



FREDERICKSBURG BAPTIST CHURCH

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F B C N E W S

Meaningful Gifts

On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then opening their treasure chest, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. Matthew 2:11 (NRSV)

Many of us seek to give meaningful gifts to those significant persons in our lives, especially at Christmas, when we model the actions of the Magi who extended theirs to the Christ child. In recent years, rather than giving a tangible gift to those closest to us, some have given monetary gifts to ministries or charity organizations in honor of their friends and loved ones. In this way, we honor Christ as well... *'And the king will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me."* Matthew 25:40.

This Christmas, as you prepare to participate in the joy of giving, will you consider sponsoring a child or youth for Passport Camp 2010? A "Camp for Christmas" angel tree will be available in the church welcome center beginning Sunday, November 8th during the Sunday School hour and following the 11:00 worship hour. Here you will have the opportunity to collect an envelope, or more, from the tree and provide a student from our church with an opportunity to attend a meaningful camp experience next summer. At the same time, special cards will be provided for you to provide this gift in honor or in memory of someone, as you choose.

The cost of sending a child to the 4-day Passport Kids camp is \$280. The cost of sending a student to the week-long Passport Youth camp is \$335. You are welcome to offer full payment if you so choose, or make

payments of \$50 per month until the amount is paid in full. Please consider your participation in this meaningful gift opportunity! If you have questions, please ask Ann ann@fredericksburgbaptistchurch.org or David david@fredericksburgbaptistchurch.org. In addition to the Sunday times, you are also welcome to stop by the office during business hours and collect a "Camp for Christmas" envelope to sponsor a student.

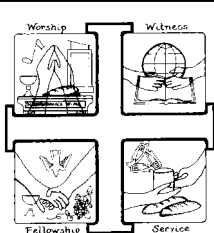
Report From Property Workgroup — Project Postponed

The Property Workgroup has decided to postpone Phase II of the Office Building Project. Originally scheduled to be completed in the Spring of next year, the project will now be scheduled for the Spring of 2011. The project involves the replacement of the nearly 40 year old chiller that provides air conditioning for the Caroline Street Building. Because the chiller has lived beyond its expected life span, the workgroup thought it would be prudent to accomplish the project. However, since the old chiller has been operating with minimal problems and there has been no indication that it is in danger of completely failing, the workgroup decided the project can be postponed for at least another year.

The estimated cost of the project is approximately \$200,000. Postponement will allow an additional year to accrue funds to pay for the project without having to incur additional debt. Continued gifts to the Capital Campaign is vital to the successful funding of this project. Your gifts to the Capital Campaign will continue to pay down the loan on the parking lot while also accruing funds for this major project. Your gifts to the Capital Campaign are greatly appreciated.

Larry Haun, Pastor
Ann Marlow, Minister With Preschoolers and Children
Jeanne Anderson, Minister with Missions
David Haun, Minister with Youth and College Students
Sarah Bush, Minister of Congregational Development

Patti English, Associate Pastor
Mike Patch, Minister of Music
Dennis Sacrey, Church Administrator
Shirley Onderdonk, Organist



Coming Up This Week

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8

8:30am Worship
9:30am Blood Pressure Check
9:45am Sunday School
11:00am Worship/Children's Church
12:15pm Deacon Steering Committee
12:30pm Kirundi/Swahili Hymns & Scripture
3:00pm Youth Band Rehearsal
4:00pm See Sunday Schedule
4:30pm Beth Moore Study

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9

9:00am Women's Sewing Class
12:30pm Staff Meeting
3:05pm Homework Help

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10

10:00am Worship Planning
10:30am ESL Classes
1:00pm Revelation Ringers
3:05pm Homework Help

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11

10:00am Woodmont NH
3:05pm Homework Help
5:20pm Church Family Dinner
6:00pm Media Center Open
6:00pm Preschool/Children/Youth Activities
6:00pm Citizenship Class
6:10pm Prayer Meeting
6:25pm Adult Study
6:30pm First Light
7:20pm Sanctuary Choir

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12

10:30am ESL Classes
3:05pm Homework Help
4:00pm International Choir Practice
5:00pm Community Dinner
5:00pm Preschooler's Thankful Hearts Party

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13

6:00pm Youth Tailgate Party Courtland @ James Monroe

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14

Minister on Call— Ann Marlow 786-6063
Women's Retreat

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15

8:30am Worship
9:45am Sunday School
11:00am Worship/Children's Church
12:15pm Luncheon with Dan Vestal
12:30pm Kirundi/Swahili Hymns & Scripture
3:00pm Youth Band Rehearsal
4:00pm See Sunday Schedule
4:30pm Beth Moore Study

Sunday Evening Schedule

4:00pm Preschool/Children's/Sixers Activities
4:00pm PraiSong
4:00pm Prayer Shawl Ministry
5:00pm Youth Cooperative Games
5:00pm Genesis Ringers

Responsibilities for the Coming Week

Greeters Schedule

November 8, 2009

Princess Anne St: Darrell Caldwell, Kathy Jones
Hallway outside Chapel: Franny Boutchyard
Sanctuary Door: Jim Wiltshire
Caroline Street: John Ingram
Children's Area: Dot Curtis
Youth Area: Volunteer from Youth Class

Extended Session

November 8, 2009

8:30am Service

Contact Person: Ann Marlow 786-6063

Infant Care (PA14): Mary Bourne, Tracy Affeldt

Toddlers & Preschoolers (PA12):

Al & Lois Simms

11:00am Service

Contact Person: Rebecca Beggan 898-6406

Bed Babies: Donna Morris, Randy & Cassie Hart

Toddlers: Randall & Stacy Pierce

2s: Rebecca Beggan, Janice Bocson

3s & 4s: Andy & Lisa Withers

Bus Drivers

November 8, 2009

Dewey Lowman, Jim McGlone, Randall Pierce

Wednesday Night Supper

Menu-November 11, 2009

Assorted pizza, tossed salad, chicken nuggets, french fries and assorted sheet cakes. Please be sure to call the church office (373-4402) by Monday afternoon if you would like to make or cancel a reservation for the following Wednesday Night Supper. **Please note that prices are now \$6.00 per adult, \$3.00 per child, and \$17.00 family maximum.**

Among Our Family

In the Hospital

MWH: Janice Ashley, Dennis Hundley
Stafford Hospital Center: Joe Canaday

Welcome to New Members

By Letter: David, Melissa, Marissa, and Matthew Havrin

Sympathy To:

John Acors in the death of his mother, E. Margaret Acors; Family of Robert Nugent

Memorials

Embrey Endowment Fund in honor of *Special Friends* given by Tommy & Anne Higgins

Youth Missions/Kenya Fund for *Robert Thomas* given by George & Shirley Lucas; in honor of *David & Lindsey Haun* given by Larry & Kathy Snider

Capital Campaign for *Bill Leitch* on his birthday (Nov. 5) and *Frank Ashley* on his birthday (Nov. 19) given by Holly Leitch

BUOH in Missions for *Frank Ashley & Bill Leitch* on their birthdays given by Bernard & Barbara Wise

Women On Mission Group Meetings

Monday, November 9, 2009

Person/Hudgins/McRae

10:00am Room PA111

King

7:00pm Brenda Haun
6614 Willow Pond Dr.

Monday November 16

Scott Circle

11:45am General Store Restaurant
2018 College Ave.

1:15pm Room PA111

Board of Trustee Nominations Now Being Accepted

Nominations for the Board of Trustees are being accepted during the months of November and December with election occurring at the business meeting in January. Terms of service are for two years commencing on February 1. If you wish to nominate someone, please submit their name to the church office. Please contact Dennis Sacrey for further information.

A Centenarian in Our Midst!!

The Encouragers Sunday School Class invite you to join with them in wishing their class member, Ruth Bush, a happy 100th birthday on November 10! If you wish to extend your congratulations with a card, Ruth's address is:

2600 Cowan Blvd. #129 Fredericksburg, VA 22401

The calendar of activities for November can be viewed online at www.fredericksburgbaptistchurch.org/Calendar.pdf

Women's Retreat Saturday, November 14, 2009 SIGN UP TODAY

Shall we Gather at the River? Glenda Potter is living at her house on the Potomac and has invited us down for a day retreat on Saturday, November 14! We will meet at the church, at 7:30am, and travel in a church bus or two, for a day of creativity, celebration, and fellowship!

Jackie Alexander will be with us and has offered to demonstrate some watercolor techniques! You may use your new skills to make some greeting cards. We will also have an opportunity to make etched glass, beaded objects, and other creative projects!

The cost of this day-retreat is \$50, due as you sign up (by Sunday, November 8), which covers the price of up to three of these projects and our meals for the day! Make plans now to join in the fun!

Help Provide a Thanksgiving Meal for Head Start Families

Fredericksburg Area Head Start is looking for sponsors to provide a specific but simple menu for four families of four. This is a tradition that serves every family in their program each year, calling on community partners to help ensure that each family is served.

Head Start is a federal program for preschool children three to five years of age in low-income families. Its aim is to prepare children for success in school through an early learning program.

Lists are available from Jeanne and items can be brought to the church office or taken directly to the Head Start building (200 Gunnery Road/ The Old Walker Grant School) on either of the last two days of school before Thanksgiving, November 23rd or November 24th, before noon.

This would be a great holiday way for classes, missions groups, or even individual families to serve their neighbor this holiday season.

Preschoolers' Thankful Hearts Party Thursday, November 12

Meet us in Room PA15 and bring a non-perishable food item to contribute to the food basket that we will be preparing for a family in need. We will make a giant Thanksgiving card and decorate the box that will contain the food items. It is good to give thanks to God for all that God has provided. There will be music, games, stories, and a healthy snack. We will even make a "Thankful Tree". Please let Ann know if you are planning to join us! You may sign up online or call the church office.

Shoebox Christmas Gifts For Operation Christmas Child Collecting until Sunday, November 15



This is a life-changing outreach of Samaritan's Purse that brings joy and demonstrates God's love to millions of girls and boys through gift-filled shoe boxes. *If you have empty shoeboxes to contribute, please bring them to Ann's office. We also would like*

some completed and wrapped boxes early on so that we can display them on some of the tables in Ferrell Hall during our Church Family Dinner.

Last year, many of you brought items to be put into the shoeboxes, and our sixth graders packaged them accordingly. We are happy to do that again this year, but we encourage you to bring in completed shoebox gifts, too! **Sixers will collect these each week until, Sunday, November 15th.** *Please bring completed shoebox gifts to Ann's office, or the Sixth Grade Sunday School room, C312.*

Brochures are available (in the church office) which include labels for your shoebox gift, as well as packing instructions. A \$7 donation is also requested for each box to assist with the costs of shipping, if you so choose. There is a special feature available this year. You may track your box online! When you make your donation online at www.samaritanpurse.org/ezgive you will be given special instructions and a bar code to be placed on the shoebox gift. At this website, you may also click on "Graphic Resources" and print out a coloring page (.pdf) for a young child to complete and put into the box. This is like a "Pen Pal" letter that may allow your child to receive correspondence from the recipient!

Our sixth graders are looking forward to helping at the collection center to pack these gifts into shipping boxes for their travel across the world. Please consider your participation with them in this worthwhile effort.

Sixers to Pack Shoebox Gifts Saturday, November 21 10:00am to 1:00pm

The SIXERS will meet in our Sunday School classroom at 10:00am to load the shoebox gifts that we have collected. We will then take them to the collection center and help them pack large cartons to put in the tractor-trailer. We will wrap up our time together by having lunch at **Sonic**. Bring enough money to pay for lunch. We plan to return to the church by 1:00pm.

Financial Summary For October 2009

Ministry Budget

	2008	2009	\$ Change	% Change
Gifts for month	87,881	78,275	-9,606	-10.93%
Gifts Year to Date	932,789	910,226	-22,563	-2.42%
Ahead/Behind Budget Year to Date	-164,965	-217,578		
Expenses to Date	1,061,901	1,006,309		
Expenses Ahead/Behind Revenue	-129,112	-96,083		

BUOH in Missions

	2008	2009	\$ Change	%
Gifts for month	12,975	10,917	-2,058	-15.86%
Gifts Year to Date	138,295	136,117	-2,178	-1.57%
Expenses to Date	139,651	143,424		
Expenses Ahead/Behind Revenue	-1,356	-7,307		

As the chart above demonstrates, we must continue to seriously address the financial shortfall we have experienced since August. With just two months remaining in this year, the time to overcome the deficits is quickly passing by. As a family, we must all determine to do our part. Please continue to prayerfully consider how you can join with your fellow church family members to step out in faith and meet this challenge.

Request From Special Friends

The Special Friends will have its annual Birthday Party for Jesus on Sunday, December 6, from 12:15pm-2:00pm. For many years, Sunday School classes have very generously given \$25 Walmart gift cards to our members. If you can do this again this year, please give the cards or money to Teri Caldwell by Sunday, November 22. Thank you again for your caring support of this ministry. Please call Marian Wiltshire (898-0607) or Gail Hylton (785-9777) with any questions.

Blood Pressure Screenings - New Location

On the second Sunday of each month our Parish Nurse Ministry conducts blood pressure screenings, which are now held in the **Church Office** beginning at 9:30am.



All interested persons are welcome and encouraged to take advantage of this free and important service.

Our Financial Stewardship

Ministry Budget

Weekly Needs	\$26,228
Sunday, Nov. 1	\$27,202
Y-T-D Total	\$937,428
Ahead/Behind Ministry Budget	
	-\$216,604

BUOH in Missions

Goal	\$250,000
Sunday, Nov. 1	\$5,023
Total to Date 2009	\$141,140
Total to Date 2008	\$141,984

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