

Church Announcements

Worship Service – Welcome to the Morning Worship Service:

Welcome to the 24th National Observance of Children's Sabbaths. We are grateful that you are a part of this interfaith effort to make a difference in the lives of children in your community, and across our nation. Thank you for being part of a powerful, diverse interfaith voice for children spanning our nation and crossing all lines of income, race, ethnicity, and religious affiliation. What unites us is the belief that God calls us to protect children, especially the poorest and most vulnerable, and the conviction that our faith calls us to live out God's justice and compassion. The Gospel of Matthew 25: 40 says "The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me'" Matthew 25:40

Sunday School: All children and youth are welcome to join us for Junior Church Worship and participate in Christian education activities.

Upcoming Events and Meetings:

Monday: November 16, 7:00 PM Trustee's Meeting

Thursday: November 19, 7:00 PM Bible Study

Sunday: November 22, 1:00 PM Thanksgiving Worship Service, The Pastor, officers and members of Fountain of Living Water extend an invitation to the First Baptist church to join them for their regular worship service at 1:00 pm. Following service, there will be a Thanksgiving dinner downstairs in Codrington Hall. All are welcome to attend.

The Jail Chaplaincy Christmas Care Program is asking for donations of non-violent toys or gifts, for children of inmates incarcerated at Somerset County Jail. . If the toy or gift requires batteries, we ask that you include them. We need toys and gifts suitable for either girls or boys, and for all ages from infants to High School students. **Toys will be accepted from November 29 through Sunday, December 13.** Thanking you in advance for your support to help ensure that the children of Inmates will receive Christmas gifts again this year.

Retired Minister's and Missionaries Offering We have an opportunity to be a blessing and support our American Baptist Churches retired ministers, missionaries and widowed spouses who served faithfully our local churches and missions overseas. You may show your love and gratitude by placing an offering in the envelope on or before Sunday, December 6. The envelopes are located in the back of the pew.

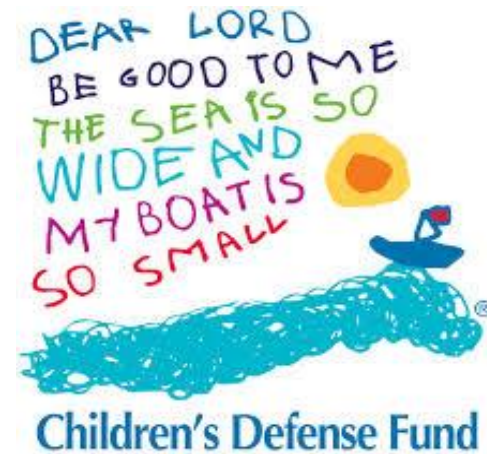
Envelopes for Tithes and Offerings Anyone that does NOT currently have envelopes and would like to have them, please contact Bill Williams with your name and address as soon as possible.

Somerset Food Bank: Thanks to our preschoolers we now have a beautiful box to place your food donations. Non-perishable Food Bank Donations may be placed in the box in the rear of the church, the need is great. Thank you for your continued support.

Nursery Care is available for children 4yrs and younger. Please speak to an usher if you are interested.

Church Web-site please visit our church web-site, firstbaptistsomerville.org for upcoming events and happenings! If you have photos of church events to share on the website, please send them to fbcsosec@verizon.net in jpeg format or submit them on CD to the church office.

"We are becoming fishers of people" Mark 1: 16-20



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National Observance of Children's Sabbath

November 15, 2015, 11:00 a.m.

Organ Prelude:

Ruth Mueller

Welcome and Announcements

Deacon Robert Bryant

Fellowship Period (Extending God's love to one another)

Congregational Introit: "Jesus Loves the Little Children"

Blue #580

*Call to Worship (In Unison)

Pastor Flemmings

We gather on this Children's Sabbath, to hear the children who wonder, "How long must I cry for help?" We gather to heed God's charge to write the vision and make it plain. We gather to answer Christ's call to serve the last, the least and the littlest ones. We gather to be strengthened by the Spirit to bend the arc toward God's vision of justice. Come, let us worship God."

*Hymn of Praise: "Count Your Blessings"

Blue # 563

*Prayer of Invocation and The Lord's Prayer

Merciful God, you call us to create change for children, but were' comfortable with the status quo. You call us to work for justice today, but we put it off until another day. You call us to bring hope, but inside we've really given up on making a difference. You call us to believe in a better tomorrow, but we don't always believe that it is possible.

*Gloria Patri

Red # 812

Blessings of Joy and Thanksgiving

Worship in Prayer

Call to Prayer "Hear our Prayer O Lord"

Blue #614

Prayers of the People - Mattie O'Neil and Maeve Runyon

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Special Music:

Ruth Mueller

Through the Eyes of Preschool

Amanda O'Neil

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Worship in Tithing and Offerings

Pastor Flemmings

Offertory Sentence (In unison):

"They shall not appear before the Lord empty-handed; all shall give as they are able, according to the blessing of the Lord your God that he has given you"

Deuteronomy 16: 16b - 17 NRSV)

*Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication

Worship via the Word

*Hymn of Preparation: "I'll be a Sunbeam"

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Scripture Readings:

Old Testament: Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2: 1-5

New Testament: Hebrews 5: 1-10

Rev. Donna Beardsley

Pew Bible page No. 1456 & 1458

Pew Bible pages No. 1866-1867

Sermon: "Our Call to Nurture & Protect "the Least of These"

Rev. Donna Beardsley

***Hymn of Invitation:** "Make Me a Blessing"

Blue # 452

***Benediction:** (In Unison)

Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world through serving the children and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen

Amen: Denmark"

Blue # 628 IV

Organ Postlude:

Ruth Mueller

*Congregation Please Stand

WELCOME

The First Baptist Family is indeed happy that you came to worship with us today. We celebrate your presence and extend our hand of friendship during the fellowship period. Would you please fill out the Visitor's card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate? In addition, if you are new to the community, visiting with family, or live in the neighborhood, please feel free to speak with the Pastor or one of the Deacons following morning worship and please sign the Visitor's Book as you leave the sanctuary.



The flowers on our altar have heard the hymns that were sung, the prayers that were offered and the sermon that has been preached. Thank you for your donations that beautify our sanctuary. The Flower Chart is located near the rear of the church for all members and friends.



OUR PRAYER CONCERNS Members, Friends and Family – Resting at Home



Bill Berry
Dave Brown
Beth Chandler
Evelyn Field
Judy Hoak
Adeline Lofstrom
Cardinia Namendi
Aurora Piedra
Andrew Walsh

Josephine Bowden
Kimberly Bryant
Barbara Esposito (Mary Miller's daughter)
Jennifer Harbach
Evelyn Kopf
Justin Marchese
Quaid Mobus (Darin Lentzsch's cousin)
Ligia Piedra
Marge Schoonover

Hospital & Nursing Home

Stella Carlson/Rivers Edge (Rich's Mother)
Corrine Chen/Arbor Glen
Susan Lofstrom/Brighton Gardens
Brenda Savidge/Avalon