

CONNECTIONS & PRAYERS

Our Welcome Ministry

Questions to Help You Connect:

Here are some suggestions for conversation starters with those around you on Sunday mornings. We hope we can all connect together when we gather!

- **Hi, my name is...**
- **Welcome! We are glad you're here!**
- **How can I pray for you?**
- **I'll meet you next week, and talk about how it went.**

Our Missionaries

Pray for:

FBC-Supported Missionaries

- ♦ Andyshak, Calva, Gervasi, Guest, Harris, Hubbell, Humble, Kelley, Lomilo, Lovelady, Rasmussen, Swenson, Tice, Tissell, Trussel, and Wernow.

FBC-Supported Ministries

- ♦ CEF Benton County, CEF Linn County, Compassion Ministries, Love INC Benton County, Options Pregnancy Center, Southside Youth Outreach, Volunteer InterFaith Caregivers, Western Seminary, and We Care.

Len Andyshak

- ♦ Len has served with InterVarsity Christian Fellowship for 48 years! Len is in a ministry oversight and supervisory role. Please pray for his last assignment prior to retiring in December. He states: "The six states of Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Connecticut and Rhode Island currently have very few grad student or faculty groups. My 'mission' during the next six months is to pray, stir up the dust, turn over rocks, renew old connections, make new contacts and generally do whatever I can to spark new ministry in the area – while also supporting and encouraging the few things currently happening."

SouthSide Youth Outreach

- ♦ SSYO has the mission "to build strong, young lives so that our community will thrive." RISE After School program includes encouraging high character, training future leaders, and investing in personal relationships through homework help, team building games, and hands-on crafts. The staff focus on building positive relationships with the students, who will experience the love and care of a healthy, family-like environment.

Mike and Rebekah Gervasi

- ♦ There was a 7.2 magnitude earthquake off the Haitian coast. They are safe but their area has experienced much damage and many fatalities. Pray for the Gervasis in Haiti

Church Leadership

Staff: Pastor Rick Harpel, Pastor Bill Knopp, Kathy Ferrier, Jim Hinckley, Brooke Staples, Mitchell Henderson

Elders: Matt MacClary, Jeff Harris, Daniel Peterson, Mike Rinkin, Dale Durrell, Rick Harpel

WELCOME

to  First Baptist Church Corvallis

September 12th, 2021

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Do Life Together...Differently

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Start Differently With a Renewal Movement

by Pastor Rick Harpel [Luke 3]

Worship Leader: Cindy Forrest

**We are many generations connecting
the next generation to Jesus.**

We aim to encounter God through worship, to connect with others through smaller communities, and to engage in missional outreach to our neighbors and the nations.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS



Connect with the Church Center App to see the church calendar and give online! Follow this QR Code or the link:
<https://fbccorvallis.churchcenter.com/>



FBC KIDS MEETING ONLINE ONLY UNTIL 9/19 KICKOFF!

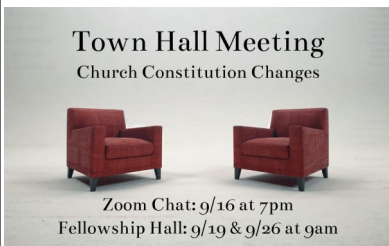
- 9/12—Online Only Kids Lesson
- 9/19—Tentative In-Person Kick Off for Pre-K & K-5th Kids Church
- 10/6—Tentative AWANA start
- 10/10-31—Pre-K and K-5th Sunday School during Discovering Biblical Eldering Class



TIME CHANGE!! WEDNESDAY PRAYER ZOOM

Now Wednesdays at 6:30pm via Zoom

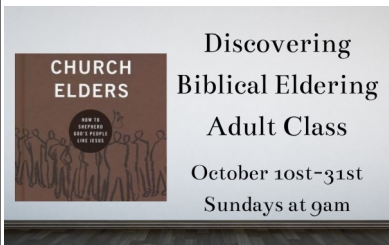
There has been a time change for Wednesday Prayer! We will meet each week on Zoom for an all-church prayer time at 6:30 PM.



TOWN HALL MEETINGS: PROPOSED CHANGES TO CHURCH CONSTITUTION

Proposed changes to our church constitution involving church structure and relationships have been distributed via family email and printed copies are available. To discuss these proposed changes there will be three Town Hall opportunities.

- Zoom Chat: 9/16 at 7pm
- Fellowship Hall: 9/19 & 9/26 at 9am
- Zoom Only Town Hall - Thursday 9/16 at 7pm
- Sunday School Hour Town Halls - Sundays, 9/19 & 9/26 at 9am in Fellowship Hall



DISCOVERING BIBLICAL ELDERING ADULT CLASS

Sundays, Oct 10-31 at 9am in Fellowship Hall
 This will be an adult class about how our congregation implements our structure of relationships. Everyone is welcome and the class will have a concurrent Sunday School option for the Pre-K and K-5th Kids.

IMPORTANT DATES:

- Sundays—Worship at 10:30 am
- Wed, Sep 15—All Church Prayer Zoom, 6:30pm
- Thur, Sep 16—Town Hall Meeting: Church Constitution Changes, 7pm via Zoom only
- Sun, Sep 19—Town Hall Meeting: Church Constitution Changes, 9am in Fellowship Hall
- Sun, Sep 26—Town Hall Meeting: Church Constitution Changes, 9am in Fellowship Hall
- Sun, Oct 3—Fall Congregational Meeting at 1pm
- Sun, Oct 10—Discovering Church Elders Adult Class, 9am in Fellowship Hall

MESSAGE NOTES

„səˈdɪsɪp „start differently with a renewal movement!” Luke 3

INTRODUCTION: Looking “spiffy!” Prepared for the coming of something or someone.
So, how do you prepare for the coming...of God?

REVIEW: Jesus is anything but normal: business as usual. He turns the wicked world upside down. As a result, his followers, called “disciples” will look different too.

**YOU CAN'T GO BACK TO THE OLD NORMAL, because...
 CHRIST HAS COME TO DO SOMETHING NEW.**

God's promises a Forerunner to prepare the way for the Lord's arrival and to prepare us.

- GOD SENDS JOHN TO PREPARE THE WAY FOR SALVATION FROM GOD.
 - The preparation for the coming of the Lord is in volatile and violent times.
 - Into that setting, comes the Word of God through John.
- THE PREPARATION IS REPENTANCE FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS.
 - The coming of God's salvation begins with judgment.
 - The coming judgment requires repentance.
 - This repentance means a change of heart and life.
 - This change of heart and life is symbolized by a dramatic new act of baptism.
 - Baptism is followed by the Messiah's baptism with the Holy Spirit and fire.

Preparing to meet God means getting spiffed DOWN, not spiffed UP!

- GOD SENDS JESUS HIS SON TO BRING SALVATION TO THOSE PREPARED.
 - At Jesus' baptism, Jesus affirms everything about John's identity and message.
 - At Jesus' baptism, God affirms everything about Jesus' identity and message.
 - (1) Jesus is the Son of God. This affirms his divinity.
 - (2) Jesus is the son of Joseph...to Adam. This affirms his humanity.

**CONCLUSION: READINESS BY REPENTANCE IS AFFIRMED BY CHRIST, and then
 CHRIST IS AFFIRMED BY GOD AS CHRIST THE SON.**

