

May 23rd - May 29th

eNewsletter

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grace

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Devoted to Building Community Acts 2:42-45

Pastor 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, GIV-
ING, AND MORE!



Elder Updates

Great news, Family Bible Church!

God has been on the move here! Last Friday, the elders hired Josh Turner for the position of Director of Worship, Evangelism and Life Groups.

Josh comes to us most recently from serving as Worship Pastor at a Seattle area church. He lives at the south end of Whidbey Island with his wife and two children. Josh has a heart for the lost, especially those who are marginalized, and has a desire to pursue a master's degree in counseling. His first Sunday will be June 8th.

On another front, last Friday, the PST unanimously voted to forward Pastor Ray Schwartz' name to the elders for the permanent position of lead pastor. On Monday night, the elders interviewed Ray and unanimously voted to call Ray to candidate. He will officially candidate on Sunday, June 1st, followed by a congregational meeting at noon on the same day. There will be online voting beginning Sunday, June 1st at 2:00 pm with the online poll closing on Tuesday, June 3rd, at 4:30 pm.

Praise God!
Kirk Kallander, Elder Chairman

Memorial Day

TODAY WE REMEMBER THOSE LOST



THE FBC OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED
MONDAY, MAY 26TH

NORMAL OFFICE HOURS WILL RESUME
TUESDAY, MAY 27TH AT 8AM.



Fill a Bottle

WITH LIFE-SAVING CHANGE

Pick up your bottle on Mother's Day, May 11th
Return them to your church by Father's Day, June 15th



How to participate

1. Fill a bottle with checks, cash, or coins and return to your church by Father's Day, June 15th.
2. Scan the code or visit wiwcfriends.org/baby-bottle-boomerang to donate online.
3. Mail a check or money order with your name and church name to WIWC, PO Box 1675, Oak Harbor, 98277.





VBS MAGNIFIED! JUNE 23-27!

Set a reminder!
FBC Vacation Bible School child registration opens THIS MONDAY, May 26! Go to <https://ohfbc.org/ministries/vbs/> to sign up! Children ENTERING grades K-6 in the fall are eligible to participate.

While VBS is full steam ahead, we are still VERY much in need of both volunteers and donations. You can take a donation tag from the lobby table or make a direct purchase from our Amazon wishlist. Items can be dropped off at the table or throughout the week. Please visit us at the table in the Lobby to inquire, or scan the QR codes listed here. Come talk with us or e-mail Erin or Michelle at fbc.vbsrocks@gmail.com with any questions.

Volunteer Sign-Up



AMAZON WISHLIST





Operation Christmas Child

REMINDER!

OCC craft night Thursday,
May 29th, 6:00pm to 8:00pm



CELEBRATE RECOVERY

A CHRIST-CENTERED RECOVERY PROGRAM

Thursdays @ FBC
7PM
B3

Soup On Sunday

On the first Sunday of the month,

Stay (or come back!) after second service.

Bring a dish to share and come and enjoy some food and fellowship.



JUNE 1st



Costa Rica Family Serve Trip A Vacation with A Purpose



This February, Bring Your Family To
Serve At La Montaña Christian Camps

Information Zoom Meeting - June 1, 3pm on Zoom
contact Ray Schwartz at ray@lama4youth.org

GPC CORNER

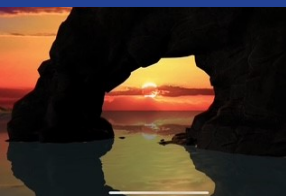
The Family Bible Church **Global Partners Council** needs YOU! We need people to pray for and care for the Missionaries sent out from here, to represent their needs and praises, and to join the council here only once a month, Tuesday evening either in person or on zoom, where we give updates on each Missionary, pray for them, and give oversight to FBC Missions funds on their behalf. It's a joy to be involved in their lives and get to see the BIG picture of how our Lord is working here and around the world! Our next meeting is Tuesday, June 10th here at 7pm – plenty of time to prayerfully consider joining! We'd love to have you – stop by the office or connect with Tim Miller (tim.c.miller@outlook.com) for more information!



THE POWER OF WONDER

Today, almost 2000 years after Jesus lived on earth in human form, God still communicates with us in several ways—including, through the physical beauty and wonders of our planet and universe that he once spoke into existence.

In this short video, we explore how our Creator continually demonstrates his love, faithfulness and power through everything he has made. And, as our sense of wonder grows, so will our desire to worship the King of all creation. [CLICK HERE](#)



CALLING SMALL GROUPS!

June 11th there will be a potluck dinner for fellowship at Windjammer Park from 6 PM to 8 PM for all our folks who are participating in Small Group Fellowship, or are interested in finding out more about what, where and when different Small Group Meetings occur. We have reserved the covered area/kitchens of Windjammer Park between the basketball courts and the beach. All are welcome to attend. Bring a dish to share and a desire to build up other believers! Good food, fun and fellowship to be had by all. See you there! For more information contact Ed and Dorothy Nowakowski (Nowiemom@yahoo.com).

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.

The G.R.O.W.

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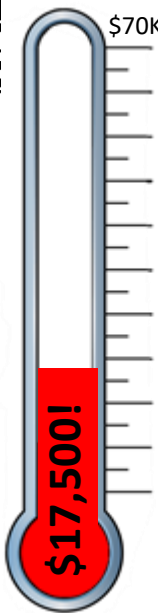
Give us a Call
Connect at the Cross
Congregational Prayer
Elder Meeting (2nd, 4th Mondays)
[Elder Connect Form](#)

CURRENT FBC SUNDAY SCHOOLS & SMALL GROUPS

[CLICK HERE](#)



BUILDING FUND GROWTH!



Sept. 1, 2024 - Present

Budget: \$ 519,967
Giving: \$ 466,875

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