



# FBC NEWS

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## Thanksgiving Breakfast

### Our Community Thanksgiving Breakfast is Coming:

### We Need Your Support Before and On Thursday, November 22nd

This Sunday begins our gathering together to put on our Community Thanksgiving Breakfast. Visit Jeanne in the Welcome Center to commit your donations of prayer, food, and help in cooking and serving on Thanksgiving morning.

We will need to have gathered in all food donations between Sunday, November 18th and Wednesday, November 21st. Consider expressing your Thanksgiving gratitude to God beyond your own table by serving our community first thing Thanksgiving morning.

### Are You Practicing Spiritual Reading with Your Bible and More?

When theologian Dietrich Bonhoeffer was imprisoned by the Nazis, reading and writing were his consolation. He was allowed to have his Bible, to write down his thoughts, and to send letters to those he loved. Spiritual reading and writing kept him company and helped keep his faith alive. For those imprisoned without such devices, memorization of Scripture and songs of faith kept them going. The loss of our senses in age or by disease or trauma happens, too.

Writer Harper Lee is quoted as saying, "Until I feared I would lose it, I never loved to read. One does not love breathing." Often we take for granted what in effect sustains us until we fear its loss. How are we developing spiritual practices that will sustain us in trying times? Think on these things.

### Accepting Donations and Volunteer Sign-Ups for Thursdays at the Micah Cold Weather Shelter

FBC is now accepting donations of snacks and personal items for our shelter volunteers to take with them on Thursdays. Items may be dropped off in the vestibule on Sundays or brought to the church office during the week. Our first shelter night is November 15th, the first night of the shelter season. Personal items needed as donations are tube socks, thermal underwear, t-shirts, men's boxers (dark colors), deodorant, and razors. Snack items needed as donations are crackers, fruit, popcorn, and microwavable canned soups.

Also, we are still in need of volunteers to help prepare the shelter and welcome those staying there overnight. A sign-up board is available in the church office during the week or in the Welcome Center on Sundays. Currently only three Thursdays for which FBC is responsible for staffing the shelter are covered. Thirteen Thursdays still need your help! The Overbys, Lowmans, Larry, and Jeanne can answer questions you may have about volunteering. Cold weather is coming. Be sure to participate in bringing God's warmth to those in need by your prayers, your donations, and/or your presence.

### Gift Cards for Special Friends

Special Friends will celebrate their Annual Birthday Party for Jesus on Sunday, December 2 at 12:15 in Ferrell Hall. In past years, Sunday School Classes have been very generous in providing \$25 gift cards from Walmart as gifts for our members. If you would like to participate again this year, please give your cards to Terri Caldwell or Gail Hylton by Sunday, November 25. Thank you in advance for your contributions!

#### View Our Church Directory Online or via mobile app

To view the directory online, go to  
[members.InstantChurchDirectory.com](http://members.InstantChurchDirectory.com)  
or

search *Instant Church Directory* at the Apple® App store  
Google Play™ store and the Amazon Fire App Store.

Printed Copies are also Available in the  
Church Office

## Among Our Family

### —In the Hospital—

**MWH:** Deanette Linville

### —Sympathy To—

Rosemary Dodd in the death of her brother, Henry Cropp

## Coming up

### Saturday, November 10

To Reach a Minister After Office Hours, please call 540-300-1442

### Sunday, November 11

8:30am Worship  
9:45am Sunday School  
11:00am Worship  
12:30pm Kirundi Worship

### Monday, November 12

9:30am Women's Bible Study  
11:00am McRae/Person/Smith Circle  
11:45am Scott Circle lunch in Welcome Center  
12:15pm Scott Circle Meeting  
1:00pm Revelation Handbell Rehearsal  
7:30pm Messiah Rehearsal

### Tuesday, November 13

10:30am ESL Classes  
11:00am Community Café

### Wednesday, November 14

10:00am Prayer Shawl Ministry  
11:30am KNOW, GROW, SHOW Luncheon  
5:15pm Snack Supper  
6:00pm KNOW, GROW, SHOW For All Age Groups  
7:15pm Fall Business Meeting  
7:45pm Sanctuary Choir

### Thursday, November 15

11:00am Community Café  
5:00pm Community Meal

### Friday, November 16

11:00am Yoga

### Saturday, November 17

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7:30am Men's Prayer Meeting

### Sunday, November 18

8:30am Worship  
9:45am Sunday School  
11:00am Worship  
12:15pm Deacon's Meeting  
12:30pm Kirundi Worship

## A Church Funny

"Sunday we will hold a service...at which we will also install our new and old leadership and deceive new members"

## Responsibilities for November 11

### —Greeters Schedule—

Princess Anne St: Darrell Caldwell, Kathy Jones  
Sanctuary Door: Jim Wiltshire  
Caroline Street: Ron & Pixie Cleaver  
Children's Area: John Ingram  
Youth Area: Volunteer from Youth Class

### --Deacons--

**8:30am**

Melanie Edwards (Lead),  
Michael Silver, Bill & Marla Tignor  
Jerry & Vicki Silver (W)  
Ralph & Marsha Stewart (B)

**11:00am**

Janis Snider, Pat McCord,  
Jimmy & Susan Hilldrup,  
Nzeyimana Jackson  
Jack & Shirley Schweitzer,  
Bill & Nancy Young (W&B)

### --Ushers--

**8:30am**

Rosemary Dodd,  
Rick & Kellie Frank, Martha Newton

**11:00am**

Ben & Janice Clark,  
Keith & Donna Morris, John Garnett  
Jim & Laurie Bendall Tharp,  
Buddy Updike, Keith Snider,

### --Bus Driver--

Robert Carmichael



### For Thursday Community Meals!

Sign up each Sunday in the Welcome Center. Share potatoes, toppings, and your time as we serve our neighbors together in the name of Christ

## Stewardship Summary

Ministry Budget	
Weekly Needs	\$25,794
Sunday, November 4	\$33,011
Y-T-D Total	\$1,007,522
Ahead/Behind Budget	-\$127,386
BUOH in Missions	
Weekly Needs	\$2,885
Sunday, November 4	\$1,430
Y-T-D Total	\$77,663
Ahead/Behind Goal	-\$49,278
Capital Fund	
Sunday, November 4	\$732
Y-T-D Total	\$26,330

## In Advent

### We Wait for Light:

December's First Friday and Month-Long Art Show  
Featuring Artists of Micah Churches in the Welcome Center of Fredericksburg Baptist Church

At Fredericksburg Baptist Church, we have a First Friday art show during which artists' works are hung in our Welcome Center for the month. As we prepare for Christmas we thought it would be especially nice to display Images of Light, invite participation from all of the Micah Churches, and invite everyone to gather in the Welcome Center of FBC for a First Friday Advent Celebration! Our Open House gathering will be from 5:30 to 8:00pm on Friday, December 7. Everyone is invited whether you share art or not.

Any medium may be used to create a representation of Light. Pieces do not have to be framed, but need to be such that they can be hung on the walls. Please make sure your name and phone number are on the back of your art, along with a title and the medium which you are using. We will create cards listing the name of the piece, the medium and the artist's name. You may bring your art to the office at Fredericksburg Baptist Church anytime the week of December 3, and no later than Thursday, December 6.

You would be welcome to pick your piece up any time after New Year's Day, and we will hold any unclaimed art in the church office for those who may be traveling over the holidays. Again, please be sure your name and phone number are securely attached to the back of your piece.

In order to help us prepare for the show, please email Patti@FredericksburgBaptistChurch.org to let me know the size of any piece you may wish to offer. If you would like to provide a Christmas treat (cookies, Chex mix, popcorn balls, etc...) let me know that by email as well. Your participation will be important to our ability to host a truly hospitable celebration with folks from all of the Micah Churches.