



February 11, 2026

At the end of several of Paul's letters, he takes time to thank people for their hard work for the local church and the Kingdom of God. For most of these people, that one mention is all we know about them. Although we know little about them, they were important enough for Paul to notice. We often take for granted what people do until they are not there to do it. When someone is unavailable, or we shift church services to Friday night, it is immediately evident the amount of hard work that dedicated people do every week. Let's remember to encourage and thank one another for the roles each one has inside this family of believers. It truly takes a family of loving, caring, and God-honoring people to make a difference in a community for God's Kingdom.

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:



“Ladies’ cut” shirts available!

FBC Shirts and Tumblers are for sale!

Shirts - \$22

Tumblers - \$10 (white or blue)

Call or email the Church Office to place an order.

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 11th:

- 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)

Thursday, February 12th:

- 6:30 pm – Cabinet Meeting (Church Office)

Sunday, February 15th:

- 10:00 am – Sunday School
- 11:00 am – Worship Service
- 5:00 pm – Deacons Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

Wednesday, February 18th: Ash Wednesday

- 10:00 am – Faithful Followers Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)
- 5:30 pm – Wednesday Night Fellowship Meal (Fellowship Hall)
- 6:30 pm – Ash Wednesday Service (Sanctuary)

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 God's love take the lead!

BIBLE: Love for Enemies: Matthew 5:43–48; Psalm 99:1–5

This week, kids will explore Jesus' teachings about showing love for our enemies. It's not always easy to share a tent with someone who wants all the space. This week, we'll hear how Jesus taught us to love others—even those who might be unkind—by showing kindness without expecting anything in return, just like God loves us unconditionally. When it's hard to respond with love, we can choose to follow God's example and let God's love take the lead!

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.

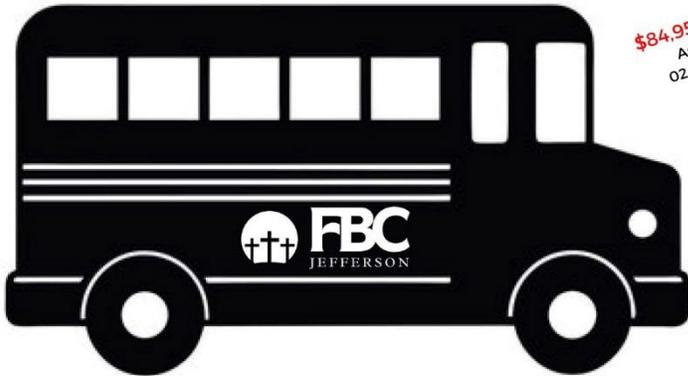
WHEN AND WHERE: Centri-Kids Camp at Ridgecrest Conference Center in North Carolina for July 19-23, 2026.

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!



\$84,957.41
As of
02/03/26



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:

A LOOK IN THE MIRROR

A SERIES ON HUMILITY

WEEK 1

LUKE 17:7-10
AS BORN AGAIN CHRISTIANS, WE ARE CALLED TO STRIVE TO LIVE 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.

WEEK 2

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?

WEEK 3

1 PETER 5:5-7
GOD BLESSES THOSE WHO ARE HUMBLE ENOUGH TO TURN TO 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.

WEEK 4

LUKE 6:37-42
WE CANNOT JUDGE OTHERS WITHOUT FIRST LOOKING AT OURSELVES. WHEN WE TRULY 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 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 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

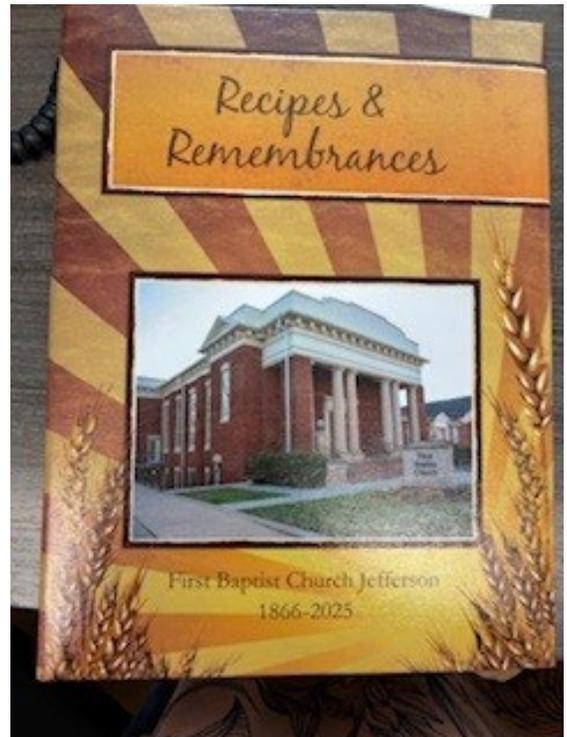
Get your name on the Connect Run/Walk Group email list – contact Barbara Gooch by email (bgooch02@yahoo.com).

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: 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.



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:

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WEEK 1
GOD CAN TURN FEAR INTO
COURAGE.

WEEK 2
GOD CAN TURN HURT INTO
HOPE.

WEEK 3
GOD CAN TURN WRONGS INTO
RIGHTS.

WEEK 4
GOD CAN TURN WORRY INTO
TRUST.

MAY THE HOPE OF GOD FILL YOU WITH ALL JOY AND PEACE AS YOU TRUST IN HIM, SO THAT YOU MAY OVERFLOW WITH HOPE BY THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT.
ROMANS 15:13 (NIV)

- **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 bhallefbcjefferson.org.

Wednesday Night Meal: MENU FOR FEBRUARY 11, 2026: Tacos, Dessert, Drinks.

MENU FOR FEBRUARY 18, 2026: Baked Potato, Chili, 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:



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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.



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 8, 2026: Greg Keith and Tim Peacock

Week of February 15, 2026: Kevin Charles and Phillip Ferguson

Opening and Closing: Tom Emory

Greeters and Ushers: Sam and Jennifer Moore

NUMBERS FOR SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2026

- Sunday School Attendance: 120
- Worship Attendance: 156
- Nursery Attendance: 11
- WORSHIP TOTAL: 167
- Offering: \$12,677.76

IN CASE YOU MISSED IT:

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

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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

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 & Leasia 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