FALL KICKOFF SUNDAY
SEPTEMBER 17  9:30am
Fellowship Hall

UPCOMING SERMONS
9/17, 9/24, 10/1

MISSIONBASE DC REPORT
Colleen Buroughs

FIRST GLANCE
4-wk Orientation
Sun. 10/22 9:30am

YOUNG ADULT MIXER
Multi-Church
Thr., 9/28 6:30pm

Swallowed by Love

FAITH & ACTION
SANDWICH MAKING/DINNER 5/6PM
FAITH & ACTION - 7PM
Wed., Sept. 20 7pm - Alison Dunn Almaguer

THIRD WEDNESDAY NIGHTS THIS FALL

First Glance

Fall Kickoff
The Faith Formation Team (formerly known as the Christian Education Committee) is hosting a Fall Kick Off this Sunday, September 17 to highlight the Sunday Bible Study offerings for children and adults at FBC. The Kick-Off, from 9:30-10:30am in Fellowship Hall, begins with complimentary breakfast provided by Chef Laval at 9:30am, followed by the program at 10am.

Everyone in our church community is invited to this fun, intergenerational program to learn more our Bible Study Group offerings. We will also recognize children who are being promoted to new classes and honor the fantastic teachers who have served during the last year.

SCENES FROM LAST YEAR’S KICKOFF SUNDAY
THIRD WEDNESDAY NIGHTS THIS FALL

FAITH & ACTION

7PM IN FELLOWSHIP HALL
SANDWICH MAKING @ 5PM + Supper @ 6PM

SEPTEMBER 20
THE WORK OF TRANSFORMING COMMUNITIES
Alison Dunn Almaguer
Organizer, Washington Interfaith Network

Jesus was a community organizer. He spent his days talking with people, hearing their stories and calling them to act. Learn how we can integrate the practical skills of community organizing to reach out to our neighbors and begin to develop authentic relationships that lead to real change in our community and our city. The Washington Interfaith Network (WIN) has a 20-year track record in DC of organizing faith institutions, non-profits and unions to work together to build power and create local change. We hope you will join us to learn more!

OCTOBER 18
BONHOEFFER AND THE POLITICS OF THE GOSPEL
Kristopher Norris
Visiting Professor, Center for Public Theology at Wesley Theological Seminary

The German theologian Dietrich Bonhoeffer is invoked in conversations across the political spectrum—from issues of abortion and euthanasia to pacifism and racial justice. He served as a pastor and seminary teacher during the Third Reich and was executed in a concentration camp for his role in a plot to assassinate Hitler. But mostly, Bonhoeffer was committed to the mission of the church. This session will draw on his work and life to explore the relationship between church and politics in our contemporary time.

NOVEMBER 15
THE SILENT GRIEFS WE CARRY IN CHURCH
Rev. Elizabeth Hagan
Author and Pastor

When we think grief, we ask: "Who died?" Yet in the church those we worship alongside hurt for countless reasons in addition to loss of loved ones. Infertility. Divorce. Suicide. Mental Illness. Estrangement from family members. And the list could keep going. Come join the conversation on November 15th with Elizabeth Hagan, author and pastor of a spiritual memoir of her own silent grief journey, to hear stories and share stories about unnamed griefs in the church. Together we'll work on expanding our empathy muscles especially as the holiday season approaches.
YOUNG ADULT MIXER
SEPTEMBER 28TH, 6:30PM
CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH
LIBRARY
(ORDINARY TIME)

Calvary Baptist Church will host a young adult mixer for First Baptist DC, Shiloh Baptist Church, and 19th St. Baptist church. This is a great opportunity for young people of faith to connect with one another over good food and good company. Join us Thursday, September 28th at 6:30PM at Calvary Baptist Church! Contact Pastor Alyssa for more details.
We are so grateful for your willingness to open your doors, let us sleep and eat and live inside your walls for the summer. The students and their leaders had overwhelmingly positive things to say about their week long experience which certainly could not have even happened without the gracious hospitality of FBCDC. Alyssa and D’O thank you for befriending and ministering to our team. They also enjoyed saying hello to the guys at the front desk who kept us all safe and (bonus) enjoyed receiving impromptu organ lessons and recitals from Lon!

Grace and peace,
Colleen

Colleen Burroughs
PASSPORT Inc. Co-Founder
Vice President of Communications

Our groups worked with the following ministries and advocacy partners:
DC Central Kitchen
Capital Area Food Bank
Jubilee Housing
Christ House
Kairos House
Martha’s Table
Street Church
Baptist Joint Committee
Bread for the World

THE HERITAGE
SIGNATURE
CHORALE IN CONCERT
(WITH KEVIN PINCKNEY)
Sunday, September 17, 2017,
4:00pm - 6:00pm
Union Wesley AME Zion Church of
Washington DC
1860 Michigan Avenue NE
Washington DC 20018

Dear friends,
I hope all is well and that you are finding a new rhythm following an always eventful summer. Following our own summer endings and evaluations of each program we are beginning to turn our minds towards the summer of 2018. Before we begin what is next we want to celebrate what has been accomplished.

Please thank your church family for their partnership in ministry with Passport over the summer. By opening your doors and welcoming these groups into your space over five weeks this summer, you helped to empower:

10 churches
215 participants
4,728 missions hours
481,503 lbs of food sorted
30,000 meals prepared

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SEPTEMBER 17
“SWALLOWED BY LOVE”
Jonah 1:1-7, 15-17, 2:10-3:3a

SEPTEMBER 24
“GOSPEL FOR OUTSIDERS”
Acts 15:1-11

OCTOBER 1
“THE TABLE”
Luke 22:7-10
World Communion Sunday
Charlie Fuller preaching
You may be wondering, “Who in the world are The CenturyMen?” Well, let me tell you. The CenturyMen is a group of music ministers from across the country who gather together once a year for a concert tour or a recording project. They are professional musicians with graduate degrees in music who audition to be a part of the group. They were one of the first groups to gain entrance to China back in the late 70’s and have performed literally around the world. They once performed for the Dove Awards and in April 2016 they performed across the island of Cuba building relationships with the churches and church musicians there.

Their accompanist is Joseph Joubert. Joseph plays for numerous projects across New York including Broadway and television as well as traveling across the country as a guest soloist with various orchestras. He has been music director, conductor, and orchestrator for various Broadway musicals including, “Motown the Musical” and “The Color Purple.” On this year’s tour, Joseph plays a pre-concert of selections from his newest recording.

Their guest soloist is the accomplished lyric soprano, Renee Joubert, who specializes in a variety of musical styles. Their organist is our own Cindy Fuller.

This is quite an accomplished group of musicians. And I get to be their music director and conductor.

An important part of the story of The CenturyMen is that they pay their own way for every one of our projects. No one gets a salary. Their motivation is the privilege of sharing the gospel in song across the world. The expenditure of time, energy, and money from each and every one of them is substantial. It’s always a privilege to get to hear a CenturyMen concert. The members of The CenturyMen actually pay out of their pockets to come and sing.

On October 11, The CenturyMen will present a concert for us at 7pm. I hope you’ll brave the traffic and make it in to hear some incredible music. The CenturyMen only tour once a year. Every tour focuses on a different part of the country. It may be ten or twenty years before The CenturyMen return to our area. You’ll not want to miss it!

Charlie Fuller

FBCDC Executive Pastor
CenturyMen Music Director and Conductor
More info at http://thecenturymen.com/
CHILDREN'S MINISTER JOB OPENING

First Baptist Church of the City of Washington, DC, is searching for a creative and gifted individual who will lead and serve in the area of ministry to infants/preschoolers, older children and their families. This role includes leading and collaborating with a team of adult and youth volunteers. This person will help our church fulfill our calling in Washington:

To know and love God,
Befriend people on the margins of faith,
Grow believers into mature followers of Christ, and to
Serve our community and world in the way of Jesus.

This position is planned for 15-17 hours per week. Approximately 6 hours on Sundays and 9 to 11 hours during the week, including some evening meetings and weekends. There also is the possibility of extra time during the summer (special outings; children’s camp). Salary will be commensurate with related experience and skills. Send resumés to childrens-minister-search@firstbaptistdc.org.

FBC SERVES AT CHRIST HOUSE

Christ House Breakfast: Molly Young; Mike Henson; Oliver Müller. Labor Day (standing as a group: Dave Ryder; Romani Curtis; Dinh Tran; Berkley Vallino; Leslie Alford; Sadye Doxie. Labor Day Serving: Ann Bailey; Sadye Doxie; Leslie Alford.

DOWNLOAD AND VIEW POSITION DISCRPTION: https://goo.gl/XPEfki
FBC PRAYER & CARE

Sympathy

- To Harry Haynesworth in the death of his nephew, Leroy Grant (age 24) on September 4 in NJ

Recently Added

- Jim Sutton—recovering from a recent hospitalization
- Gordon Richmond—recovering from a recent hospitalization
- Irvin Netcott (Steve’s father)—recovering at home after hospitalization for pneumonia
- Rose Decker (Zena Aldridge’s mother)—recovering at home after hospitalization in PA
- Jill (niece of Brad & Linda Livingstone)—liver cancer has returned

EVENTS

Sunday, September 17
9:30am: Fall Kick-Off!
(See promotion in this issue)
  • Pancake breakfast by Chef Laval
    (starting at 9:30am)
  • Highlights of the coming Bible study year (starting at 10am)
10am: Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Rm 312)
11am: Worship (Sanctuary)
2pm: Worship in Spanish (Dawson Room)

Wednesday, September 20
‘Third Wednesday’ Faith & Action Series
5pm: Sandwich-making for Martha’s Table (all are welcome)
6pm: Fellowship supper (RSVP to D’O Dillard by COB Monday, Sept. 18)
7pm: Alison Almaguer, Washington Interfaith Network - The Work of Transforming Communities

DEACONS ON-CALL:
WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 17:

Allen Norfleet

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 24:

Steve Netcott
The on-call deacon is your lay contact for prayer concerns during their week of service.

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