith & Donna Morris

Sanctuary Door:

Joe & Brenda Richardelli

Caroline Street: Bill & Nancy Young

Children's Area: Bill & Linda Keiner

Youth Area: Volunteer from Youth Class

Amelia St: Hugh Mullen

Bus Drivers

8:30am

Brian Gudmundsson

9:45am

Lori Gudmundsson, Mark Houghton,
 Robert Carmichael

Ushers

8:30am

Andy Moore, Bob Edwards
 John & Beth Elkins

11:00am

Joe & Pat DiCecca,
 Phyllis Patton, Winston Ward,
 John Lawson, Mary Wayland Lawson

Deacons

8:30am

Cassie Hart, Sam Smart,
 John & Susan Snellings
 Marsha Stewart (W&B)
 Ralph Stewart (W&B)

11:00am

Bill Tignor, Marla Tignor,
 Ken Whitescarver, Jackie Haney
 Tommy Settle, Reuben Pitts,
 Randall Pierce
 Jimmy Hilldrup (W&B)
 Bill King (W&B)

Audio Operators

8:30am Randy Hart

11:00am Donna Haney

Among Our Family

In The Hospital

MWH: Sharon Bell

Healthsouth: Betty Walters

National Rehab Hospital:

Katie Berry

Congratulations To

Kevin & Aniska Anderson, in the birth of their son, Carson Kevin, born January 20th (proud grandmother is Jeanne Anderson)

Sympathy To

Susan Snellings, in the death of her cousin, Steve Corder

Chris Scott, in the death of her brother, John Christopher

The family of Charles Merrill

Thank You

Once again, we find ourselves realizing what a Blessing it is to belong to such a loving and caring Church Family. Your calls and messages of such love and concern and promises of prayer have been overwhelming, not to mention the many beautiful cards with messages that touch our hearts.

As we adjust to the loss of my brother, we thank each of you for the special time and care you have taken to show us the comfort and love we share as Church Family.

Thank you so much—

Janice, Ben and Jenny

Our 2012 Financial Stewardship

Ministry Budget

Weekly Needs	\$26,766
Sunday, January 22	\$21,247
Y-T-D Total	\$73,626
Ahead/Behind Budget	-\$33,087

BUOH in Missions

Weekly Needs	\$4,808
Sunday, January 22	\$2,969
Y-T-D Total	\$9,198
Ahead/Behind Goal	-\$10,035

Our Sunday School Attendance

Sunday, January 22	452
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as you share a meal together.

Participants will intentionally be assigned to different homes and to join different groups each month. This will allow us to become more familiar with folks beyond our Sunday School Class or those who sit near us in worship. **YOU** are **INVITED** to sign up and participate in getting to know one another! Simply sign up on the attached slip and place it in the offering plate, call or email the

church office, or sign up in the Welcome Center on a Sunday Morning.

The dates of these gatherings will be:

February 25,
March 24,
April 28,
May 19,

We will have a grand finale on **June 9** at the home of Whit and Lori Yelverton.

The grand finale will include everyone who has participated in the monthly supper clubs and will be a BBQ. You are invited to bring side dishes to go with barbeque brisket and/or dessert to share with everyone! So mark these dates on your calendar and plan to participate with us. As you sign up, if you are able to host a group of 8 to 12 folks, please indicate that so we will have homes to which we can assign a mixture of guests. Spouses will be assigned to the same site, and if you are depending on someone else for transportation, please sign up together.

As we look at the Gospel of Luke this year, we will see Jesus sitting at table and breaking bread with people! Over and over again, Jesus is portrayed teaching as he shares meals with others. When we break bread together, we take time to get to know one another. During the months of February through June, we will celebrate fellowship in Jesus Christ as we take time to share a few meals with one another!

Our Supper Club will meet on a given Saturday each month, and all adults who wish to participate will need to sign up so we can mix up a different group to gather each month. Approximately 2 weeks prior to the event, hosts will receive a list of those who will be in attendance at their home in that month. The Host will be responsible for providing the main dish and he/she will call the others assigned to them for that month, and invite them to bring a complementary side-dish on that night. The host will set the hour for the gathering on that particular Saturday, and welcome you to visit

Looking for a Place to Serve?

Consider These Opportunities

Breakfast Crew

Did you know that each Wednesday morning, a small crew of faithful folks, led by Joy Case, work to prepare a hot breakfast for the Rotary organization as they have their weekly meetings in Ferrell Hall? This team of breakfast preparers would welcome others who can arrive early and who are willing to serve. Preparation usually begins around 6am, with breakfast being served by 7:30am. Everyone enjoys a nice breakfast together, and then the clean-up is usually complete by 9:15am! The proceeds from the breakfast support the Youth Ministry.

English as a Second Language

On Tuesday and Thursday mornings, from 10:30am to Noon, our church hosts English language learning classes for the community. Substitute teachers are welcomed.

If you would like more information about these opportunities or wish to offer yourself to help, please contact Tammy Snellings in the church office. Please call 373-4402 or email tammy@fredericksburgbaptistchurch.org

I/we plan to attend Supper Clubs on:	Name(Name(s))	Phone Number	I would be able to host a group of 8-12 people in my home:
February 25			
March 24			
April 28			
May 19			
June 9 (Grande Finale)			

FEBRUARY

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>5) 8:30am Worship/Lord's Supper 9:45am Sunday School 11:00am Worship/Lord's Supper 12:30pm Kirundi/Swahili Hymns & Scripture 5:00pm Nepali Worship 7:00pm Contemporary Worship</p>	<p>6) 10:00am Staff Meeting</p>	<p>7) 10:30am ESL Classes 1:30pm Revelation Ringers</p>	<p>8) 10:00am Woodmont NH **See Wednesday Schedule 6:00pm Stephen Ministry</p>	<p>9) 10:30am ESL Classes 4:00pm International Choir 5:15pm Preschoolers, Kindergarten, & Families VALENTINE CELEBRATION 5:00pm Community Dinner</p>	<p>10) 10:30am ESL Classes 1:30pm Revelation Ringers</p>	<p>11) MINISTER ON CALL Mike Patch 720-3100 4:30pm "Cotton Patch Gospel" @ BTSR</p>
<p>12) 8:30am Worship 9:45am Sunday School 11:00am Worship 12:30pm Kirundi/Swahili Hymns & Scripture 12:15pm Deacon Steering 4:45pm Praisong 5:00pm Nepali Worship 6:00pm Genesis Ringers 7:00pm Contemporary Worship</p>	<p>13) 10:00am Staff Meeting 10:00am Person/Huddings/McRae Circle 1:30pm Scott Circle 7:00pm King Circle</p>	<p>14) 10:30am ESL Classes 1:30pm Revelation Ringers</p> 	<p>15) **See Wednesday Schedule 4:00pm International Choir 5:00pm Community Dinner</p>	<p>16) 10:30am ESL Classes 4:00pm International Choir 5:00pm Community Dinner</p>	<p>17) 7:30am Men's Prayer Breakfast</p>	<p>18) MINISTER ON CALL Larry Haun 786-7762</p>
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A Word from the Stewardship Development Workgroup

You are aware our monetary gifts last year were not sufficient to cover all the bills and that we had to utilize our financial reserves to cover the deficit. You also know that there are three ways to not have the same situation repeat this year:

- * Receive more gifts
- * Lower the expenses.
- * Receive more gifts and cut expenses

Regarding receiving more gifts, you have already been challenged to examine your giving for this year. You will be receiving your annual giving statement shortly, which will include a word from our pastor. Please take time to read it.

As far as expenses, the Stewardship Development Workgroup has met and endorsed the following measures:

- * Affirmed a Personnel Workgroup decision to not proceed with filling the support position vacated upon Susan Cruse's resignation;
- * Affirmed a staff decision to freeze all salaries at the 2011 budget level;
- * The possibility of saving on building costs by closing the building one or two nights per week;
- * Increased diligence in buying only the supplies and equipment critical in supporting ministry efforts;
- * Increased diligence in controlling utility usage (electricity, water, natural gas);

However, let us keep in mind that controlling expenses is not just the responsibility of the staff or a select few - it is the responsibility of each one of us. Here are just a few ideas that would be easy for any of us to do, but would certainly reap benefits if done diligently and faithfully.

- * If you are the last person to leave a room (Sunday School room, meeting room, rest room, hallway, etc) turn out the light;
- * We want to be a welcoming church, but we should probably not prop open outside doors in the cold of the winter and the hot of the summer!
- * Use only as much consumable product as necessary - don't use three paper towels if one will do;
- * If you get chilled easily, consider wearing a sweater. The thermostats here might be set a little lower than yours at home;
- * If you are in a Sunday School class, evaluate how much literature your class is receiving. If you are receiving 25 study books but only need 15, let the office know so your amount can be adjusted. If you and your spouse are in the same class, consider sharing a study guide instead of each of you having a book.

In other words, whatever actions you take in your own home to conserve, just do the same things here in your church home.

The Stewardship Development Workgroup has also decided to meet at the end of each quarter and review our financial picture. They will take actions and make recommendations as they feel necessary.

Over the course of this year you will be presented with more stewardship thoughts, information, and challenges than has been typical in the past. Please take the time to consider them. Always keep in mind that our glass here at FBC is not half empty, it is half full. God has given us a great responsibility and opportunity to be a face of Christ in our community and God will bless our efforts and our faithfulness. Let each one of us commit ourselves to this task in this new year.

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