



# The Messenger

First Baptist Church Hilton Head Island • October 2018



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## Rev. Brian Parker Voted to be FBCHHI's Minister of Youth and Families



On Sunday, September 9, 2018, Rev. Brian Parker was at FBCHHI with his family in view of a call. There were opportunities for the congregation to meet him and his family. He was also invited to preach on Sunday morning. A business meeting was called at the conclusion of the morning worship service, and a vote was taken by ballot. Rev. Parker was overwhelmingly accepted as the new Minister of Youth and Families for First Baptist Church

Hilton Head Island. Brian will begin duties on Monday, October 1. We ask that you continue to pray for him, his family and for his ministry here at FBCHHI.

### A Pounding for the Family of the New Minister of Youth and Families

Immediately following the morning worship service on October 7, we will hold a "Pounding" in the Family Life Center for Brian Parker and his family. In days gone by, new ministers were showered with gifts like - a "pound" of flour or a "pound" of sugar, etc., as a way of offering provision. In modern days, this has evolved to offering the new family small gifts or gift cards as a way of welcoming them into our community. Light refreshments will be served. We hope you will make plans to welcome Brian and his family to the family of FBCHHI!

### Communion - Sunday, October 7

10:00 AM - Early Communion, Children's Building, Rm #4 (across from the kitchen) for Children's Church Workers, Media Team and Worship Instrumentalists.

10:30 AM - The Lord's Supper will be served during the morning worship service.



### New Women's Bible Study Will Meet Tuesday Mornings Beginning October 2

Nancy Staab will be leading a new women's Bible study this fall titled "The Holy Spirit." It will be held on Tuesday mornings at 11:15 AM beginning Tuesday, October 2, in the Family/Student Building. These classes will not be held the week of Connection's meetings. There are no materials for anyone to purchase or bring to class.

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## WOMEN'S Connection

Connection Groups meet the third Monday or Tuesday of each month at the church or in various homes in Hilton Head and Bluffton on various days at various times beginning in October.

This is a great way for women to build community within the church and meet other like-minded women. Call the church office at 843-785-4478 to find a way for you to be connected!



## "Come On Down!"

and join us at our Connection Kickoff, rescheduled for Monday, October 8, 6:00 PM, in the Family Life Center.

### Reservations are necessary.

There is no charge to attend but we do need reservations, please. Make yours by calling Paulette Gardner at 843-785-4478. Feel free to invite friends to join you, just make sure we have a reservation for them.

More information on page 3.

## Special Single Seniors Social

Sunday, October 21  
Family Life Center  
5:00 PM



For our *Single Seniors* at least 75 years young.

Sponsored by our Deacons

**Menu:** Spinach Salad, Salmon with Lobster Ravioli served over Asparagus with a Lemon/Capers Sauce, Chocolate Mousse Cheesecake, Rolls, and Beverages. Call the church for your reservation at 843-785-4478. If needed, request transportation to this event.



## Trunk or Treat

Wednesday, October 24

Details are on Page 5.

# From the Pastor...

## Church Family,

I'm having a blast serving alongside you. Our family is so grateful for the words of encouragement and affirmation so many have given us. I am so blessed to have such a passionate and engaged church. There is much work to do to reach our community, so I am thankful for the heart of our church to rise to the task.

### Our Church is Fully Staffed

Our church is now fully staffed. We are blessed to have had God orchestrate the calling of our two newest staff members in Wendy Gudz and Brian Parker. Both of them will do an incredible job in their respective ministries as we point our young people to Christ. The Personnel Committee put in a great amount of work this year and these two additions round out an amazing church staff that I am very privileged to lead. Richard Lewis also gave lots of extra time to prepare our office spaces for these new additions to the staff. Thanks to everyone who has put in so much work to get us to where we are. We have great days ahead!

Our new Minister of Youth and Families begins his ministry on Monday, October 1. Please continue to pray for Brian, his family and his ministry here at FBCHHI.

### Good News Club

On October 11 an amazing thing happens! At the approval of Hilton Head Preparatory School, we begin the Good News Club for all K-5th-grade students! This ministry is totally run by volunteers from our church, and we are so thankful for the 14 people who have volunteered to work in this great ministry. Pray for God to move among our club and for not only children but entire families to hear and accept the Gospel.

### Trunk or Treat

We also have an awesome opportunity to reach out to our community on October 24, as the Missions Committee and Ken Gudz lead our annual Trunk-or-Treat. I personally am so excited to see this ministry that I have heard about for years firsthand! While we serve and reach our community together through this event, be sure that you don't miss the people while focusing on the mission, because for our church - the people ARE the mission.

### Annual Business Meeting

This next bit of information is very important! I want you to mark on your calendars for Sunday night, November 11, 6:00 pm. This is our Annual Business Meeting, and we are doing something a little different this year. After our business portion concludes, we will transition to a time of celebration. To start, we will celebrate all that God has done over the last year in our church, and then we will continue looking to the future. Your church Administrative Council and I have been hard at work for months now updating the vision of our church. We have worked hard to update our church's mission statement, to identify key values for our church, and to establish the measures that we are looking for in a person's life as we lead someone to Christ, and as they become a fully mature Christian. All of this plays into the new vision for our church's future, and the first time you will hear it in full will be at this Annual Meeting. This will be a very exciting time and one that I am asking all of our church members to attend. We will have external childcare for the duration of the event so that every one of our members can be in the room together. Don't miss this!

### Look in the Messenger for Other News

There is a lot more going on referenced in this newsletter, so continue reading to stay informed of all First Baptist has to offer you and your family and how you can become involved. Know that I love you and am so thankful that God has led me to First Baptist Church! It is an enormous privilege to pastor you and to do life with you.

I love you church!

*Brett Myers*



## Disaster Relief Mission Trip

Tuesday - Friday,  
October 16 - 19

Our church has scheduled a mission trip to assist some of those dealing with the aftermath of Hurricane Florence.

The church staff is keeping a list of those who may be interested in participating. When details are finalized, those people will be contacted and you can decide at that time if the tasks at hand and the time frame will suit your schedule. Watch the bulletin for more information about how you can help those in need.

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## *"Come On Down!"*

and join us at our Connection Kickoff (moved from September because of Hurricane Florence.)

**Monday, October 8, at 6:00 PM,**  
in the Family Life Center and play...



## *Connection Kickoff*

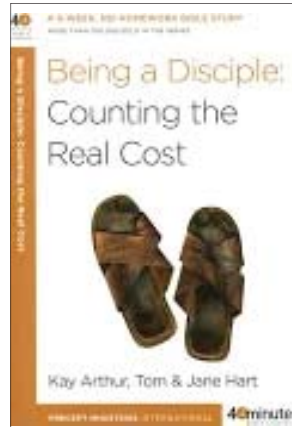
...along with "The Price Is Right" games and activities with prizes (brush up on your product pricing), we are serving *Bidder's Row* BBQ (Chicken and Pork) with Buns, *Bob Barker* Baked Beans, Plinko Chips, "Come On Down" Coleslaw, and *Bargain Basement* Brownies. "One Dollar, Bob" Beverages of Tea and Water.

You do not have to join a Connection group to enjoy the fun. If you are new, join us to meet some new ladies of the church. We'll talk about our Bible study, "*Being a Disciple: Counting the Real Cost*", (thus the reference to the "Price Is Right,") and you will be able to purchase your book for \$6.00 each.

Review the list of groups, where and when they meet, and choose a Connection group to attend. You can sign up for your preferred group that evening.

## *Reservations are necessary.*

There is no charge to attend but we do need reservations, please. Make yours by calling Paulette Gardner at 843-785-4478. Feel free to invite friends to join you, just make sure we have a reservation for them.



This year, the Connection group as a whole will be studying the book "Being a Disciple: Counting the Real Cost," by Kay Arthur. Separate group meetings will begin the third week in October, on either Monday or Tuesday.

Join us October 8, at 6:00 PM, in the Family Life Center at the church for a kickoff and learn which group may be best for you.

*Find a group and time that suits you best.*

Meetings third Monday of the month  
10:00 AM

Esther Group led by Becky Eikenberry and Gloria Stewart  
Hostess Home: Joan Wheeler and Linda Fick  
30 Magnolia Blossom Drive (Colleton River Plantation) Bluffton

Meeting the third Monday of the Month -  
7:00 PM

Lydia Group led by Lynda Hopkins  
Hostess Home: Sherry Thompson (Port Royal)  
2 Ensis Road  
Hilton Head Island

Meeting the third Tuesday of the Month - 10:00 AM

Ruth Group led by Sherry Myers  
Hostess Home: Sherry Myers  
6 Gloucester Road (Shipyard Plantation)  
Hilton Head Island

Meeting the third Tuesday of the Month - 11:15 AM

Anna Group led by Ruth Eller  
Hostess Home: Family/Student Center at FBCHHI  
100 South Forest Beach Drive (At the church)  
Hilton Head Island

Meeting the third Tuesday of the Month -  
6:30 PM

Deborah Group led by Paulette Gardner  
Hostess Home: Family/Student Center at FBCHHI  
100 South Forest Beach Drive (At the church)  
Hilton Head Island

# CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



## NEW CHILDREN'S MINISTRY SIGN

Wally Smith did an outstanding job on the new Welcome Center check in sign. Thank you, Wally, for using your gifts and talents for the Children's Ministry of FBCHHI.



As of October 7th, we will be increasing the age for Children's Church from Babies through 5 years old to Babies through 2nd Grade. Children's Church will include a worship time of music, bible story, prayer, then crafts, snacks, mission moments and games. Learning God's word should be exciting, fun and interesting.



## AWANA PROGRAM

Please invite friends and neighbors to AWANA on Wednesday nights from 6:20 pm to 7:30 pm. The age groups include:

Puggles: 2- 3 years old,

Cubbies: 4 years old - Kindergarten,

Sparks: Grade 1 & 2,

T & T: Grade 3-5

We have amazing and dedicated leaders. FBCHHI Children's Ministry would like to thank them for their dedication.



## GOOD NEWS CLUB

The Good News Club will begin on Thursday, October 11th at Hilton Head Prep. This Club is totally free! We are honored to be able to share the gospel in the school.

Individuals from FBCHHI who went through Good News Club training provided by Child Evangelism Fellowship will lead a club at Hilton Head Prep from 3:15 pm to 4:00 pm every Thursday through the fall. They will teach God's word, play games and serve snacks. Please partner with us through prayer.



## HURRICANE DISASTER ENCOURAGEMENT

It's important to teach our children to give back and to encourage others that are going through a hard time. The Children made cards to send to the Hurricane victims at Whispering Pines Baptist Church in Wilmington, North Carolina. We continue to pray for all of the people that were affected by the disaster.

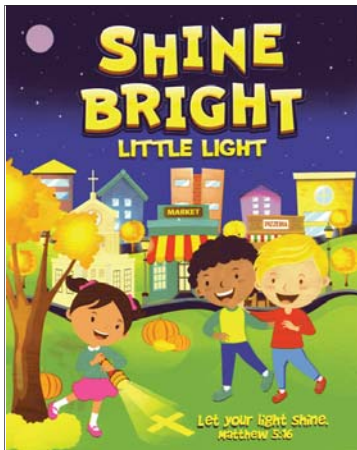
## VOLUNTEERS

We are in need of volunteers for Sunday School and Children's Church. Are you able to give one hour per month to the children or one hour every other month? Please email Wendy Gudz at [wgudz@fbchhi.org](mailto:wgudz@fbchhi.org).

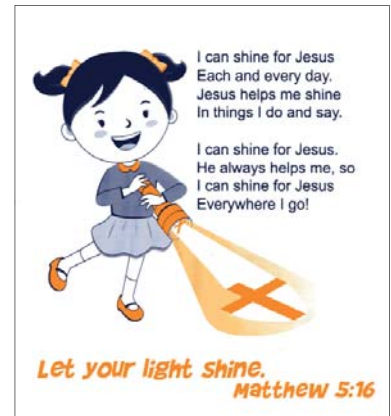


**VOLUNTEERS:  
VERY VALUABLE!**

# KID'S MATTER TO GOD AND FBCHHI!



## “Shine Bright Little Light” Annual Trunk or Treat Outreach Event



**Wednesday, October 24th**

Join us for some Fun, Food and Fellowship during our annual Fall Festival style holiday event.

*Non-scary costumes, please.*



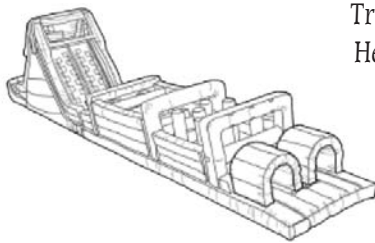
### Hot Dog Dinner

Hot dog dinner available from 5:00 pm - until all the hot dogs are gone.

\$4.00 per meal of gourmet hot dogs with fixins', baked beans, chips, and cookies. \$1.00 for each extra hot dog. Beverages are tea (sweet and unsweet), lemonade, and water.



### Invite Your Friends and Neighbors - Come Enjoy the FUN!



Trunks and activities are open from 5:30 pm-7:30 pm.

Held In the Back Parking Lot on our church property.

All games and activities are free of charge.

Games, Prizes, Fun, and Lots and Lots of Candy!

Bouncy Slide, Obstacle Course and Train!

Rescue Vehicle on Display!

Candy, Candy, Candy!



### Please Volunteer for the Largest Yearly Outreach Event of Our Church

Volunteers are needed to decorate their trunks with a Christian theme and provide a game or activity for children to play.

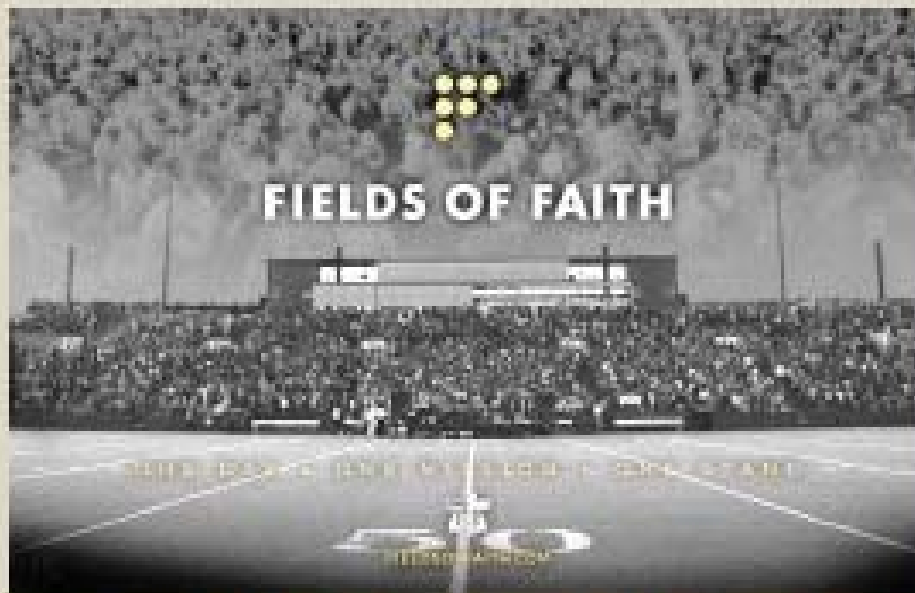
Sign up on Sundays at the church or call the church office at 843-785-4478 to add your name to the list or ask for help with trunk ideas.



**If you can't do a trunk, please donate candy!**

*We need Lots and Lots of Candy!*

Please bring wrapped candy for Trunk or Treat. A drop off location will be in the Family Life Center and the Children's Building!!!



**Wednesday, October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018 – 6:30-8:00pm**

***Bluffton High School Football Stadium***

Student Speakers from our local HHI & Bluffton area schools will  
share

their inspiring stories of Faith and Encouragement.

*Free Food, Music & Fellowship begins at 6pm*

**Everyone is Invited to Attend!**

***Other Events will be also held at Battery Creek HS and Estill HS***

*Event sponsored by FCA Student Campus Clubs, Community, and Church Partners of South Coastal FCA*



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Fields of Faith, where communities gather on school athletic fields on the same night to hear students share their faith stories and challenge each other to apply the Bible as their "game plan for life". All are invited to join this community wide event of inspiring Faith, Fellowship, Food and Worship. For questions email [news@southcoastalfca.org](mailto:news@southcoastalfca.org). Follow us on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram.

## Building and Grounds Report

Our church has replaced two of our aging HVAC systems in the Children's building. A crane was here to lift the new units into place onto the roof. We are grateful to the people who did that difficult work and thankful for the funds to cover this expense.

Years ago, the Building and Grounds Committee and Stewardship Committee worked together to devise a schedule and financial plan as to the best way to maintain our church property and the best way to fund these projects. This plan has helped us spread the cost of upkeep and maintenance and we all should be extremely grateful for their forethought.



Coming in November

### Samaritans Purse Shoe Box Collection

We will begin collection of shoe boxes filled with items for children for Christmas the end of October. Collection deadline is November 11. Shoe boxes will be taken to our local collection facility on Wednesday, November 14.

### Annual Business Meeting

Sunday, November 11 - 6:00 PM

Held in the Church Sanctuary

Read more about the change to the Annual Business Meeting on page 2 in Pastor Brett's article.

### Happy Thanksgiving

Thursday, November 22

### Coming in December Christmas Musical and Church Christmas Party

Mark your calendars for Sunday, December 9, when our annual Sanctuary Choir Christmas Musical will take place at 6:00 PM in our Sanctuary.

Immediately following the musical program, we'll meet in the Family Life Center for our Annual Christmas party. Please make plans to join us and invite your friends and neighbors.



### Mission Project Backpacks for the Homeless

Just a reminder that we are still collecting items for "Backpacks for the Homeless." Backpacks will be distributed through the Old Savannah Mission in December. Talk with your Sunday School teacher to find out what items for the backpacks that your class is collecting. Not in a Sunday School class? Call the church office at 843-785-4478 for items you can bring so that you can also participate in "Backpacks for the Homeless."

### Financial Statement

Year-to-Date Budget Receipts Goal thru 08/31/2018	\$633,454
Year-to-Date Receipts thru 08/31/2018	\$617,184
Year-to-Date Expenses 08/31/2018	\$575,900
Budget Receipts Goal for September 2018	\$93,155
Month-to-Date Receipts thru 09/27/2018	\$80,930
Month-to-Date Expenses thru 09/27/2018	\$84,435**

\*\*Expenses include \$26K for new HVAC systems in the Children's building



# October

- Tuesday, October 2      10:00 AM - Handbell Choir Rehearsal, Music Suite  
11:15 AM - Ladies' Bible Study, Led by Nancy Staab, Family/Student Building  
12:00 Noon - Administrative Council Meeting, Family Life Center, Multi-purpose Room
- Wednesday, October 3      4:30 PM - Deacons' Meeting, Family Life Center, Rm #7  
Regular Wednesday Schedule
- Thursday, October 4      3:00 PM - Good News Club Volunteer Meeting, Children's Building
- Sunday, October 7      Regular Sunday Schedule  
9:15 AM - FBCHHI Discovery Class, Children's Building, Rm #7  
10:00 AM - Early Communion, Children's Building, Rm #4 (across from the kitchen)  
for Children's Church workers, Media Team and Worship musicians  
10:30 AM - New Children's Church Officially Begins, Children's Building  
10:30 AM - The Lord's Supper will be served during the morning worship service  
11:45 AM - "**Pounding**" for the Parker Family, immediately following the morning worship service,  
held in the Family Life Center. Light refreshments served.
- Monday, October 8      **6:00 PM - Women's Fellowship and Connection Kickoff**, Family Life Center, Multi-purpose Room
- Tuesday, October 9      10:00 AM - Handbell Choir Rehearsal, Music Suite  
11:15 AM - Ladies' Bible Study, Led by Nancy Staab, Family/Student Building  
12:00 PM - Personnel Committee Meeting, Church Library  
2:00 PM - Connection Leadership Meeting, Family Life Center
- Wednesday, October 10      4:00 PM - Missions Committee Meeting, Family Life Center, Rm #2  
Regular Wednesday Night Schedule
- Thursday, October 11      3:15 PM - 4:00 PM - Good News Club, Hilton Head Prep, Kindergarten Room
- Sunday, October 14      Regular Sunday Schedule  
9:15 AM - FBCHHI Discovery Class, Children's Building, Rm #7  
Lunch for those who attended the FBCHHI Discovery Class, Family Life Center Multi-purpose Room
- Monday, October 15      Connection Meetings either in homes or on the church campus - various times
- October 16 - 19      Tuesday - Friday - Disaster Relief Mission Trip
- Tuesday, October 16      10:00 AM - Handbell Choir Rehearsal, Music Suite  
No Ladies' Bible Study Today  
4:30 PM - Building and Grounds Committee Meeting, Family Life Center, Rm #2  
Connection Meetings either in homes or on the church campus - various times
- Wednesday, October 17      4:00 PM - Stewardship Committee Meeting, Family Life Center, Rm #2  
Regular Wednesday Schedule
- Sunday, October 21      Regular Sunday Schedule  
5:00 PM - Special Single Seniors Social, Family Life Center, Rm # 5
- Tuesday, October 23      10:00 AM - Handbell Choir Rehearsal, Music Suite  
11:15 AM - Ladies' Bible Study, Led by Nancy Staab, Family/Student Building  
Savannah River Baptist Association Annual Meeting, Shell Point Baptist Church,  
871 Parris Island Gateway, Beaufort, SC
- Wednesday, October 24      All Wednesday Night Activities Are Suspended for Trunk or Treat  
**Annual Trunk or Treat Outreach Event**  
5:00 PM - Hot Dog Dinner, \$4.00 per meal,  
\$1.00 for Each Extra Hot Dog  
5:30 PM - 7:30 PM - Annual Trunk or Treat Outreach in the  
Back Parking Lot
- Saturday, October 27      9:00 AM - 12:00 Noon - Sanctuary Choir Christmas Music  
Bonus Rehearsal
- Sunday, October 28      Regular Sunday Schedule  
5:00 PM - 7:00 PM - High Tide Youth, Family/Student Building
- Tuesday, October 30      10:00 AM - Handbell Choir Rehearsal, Music Suite  
11:15 AM - Ladies' Bible Study, Led by Nancy Staab, Family/Student Building



### Sunday Schedule

- 8:15 AM - 8:45 AM - Open Prayer Time and Devotional, Family Life Center, Room #7
- 9:00 AM - 9:15 AM - Coffee Fellowship Time, Family Life Center, Multi-purpose Room
- 9:15 AM - 10:15 AM - Sunday School For All Ages, Various Buildings
- 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM - Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM - High Tide, Family/Student Building (th Sunday of the month)

### Tuesday

- 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM - Handbell Choir Rehearsal, Music Suite
- 11:15 AM - 12:15 PM - Ladies' Bible Study, Family/Student Building

### Wednesday Night Schedule

- 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM - Wednesday Night Dinner, Family Life Center, Multi-purpose Room
- 5:30 PM - 6:15 PM - Children's Choir Rehearsal, Children's Building, Room #7
- 6:15 PM - 7:45 PM - Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Music Suite
- 6:20 PM - 7:30 PM - Awana, Education/Children's Building, Atrium
- 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM - High Tide Youth, Family/Student Building
- 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM - Adult Bible Study in the Family Life Center, Room #4
- 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM - Women's Bible Study in the Children's Building, Room #8
- 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM - Men's Bible Study in the Family Life Center, Room #3
- 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM - CORE, Parents and Family Study, Children's Building, Room #7