



**January 28, 2026**

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While it was a real bummer not to be at church together on Sunday morning, I am so glad everyone was able to stay warm and safe. It's amazing how different a week feels when you don't get to worship in person with other believers. I am looking forward to seeing everyone tonight as we continue our study through the Book of Acts and engage in other activities/ministries around campus.

We are already paying close attention to the weather for this weekend, as there is a chance of snow for areas of North Georgia. If there is a change in church service times or a cancellation, we will send out that information as soon as a decision is made. In the meantime, pray for an early summer.

In His Service,

Matt

**SPOTLIGHT:**

**Committee Chairs:** Please remember to reserve rooms for meetings with Karen in the church office.

**Church Office hours:**

- 8:30 am – 5:00 pm Mondays through Thursday
- 8:30 pm – 12:30 pm Fridays

**FBC Jefferson Shirts and tumblers are for sale:**



**WE NEED PICTURES:** We are looking for photos of the AWESOME things happening at FBC Jefferson to include on the front of each week's bulletin. We'd love to have enough to change the photos weekly! Almost everyone carries a cellphone with a camera these days – pull out that phone and take pics at your gatherings! Then send them to Karen at [admin@fbcjefferson.org](mailto:admin@fbcjefferson.org) – or you can text them to her.

**THIS WEEK IN THE CHURCH:**

**Wednesday, January 28<sup>th</sup>:**

- 10:00 am – Faithful Followers Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)
- 5:30 pm – Wednesday Night Fellowship Meal (Fellowship Hall)
- 6:00 pm – Wednesday Night Bible Study (Fellowship Hall); Choir Practice (Choir Room); Connect Run/Walk (Adult II SS Classroom); Children in Action (CiA) (Educational Building); Student Ministry Bible Study (Student Center)

**Sunday, February 1<sup>st</sup>:**

- 10:00 am – Sunday School
- 11:00 am – Worship Service
- 12:15 pm – CentriKid Camp Info Meeting (Ed Building)
- 5:30 pm – Student Gathering

**Monday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>:**

- 9:00 am – Morning Glory Circle

**Tuesday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>:**

- 3:30 pm – Mary Martha Circle (Fellowship Hall)

**Wednesday, February 4<sup>th</sup>:**

- 10:00 am – Faithful Followers Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)
- 5:30 pm – Wednesday Night Fellowship Meal (Fellowship Hall)
- 6:00 pm – Wednesday Night Bible Study (Fellowship Hall); Choir Practice (Choir Room); Connect Run/Walk (Adult II SS Classroom); Children in Action (CiA) (Educational Building); Student Ministry Bible Study (Student Center)

**PRAYER CONCERNS:** The list of prayer concerns can be found at the end of this newsletter.

**MINISTRY & MISSION OPPORTUNITIES:**

**Adult Choir:** The Adult Choir rehearses each Wednesday in the choir room across from the Children's Suite at 6:00 pm to prepare for each Sunday's anthem. If you enjoy singing, please join us.

**Children's Ministry:** We always need volunteers to help in the Children's Ministry! If you'd like to help, please contact Teresa Wood at [children@fbcjefferson.org](mailto:children@fbcjefferson.org), or call the church office at 706-367-8332.



***Sunday School: Jesus was a true trailblazer—not just for his time, but for all time! Jesus' teachings and way of life often went against the grain of what people expected, showing us a whole new way to live and love. While blazing new trails, Jesus never wavered from the path of following God, and he***

*paved the way for us to follow his lead. In this 4-week series, kids will learn to trust Jesus even when it's not easy, show others the way to God, let God's love take the lead, and pray the way Jesus prayed.*



### ***February Children in Action (CiA) - Missionary: Nina Griffin***

This month children will learn how God called former teacher Nina Griffin to share Jesus with unreached peoples in Central Asia. She oversees teams of Project 3000 Explorers who research people groups in hard-to-reach places, both from a distance and in person. The goal, both short-term and long-term, is to share the gospel with people who have not yet heard it.

## Badge: Senior Friends

**Live Action Project:** The children will make Valentines and table decorations for our M&M' Senior Group Valentine Luncheon on Feb. 10th and for our Shut-Ins.



**CentriKid Camp:** We are excited to share with you our church was able to pre-register our group at camp last summer for this year's camp.

**WHEN AND WHERE:** Centri-Kids Camp at Ridgecrest Conference Center in North Carolina for July 19-23, 2026.

We will have an informational meeting on Sunday, February 1st, immediately after worship in the Tree House Worship Room. We will discuss the camp details, fundraising to help cover the cost and chaperone opportunities.

Camp Cost: 380.00 per person

Deposit: 125.00 (Covered by Children Ministry)

Each Camper Cost: 255.00

Due by: July 5th, 2026

**Church Bus:** If your group would like to reserve the church bus, please contact Karen in the church office for availability. All dates to use the church bus must be approved by Matt (since he's the only driver at the moment!). Also – we are encouraging everyone to help us reach our goal of \$130,000 to pay for the new



church bus, so please, consider giving extra contributions to the FBCJ Bus Fund! Use the QR Code in the following graphic to pay online!

## Help us reach our goal!



Make your additional contributions  
towards the bus fund today!



**TOTAL RAISED AS OF JANUARY 20, 2026: \$83,000.01**

**STILL NEEDED TO MEET OUR GOAL OF \$130,000: \$46,999.99**

**College/Young Adults (CYA):** Our college and young adult ministry meets weekly in a home group format, open to all 18–25-year-olds. For more information, please contact Ben at (803)341-7191 or [bhall@fbcjefferson.org](mailto:bhall@fbcjefferson.org). Here's what CYA will be studying in February:

A graphic for a four-week series on humility. It features a central eye icon with the text 'A LOOK IN THE MIRROR' above it and 'A SERIES ON HUMILITY' below it. The series is divided into four weeks, each with a corresponding Bible verse and a brief description of the topic.

WEEK 1	WEEK 2	WEEK 3	WEEK 4
LUKE 17:7-10 AS BORN AGAIN CHRISTIANS, WE ARE TO FOLLOW CHRIST'S LIFE LIKE CHRIST. TIME SPENT IN SCRIPTURE, FORGIVING THOSE WHO WRONG US, LOVING OUR NEIGHBOR, AND SHARING THE GOSPEL AREN'T AWARD WORTHY ACCOMPLISHMENTS, BUT EVERYDAY EXPECTATIONS.	PHILIPPIANS 2:1-11 THE ONE PERSON TO WALK THIS EARTH AND EARN THE RIGHT TO BE ARROGANT AND BOASTFUL - WAS NOT. WHAT GIVES US THE RIGHT TO BE?	1 PETER 5:5-7 GOD BLESSES THOSE WHO ARE HUMBLE ENOUGH TO LEARN FROM HIM, AND TRUST HIS GUIDANCE IN EVERY SITUATION. ANYTHING WE GIVE TO GOD WILL BE CARED FOR BETTER THAN WE CAN CARE FOR IT OURSELVES.	LUKE 6:37-42 WE CANNOT JUDGE OTHERS WITHOUT FIRST LOOKING AT OURSELVES. WHEN WE TRUST GOD, WE TRUST THAT WE WILL BE PROVIDED FOR REGARDLESS OF ANY ACTION OF ANYONE ELSE. AND WHEN WE TRULY TRUST GOD, WE GIVE WITH JOY AND NOT GROANING.

**NOTE:** There will be NO CYA Worship Night on Sunday, February 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Connect Run/Walk Group:** Connect Run/Walk Group meets on Wednesday evenings at 6:00pm. Connect is for anyone interested in running/walking with others to grow and improve spiritually and physically, and to follow the teachings of the Lord. We will have a small devotion, prayer concerns, and praises. Join us and run/walk with others, bring a friend for our Christian fellowship. We will support you physically, mentally, and spiritually while walking, running, and sometimes trotting. We will run/walk the rolling scenic hills of Jefferson on different routes. Bring a friend. We have water and Gatorade waiting for you afterwards. Wear warm reflective clothing.

**Connect Run/Walk Upcoming events:**

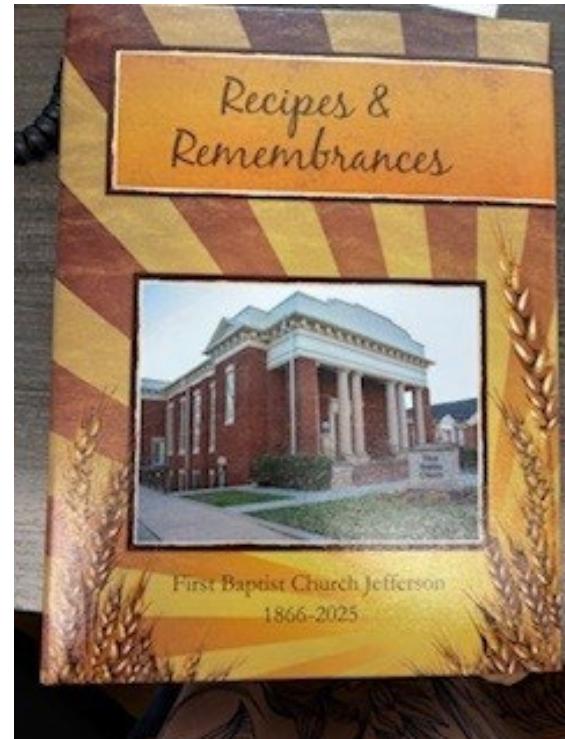
January 28<sup>th</sup> – 6:00 pm – Adult II SS Classroom  
February 4<sup>th</sup> – 6:00 pm – Adult II SS Classroom  
February 11<sup>th</sup> – 6:00 pm – Adult II SS Classroom  
February 18<sup>th</sup> – No Connect Run/Walk - Ash Wednesday Service, join us in the sanctuary at 6:00 pm.  
February 25<sup>th</sup> - 6:00 pm – Adult II SS Classroom

Get your name on the Connect Run/Walk Group email list – contact Barbara Gooch by email ([bgooch02@yahoo.com](mailto:bgooch02@yahoo.com)).

**Cookbooks:** The FBC Jefferson Cookbook, “Recipes and Remembrances” is still available for purchase in the church office! With over 450 homestyle Southern recipes, this cookbook is a STEAL at \$25.00! Stop by the church office to pick up your copy today. All proceeds of the cookbook go towards the church bus fund.

**Faithful Followers Bible Study:** Faithful Followers Bible Study meets each Wednesday at 10:00 am in the Fellowship Hall. If you can join us or know of a friend or family member who would like to experience this journey and engage in great Christian fellowship, please contact Mary Ann Brooks, 615-643-4880, [mabstitches@yahoo.com](mailto:mabstitches@yahoo.com).

**M&M's:** Join us on February 10<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 am in the Fellowship Hall for the M&M's Valentine's luncheon! Lunch will be catered by Friend's of Jefferson, and cost will be \$8.00 per person. We will have games and a few prizes, too! Call Karen in the church office to reserve your spot no later than Thursday, February 5<sup>th</sup>!



**FBC Jefferson  
M & M Senior Group  
Invites You To:**



**Valentine's  
Luncheon**

**TUESDAY FEBRUARY 10TH 11:30AM-1:00PM**

**Italian Lunch Provided 8.00 per person**

**RSVP by February 5th to  
[admin@fbcjefferson.org](mailto:admin@fbcjefferson.org)  
or call church office 706-367-8332**

**Meals on Wheels:** If you would like to help deliver any Wednesday in February, please let the church office or Barbara Gooch know! We are desperately looking for folks to help deliver in February!

**Student Ministry:** Our student ministry meets on Sunday mornings at 10:00 am and Sunday afternoons from 5:30-7:00 pm, open to all 6th-12th graders. For more information, please contact Ben at (803)341-7191 or [bhall@fbcjefferson.org](mailto:bhall@fbcjefferson.org). Here's what the students will be studying in February:



- **Fuse Weekend: (March 6-8, 2026):** Registration is open now online and will be open until 2/25. The cost is \$35/student if registered before 2/11 (\$45/per after) Volunteers are needed for this event, please contact Ben if interested.



- **Fuse Weekend Volunteer opportunities:** Volunteers needed for Friday PM and Saturday PM, please email Ben if interested.



### **VOLUNTEER NEEDS:**

#### **Friday:**

- 5:30PM - Dinner Pickup (@ Zaxby's)
- 6:00PM - Serve Dinner, reset/prep late night snack
- 6:00PM - Check-In (collect forms & payment, count students)
- 6:30PM - Depart for Maysville Baptist (bus driver & female chaperone)
- 9:00PM - Return to FBC
- 9:30PM - Session 1 Recap (guide students through discussion)
- 9:50PM - Serve Late Night Snack, cleanup trash, lock up

#### **Saturday AM:**

- 8:30AM - Breakfast Pickup (@ Chick-fil-A)
- 9:00PM - Serve Breakfast, reset
- 9:30AM - Depart for Maysville Baptist (bus driver & 2-3 CYA)
- 11:30AM - Session 2 Recap (with Mt. Olive)
- 12:30PM - Lunch (@ Maysville Baptist)
- 1:00PM - Depart for Funopolis
- 1:30PM - Afternoon @ Funopolis (Depart @ 4:30PM, arrive back @ 5:00PM)

#### **Saturday PM:**

- 4:30PM - Dinner Pickup (TBD)
- 5:00PM - Serve Dinner, reset/prep late night snack
- 6:15PM - Depart for Maysville Baptist (bus driver & female chaperone)
- 8:30PM - Return to FBC
- 8:45PM - Session 3 Recap (guide students through discussion)
- 9:15PM - Serve Late Night Snack, cleanup trash, lock up

**Each color represents a different volunteer slot. If you are willing to fill any of these spots, please email Ben at [bhall@fbcjefferson.org](mailto:bhall@fbcjefferson.org).**

**Wednesday Night Meal: MENU FOR JANUARY 28, 2026: Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Bread, Dessert, Drinks.**

**MENU FOR FEBRUARY 4, 2026: Spaghetti, Salad, Bread, Dessert, Drinks.**

Call Karen in the church office to add your family's name to the weekly list!

The church gathers each Wednesday to share fellowship over a meal, address the church's prayer concerns and study the Bible. If you are interested in participating in the meal, please note the following:

- The cost for each meal is \$9.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children (11 years old and younger). The cost for families is capped at \$25.00.
- If you are not on the permanent list and plan to eat, please call Karen in the church office by each Monday by noon.
- If you are on the permanent list and can't make it this Wednesday, please call Karen in the church office for your name to be struck for the week and the church does not incur unnecessary costs.

**Winter Coat Drive:**



**WMU Meetings:** If you are not a member of a WMU group and would like to join us, please contact DeMaris Gurley at 706-540-0866. She will direct you to the WMU group that best fits your schedule.

**Deacons of the Week:**

**Week of January 25, 2026:** Brian Ferguson and Tom Emory

**Week of February 1, 2026:** Steven Hix and Philip Thompson

**Opening and Closing:** Tom Emory

**Greeters and Ushers:** Sam and Jennifer Moore

**NUMBERS FOR SUNDAY, JANUARY 25, 2026**

- Offering: \$3,380.00

**IN CASE YOU MISSED IT:**

- Previous services can be viewed [here](#).
- You can live stream Sunday Combined Service here: [11:00 am](#)



## 5 WAYS TO TITHE

- Online at [www.pushpay.com](http://www.pushpay.com)
- Online at [www.fbcjefferson.com](http://www.fbcjefferson.com)
- Mail/drop by a check to the FBCJ office
- Drop into the offering plate on Sunday
- Drop your tithe/offering into the offering box in the vestibule.



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## **Ongoing Prayer Concerns**

Dean Andrews

Keith Ariail

Jerry Elliott

Tom Fore

Harold Harbin

Vernell Hix

Ezra King

Jane Kinney

Joe & Donna Martin

Connie Peebles

Bill Smith

## **Homebound, Assisted Living, Etc.**

Dianne Brooks

Glenn Bullock

Dan Edgar

Fred Glass

Helen Gunnels

Tim Harris

Raye Dean Jackson

Eudene Johnson

Jack Purcell

Raynelle Sims

Helen Whitlock

## **Friends & Family**

Anni Aldridge (The Hopkins' granddaughter)

Alex Farmer (Sandra Farmer's son)

Barry Farmer (Sandra Farmer's husband)

Charles & Leasie Fleming (Teresa Fleming's in-laws)

Dominic Haines (broken neck at the state wrestling tournament)

Crew Hopkins (The Hopkins' grandson)

Jeff Key (Katie Fulcher's dad)

Joseph Martin (Joe & Donna Martins' son)

Tyler Truelove (Diane and Keith Ariails' son)

## **Additional Requests**

Our Ministry Team and Their Families

Our Church-sponsored Missionaries

Our Local Veterans

Our Church Leadership & Staff