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grace relationship obedience witness

Sermon on the Mount Part 4: Choose Wisely Matthew 7:21-28

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PASTORAL SEARCH PRAYER & VERSE OF THE WEEK

“Be diligent to present yourself approved to God as a workman who does not need to be ashamed, accurately handling the word of truth.” (2 Timothy 2:15, NASB95)

Pray that our future Pastor will be a man who handles God’s Word accurately.

FBC Pastoral Prayer Team 9/29/24

The Pastoral search prayer team would like to invite the members of the FBC congregation to join us for a prayer meeting to pray for the elders and the pastoral search process. We will meet in **room B4** after 2nd service at **11:45 am** on **Sunday September 29th**. If you can't join us, please continue to pray for the pastoral search process.



Jeff and Christina McCain



Jeff and Connie Spring

The Elders want to welcome our newest members, Jeff and Christina McCain & Jeff and Connie Spring! Both couples have been attending and serving at FBC for some time and we are excited to have them step into membership!

MEMBERS

The elders are starting an ongoing process to shepherd the flock in obedience according to 1 Peter 5:1-3.

“Therefore, I exhort the elders among you, as your fellow elder and witness of the sufferings of Christ, and a partaker also of the glory that is to be revealed, shepherd the flock of God among you, exercising oversight not under compulsion, but voluntarily, according to the will of God; and not for sordid gain, but with eagerness; nor yet as lording it over those allotted to your charge, but proving to be examples to the flock.”

So, if you are a member, expect a call from an elder in the next few weeks to share your prayer requests and any concerns you might have. Rick Bonacci, Elder Board Member

Lead Pastor Search Update

Over the past three weeks, the elders have been diligently reviewing the lead pastor candidates put forward by the Pastoral Search Team (PST). The #1 candidate elected to remove his name from consideration before the elders were able to interview him. The #2 candidate received a call from a church in Idaho, and the elders did not feel the #3 candidate, though fully qualified, was not a good fit for FBC. Therefore, the elders have reconvened the PST and opened up the resume posting at various schools, seminaries, and church job websites. Please continue to pray for the PST and elders as well as the man whom God has already identified for us. Kirk Kallander, Elder Chairman



SOUP ON SUNDAY

It’s a church potluck! **October 6th after second service** Bring a dish to share - anything from soup to sandwiches, salads, fruits/veggies, or dessert! On the first Sunday of the month, stay (or come back) after second service and enjoy some food and fellowship with your church family.

The Children’s ministry could use a few more volunteers to help with the 5 and under crowd in the Woods. If you have one or more Sunday a month you could volunteer to help the little ones learn about Jesus, that would be extremely helpful. We also need grandparents to rock fussy babies in the fawn's room. Let the younger crowd crawl on the floor, we need some “Rockers” to help sooth babies.



HARVEST FESTIVAL

Save the date for our annual Harvest Festival, **Friday, October 25th**. We are asking for candy donations and volunteers. Candy collection and volunteer signups will begin **Sunday, October 6th** in the foyer.

WE ARE HIRING!

OPEN POSITIONS:

- MEDICAL ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR
- CLIENT SERVICES DIRECTOR

To be considered for this position, please submit your resume and cover letter to Karin Black, Executive Director by email (director@whidbeyislandwc.org) or drop it by the Clinic during office hours (670 SE Midway Blvd., Oak Harbor)

GLOBAL PARTNERS

Elijah Francis, a Pastor in India and partner with iTEE Global, will be sharing with us in person this Sunday during 2nd service, B3. Come here his story and how the Lord is using him and the people there to reach the lost!

On behalf of all our Global Partners - The Global Partners Council would like to say a big THANK YOU for you, our FBC family, for your continued generosity in giving month over month. Whether in person or online we get to see first-hand the amazing effects of your consistent financial support. Thank you!"



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.

If you are asking "how can I help"? Here's one fun way: We are offering the opportunity to have women hostess and set a table for between 6-7 guests total. If you don't have dishes, we have a lot of women who have extra sets that you can borrow!

Watch the GROW, church website, and our ministry board for more details to come! Contact Carolyn Kaetterhenry at 360-320-1663 or bobandcare@outdrs.net for more information.

MIGHTY MEN OF GOD BREAKFAST

Come and Join the **MoMENTum Mighty Men of God Breakfast September 28th at 8:30am**. We will be kicking off the new MoMENTum Ministry year with worship, time in the Word and relationship building - not to mention some awesome food. Meet the new MoMENTum Ministry Director and some of the exciting things planned for this year.



MATTHEW 7:21-28

"Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. On that day many will say to me, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty works in your name?' And then will I declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from me, you workers of lawlessness.' "Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock. And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock. And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not do them will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand. And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell, and great was the fall of it.' And when Jesus finished these sayings, the crowds were astonished at his teaching,"

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)

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