



February 4, 2026

Chances are looking extremely favorable for having an in-person worship service this Sunday. While the snow is enjoyable, worshipping with a church family is immensely more enjoyable. The Christian walk has never been intended to be taken alone. We need the support, prayers, love, encouragement, and guidance from one another. We truly are better together. I look forward to seeing you this Sunday.

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

Missions Committee: The Missions Committee will meet Monday, February 9, 2026 at 11:00 am in the Church Office.

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 – or you can text them to her.

THIS WEEK IN THE CHURCH:

Wednesday, February 4th:

- 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 8th:

- 8:30 am – Administrative Board Meeting (24:15 SS Room)
- 10:00 am – Sunday School
- 11:00 am – Worship Service
- 5:30 pm – Student Super Bowl Shindig

Monday, February 9th:

- 11:00 am – Missions Committee Meeting (Church Office)

Tuesday, February 10th:

- 11:30 am – M&M’s Valentine’s Luncheon (Fellowship Hall)
- 5:30 pm – Men’s Ministry Meeting (Church Office)

Wednesday, February 11th:

- 10:00 am – Faithful Followers Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)
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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, 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.

BIG IDEA: LET'S SHOW OTHERS THE WAY TO GOD

BIBLE: Matthew 5:13–20; Colossians 3:12–17

This week, kids explore Jesus' teachings about being the salt and light of the world. Using a flashlight on a dark trail or sprinkling salt to perk up a campfire meal can make a big difference. This week, we'll learn how Jesus taught that we're like salt and light—helping others see God's goodness and

inviting others to glorify God. Through our good deeds and the way we shine God's love, let's show others the way to God!

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.

Camp Cost: 380.00 per person

Deposit: 125.00 (Covered by Children Ministry)

Each Camper Cost: 255.00

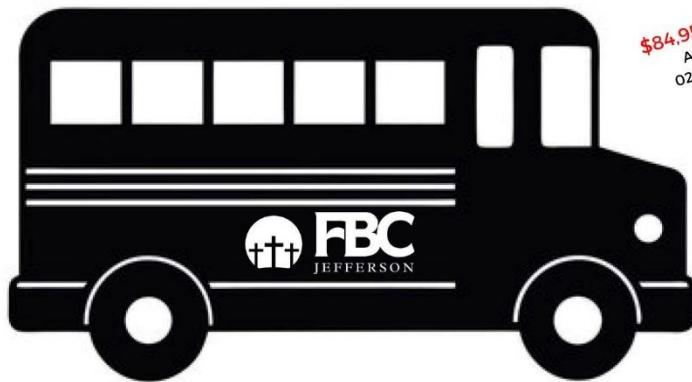
Due by: July 5th, 2026

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!



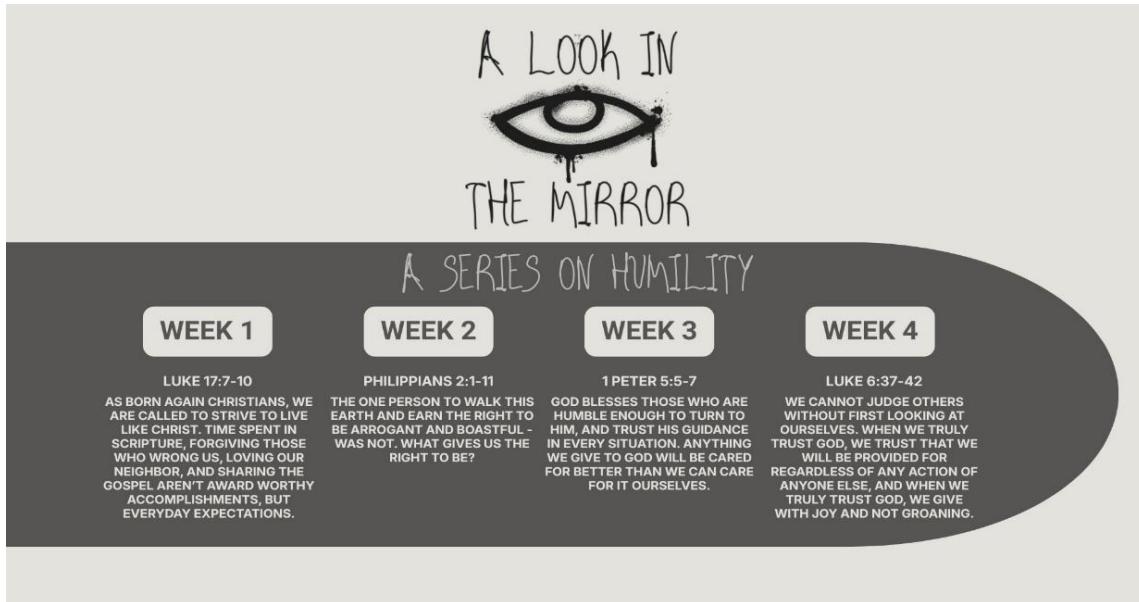
Make your additional contributions
towards the bus fund today!



TOTAL RAISED AS OF JANUARY 20, 2026: \$84,957.41

STILL NEEDED TO MEET OUR GOAL OF \$131,000.00: \$46,052.59

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. Here's what CYA will be studying in February:



NOTE: There will be NO CYA Worship Night on Sunday, February 15th.

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:

February 4th – 6:00 pm – Adult II SS Classroom

February 11th – 6:00 pm – Adult II SS Classroom

February 18th – No Connect Run/Walk - Ash Wednesday Service, join us in the sanctuary at 6:00 pm.

February 25th - 6:00 pm – Adult II SS Classroom

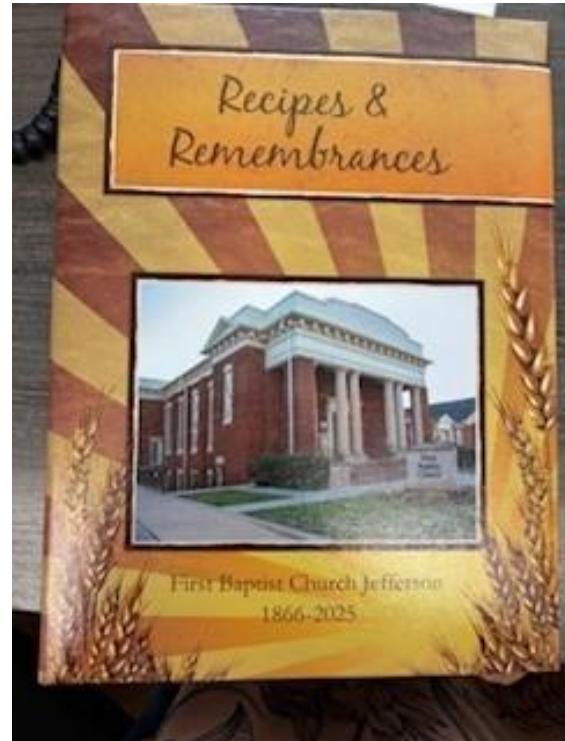
March 4th - 6:00 pm – Adult II SS Classroom

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

Cookbooks: WE ONLY HAVE ABOUT 100 COPIES LEFT!!! Get your copy today before they are all gone – FOREVER! 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.

M&M's: Join us on February 10th 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 5th!



M&M's are planning a bus trip on Friday, March 13, 2026, at 7:30 pm to see the Anderson Senior Follies, presented by senior citizens of Anderson University. Tickets are \$20/each - WE HAVE A LIMITED NUMBER OF TICKETS, so hurry, TICKETS WILL GO FAST!!! You can pay for your ticket at the church office. We will stop for dinner before the performance. Call the church office for more information.



Anderson Senior Follies



**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
or call church office 706-367-8332***

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. 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 bhalle@fbcjefferson.org.

Wednesday Night Meal: MENU FOR FEBRUARY 4, 2026: Spaghetti, Salad, Bread, Dessert, Drinks.

MENU FOR FEBRUARY 11, 2026: Tacos, 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:



WINTER
Coat Drive

Mary Martha Circle is asking for new or gently used and clean coats, sweaters, scarves, hats, and gloves to be distributed to those in need in our community. Receptacles are located around the church campus, including the church office.

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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 February 1, 2026: Steven Hix and Philip Thompson

Week of February 8, 2026: Greg Keith and Tim Peacock

Opening and Closing: Tom Emory

Greeters and Ushers: Sam and Jennifer Moore

NUMBERS FOR FRIDAY, JANUARY 30, 2026

- Worship Attendance: 53
- Nursery Attendance: 5
- WORSHIP TOTAL: 58
- Offering: \$16,019.00

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
- Online at 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