

Announcements

NO MEN'S REGRETS CONFERENCE
FEBRUARY 2, 2019



Saturday, February 2, 2019
9:00am - 5:00pm · Murdock Baptist Church
\$30 per Ticket, Lunch Included

Visit www.fbcportcharlotte.com/no-regrets/ for more information and to register online.



Multi-Church Women's Retreat
February 22-24, 2019
Bradenton Christian Retreat Center
You are invited to join us as we explore the wonder of who God is and who He made us to be. Please stop by the Connection Counter today and pick up a flyer for more information.

20035 Quesada Ave · Port Charlotte · FL · 33952 · 629-0444

women's MINISTRY

Our Bible Studies will begin the week of Jan. 20. Stop by the Connection Counter to register.

"Anxious for Nothing" by Max Lucado
Led by: Joanne Potempa
Begins: Tue., Jan. 22 from 10:00am-11:30am

"True Woman 201"
by Mary Kassian & Nancy Leigh DeMoss Wolgemuth
Led by: Susan Haynes
Begins: Tue., Jan. 22 from 4:30-6:00pm

"Discover Your Destiny" by Tony Evans
Led by: Joy Stedman
Begins: Wed., Jan. 23 from 10:00am-11:30am

"None Like Him" by Jen Wilkin
Led by: Shirley McCarty
Begins: Wed., Jan. 23 from 6:30-7:30pm

"1 & 2 Thessalonians" by John MacArthur
Led by: Lynn Overton
Begins: Thur., Jan. 24 from 6:00-7:30pm

Week At-A-Glance

SUNDAY, Jan. 6
Deacon of the Day: Mike Burgess
12:30pm New Deacon/Wives Orientation & Lunch
6:00pm Sunday Night Strive (The McKinneys')

MONDAY, Jan. 7
7:00am Men's Prayer Group (FH)
10:00 Lunch Bunch Com. Mtg. (SC)
6:30pm High School Girls Bible Study (SC)
High School Guys Bible Study (Music Rm.)

TUESDAY, Jan. 8
9:00am Staff Mtg. (Conf. Rm.)
6:30pm Student Praise Team Rehearsal (SC)

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 9
5:00pm Stewardship Com. Mtg. (Conf. Rm.)
6:00 Preschool Care for Infants & 2's (Preschool Dept.)
6:15 AWANA (Begins in the Gym)
6:30 Hispanic Min. Bible Study (P1)
Midweek Together for all adults - Bible Study & Prayer (Music Rm.)
Revelation Study (P3)
Student Ministry (SC)

THURSDAY, Jan. 10
10:00am W.O.M. (FH)
Women's Prayer Mtg. (FH)
6:00pm Women's Ministry Mtg. (FH)
6:30 Praise Choir Practice (Music Rm.)
7:00 Men's Bible Study - Isaiah (Sci. Rm.)

FRIDAY, Jan. 11
10:00am Sisters Stitching for Jesus (SC)

SATURDAY, Jan. 12
8:00am Open Gym Basketball (G)
9:00 Women's Min. Planning Mtg. (SC)
9:30 Griefshare (Conf. Rm.)
4:30pm Feeding the Hungry (Genesis Center)

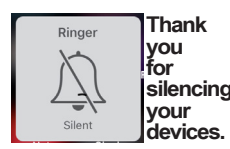
Feeding the Hungry
This Saturday, January 12
Genesis Center, 1476 Kenesaw St, Port Charlotte
To volunteer, please sign up at the Connection Counter. Be sure to checkmark, on the sheet, the area you would like to serve.
Feeding the Homeless is one of our Community Connections.

LEAVE A LEGACY
Sun., Jan. 13 · 12:30pm · Café
Special Lunch Event
Mike Morgan of Florida Baptist Foundation will hold a Q & A session for those interested in learning how to leave a Legacy Gift to First Baptist.
Sign up at the Connection Counter.

For a schedule of upcoming events, visit our website and click on "Calendar"



Jan. 6, 2019



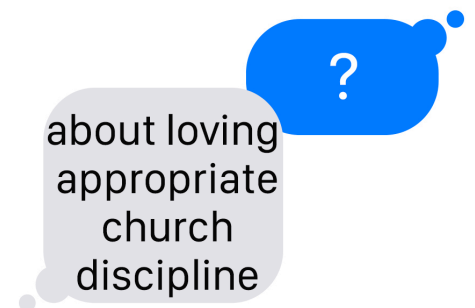
THIS MORNING

Lord's Supper:
If you are a Christian, you are welcome to join us in the Lord's Supper. Parents are asked to monitor their children.

Benevolence Offering:
Ushers will be at the doors as you depart to receive a benevolent offering to help members in times of need.



Dear Church... WE NEED TO TALK



1 CORINTHIANS 5:1-13

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From the Pastor's Heart

My grandmother was an avid viewer of the P.T.L. (Praise the Lord) T.V. show. She sent in her gifts to support Jim & Tammy Bakker. What a shock when his alleged rape of a woman was exposed; the hush money paid; the accounting fraud that put him in jail. Don't we expect more from Christians, especially leaders? Does it matter if Christians live immoral lives? Today's passage confirms what should be obvious - YES, IT DOES!

We all know that the world does not embrace God's moral code. They live immorally and rarely give it another thought. But we are different. God made it clear how WE are to live holy lives. I have heard some Christians say and write on the internet that the Scriptures are ambiguous. I disagree. Others have questioned whether God's moral laws are still relevant for today. Of course they are!

As we prepare our hearts for God's Word in 1 Corinthians 5, consider a complementary passage - 1 Thessalonians 4:1-7. "As for other matters, brothers and sisters, we instructed you how to live in order to please God, as in fact you are living. Now we ask you and urge you in the Lord Jesus to do this more and more. For you know what instructions we gave you by the authority of the Lord Jesus. It is God's will that you should be sanctified: that you should avoid sexual immorality; that each of you should learn to control your own body in a way that is holy and honorable, not in passionate lust like the pagans, who do not know God; and that in this matter no one should wrong or take advantage of a brother or sister. The Lord will punish all those who commit such sins, as we told you and warned you before. For God did not call us to be impure, but to live a holy life. Therefore, anyone who rejects this instruction does not reject a human being but God, the very God who gives you his Holy Spirit." Amen!

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These are the Scripture texts for Pastor Jim's sermons and for our Sunday Connection Group studies.
Commentaries are available from your Connection Group or at the Connection Counter.

Today
1 Corinthians 5:1-13
& Commentary pages 75-86

January 13
1 Corinthians 6:1-11
& Commentary pages 86-94

January 20
1 Corinthians 6:12-20
& Commentary pages 94-102

Last Sunday, Pastor Jim offered 3 resources for those who made decisions for Christ. More copies are now available at the Connection Counter in the lobby of 'The Case for Christ,' Bibles, and the Follow-up packet of materials.

Are you new to First Baptist?

Connection Counter. Friendly folks are there in the lobby to answer any questions you may have, and escort you to where you or your family members need to be. They also have brochures that inform you about all our ministries.

Children. We love families! Preschool care is provided the entire morning. Greeters are prepared to help you register your preschoolers. Children can attend First Kidz Connection Groups during the 9:30 Service and Kidz Zone during the 11:00 Service.

Starting Point. Our Pastors lead this enjoyable time of introducing you to the ministries of First Baptist. If you would like to know more about joining the church, this class would be your Starting Point. You can call or email the Church office to register your plans to attend. We look forward to having you.

Connection Groups. We offer classes for every age, from children to senior adults, during our 9:30 and 11:00 Services. A brochure is available in the lobby that lists the classes, teachers, and locations. Someone at the counter can assist you.

Decision Time. At the conclusion of our Services, Prayer Partners will be down front to pray with you. If you have a need or want to share a decision, take a few moments and speak with one of them.

The Pastor. After this Service, the Pastor will be down front to greet new folks. If you like, please introduce yourself. He would love to meet you.

Giving. We express our love for the Lord by giving gifts during an offering time in the Service. This is for our members and regular attenders. Do not feel pressured to give.

Thank you for coming.
If there is some way we can serve you, please let us know.

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Family News

CELEBRATE Birthdays

- Sun.** - Jase Clark, Prisca Schaefer
- Mon.** - Jacqui Clarke-Naklen, Judy Little
- Tue.** - Cathy Greene, Nicolina Patterson
- Wed.** - Paul Hering, Gael Seseno, Za'Riah Tsekuras
- Thu.** - Nathaniel MacLeod
- Fri.** - Erik Colleen, Augustine Martin, Victor Russea

New Bible Study begins Wed. Jan. 9
Book of Revelation
6:30pm · Portable 3 · Led by Joe Hayes
All are welcome to attend.

PICTORIAL DIRECTORY
Saturday, January 26

WE NEED YOU
to make our new family directory complete

We will be updating our directory. If you were not in our previous directory, or would like an updated family photo, fill out the insert or email Pastor Brian at Brian@fbcportcharlotte.com and he will get you scheduled. **Reminder: You only receive a directory if you're in the directory.**

Our Thoughts & Prayers are With You
Condolences to Russ & Sue Pearl, in the passing of their daughter, Lorrie, on 12/25.

GRIEF SHARE

Saturdays January 12- March 23
9:30-11:30am · Conference Room
\$20 fee--scholarships available
Sign-up at the Connection Counter

Financial Stewardship

2018 Weekly Budget Needs:	\$28,609.96
Budget Receipts 12/30:	\$33,530.96
Budget Needs to Date:	\$1,487,717.92
Budget Receipts to Date:	\$1,445,854.41

GROW

Total 3 Yr. Commitments:	\$350,640.00
Initial Gifts to Date:	\$945,314.00
Needed to Reach Phase 2 Goal:	\$54,686.00

Your continued support through your GROW commitments is encouraged.

UPDATE
Bids from General Contractors will be opened the third week of January.

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Preschool care is available for all FBPC Services