



The Trumpeter

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BREAKFAST WITH JESUS & A NEW APPROACH TO WORSHIP

“Jesus said to them, ‘Come and have breakfast...’” (John 21:12a, ESV)

One of my favorite things about John’s Gospel is the sheer number of times it is recorded that Jesus appeared after the resurrection to various people. And one of the most interesting appearances took place by the Sea of Tiberius, when Jesus actually invited the disciples to join him for a fish breakfast after one particularly memorable fishing trip. The image of sharing breakfast with Jesus, on the beach, has always stood out to me as intriguing. Can’t you just imagine what an unforgettable meal that would have been?

This spring season at First Baptist will be particularly significant. Our celebration of Easter will not be limited to just April 9th! We will spend the *entire* month of April on Sunday mornings exploring some of the most significant post-resurrection appearances of Jesus. Then, in May, we will wrap up our 2-year journey through our Gospel of John teaching series.

May will also be significant for us as the Worship Team and Diaconate Board introduce a new approach to worship called the “Trinity Project.” ***We will kick it off with a special breakfast before worship on May 7th as we celebrate the theme, “Breakfast with Jesus.”***

What is the Trinity Project? As the name would imply, it is a 3-part worship service designed to better meet the needs of our multi-generational, diverse congregation and empower future possible outreach to the community. The first part of the service will feature traditional elements; the second part will feature the sermon; and the third part will feature contemporary elements. Here’s how it will work.

10:00am – Pre-Service – “GATHERING” – Doors open, worshippers invited to gather for conversation in the Fellowship Hall or to pray in the new Prayer Room (formerly called the “Parlor.”)

10:30am – Worship Part 1 – “PREPARING FOR THE WORD” – A fully traditional time of worship involving hymns, organ, the Lord’s Prayer, Doxology – a short passing time will be provided between Parts 1 and 2

11:00am – Worship Part 2 – “THE WORD” – A time centered around the reading and preaching of God’s Word – a short passing time will be provided between Parts 2 and 3

11:30am – Worship Part 3 – “RESPONDING TO THE WORD” – A fully contemporary time of worship, led by the band, and a challenge for worshippers to reflect on and respond to the Scripture of the day

12:00pm – Post-Service – “SENDING” – Worshippers invited again to gather for conversation in the Fellowship Hall or to pray in the Prayer Room

Worshippers will be free to come and go between each of the three main parts of the service, depending on their personal schedules and ministry needs. Both the Fellowship Hall and Prayer Room will be available the full time between 10:00am and 12:30pm. People may choose to attend one, two or even all three parts of the new Trinity Project worship service. The hope will be for *all* worshippers to be together at the same time for “THE WORD” (Part 2) of the worship experience.

This is very different from what FBC has done in the past. However, all of what we currently do will be part of the mix, AND this approach will give us the ability to include other elements that our current blended service has just not allowed, due to time constraints and other practical considerations. I invite you all to join us in prayer as we discern how God may lead us in the way we worship together and reach out to our community.

Blessings,

—Pastor Matt Toupin

Member Birthdays

Alyssa Young.....	4/2	Anne Dong.....	5/14
Parker Rutter.....	4/3	Chris Beard.....	5/14
Richard McGuirk.....	4/5	Calvin Taylor.....	5/15
Claudia Papagos.....	4/5	Bruce Montgomery.....	5/17
Rick Loomis.....	4/6	Saveth Anderson.....	5/23
Peter Newman.....	4/7	Vicki Bridges.....	5/25
Brianne Nem.....	4/8	Leslie Cody.....	5/26
Soeung Seng.....	4/9	Anthony Im.....	5/28
Eunice Schleiger.....	4/10	Sam Raj.....	5/28
Robert Raleigh.....	4/11		
Irene Callahan.....	4/11	Jimmy Jones.....	6/1
Jeanette Fischer.....	4/13	Eric Carlson.....	6/4
Reynold Louie.....	4/14	Savin Loeung.....	6/5
Sueanne Townley.....	4/15	Jennifer Beck.....	6/5
Lucy Toupin.....	4/16	Caitlyn Speakman-Boerckel.....	6/6
Darlene Nelson.....	4/17	Joshua Toupin.....	6/8
Ruth Boughner.....	4/18	Zachary Velasquez.....	6/9
Siri Schillios.....	4/18	Edward Cyphers.....	6/9
Cynthia Johnson.....	4/19	Steve Shearer.....	6/10
Maria Gherasim.....	4/19	Micah Lim Hazen.....	6/10
Kendra Casper.....	4/20	Mike McCoy.....	6/11
Robert Enloe.....	4/24	Martha Cox Kuhn.....	6/12
Jim Noyes.....	4/26	Alex Benfield.....	6/12
Anthony Preston.....	4/27	Thavy Yuok.....	6/14
Aria Lofland.....	4/28	Veurn Phoeurn.....	6/15
Eddie Copple.....	4/29	Shirley Im.....	6/15
Alice Long.....	4/30	Emma Anderson.....	6/16
		Jennifer Lawson.....	6/19
Brian White.....	5/2	Debbie Ferguson.....	6/19
Gina Murillo.....	5/3	Bev Owen.....	6/22
Rom King.....	5/5	Anthony Young.....	6/26
Kim Yin.....	5/5	Sam Khem.....	6/26
Mao Leng.....	5/6	Lestelle Anderson.....	6/26
Kimberly Ault.....	5/6	Judah Raj.....	6/28
Cynthia Benfield.....	5/10	Jean Dransfeldt.....	6/29
Dawn Deland.....	5/11	Jaden Thompson.....	6/29
Rachel Casper.....	5/11		
Wilson Lee.....	5/12		
Cynthia Hutchinson.....	5/13		
Robert Glenn.....	5/14		



Join us the first Sunday of the month after church to celebrate birthdays and enjoy a slice of cake!



Do you have a prayer request that you would like shared with our email prayer chain? If so, just contact the Church Office at 503-228-7465 or office@fbc-portland.org, Monday–Thursday, or Darcia Hing (darciahing@comcast.net) Friday–Sunday, so that we can pray for you!

Discover the Advantages of Engaging with God's Word

"Let the wicked leave (behind) his way And the unrighteous man his thoughts;... For as the heavens are higher than the earth, So are My ways higher than your ways And My thoughts higher than your thoughts." (Isaiah 55: 7, 9) (Amplified)

GAIN INSIGHT INTO GOD'S MIND

God's thoughts surpass our limited understanding. By dedicating time to studying the Bible, our minds are transformed (Romans 12:2), and we trade our small-mindedness for God's remarkable, expansive, beautiful, and eternal thoughts.

"For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart." (Hebrews 4:12 ESV)

IDENTIFY THE TRUTH

A two-edged sword was one of the sharpest and most precise tools available when Hebrews was written. Today, we can claim that God's Word is sharper than a scalpel, a tungsten needle, or a laser! As we submit to His Word and allow it to permeate our lives, we receive correction, clarity, truth, and wisdom.

OVERCOME TEMPTATION

When the devil tempted Jesus and offered Him all the kingdoms of the world, Jesus replied each time with Scripture. Whatever is causing you anxiety, frustration, or temptation, and whatever is hindering your progress, be specific, and declare God's Word.

"Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God." (Colossians 3:16 ESV)

SHARE GOD'S WORD WITH OTHERS

By studying God's Word - through contemplation, focus, meditation, and saturation - *we are equipped with a timely message to share with others when they need it (Ephesians 4:29).*

May God bless you!

—Pastor Sam Raj



**2023 ANNUAL THEME:
REACHING OUT ACROSS CULTURAL
BOUNDARIES WITH THE HOPE OF JESUS**

"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit..." (Matthew 28:19, ESV)

In Memorium

Our Christian sympathies go to the family of **Run Yep**, who went to her home in heaven on March 6, 2023. Condolences can be sent to Kun Chart at:

Kun Chart
1862 SW 33rd St
Gresham, OR 97080

Help Wanted: Easter Outreach Donations!

As we look forward to Easter outreach to kids and families, we need your help! The Apprenticeship Team needs folks to provide donations of plastic easter eggs and store-bought candy. Want to help out? Just bring your donations to the "Welcome Center" or Church Office Through Thursday, April 6, at noon. Questions? Contact Pamela Rosentreter via email (silver19439@yahoo.com). Thank you for your support!



Join First Baptist Church of Portland for Memorial Sunday, May 28, at 11:00 am

A special day set aside to honor those who have passed away over this last year

We are inviting you to bring a photograph or memento of your departed friend or love one for the memorial table in our Dining Hall.

During the worship service, we will read the names of those remembered, and observe a moment of silence in their honor. Join us afterward for a special, free luncheon together!

(To share the name of a loved one you would like to have remembered, please just call the church office, email office@fbc-portland.org, or use one of the cards that will be provided at church. You can even invite a friend or neighbor who might be blessed by an opportunity to remember their loved one!)

Find us on the web: fbc-portland.org

Business Office: 909 SW 11th Ave., Portland, OR 97205

The next Trumpeter deadline is **June 12, 2023**.

Please send submissions to jchastain@fbc-portland.org

Matt Toupin, *Pastor*

Sam Raj, *Executive Pastor*

Peter Im, *Pastor of Cambodian Ministries*

Alyssa Young, *Pastor of Youth*

Anthony Young, *Pastor of Youth*

Edith Tamay, *Outreach Worship Coordinator*

Trudi Bills, *Interim Director of Worship*

Nathan Sanders, *Organist*

Jason Chastain, *Communications Administrator*

Christian Barrow, *Pastoral Assistant, Lead Sound Tech*

Pat Forrester, *Facilities Manager*

Levi Toupin, *Tech Associate*

Gabe Plesha, *Tech Associate*

Jack Brophy, *Drop-In Director*

Terry Brogan, *Facilities and Drop-In Associate*

Kathy Welty, *Resource Center Associate*

Michael Fraizer, *Drop-In Food Pantry Associate*

Corey Johnson, *Drop-In Associate*

Nora Russell, *Librarian*

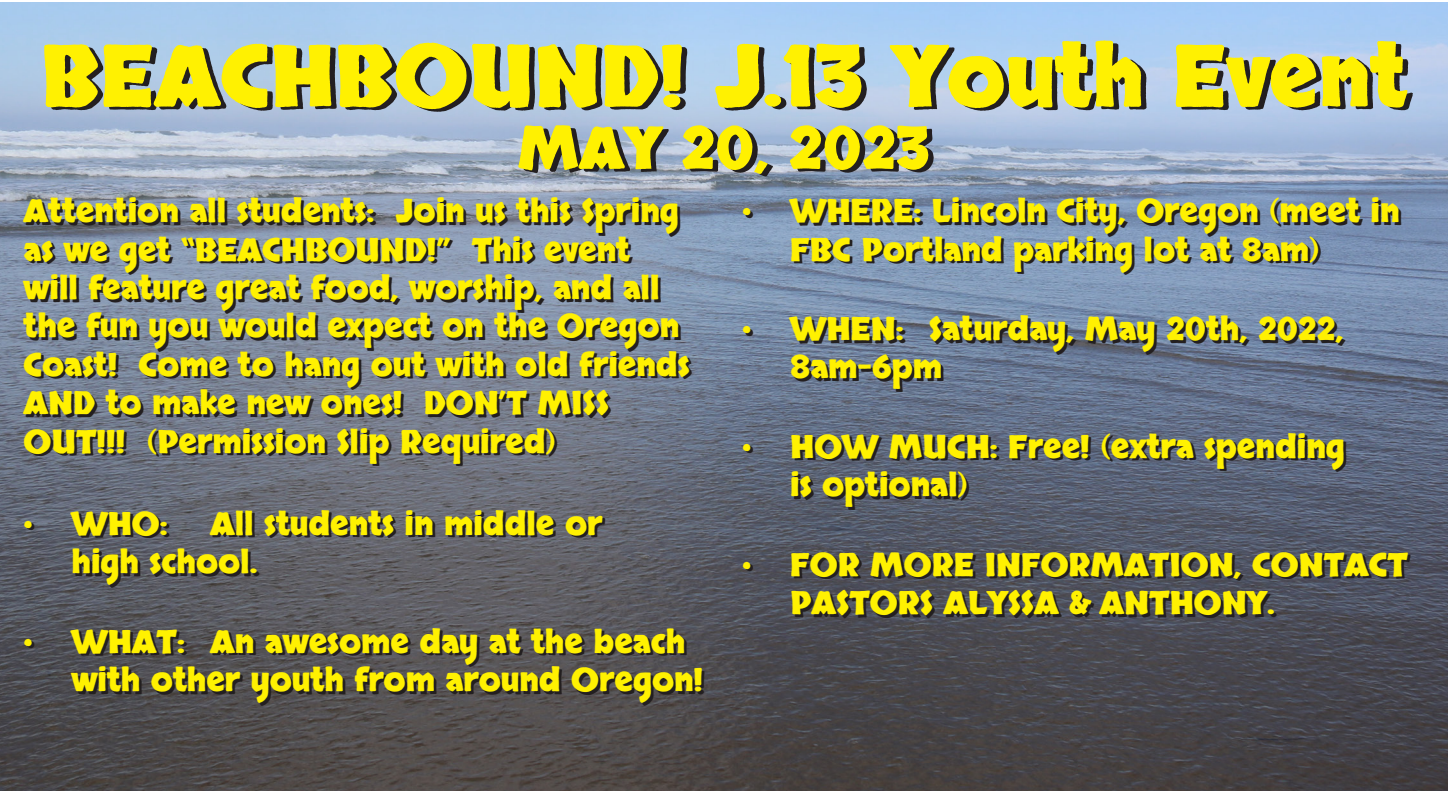
“The Path” Readings for April, May and June (Choose 1, 2, or 4 Each Day)

4/1: Ex. 12, Lk. 15, Jb. 30, 1 Co. 16	5/4: Lv. 6, Ps. 5, Ps. 6, Pr. 21, Cl. 4	6/6: Nu. 14, Ps. 50, Is. 3, Is. 4, He. 11
4/2: Ex. 13, Lk. 16, Jb. 31, 2 Co. 1	5/5: Lv. 7, Ps. 7, Ps. 8, Pr. 22, 1 Th. 1	6/7: Nu. 15, Ps. 51, Is. 5, He. 12
4/3: Ex. 14, Lk. 17, Jb. 32, 2 Co. 2	5/6: Lv. 8, Ps. 9, Pr. 23, 1 Th. 2	6/8: Nu. 16, Ps. 52, Ps. 53, Ps. 54, Is. 6, He. 13
4/4: Ex. 15, Lk. 18, Jb. 33, 2 Co. 3	5/7: Lv. 9, Ps. 10, Pr. 24, 1 Th. 3	6/9: Nu. 17, Nu. 18, Ps. 55, Is. 7, Js. 1
4/5: Ex. 16, Lk. 19, Jb. 34, 2 Co. 4	5/8: Lv. 10, Ps. 11, Ps. 12, Pr. 25, 1 Th. 4	6/10: Nu. 19, Ps. 56, Ps. 57, Is. 8, Js. 2
4/6: Ex. 17, Lk. 20, Jb. 35, 2 Co. 5	5/9: Lv. 11, Lv. 12, Ps. 13, Ps. 14, Pr. 26, 1 Th. 5	6/11: Nu. 20, Ps. 58, Ps. 59, Is. 9, Js. 3
4/7: Ex. 18, Lk. 21, Jb. 36, 2 Co. 6	5/10: Lv. 13, Ps. 15, Ps. 16, Pr. 27, 2 Th. 1	6/12: Nu. 21, Ps. 60, Ps. 61, Is. 10, Js. 4
4/8: Ex. 19, Lk. 22, Jb. 37, 2 Co. 7	5/11: Lv. 14, Ps. 17, Pr. 28, 2 Th. 2	6/13: Nu. 22, Ps. 62, Ps. 63, Is. 11, Is. 12, Js. 5
4/9: Ex. 20, Lk. 23, Jb. 38, 2 Co. 8	5/12: Lv. 15, Ps. 18, Pr. 29, 2 Th. 3	6/14: Nu. 23, Ps. 64, Ps. 65, Is. 13, 1 Pt. 1
4/10: Ex. 21, Lk. 24, Jb. 39, 2 Co. 9	5/13: Lv. 16, Ps. 19, Pr. 30, 1 Tm. 1	6/15: Nu. 24, Ps. 66, Ps. 67, Is. 14, 1 Pt. 2
4/11: Ex. 22, Jn. 1, Jb. 40, 2 Co. 10	5/14: Lv. 17, Ps. 20, Ps. 21, Pr. 31, 1 Tm. 2	6/16: Nu. 25, Ps. 68, Is. 15, 1 Pt. 3
4/12: Ex. 23, Jn. 2, Jb. 41, 2 Co. 11	5/15: Lv. 18, Ps. 22, Ec. 1, 1 Tm. 3	6/17: Nu. 26, Ps. 69, Is. 16, 1 Pt. 4
4/13: Ex. 24, Jn. 3, Jb. 42, 2 Co. 12	5/16: Lv. 19, Ps. 23, Ps. 24, Ec. 2, 1 Tm. 4	6/18: Nu. 27, Ps. 70, Ps. 71, Is. 17, Is. 18, 1 Pt. 5
4/14: Ex. 25, Jn. 4, Pr. 1, 2 Co. 13	5/17: Lv. 20, Ps. 25, Ec. 3, 1 Tm. 5	6/19: Nu. 28, Ps. 72, Is. 19, Is. 20, 2 Pt. 1
4/15: Ex. 26, Jn. 5, Pr. 2, Ga. 1	5/18: Lv. 21, Ps. 26, Ps. 27, Ec. 4, 1 Tm. 6	6/20: Nu. 29, Ps. 73, Is. 21, 2 Pt. 2
4/16: Ex. 27, Jn. 6, Pr. 3, Ga. 2	5/19: Lv. 22, Ps. 28, Ps. 29, Ec. 5, 2 Tm. 1	6/21: Nu. 30, Ps. 74, Is. 22, 2 Pt. 3
4/17: Ex. 28, Jn. 7, Pr. 4, Ga. 3	5/20: Lv. 23, Ps. 30, Ec. 6, 2 Tm. 2	6/22: Nu. 31, Ps. 75, Ps. 76, Is. 23, 1 Jn. 1
4/18: Ex. 29, Jn. 8, Pr. 5, Ga. 4	5/21: Lv. 24, Ps. 31, Ec. 7, 2 Tm. 3	6/23: Nu. 32, Ps. 77, Is. 24, 1 Jn. 2
4/19: Ex. 30, Jn. 9, Pr. 6, Ga. 5	5/22: Lv. 25, Ps. 32, Ec. 8, 2 Tm. 4	6/24: Nu. 33, Ps. 78:1-39, Is. 25, 1 Jn. 3
4/20: Ex. 31, Jn. 10, Pr. 7, Ga. 6	5/23: Lv. 26, Ps. 33, Ec. 9, Ti. 1	6/25: Nu. 34, Ps. 78:40-72, Is. 26, 1 Jn. 4
4/21: Ex. 32, Jn. 11, Pr. 8, Ep. 1	5/24: Lv. 27, Ps. 34, Ec. 10, Ti. 2	6/26: Nu. 35, Ps. 79, Is. 27, 1 Jn. 5
4/22: Ex. 33, Jn. 12, Pr. 9, Ep. 2	5/25: Nu. 1, Ps. 35, Ec. 11, Ti. 3	6/27: Nu. 36, Ps. 80, Is. 28, 2 Jn. 1
4/23: Ex. 34, Jn. 13, Pr. 10, Ep. 3	5/26: Nu. 2, Ps. 36, Ec. 12, Ph. 1	6/28: Dt. 1, Ps. 81, Ps. 82, Is. 29, 3 Jn. 1
4/24: Ex. 35, Jn. 14, Pr. 11, Ep. 4	5/27: Nu. 3, Ps. 37, So. 1, He. 1	6/29: Dt. 2, Ps. 83, Ps. 84, Is. 30, Jd. 1
4/25: Ex. 36, Jn. 15, Pr. 12, Ep. 5	5/28: Nu. 4, Ps. 38, So. 2, He. 2	6/30: Dt. 3, Ps. 85, Is. 31, Rv. 1
4/26: Ex. 37, Jn. 16, Pr. 13, Ep. 6	5/29: Nu. 5, Ps. 39, So. 3, He. 3	
4/27: Ex. 38, Jn. 17, Pr. 14, Ph. 1	5/30: Nu. 6, Ps. 40, Ps. 41, So. 4, He. 4	
4/28: Ex. 39, Jn. 18, Pr. 15, Ph. 2	5/31: Nu. 7, Ps. 42, Ps. 43, So. 5, He. 5	
4/29: Ex. 40, Jn. 19, Pr. 16, Ph. 3		
4/30: Lv. 1, Jn. 20, Pr. 17, Ph. 4		
5/1: Lv. 2, Lv. 3, Jn. 21, Pr. 18, Cl. 1	6/1: Nu. 8, Ps. 44, So. 6, He. 6	
5/2: Lv. 4, Ps. 1, Ps. 2, Pr. 19, Cl. 2	6/2: Nu. 9, Ps. 45, So. 7, He 7	
5/3: Lv. 5, Ps. 3, Ps. 4, Pr. 20, Cl. 3	6/3: Nu. 10, Ps. 46, Ps. 47, So. 8, He 8	
	6/4: Nu. 11, Ps. 48, Is. 1, He. 9	
	6/5: Nu. 12, Nu. 13, Ps. 49, Is. 2, He. 10	

MOTHERS DAY TEA: MAY 14, AT 12:00 PM

EVERYONE IS INVITED TO JOIN US FOR A SPECIAL TIME TO CELEBRATE AND PRAY FOR OUR MOMS AND ALL THE WOMEN IN OUR CHURCH FAMILY! WE WILL ENJOY TEA , (COFFEE TOO, OF COURSE!), AND LIGHT REFRESHMENTS. DON'T MISS IT!

**“HER CHILDREN RISE UP AND CALL HER BLESSED...”
(PROVERBS 31:28A, ESV)**



BEACHBOUND! J.13 Youth Event

MAY 20, 2023

Attention all students: Join us this spring as we get "BEACHBOUND!" This event will feature great food, worship, and all the fun you would expect on the Oregon Coast! Come to hang out with old friends AND to make new ones! DON'T MISS OUT!!! (Permission Slip Required)

- **WHO:** All students in middle or high school.
- **WHAT:** An awesome day at the beach with other youth from around Oregon!
- **WHERE:** Lincoln City, Oregon (meet in FBC Portland parking lot at 8am)
- **WHEN:** Saturday, May 20th, 2022, 8am-6pm
- **HOW MUCH:** Free! (extra spending is optional)
- **FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT PASTORS ALYSSA & ANTHONY.**

FATHERS DAY LUNCHEON: JUNE 18, AT 12:00 PM

EVERYONE IS INVITED TO JOIN US FOR A SPECIAL TIME TO HAVE LUNCH ALL WHILE CELEBRATING AND PRAYING FOR OUR DADS AND ALL THE MEN IN OUR CHURCH FAMILY! DON'T MISS IT!

**“AS A FATHER SHOWS COMPASSION TO HIS CHILDREN, SO THE LORD SHOWS COMPASSION TO THOSE WHO FEAR HIM.”
(PSALM 103:13, ESV)**

YOUR HELP WANTED!

ANNOUNCING NEW FBC VOLUNTEER CORPS!

As we seek to build our community as a church family, we are excited to announce a new ministry in development. It's called "FBC Volunteer Corps." Do you want to get more involved at FBC but don't know where to start? Do you like helping people and making a positive difference? Do you have special know-how, abilities, "muscle," or gifts to share that could really help someone out? Then FBC Volunteer Corps is for you!

We are basically creating a database of persons who want to be an FBC Volunteer and keep track of the areas in which they would be willing/able to help. Want to be part of it? Then just contact the church office, sharing whatever information you're comfortable sharing, including your name, email, phone number, and in what specific areas you'd be willing to help.

At FBC, we often get inquiries from members and folks in the community with various types of needs. Not only that, but we need volunteers to make our ministry at church itself run smoothly on a weekly basis. Let us know if you are interested in helping in one or more of these areas or in something else altogether:

- Heavy Moving (Furniture)
 - Light Moving (Boxes)
- Preparing meals for folks going through rough times
 - Driving to and from church
 - Driving to and from appointments
 - Visiting folks in the hospital
- Delivering gifts to folks who are homebound
- Serving as a greeter before/after church services
 - Assembling first-time visitor gifts at church
 - Folding bulletins at church
 - Staffing the Welcome Center at church
 - Serving as an usher
 - Serving as a parking lot greeter at church
- Helping folks whose native language is not English
(please indicate languages you are comfortable using)
- Staffing the 'Prayer Room' during or after Sunday services

There are many other needs that come up, but that's a start. Please consider being a part of this ministry, and letting us know how you might be willing to help!

To indicate your interest, fill out one of the FBC Volunteer Corps interest cards at the Welcome Center or just email us at office@fbc-portland.org, or call the Church Office.

April will be "FBC Volunteer Corps Month." During worship services on April 16, 23 and 30, worshippers will learn more about the program and be given opportunities to fill out interest cards and turn them in as part of their offering to the Lord.

Sponsor a Summer Camper or Mission J.13 Participant!

We often get the question this time year: How much does it cost to send a student on the J.13 high school mission trip or to summer camp at Arrah Wanna?

Well, Our fundraising goal for the Youth Fund this year is \$3,000, which will help us to ensure FBC does our part to fund local and region-wide J.13 youth ministry in 2023. Already, at the Annual J.13 Youth Fundraiser in March, we raised \$1,212! And we can't thank our church family enough for your generosity! That leaves us with just \$1,800 to raise before the mission trip departs in late June and summer camp happens in July!

We don't want any student to miss out on these awesome opportunities because they can't afford it, which is why First Baptist Church is continuing in 2023 to take a step of faith in offering 100% scholarships to any of our

students who want to participate in camps at Arrah Wanna (families are invited to contribute as much as they can toward the cost of their students, up to 50% of the cost). We are able to do this due to the generous support of our Youth Fund in the past.

However, to help us both this year and in the future, we are inviting any and all who are able to do so, to consider making a special donation to the Youth Fund (for the mission trip) or to the Brophy Scholarship Fund (for summer camp). Are you able to sponsor a student? The cost for attending Summer Camp is estimated at \$300 and the cost per mission trip participant is \$500, but donations of ANY amount will be greatly appreciated!

For more information, see Pastors Alyssa & Anthony.

Register for Summer Camp Today!

Registration is now open for summer camp 2023 at Camp Arrah Wanna! To sign up your student, just go online today:

<https://camparrahwanna.campbrainregistration.com>

FBC is so committed to sending students to camp,

that we are offering 100% scholarships to any student who wants to go. However, families are invited to donate up to 50% of the cost of their students to the FBC "Youth Fund" to help cover the cost.



Thanks to America for Christ (AFC) Offering contributions, American Baptist Home Mission Societies (ABHMS) supported communities distressed by the devastation of COVID-19 last year, as the pandemic swept our country and Puerto Rico. We also helped families who lost homes to floods, wildfires and storms, along with children living on the edge because of poverty, and seminarians preparing to devote their lives to sharing the Good News. These are just a few of the ways we minister to those in need; there are many more. Please help us continue to bring healing and hope to

communities, families, children and Jesus' disciples in 2023 by supporting this year's America for Christ Offering.

First Baptist Church of Portland will be inviting our congregation to give to the American for Christ Offering this April. Our fundraising goal this year is \$4,000. To make your donation today, just mark your gift "AFC." Thank you for your generosity!

—FBC Missions Team

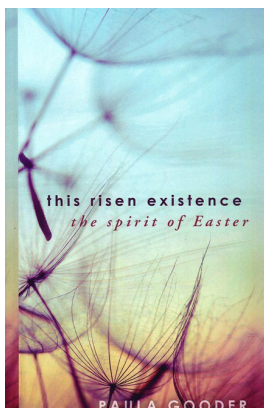
Baby Shower and Graduation Celebration

April 30, 2023, at 12:00 pm

A special coffee hour will be hosted in honor of our FBC Youth Pastors, **Alyssa and Anthony Young**, in celebration of the upcoming birth of their baby and graduation from Multnomah University.

If you would like to bring a gift for Alyssa and Anthony please limit your gift to gift cards. They are registered with Babylist.com. Babylist, Target, Amazon, and Etsy gift cards would all be very helpful for Alyssa and Anthony as they prepare for their baby to arrive.

New in *your* FBC library

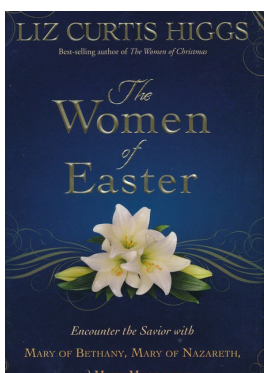


This Risen Existence: The Spirit of Easter

Although Easter is the most significant event in the Christian year, we rarely take time to explore what it means in detail. So much attention is given to Lent, yet the theology of resurrection is central not only to what we believe about

God and Jesus but to our understanding of ourselves.

Following the pattern of her Advent book, *The Meaning Is in the Waiting*, Paula Gooder leads us on a biblical exploration of the resurrection accounts in each of the Gospels and in Paul's writings, as well as the account of the Ascension and coming of the Spirit at Pentecost in Acts.

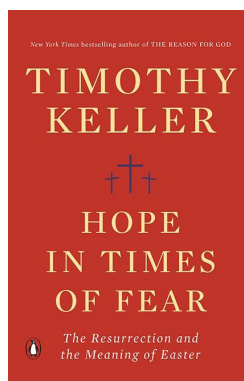


The Women of Easter: Encounter the Savior with Mary of Bethany, Mary of Nazareth, and Mary Magdalene

The *Women of Easter* explores the stories of three women who played a vital role in the life and ministry of Jesus. Follow in their footsteps as

they journey with Jesus through Holy Week!

Liz digs into the biblical text to help us view Easter through the eyes of Mary of Bethany, who prepared the way before the cross; Mary, the mother of Jesus, who was addressed from the cross; and Mary Magdalene, who proclaimed Christ's resurrection after the cross.



Hope in Times of Fear: The Resurrection and the Meaning of Easter

After experiencing profound grief caused by Jesus' death, nothing could have prepared his followers for the shock of his resurrection. They failed to recognize him—until Jesus

encouraged them to see him as he truly is. Offering a fresh look at the Easter story, Timothy Keller will open your eyes to the presence of the risen Lord in *Hope in Times of Fear*.



Service CD's are available

CDs are available of FBC church services in the FBC library to check-out!

If you would like a copy sent to your home, please contact Jason Chastain at jchastain@fbc-portland.org or 503-228-7465 to request a copy! We have CD players available, too. If you need delivery to your home, please let us know.

Library Hours:
Sunday, 9:00 – 10:55 am,
then 12:00 – 12:45 pm



Birthday celebration for Ms. Brianne Nem and Mrs. Soeung Seng

The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me. Matthew 25:40

We often do various things in love with others in the name of our Lord without knowing because we have Christ-like characters. Then it naturally becomes our ways of doing things. God has been glorified!

Once again, thank you all for your prayers and loving support for both the ministries here at FBC and the CCM leadership mission trip in January & February. Pastoral and support staff covered some of my work and church ministry during my absence. Many Cambodian leaders led the Sunday school and worship services with the Cambodian ministry. I sincerely thank Bruce Anderson, who shared the English messages. Pastor Felicia Keo shared Khmer messages with Brianne Nem, our pianist, providing music during our trip to Cambodia. We got back home safely and in good health as well. Our God is full of mercy and grace!

The ministry continues to maintain good attendance. Our Cambodian ministry enjoyed the first Fellowship Sunday Dinner in March with great food and fellowship of a big crowd as well. There were about 100 who joined that dinner served excellently by the kitchen staff and

youth group. I hope you enjoyed hearing the mission trip report and participating in the fundraiser for J.13 and their mission trip this summer. If you were not there, you could view that report through the website ccmnews.org.

Last weekend in March, a group of our Cambodian ministry went to Seattle to join other Khmer churches celebrating Easter. There were about 150 people at that event. It was a great event and the best opportunity to continue to meet and chat with our brothers and sisters in Christ, serving the Lord in different ways.

Once again, this Easter Sunday, the CCM board members and the Cambodian ministry sponsor Easter breakfast from 9:30–10:30 am. I hope you will come and enjoy that special event, followed by a cross-cultural worship service at 11:00 am. On behalf of the CCM board directors, I want to sincerely thank you all for your 2023 Easter offerings designated to support the children of Cambodia through our church ministry. At the same time, we also thank the FB Foundation for continuing to support this children's ministry financially.

To learn more about Cambodian Children's Ministry, go to ccmnews.org



“Outreach Events & the Greatest Journey”

We are grateful for the support of Pastor Felicia Keo, Rev. Lawson, and some who joined with me to conduct Mrs. Run Yep’s funeral service on March 18. Kun Chart’s family sincerely thanks our FBC for supporting the family during the loss of his mother.

The Cambodian Children Ministry center (CCM) continued strengthening after we left Cambodia. We hired two more staff to assist the work and the needs of the ministry there. One is a pastor as an administrative pastor, and another is a treasurer. There were 14 members of the Center who were baptized. Starting the month of March, there are more projects in progress. We adopted the children’s programs called “Outreach Events & the Greatest Journey” in Khmer, sponsored by Operation Christmas Child (OCC) and Samaritan’s Purse in Cambodia. This will be a 12-week program. We also provided five safety signal flashlights to security officers in our village to control traffic during school hours. They needed them and appreciate our contribution.

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“Outreach Events & the Greatest Journey”

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The Christian Broadcasting Network is sponsoring another Well Project. There will be twenty wells dug for our poor families in the Melum Commune. This Well Project will cost them more than \$6,000. This project will also advance our ministry and is part of evangelism.

In late April, We will send our pastor and children’s leaders to a seminar called “Vision of Mango,” sponsored by ONE HOPE of Cambodia. This two-day seminar is to help church leaders do their children’s ministry effectively in this technological era.

We also continue to level the landscape and clear some trees for the best use of the property for the vegetable garden and fruit trees. A group of parents at the Center had their first picnic at Water Fall at the other Commune across highway 5. They enjoyed the benefits of the fellowship and leadership we provided. Most of the above projects are the outcome of the leadership mission trip. We are grateful to the leadership team at the Center for praying and working with our goals of the ministry.

We do our best to pray and provide them leadership and financial support as they grow numerically and spirituality. At the same time, there is a challenge for us to find an English teacher. Our former teacher moved to Australia. We thanked her for the excellent job she did for us.

The deadline to register for the general mission trip in late October this year is coming up. Please be in prayer and make a decision as soon as possible. You are welcome to talk to me even though it is past the deadline. I will make arrangements for you to join us.

Please check our website CCMNEWS.ORG for more

info. I want to thank our ministry partners; they continue to pray and give financial support that enables us to make this children’s ministry stronger each year. Thank you all for your loving support! May you have a blessed Easter!

— *Pastor Peter Im*



At the CCM Center



A Celebration of Life for Mrs. Run Yep



Easter celebration in Seattle, Wash.



J.13 Fundraiser and CCM Mission Trip Update at First Baptist Church on March 13, 2023.



Graduate Celebration: June 11, at 11:00 am

Come and celebrate with our graduates and their families! During the service, we will recognize the graduates in our church and afterwards have a special ice cream social in their honor!

We wish to honor ALL graduates in our community, regardless of whether or not they are a part of FBC. So, feel free to invite that graduate in your life to be honored at church on June 11!

CONGRATULATIONS!

Graduating from College

Pastor Alyssa Young (*Multnomah University*)
 Pastor Anthony Young (*Multnomah University*)

Graduating from High School

Katie Barker (*Sam Barlow High School*)
 Zach Dougherty (*Sam Barlow High School*)
 Levi Toupin (*Sam Barlow High School*)

**If you believe a student is missing from this list, please contact the Church Office right away so we can be sure to recognize their accomplishment!*

Teaching Series for April, May and June

- April 2: Part LXVII – “**He Is Risen! (From The Perspective Of Peter And ‘The Other Guy’)**” (*Jn. 20:1–10*)
- April 6: Maundy Thursday Service
- April 9: Cross-Cultural Easter Celebration – Part LXVIII – “**He Is Risen! (From The Perspective Of Mary Magdalene)**” (*Jn. 20:11–18*)
- April 16: Part LXIX – “**He Is Risen! (From The Perspective Of The Disciples)**” (*Jn. 20:19–23*)
- April 23: Part LXX – “**He Is Risen! (From The Perspective of Thomas)**” (*Jn. 20:24–29*)
- April 30: Part LXXI – “**What’s The Point?**” (*Jn. 20:30–31*)
- May 7: “Trinity Project” Starts – Part LXXII – “**Breakfast With Jesus**” (*Jn. 21:1–14*)
- May 14: Mother’s Day – Part LXXIII – “**The Challenge From The Good Shepherd**” (*Jn. 21:15–19*)
- May 21: Part LXXIV – “**Bearing Witness**” (*Jn. 21:20–25*)
- May 28: Cross-Cultural Memorial Sunday & Pentecost Celebration – Part I – “**The Dreamer**” (*Gn. 37:1–17*)
- June 4: Part II – “**That Dreamer**” (*Gn. 37:18–36*)
- June 11: Graduate Celebration – Part III – “**The Horable Man**” (*Gn. 39:1–23*)
- June 18: Father’s Day – Part IV – “**The Dream Interpreter**” (*Gn. 40:1–23*)
- June 25: Guest Preacher



American Baptists Churches USA invites you to the **2023 Biennial Mission Summit, June 23–25, 2023, at the Puerto Rico Convention Center in San Juan, Puerto Rico.** With the theme “For Such a Time as This,” the biennial event is the premier opportunity for American Baptists to gather

and connect with one another, hear directly from American Baptist partners and friends, worship together as one family of God, and learn the latest happenings across the American Baptist denomination. To learn more or to register today, just go to <https://www.abc-usa.org/biennial/>.



JUNE 29TH - JULY 7TH, 2023 “MISSION J.13”

State-wide Youth Mission Trip!

Attention all high school students: Join us this June and July as we embark on a mission trip to “Rainbow Acres,” a Christian residential care facility for individuals with developmental disabilities. Brought to you by the J.13 Youth Ministry Team & ABCCPC, this trip will offer life-changing opportunities to help you grow in your faith, invest in the lives of the “Ranchers,” and to roll up your sleeves to improve the Rainbow Acres campus, all in the setting of the spectacular Arizona desert! *(Space is limited, so apply today!)*



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 SCHOOL**

**WHAT: A MISSION TRIP
 TO MAKE A
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 LIVES OF INDIVIDUALS
 WITH DEVELOPMENTAL
 DISABILITIES**

**WHERE: “RAINBOW
 ACRES” IN CAMP
 VERDE, ARIZONA**

**WHEN: JUNE 29TH- JULY
 7TH, 2023**

**HOW MUCH: \$500
 (\$200 SCHOLARSHIP
 TO FIRST 20
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FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT:

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 541-515-4872
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& Other Opportunities for Youth and Young Adults from across the region!

Calendar 2023

January 28, February 4, February 11

Learn to play PICKLEBALL!

12:30-2:00 PM @ Grant Park Church (Portland) lesliemiller51@msn.com

Winter Camp @ Camp Arrah Wanna

FEB 17-20

Registration closes February 3: www.camparrahwanna.org

MARCH 10

J.13 "GET IN THE GAME" Event

@ Bullwinkle's in Wilsonville: Times & Other Details TBA

MAY 20

J.13 All-Day Beach Trip

@ FBC Lincoln City, 8am-6pm

J.13 Regional Mission Trip

@ Rainbow Acres, Arizona

JUNE 29-JULY 7

JULY 10-15

Summer Camp @ Camp Arrah Wanna

Registration opens SOON and closes June 26: www.camparrahwanna.org

J.13 Event: TBD

AUG 24-26

Maybe we'll go rafting in Southern Oregon? Maybe we'll spend a day at Silver Falls State Park?

SEPT 15

Back to Youth Group Bowling Party @ Mt Hood Lane (Gresham)

7-11pm, sponsored by FBC Portland

J.13 Youth Retreat

@ Camp Arrah Wanna

OCT 13-14

NOV 12

Youth Hang-Out

@ FBC Portland

Youth Christmas Party

@ FBC Portland, 12-4pm

DEC 3

J.13 exists to provide Youth & Young Adults programming for students in our ABC-CPC region. Anyone can plug in! We also want to support the amazing programs offered by our churches and will promote them to the students, churches and families in our network! Please join us as we serve together each generation!

For More Information:

Matt Toupin: mtoupin@fbc-portland.org

Corey Hughes: program@camparrahwanna.org

We will either have answers, or direct you to someone who does!

APRIL

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
26	27	28	29 7:00 pm Zoom Bible Study Khmer Zoom Bible Study	30	31	1
2 PALM SUNDAY	3	4	5 7:00 pm Zoom Bible Study	6 7:00 pm Maundy Thursday Service	7	8
9 9:30 am Easter Brunch Egg Hunt for Children Worship Service EASTER SUNDAY	10 FBC Office Closed EASTER MONDAY	11 7:00 pm: Outreach Team Meeting	12 1:00 pm FBC Staff Meeting 7:00 pm Zoom Bible Study Khmer Zoom Bible Study	13 7:00 pm: Executive Committee Meeting	14	15
16	17	18	19 8:30 am Men's Breakfast 7:00 pm Zoom Bible Study Khmer Zoom Bible Study	20	21	22
23 12:00 pm Young Baby Shower 30	24	25	26 7:00 pm Zoom Bible Study Khmer Zoom Bible Study	27	28	29

SUNDAY

10:00 am: Khmer Sunday School
 11:00 am: Worship Service, online and in-person
 Cambodian language, Rose Chapel
 KidChurch for ages 4 through 5th Grade
 Nursery Care Available Ages: 0-3
 11:30 am: J.13 Youth Group

MONDAY–SUNDAY

6:00 – 8:00 am: Eye Opener (AA meeting)

MONDAY & THURSDAY

2:00 – 4:00 pm: Drop-In and Resource Center

WEDNESDAY

10:00 am: 1 Peter 3:15 Initiative (Downtown Clean-Up)
 7:00 pm: Zoom Bible Studies

FRIDAY

Office closed

MAY

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
30	1	2 7:00 pm: Missions Team Meeting	3 7:00 pm Zoom Bible Study Khmer Zoom Bible Study	4	5	6
7 TRINITY PROJECT BEGINS	8	9 12:00 pm: Worship Team Meeting	10 12:00 pm: Stewardship & Property Meeting 7:00 pm Zoom Bible Study Khmer Zoom Bible Study	11	12	13
14 11:00 pm Mother's Day Service 12:00 pm Mother's Day Tea MOTHER'S DAY	15	16 7:00 pm: Diaconate Meeting	17 8:30 am Men's Breakfast 7:00 pm Zoom Bible Study Khmer Zoom Bible Study	18	19	20 8:00 am: "Beachbound" Youth Trip
21	22	23	24 7:00 pm Zoom Bible Study (English Cancelled) Khmer Zoom Bible Study	25	26	27
28 11:00 am Memorial Sunday Service PENTECOST SUNDAY MEMORIAL SUNDAY	29 FBC Office Closed MEMORIAL DAY	30	31 7:00 pm Zoom Bible Study (English Cancelled) Khmer Zoom Bible Study	1	2	3

Dates and times are subject to change. Please contact the FBC office to verify.

Mission PDX

*We are everyday people
LOOKING UP to God for meaning in life;
REACHING OUT across cultural boundaries
 with the hope of Jesus;
RAISING UP a generation in the way of Jesus;
LIVING AS FAMILY, different though we may
 be; and
SERVING TOGETHER for the good of others.*

JUNE

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
28 11:00 am Memorial Sunday Service PENTECOST SUNDAY MEMORIAL SUNDAY	29 FBC Office Closed MEMORIAL DAY	30	31 5:00 am Khmer Zoom B.S. 7:00 pm Zoom Bible Study	1	2	3
4	5	6 12:00 pm: Community Team Meeting	7 7:00 pm Zoom Bible Study Khmer Zoom Bible Study (last one until Sept.)	8	9	10
11 11:00 am Graduation Service 12:00 pm Graduation Ice Cream Social GRADUATION CELEBRATION	12	13 7:00 pm Apprenticeship Team Meeting	14 7:00 pm Zoom Bible Study	15 7:00 pm EPC Meeting	16	17
18 11:00 am Father's Day Service 12:00 pm Father's Day Luncheon FATHER'S DAY	19 7:00 am FB Foundation Mtg.	20	21 8:30 am Men's Breakfast 7:00 pm Zoom Bible Study (on break through the summer)	22	23	24 ABC BIENNIAL MISSION SUMMIT
25 ABC BIENNIAL	26	27	28	29	30	1 MISSION J.13 (THRU JULY 7)

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