eNewsletter

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Sermon on the Mount Part 1
Change Your Diet:
Hunger and Thirsting after Righteousness

Matthew 5-7

Ray Schwartz



USE THIS QR CODE TO ACCESS THE GROW ON THE FAMILY BIBLE CHURCH WEBSITE!

ALSO, VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR SERMONS,
CHURCH COMMUNITY BUILDER ACCESS,
UPCOMING EVENTS, CONSTITUTION AND
BY-LAWS, ONLINE PRAYER REQUESTS, GIVING, AND MORE!

SOUP ON SUNDAYS! (SOS) STARTING SEPT 1ST!

It's a church potluck!

We are bringing back the monthly time of food and fellowship. On the first Sunday of each month we invite you to stay (or come back!) after second service and bring a dish to share. Bring soup, sandwiches, salads, fruit/veggies, or dessert.

We will kick this off on Sunday, September 1st. We'd love to see you there! If you would like to help with set up or clean up please contact April Bahner aprilbahner@gmail.com

POTLUCK AND BUNCO NIGHT FOR WOMEN 16+

Date: Friday, September 6th, 2024 **Time:** 5:30 pm—Eat ,6:30 pm—Games

Sign-ups: August 25th and September 1st after

each service. Walk ins okay

Come join us for a time of yummy food, fellowship, and fun games of BUNCO! **There will not be a Chil**

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FALL 2024 WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES

WOW studies begin on September 11th! Sign-ups and registration begin September 1st online and in the lobby. <u>CLICK HERE</u> for the FOUR studies we will be having this fall and start thinking about which one you can join! Contact <u>Gina Riffel</u> with any questions.

SAVE THE DATE – SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2024

Women's Ministry invites you to save the date for **Great Expectations:** A Season of Gratitude, Giving, & Blessings. This event will focus on Thanksgiving and Advent as we prepare for the Christmas Season and will replace the Christmas event that usually takes place on the first Saturday in December. This is a change for this year only.

It will feature all the things you have come to love about our Christmas event, and we are bringing back some things you have missed: Special Speakers & Music, free Children's Program, Special take home gift, Delicious Food, And the return of the opportunity to hostess and decorate a table

Watch the GROW, the church website, and our ministry board for more details to come!

2024-2025 FBC BUDGET VOTE

Thank you to the members who voted. The budget for 2024-2025 did pass. If you would like to see the budget it is attached <u>HERE</u> or pick up a copy in the office.



C.O.G. Will be hosting a soup lunch on 22 Sept for the church. We would like to fellowship and learn about serving in our local community through the word of God. Chris Bahner and Jeff Spring will be teaching.

Bring your entire family for some food, fellowship and learning!

We will also be starting our Olympic View Elementary School Food delivery outreach on 12 Sept, every week of the school year on Thursdays at 3PM. If you would like to help serve please contact Jeff Riffel or Chris Bahner. We can use volunteers as packers, drivers, and for food pickup.

The Giving Tree will be back 8 September to hand out tags!

THE FBC SENTINEL MINISTRY

Who are the Sentinels and what do they do? Glad you asked! The Sentinels are a ministry of volunteer men and women at FBC dedicated to making sure we provide the safest possible environment for wor-



ship and fellowship. They are at all worship services and all major FBC events. They have undergone training and background checks and are responsible for the safety and security of our congregation as well as our physical facilities. The Sentinels have been tasked with updating our church emergency procedures and trained to respond to threats such as natural disasters, safety, security and medical emergencies. The Sentinel director, Steve Wells, has met with Oak Harbor Police Chief to make sure we have an active partnership with our local law enforcement agencies. Over the course of the past year, FBC has invested in upgrading our security system with a new video surveillance system and radios. The Sentinels have created a "Dispatch Group" with Dick Haines directing those efforts. The dispatch group has spent a great deal of personal volunteer time installing and monitoring these cameras. The goal is not to be watching our congregation; but rather watching and responding to any dangers that may exist. If our directive as Christian disciples is to be the "hands and feet" of Christ, the Sentinels directive is to be the "eyes and ears" of the flock, fulfilling Ephesians 6 13-17. The Sentinels are currently looking for more dedicated men and women to assist with this noble calling. If you'd like to help out with this ministry, contact: Steve Wells 360-632-9000 swells@whidbey.net. If you would like to help with the dispatch group, contact Dick Haines 360-682-6089, dickhainesO@gmail.com . Please be sure to thank these men and women the next time you see them for their service to our church and the time they donate keeping FBC a safe place to worship.

Tony Giammarinaro, Facilities Elder

SENTINEL VOLUNTEER TRAINING

Interested in becoming a Sentinel? Reserve September 21st and come to our training session at 9:00am in Room C6. This will be an "all day" event (probably ending around 3:00pm) with existing Sentinels joining in from12:00pm on. Pizza will be available for lunch. Questions? Contact Steve Wells at 360-632-9000 (texting is good) or email swells@whidbey.net.

PASTORAL SEARCH PRAYER & VERSE OF THE WEEK

"And He gave....some as pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of service..."

(Ephesians 4:11-12, NASB95)

Pray that our future Pastor will be a man who equips us to do the work of service.

The FBC pastoral search prayer team would like to invite you to join us for a few moments of corporate prayer to lift up before God the search for a new lead pastor for Family Bible Church. On Sunday morning September 1st the PST prayer team will meet in room B-4 at 10:15 am and 11:45 am to specifically pray for the pastoral search process. We hope you will join us!

AWANA meets on Tuesday evenings from 6:30pm-8:00/8:15/8:30pm pending age. Planned start date is Tuesday, Sept 10th. For Information on Volunteer Needs, click "here".



To **Volunteer** or be contacted, click "here" and please fill out the form. To add a child to the Pre-Registration Waitlist and/or see costs involved, click "here".

All children go on this list as attendance is confirmed based upon Volunteer numbers.

For more information and/or any questions, please reach out to fbcohawana@gmail.com.



October 18 - 19, 2024 **Highlands Community Church** 3031 NE 10th St.

Renton, WA 98056

SAVE THE DATE!!! Missions Fest Seattle will be held October 18th-19th, 2024 at Highlands Community Church (3031 NE 10th Street, Renton, WA) This was Pastor Lawler's former Church prior to coming to FBC twenty years ago. The theme of this year's Conference is "People Must Know". People registering and attending can be reimbursed, with proof of receipts, up to \$50 per person for travel expenses including gas/food/lodging from the GPC Education Budget. FBC is a sponsoring church annually

for this event.

For more information about speakers, seminars, and programs, as well as free registration: CLICK HERE

Meet at the flagpole at the school of your choice **SCHOOL** PRAYER WALK

Thank you for joining us as we pray for our schools, students, teachers and staff September 15 from 6:00 - 6:30 pm





FBC will be CLOSED Monday, September 2nd

HOW TO BEGIN A RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD

- · Admit you have not met God's standard of perfection. Romans 3:23
- · Believe Jesus Christ is God as he claimed to be. Romans 10:9-10
- Ask God to forgive your sin on the basis of Jesus Christ's death payment. Romans 4:25
- · Accept God's love for you and His offer of eternal life. John 3:16

We invite you to contact a Pastor or Elder to help you begin a relationship with Jesus Christ.

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Give us a Call **Connect at the Cross Congregational Prayer Elder Meeting (2nd & 4th Mondays)**

Elder Connect Form



Vickie Burns

Sept. 1, 2023 -**Present**

Budget: \$ 753,112 Giving: \$650,143

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