



March 11, 2026

2 Corinthians 5:17 *“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creature; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come.”*

Spring is here. Gone are the cold, dormant months of winter. Each year, as the temperature rises and the flowers begin to bloom, we are reminded of our own spiritual renewal. God has done an amazing work in renewing us and restoring our hearts to Him. Just as the flowers come back to life each spring, we were brought to life through the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus.

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 Meeting: There will be a Missions Committee meeting on Tuesday, March 24th 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@fbcejferson.org – or you can text them to her.

THIS WEEK IN THE CHURCH:

Wednesday, March 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, March 12th:

- 6:30 pm – Cabinet Meeting

Sunday, March 15th:

- 10:00 am – Sunday School
- 11:00 am – Worship Service
- 5:00 pm – Deacon’s Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
- 5:30 pm – Student Gathering

Wednesday, March 18th:

- 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)

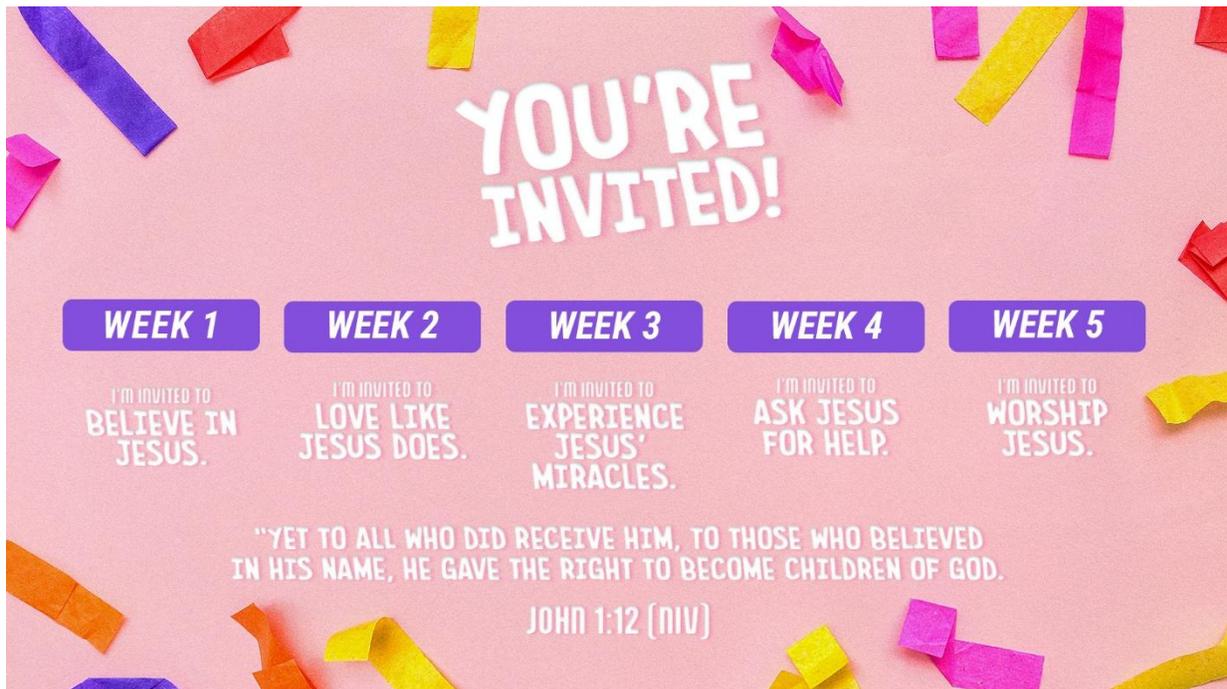
PRAYER CONCERNS: The list of prayer concerns can be found at the end of this newsletter.

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, or call the church office at 706-367-8332.

Sunday School: Getting invited to a party is one of the best feelings, and being left out is one of the worst. But there's good news—Jesus never leaves anyone out! He invites everyone to spend time with him, experience his love, and share it with others. This series will remind kids that Jesus' invitation is always open, and we're never too far away to join the party! In this 5-week series, kids will learn that I'm invited to believe in Jesus, love like Jesus does, experience Jesus' miracles, ask Jesus for help, and worship Jesus.



Big Idea: I'm invited to experience Jesus' miracles.

Bible: John 9:1–41; Psalm 34:1–8

About This Week:

This week, kids are invited to see how Jesus gave sight to a man born blind. Seeing fireworks light up the sky or a dance move no one thought was possible can leave anyone amazed. This week, we'll hear how Jesus gave sight to a man born blind, showing God's power in a way that no one could explain. While some people refused to believe, the man celebrated what Jesus did, reminding us that **I'm invited to experience Jesus' miracles.**

Children in Action: A Slam Dunk for Jesus

Missionary: Dexter Laureano

Missionary Dexter Laureano is a church planter in Crowley, Texas, and founder of a baseball ministry called Redeemer Sports. Because Redeemer community Church is primarily made up of Filipinos, children will learn about their culture by playing Filipino games and cooking a Filipino dessert. They will also play numerous basketball related games, make a basketball bracelet, and make a basketball catapult game.

Our Bible focus this month comes from Paul's encouragement in 1 Corinthians to "train hard". Children will focus on training to be good disciples of Christ.

Verse: 1 Corinthians 9:25 "Now everyone who competes exercises self-control in everything. They do it to receive a perishable crown, but we an imperishable crown".

Badge: Annie Armstrong Badge

Live Action Project: "The Gospel in Flight" and Painted Wooden Bird Project

This Easter season, we will give to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering, which supports missionaries serving across North America. On Sunday, March 15th and 22nd, children will rotate in groups prior to the Worship Service in the church vestibule. They will give out their painted wooden birds to church members as a reminder that, like a bird lifted into flight, our gifts help the gospel go farther

than we can go ourselves—bringing hope, freedom, and new life through Jesus Christ. As we give, we join God in sending the good news into neighborhoods, cities, and communities in need.

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

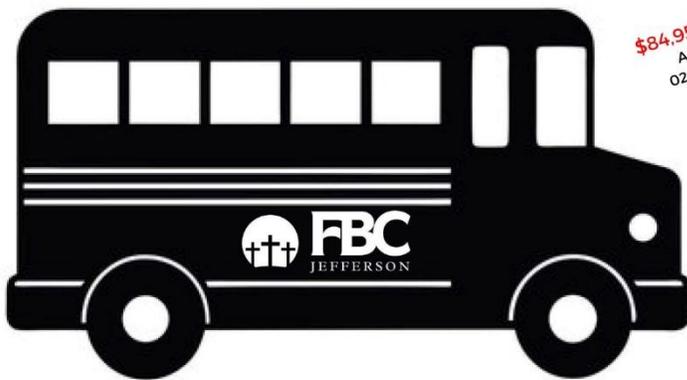
Easter Egg Hunt: ----->

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.

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:

March 11th - 6:00 pm – Adult II SS Classroom

March 18th - 6:00 pm – Adult II SS Classroom

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

April 1st – 6:00 pm – TBA

April 8th – Spring Break, may not meet

April 15th – 6:00 pm – TBA

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

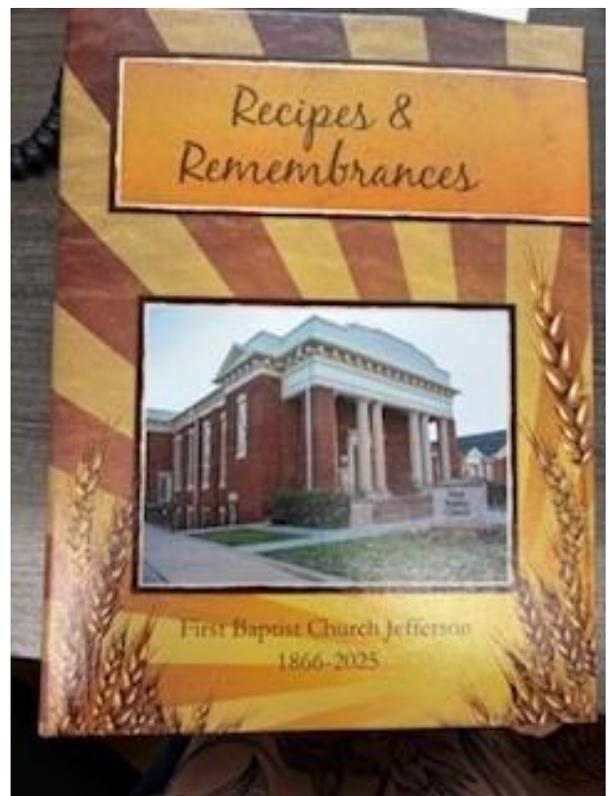
Cookbooks: WE ONLY HAVE ABOUT 100 COPIES LEFT!!!

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.

Relay for Life Yard Sale: The Church Yard Sale benefitting Relay for Life will be on Saturday, May 2nd, beginning at 7:00 am in the paved parking lot. Donated items may be brought to the carport at the church office **BEGINNING APRIL 1ST**. Start gathering items around your house now, and plan to join us! It is a great time of fellowship with each other and our community.





YARD SALE

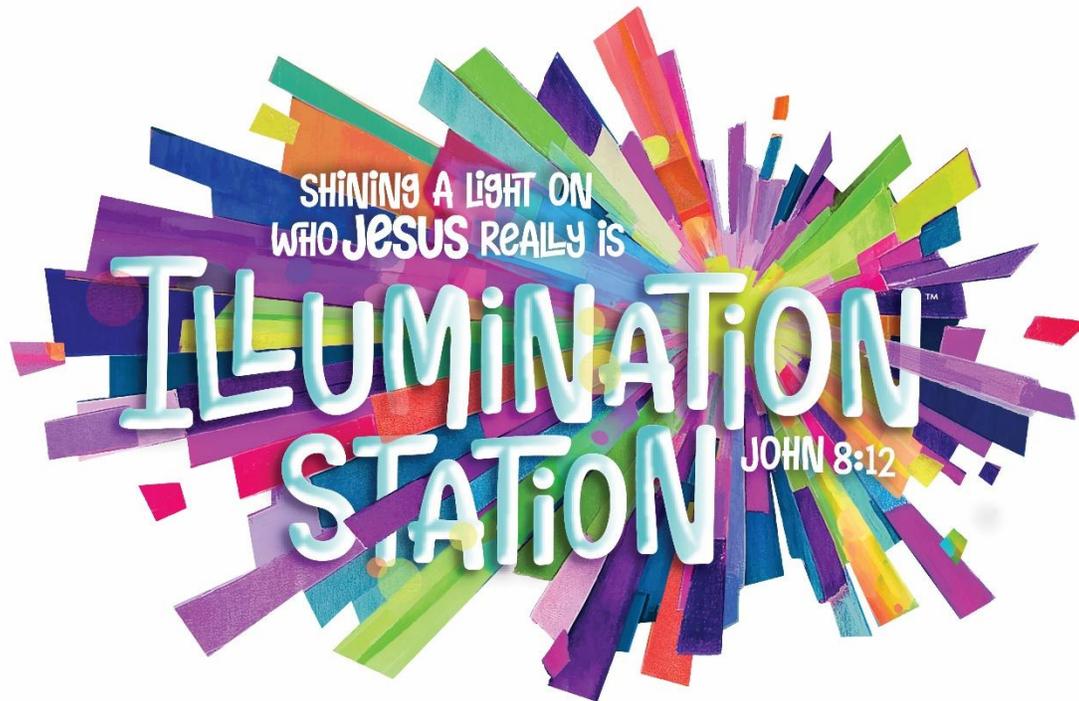
All proceeds go to
the American
Cancer Society's
Relay for Life



May 2, 2026 7:00 am
246 Washington St.
Jefferson, GA
In the paved parking
lot

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.

VBS: Illumination Station: VBS at FBC Jefferson is coming soon – June 14-18, 2026, 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm each night! We will need LOTS of volunteers – see Teresa for more information!



Illumination Station VBS is gonna be the brightest week of the year! While many people claim to know about Jesus, many are in the dark about who He really is. During VBS, kids will explore all the ways light brightens, illuminates, reflects, and reveals.

Wednesday Night Meal:

MENU FOR MARCH 11, 2026: BBQ Pork Sandwiches, Chips, Dessert, Drinks.

MENU FOR MARCH 18, 2026: Breakfast Food, 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: The display for the Winter Coat Drive was taken down BUT we will continue accepting donations of coats, gloves etc through the end of March. Mary Martha Circle extends a heartfelt Thank You to everyone for making this such a huge success this year!

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 March 8, 2026: Brian Ferguson and Tom Emory

Week of March 15, 2026: Steven Hix and Philip Thompson

Opening and Closing: Dennis Elrod

Greeters and Ushers: Joe and Jennifer Blackstock

NUMBERS FOR SUNDAY, MARCH 8, 2026

- Sunday School Attendance: 116
- Worship Attendance: 154
- Nursery Attendance: 11
- WORSHIP TOTAL: 165
- Offering: \$12,267.08

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
Greg Broussard
Jerry Elliott
Tom Fore
Harold Harbin

Vernell Hix
Ezra King
Jane Kinney
Joe & Donna Martin
Connie Peebles
Phil Thurmond

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)
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