



# FBC NEWS

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## Memory Café

In our society, the struggle of individuals and families of those individuals who suffer with dementia (including Alzheimer's Disease), is a devastating problem. Many people feel isolated and lack the support they need to endure the progression of dementia.

Our community does offer some resources for families who find themselves in similar situations. Our church has hosted an Alzheimer's Support Workshop, and we have participated in an organized walk to help fund Alzheimer's Research. As a church family, we feel called to reach out and serve our community – within the congregation and beyond.

We are interested in beginning a once-a-month gathering called **Memory Café**. This is not adult day care, but rather a safe place for persons who have dementia and their caregivers to come together and spend a few hours with others in similar situations. On the first Tuesday of each month, we would like to invite caregivers and receivers to gather in Ferrell Hall from 10:00am to noon for a time of fellowship and a shared snack. We will plan some activities for those interested, and a safe place for folks to visit and share with others.



If you would like to be a part of hosting this event, please contact Patti English and let her know. We will need folks who would be willing to prepare and serve a snack and some

coffee, some who would set up activities, and some who would be a welcoming and listening presence. With enough volunteers, it would be nice to organize and advertise in the month of February, and begin in March. If you would like to participate in any way, please let us know!

**Saturday Evenings,  
February 8 – March 22  
6:00 – 9:00pm**



Do you love your spouse and enjoy life together but sometimes wonder how to communicate the things you truly want him/her to know? The Marriage Course is an opportunity for married couples to sit together at a table just to themselves as they listen to some ideas, suggestions, and methods of communication that are helpful to couples as they navigate their way through the journey of their lives together.

It is a video series produced by Nicky and Sila Lee who have been married for over 30 years and have four children. They are on the staff at Holy Trinity Brompton, London, UK. They have spoken to thousands on the subject of marriage and family life, co-authored *The Marriage Book* and *The Parenting Book*, and created *The Marriage Course* and the *Marriage Preparation Course*. This is NOT a course to save a troubled marriage (however it might help that too), but rather a course designed to make a good marriage better!

Please sign up to participate in this course so we can purchase enough workbooks for each participant, and plan to be a part of these special evenings. As we gather, there will be appetizers and beverages. During the course of the evening, desserts will be served and you and your spouse will have the whole evening in candlelight and guided conversation with each other. Childcare will be made available if you sign up quickly so we can arrange it.

The cost of \$40 per couple covers the cost of the individual workbooks, snacks, desserts and beverages. If you want to bring a bag-supper for your children, you are welcome to do so. We want everyone who wishes to participate to be able to do so. If the \$40 fee is a hardship, scholarship assistance is available.

Encouraging even for those of us who have been married for several decades!

## Coming Up

### Saturday, February 8

To Reach a Minister After Office Hours,  
please call Ann Marlow, 786-6063

6:00pm The Marriage Course

### Sunday, February 9

8:30am Worship  
9:45am Sunday School  
11:00am Worship  
12:30pm Kirundi/Swahili Worship  
3:00pm Prayer Shawl Ministry  
4:30pm Genesis Ringers

### Monday, February 10

11:00am Person/Hudgins/McRae Circle  
11:45am Maria Scott Circle @ Home of  
Janice Clark  
2:00pm Revelation Ringers  
7:00pm Susie King Circle

### Tuesday, February 11

10:30am ESL Classes  
6:00pm First Light

### Wednesday, February 12

5:15pm Family Supper in FH  
6:00pm Stephen Ministry  
6:00pm Citizenship Class  
6:00pm Children's Music and Missions  
6:00pm Youth Recreation/Fellowship  
6:00pm Prayer Meeting in FH  
6:15pm Adult Study Time in FH  
6:15pm Youth on Mission Together  
6:30pm Low Voice Ensemble  
7:15pm Sanctuary Choir

### Thursday, February 13

10:30am ESL Classes  
11:30am Prayer Shawl Ministry  
5:00pm Community Dinner

### Friday, February 14

6:00pm Open Volleyball in Ferrell Hall

### Saturday, February 15

To Reach a Minister After Office Hours,  
please call Ann Marlow, 786-6063

7:30am Men's Prayer Breakfast  
6:00pm The Marriage Course

### Sunday, February 16

8:30am Worship  
9:45am Sunday School  
11:00am Worship  
12:15pm Deacon's Meeting  
12:30pm Kirundi/Swahili Worship  
3:00pm Prayer Shawl Ministry  
4:30pm Genesis Ringers

## Note - Scott Circle Change

The monthly lunch and meeting of the  
Maria Scott Circle in February will be  
hosted by Janice Clark at her home:  
207 Bridgewater Street

## Dinner Menu for February 12

Italian Night, Salad Bar, Dessert

Children's Option:  
Pizza

## Among Our Family

### —In The Hospital—

**MWH:** Audrey Ferrell

### —Sympathy To—

Linda Stott in the death of her aunt, Betty  
Lou Massey

Glenda Potter and family in the death of  
her father-in-law, Al Potter

The family of Alice "Ducky" Snellings

Pam Hicks and family in the death of Pam's  
mother, Jean Gore

## Responsibilities for February 9

### --Greeters Schedule--

Princess Anne St: Darrell Caldwell,  
Kathy Jones  
Hallway outside Chapel: Frankie & Anna Lee  
Sanctuary Door: Jim Wiltshire  
Caroline Street: Ron & Pixie Cleaver  
Children's Area: John Ingram  
Youth Area: Volunteer from Youth Class  
Amelia St: Hugh Mullen

### --Bus Drivers--

#### Early Service

George Whitehurst

#### Late Service

Dewey Lowman, Mark Houghton

### --Ushers--

#### 8:30am

Ray Bishop, Michael Silver  
Bob Burke & Martha Burke

#### 11:00am

Wayne Dodd, Donna Guidry, Randy Hart,  
Charlie Fromer, Tom & Zena Harvley-Felder

### --Deacons--

#### 8:30am

Melanie Edwards (Lead),  
Ed & Angie Monroe, Cassie Hart  
Larry & Joy Case (W&B)

#### 11:00am

Rich Pitts (Lead),  
Ndayihaya Abel, Judy Lowman, Jimmy  
Hilldrup, Bob Dungan, Hugh Mullen,  
Pat DiCecca, Randall Pierce

## Our 2014 Financial Stewardship

### Ministry Budget

Weekly Needs	\$28,000
Sunday, February 2	\$26,180
Y-T-D Total	\$103,024
Ahead/Behind Budget	-36,976

### BUOH in Missions

Weekly Needs	\$4,808
Sunday, February 2	\$3,357
Y-T-D Total	\$15,712
Ahead/Behind Goal	-\$8,328

### Capital Fund

Sunday, February 2	\$1,336
Y-T-D Total	\$6,693

## Mark Your Calendars!

**Vacation Bible School  
will be held this year  
during the week of  
July 7th**



## Looking Toward Lent

Begin to prepare yourself. Read ahead  
of each Sunday sermon, making ready  
to think more deeply about God's word  
and your response to it.

**February 9** *In Cold Blood*

Exodus 20:1-17, Matthew 5:17-24

## Bulletin Bloopers Yes, This Really Appeared in a Church Publication!

*Volunteer Opportunities*  
*Food drive next Sunday. Please bring*  
*your cans to the back of the church.*

If you have a favorite bulletin blooper,  
send it to Dennis in the church office  
and we'll share it in the newsletter

## Stewardship Update

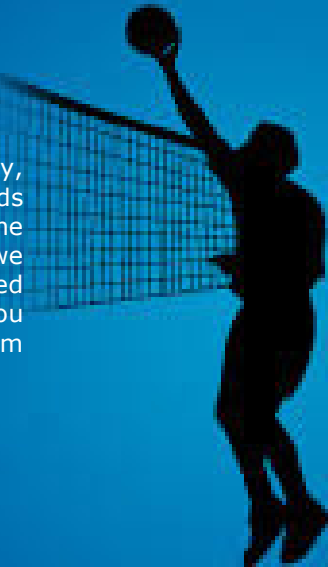
Offerings to the Ministry Budget in Jan-  
uary increased by 6.5% compared to  
January last year, and offerings to  
BUOH in Missions increased by 11.6%

Thank you for your faithful giving to  
the ministries of the church

## Volleyball Anyone?!

Each Friday Evening Through February 28  
6:00 – 9:00pm

In the cold winter months when it gets dark so early, wouldn't you like an opportunity to gather with friends and play volleyball and share in fellowship? Everyone interested is invited to meet in Ferrell Hall, where we will form teams each week and play. You do not need to commit to every Friday, just come as often as you are available! We will have childcare in the classroom that is set up in Ferrell Hall.



## Now Forming

Would you like a way to get to know other adults in our congregation in a comfortable homey setting while breaking bread together? Would you like to share recipes and taste the cooking of other church folks? If you answered "yes" to either of these questions, Supper Clubs may be for you! All adults are invited to sign up to participate. We will need some to host meals in your homes, but even if your home would not be conducive to inviting 10-12 people in, you are still

welcome to participate! Those who host in their homes will be given a list of 8-10 other people whom they will contact and invite to bring side dishes. The host will provide the main course and establish the menu. This is a really fun way to enjoy fellowship with folks whose paths you might not always cross on a Sunday morning at church.

There will be one Supper Club gathering per month from February through June. The dates will be: February 22, March 22, April 19, May 17 and a Supper Club Finale, at which all participants come together for one big covered-dish meal, will be on June 7 at Silver Ridge Farm.

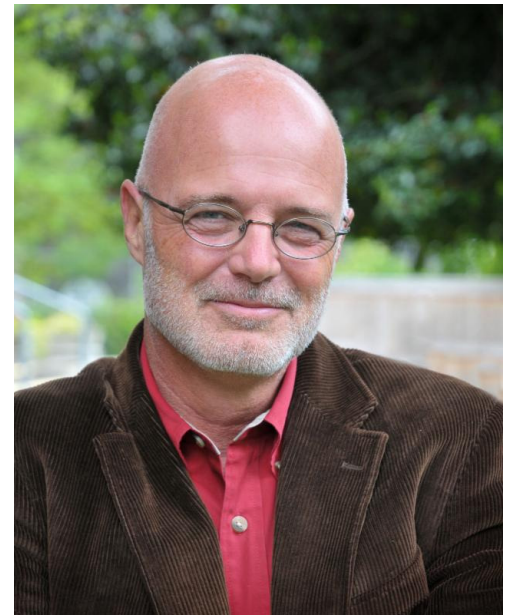
### Supper Club Sign Up Form

I/we plan to attend Supper Clubs on:	Name(Name(s))	Phone Number	I would be able to host a group of 8-12 people in my home:
February 22			
March 22			
April 19			
May 17			
June 7 (Grande Finale)			



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SEMINARY at RICHMOND

## Coffee & Conversation with Brian McLaren



Please join us on Monday, February 10, for a conversation with author, activist, and pastor, Brian McLaren. Brian will join us virtually in BTSR's chapel via Skype at 10:30am (coffee and refreshments at 10:00am). A brief presentation will be followed by an open time for questions and conversation with Brian over skype.

Dr. Jim Somerville, pastor of Richmond's First Baptist Church, will serve as host.

We hope you can join us!

*Brian D. McLaren is an author, speaker, activist, and public theologian. A former college English teacher and pastor, he is an ecumenical global networker among innovative Christian leaders.*

*From 1978 to 1986, McLaren taught college English, and in 1982, he helped form Cedar Ridge Community Church, an innovative, nondenominational church in the Baltimore-Washington.*

*Brian has been active in networking and mentoring church planters and pastors since the mid 1980's, and has assisted in the development of several new churches. He is a popular conference speaker and a frequent guest lecturer for denominational and ecumenical leadership gatherings. His public speaking covers a broad range of topics including postmodern thought and culture, Biblical studies, evangelism, leadership, global mission, spiritual formation, worship, pastoral survival and burnout, inter-religious dialogue, ecology, and social justice.*



## Deacon Nominations Accepted in February

During the month of February, members have the opportunity to nominate new deacons. When thinking about a possible deacon nominee, please keep in mind that deacons are expected to meet the following criteria:

Those individuals nominated for the position of deacon should:

- Have been a FBC member for a minimum of 2 years
- Be of sufficient age as to demonstrate spiritual maturity commensurate with the responsibility of deacon service
- Hold Baptist views generally consistent with the 1963 *Baptist Faith and Message*
- Give evidence of support of the church by actively participating in regular Sunday attendance, Bible study, and other areas of service of the church
- Demonstrate stewardship of time, talent and financial resources
- Be prepared to participate in Deacon Orientation
- Hold spiritual standards in accordance with New Testament teaching, i.e. discovering, developing, and exhibiting the fruit of the Spirit (Gal 5:22-23)
- Be open to the leading of the Holy Spirit
- Exhibit behavior that will bring honor to the name and cause of Christ and strive to be a credit to the church community in which we live.

**Without discussing the potential nomination with the nominee, nominations for deacon service must be made on appropriate forms made available during the month of February** (tear-off below). These forms will be made available to all church members prior to the nominations. The form will be signed by the individual submitting the nomination. You may turn in your nomination form to Ann Marlow in the church office. She will be responsible for collecting the forms on behalf of the Deacon Nominating Workgroup.

Once all nominations have been received the Deacon Nominating Workgroup will process the nominations. The Deacon Nominating Workgroup has the discretion to edit (either by addition or deletion) the list of potential nominees.

If you have any questions about the process for nominating a member for service as a deacon, please contact Ann Marlow or Patti English.

## Wednesday Church Supper PIE NIGHTS

Do you have a delicious family recipe? Now, you have the opportunity to share your pie making skills at the Wednesday Church Suppers during February, March, April, and May.

Beginning February 19th, the third Wednesday of each month will be **Pie Night**. We will need 10 volunteers to make 1 dessert pie (or cobbler) each that will yield 8 servings and bring it to the church by noon on the Wednesday you sign up for. And don't be shy about signing up for more than one date! We've already had someone volunteer for each of the Wednesdays, and she is bringing two pies each time, so we really only need 8 volunteers for each Wednesday.

Our fabulous Wednesday Church Supper team, Donna Morris and Daw Pomeroy are so excited and look forward to tasting your pie! You can use the form below to volunteer. If you have any questions please call Zena Harvley-Felder at 540-479-6693.

### Wednesday Church Supper PIE NIGHTS

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone # \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to volunteer to make a pie for:

\_\_\_ February 19

\_\_\_ March 19

\_\_\_ April 30

Please return your form to Tammy  
in the church office.

If you have any questions,  
please call Zena Harvley-Felder at 540-479-6693.

### Deacon Nomination Form

Name of person being submitted for nomination:

\_\_\_\_\_

Name of person submitting the candidate for nomination:

\_\_\_\_\_