



FREDERICKSBURG BAPTIST CHURCH

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Closing Out the Year

I hope you were able to remain safe and warm during the recent snowstorm. The world seems much more peaceful and beautiful when blanketed in white. It was disappointing that the snow interfered with our Angels Over Fredericksburg event and our Sunday worship. Many of you had put in a great deal of work and there had been much anticipation, but we will look forward to trying again next year. We still have our services scheduled for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day and I look forward to seeing you at one of them.

Unfortunately, one thing that really can't wait until next year is finalizing our financial obligations for this year. Just like the retailers have "Black Friday," the day that determines whether or not their year will be profitable, this past Sunday would have been our "Black Sunday." Because our Black Sunday turned into a White Sunday, we are now significantly behind and must receive \$100,000 by the end of the year in order to finish this year in the positive. I am asking that you make every effort to get your offerings into the church before year end. There will be an opportunity for you to offer your gift during the Christmas Eve and Christmas Day services. You may also drop by the office or mail in your gift, remembering that the envelope must be postmarked no later than December 31st. I have appreciated the ways you have responded in so many ways this year, and I thank you for making the effort once again as we close out this year.

I hope you, your family, and loved ones have a most joyous Christmas

Larry Haun

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

Your Offering Envelopes

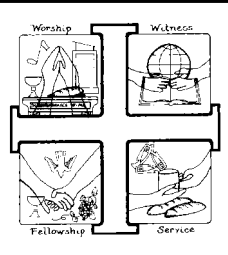
Did you know that your offering envelope is a permanent record of your cash contributions? It is the tool to insure the accurate recording of your gifts to the church. It would be helpful if you would enter the amount of your donations on the appropriate spaces on the front of your envelope. If you use the "other" space, please be sure to indicate the purpose for which you wish that money to be applied, i.e., Embrey Endowment, Thursday Night Meal Ministry, etc.

You should receive your envelopes each month by the 25th for the next month. If you do not have them by then, please notify Linda in the church office (373-4402) or email linda@fredericksburgbaptistchurch.org. We can have the company trace the shipment to see if there is a holdup at the post office.

Information About Year End Contributions

Please remember that the IRS requires that any cash gift to be credited to the year 2009 must be received in the church office no later than Thursday, December 31. If you mail your gift to the church the envelope must be postmarked no later than December 31. Any stock donations must be received either at the church or transferred to our brokerage account by December 31 and a donation via EGiving must be initiated no later than December 31. If you have any questions about your giving, please contact Linda in the office (373-4402).

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



Coming Up This Week

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 26

Minister on Call—Patti English 899-6557

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 27

8:30am Worship
9:45am Sunday School
11:00am Worship/Children's Church
12:30pm Kirundi/Swahili Hymns & Scripture

MONDAY, DECEMBER 28

12:30pm Staff Meeting

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 29

10:00am Worship Planning

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 30

10:00am Woodmont NH

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31

New Years Eve
Church Office Closed
5:00pm Community Meal

FRIDAY, JANUARY 1

New Years Day
Church Office Closed

SATURDAY, JANUARY 2

Minister on Call—Larry Haun 786-7762
7:00am Youth Prepare Micah Breakfast

SUNDAY, JANUARY 3

8:30am Worship/Lord's Supper
9:45am Sunday School
11:00am Worship/Children's Church/
Lord's Supper
12:30pm Kirundi/Swahili Hymns & Scripture
4:30pm Beth Moore Study

MONDAY, JANUARY 4

12:30pm Staff Meeting

TUESDAY, JANUARY 5

10:00am Worship Planning
10:30am ESL Classes
1:00pm Revelation Ringers

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6

10:00am Carriage Hill NH
5:20pm **See Wednesday Schedule
6:00pm Citizenship Class

THURSDAY, JANUARY 7

10:30am ESL Classes
4:00pm International Choir
5:00pm Community Meal

FRIDAY, JANUARY 8

SATURDAY, JANUARY 9

Minister on Call—Mike Patch 720-3100

SUNDAY, JANUARY 10

8:30am Worship/Lord's Supper
9:30am Blood Pressure Checks
9:45am Sunday School
11:00am Worship/Children's Church/
Lord's Supper
12:30pm Kirundi/Swahili Hymns & Scripture
4:30pm Beth Moore Study

Responsibilities for the Coming Week

Greeters Schedule

December 27, 2009

Princess Anne St: Jerry & Vicki Silver
Hallway outside Chapel: Ann Leonard
Sanctuary Door: Keith & Janis Snider
Caroline Street: John Snellings
Children's Area: Robert & Chalee Carmichael
Youth Area: Volunteer from Youth Class
Amelia St.: Hugh Mullen
Office Bldg: Sylvester Silver

January 3, 2010

Princess Anne St: Phil & Suzanne Short
Hallway outside Chapel: John Ingram
Sanctuary Door: Janice Ashley
Caroline Street: Ben & Janice Clark
Children's Area: Cindy Baker
Youth Area: Volunteer from Youth Class
Amelia St.: Hugh Mullen
Office Bldg: Sylvester Silver

Extended Session

December 27, 2009

8:30am Service

Contact Person: Ann Marlow 786-6063
Infant Care (PA14): Tammy Leonard
Toddlers & Preschoolers (PA12): Terri Caldwell, Karen Embrey

11:00am Service

Contact Person: Kim Minnery 657-4866
Bed Babies: Donna Morris,
Adam & Norah Pence
Toddlers: Sarah King, Kristen Haun
2s: Dean & Kathy Goff
3s & 4s: Lori Eaton, Wampler Family

January 3, 2010

8:30am Service

Contact Person: Ann Marlow 786-6063
Infant Care (PA14): Angie Monroe
Toddlers & Preschoolers (PA12): Dan & Donna Goodwin

11:00am Service

Contact Person: Cassie Hart 663-3118
Bed Babies: Kim Madison,
Lori Gudmundsson
Toddlers & 2s: Tommy & Laurie Settle
3s & 4s: Diane Buser, Diana Woolls

**Wednesday Schedule

5:20 PM	Church Family Dinner
6:00 PM	Media Center Opens
6:00 PM	Preschool/Children/ Youth Activities
6:10 PM	Prayer Meeting
6:25 PM	Adult Study
6:30 PM	First Light
7:20 PM	Sanctuary Choir

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

Among Our Family

In the Hospital

MWH: Karen Brennan, Katie Young

Congratulations To:

Mike & Katie Young on the birth of their son, Aaron Michael, December 21

Sympathy To:

Barbara Decatur in the death of her uncle, Robert Gallahan

Take Note

In keeping with our regular publication schedule, there will be no newsletter next week. The next newsletter will be issued on January 8

Wednesday Night Supper and all regularly scheduled Wednesday evening activities will begin again on January 6

Bus Drivers

December 27, 2009

Allen Bennett, Jamie Bowles
Sarah Bush

January 3, 2010

Robert Carmichael, Rick Fultz

Youth Website

The Youth Ministry also has its own website with news and a calendar of events. The site address is www.fbcyomt.org.

Children's Website

The Preschool and Children's Ministry also has its own website with news and a calendar of events. The site address is www.fbckomt.org.

Stephen Ministry - There Is No Need to Struggle Alone!

Is life more than you can handle alone right now?

Are you adjusting to a new job, a change in marital status, a serious illness, the death of a loved one, a recent move – or just experiencing a lonely or difficult time in your life?

Could you benefit from having someone who would listen and care and walk with you through this difficult time?

There Is No Need to Struggle Alone!

Everyone goes through difficult times. Having someone to care, to listen, to share God's love with you can help you get through the confusion, stress, or loneliness you may be experiencing. God does not intend for you to struggle alone.

Are you in need of a caring, Christian who will listen, empathize, encourage, pray, provide confidential care, and patiently support you as you work through a crisis or difficult time?

Or

Do you know someone, perhaps a friend, neighbor, coworker, colleague, or relative, who could benefit from this type of care? Then contact Brenda Haun 540-840-3171, who can tell you more about our Stephen Ministry and how you – or your friend – can be matched with a Stephen Minister.

"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest." Matthew 11:28

Weekday Preschool Registration

Beginning on January 4th FBC members may begin registering for the Weekday Preschool. There are classes for 2, 3, and 4 year olds.

Registration packets may be picked up in the church office.

For more information about the preschool, contact the director, Tracy Affeldt, by phone at 373-4402. You may email her at:

tracy@fredericksburgbaptistchurch.org

or visit the website at

www.fredericksburgbaptistchurch.org/Preschool.htm

Notes of Gratitude to Honor

Alice Gray Newcomb and Gertie Adams are two very faithful ladies of Fredericksburg Baptist Church, as they have served tirelessly for countless years in the Children's Ministry, caring for the youngest among us. As Gertie is known to say, "I'll be there, God-willing and the creek don't rise!"

These ladies have served well, and our church family will honor them on Sunday, January 24 during the 11:00 worship service. As a part of their recognition, we would like to extend to them personal notes of thanks for their service. If you have special memories and/or special messages of thanksgiving that you wish to offer to each of them, individually, we invite you to write notes and bring them to the church office no later than Sunday, January 17, so that we may compile them into a book.

Calendar Collection for Hospice Ethiopia

It's that time of year again. When you take down your 2009 calendars, don't throw them away. Bring them to the church office so that they can be recycled.

In the poorer sections of Addis Ababa, paper calendars are rare. So, donating your old calendars helps impoverished women at Hospice Ethiopia to be able to care for their families. These calendars are the source for the major material needed to create their paper jewelry items.

Many of you have already supported them, through the purchase of some of their initial creations. Others have indicated that they think these and other income generation items would sell well if offered through other venues (i.e. the CBF gift catalogue, the CBF General Assembly marketplace, or the Global Women Global Voices Summit marketplace).

I will work hard to make those connections on their behalf. You can help them to be able to succeed as well. In addition to donating your old calendars, pray for and tell your friends about them and the work that they are doing.

Thank you,
Tori Wentz



Your Church Staff wishes to thank you for your many thoughtful expressions of appreciation during this Advent Season. May the Light of the world continue to shine

through your lives in the coming new year and may God's blessings shower upon you in abundance.

**Larry Haun
Patti English
Jeanne Anderson
Ann Marlow
Mike Patch
David Haun
Dennis Sacrey
Susan Cruse
Linda Hardenburgh**

**Jane Laughman
Tammy Snellings
Shirley Onderdonk
Sharon Brennan
Chuck Bugay
Tracy Affeldt
Sarah Bush
Alphonso Gross
Dicky Estes**



On-Line Giving (E-Giving)

You can now give your offering on-line using your computer.
For more information visit
[www.fredericksburgbaptistchurch.org/Online giving faq.htm](http://www.fredericksburgbaptistchurch.org/Online%20giving%20faq.htm)

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Our Financial Stewardship

Ministry Budget	
Weekly Needs	\$26,228
Sunday, Dec. 20	\$6,140
Y-T-D Total	\$1,152,523
Ahead/Behind Ministry Budget	
	-\$185,101
BUOH in Missions	
Goal	\$250,000
Sunday, Dec. 20	\$380
Total to Date 2009	\$157,259
Total to Date 2008	\$169,193