

# JANUARY 2020 NEWSLETTER

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*"When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him . . ."*

- Luke 24:30-31

Welcome, FBCS, to 2020.

As we enter this New Year, I invite you to continue gathering around the Table of Christ, where bread is blessed, broken, and given.

During this past year, with the Gospel of Luke and the whole of scripture as our guide, we have begun to discover the central place of the table - hosted by Jesus and open to all - in this life to which we are called. Along the path of this discovery, we have also caught glimpses of the truth: When Jesus joins his followers at the table and instructs them to "do this," he refers to much more than a monthly smidgen of bread and a sip of juice. He who regularly "took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it" is calling us to engage (re-member) him each time we eat and drink, until that day when we see with 20/20 vision that every table is the table of Christ!

As we now stand on the threshold of this year, laden with untold opportunities and unknown challenges, the invitation to the table is being extended - again and further. Continuing to lean into Jesus' instruction - Do This - in daily life together, it is my earnest desire that we will embrace and practice the table life of Jesus, taking bread, blessing it, breaking it, and giving away what has been broken. And more. As we gather at the table with Jesus, may we recognize with open eyes that our very lives are being offered up as "bread" in his hands.

As you certainly know by now, I see the practice of engaging the scriptures together as essential to recognizing Jesus in daily life. For this reason, we will continue in 2020 to join believers around the globe in a pattern of chewing on four scripture texts each week (generally, two readings from the 2nd Testament and two from the 1st). The FBCS preaching and teaching ministry will, accordingly, follow this pattern, based upon the Revised Common Lectionary, Year A, with Matthew's Gospel in the spotlight. The reading schedule will be posted in ways both electronic and written as the months progress. It can also be accessed here: [TextWeek.com](http://TextWeek.com) or <https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu//index.php>).

Blessed. Broken. Given. May 2020 be a year of recognizing Jesus -  
in ourselves, in others, in each moment, and at every table.

Yours in Christ Jesus -- Pastor Jeff

## Leadership Planning Meetings

Tuesday, January 28th  
6:00-9:00 PM

For Council & Officers,  
Dinner provided

Saturday, February 1  
9:00 AM to Noon

For Ministry Teams & Leaders,  
Coffee & Refreshments  
provided



Everyone is invited to attend the  
**Focus on Ministry, Family Meeting**  
*A Celebration of Vision & Ministry*  
immediately following the morning  
worship service, January 19th

We will meet in the Gathering Room of the  
Worship Center

*This is an important meeting in the life of First Baptist Church.  
Please plan to attend*

### **OFFICERS of the CHURCH, 2020**

Moderator..... Debbie Herr  
Clerk..... Carol Snider  
Treasurer ..... Lou Engle  
Financial Secretary ..... Karen Harrington

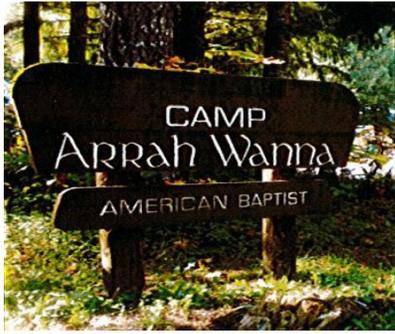
### **MINISTRY TEAM LEADERS, 2020**

**Growing Team** Co-Leaders.....Laura Elkin, Kelly Roberts  
**Reaching Team** Co-Leaders .....Karen Gillette, Bradys Savage  
**Training Team** Co-Leaders.....Cheryl Vaught, Angie Werder  
**Campus Stewardship** Co-Leaders.....Don Vaught, Jeff Kronser

### **MEMBERS of the DEACONS MINISTRY TEAM, 2020**

Betsy Clewett, Judy Davies, Linda Forbes, Martha Green, Michael Nau,  
John Paskey, Dan Patterson, Jan Stanley, Mike Snider, Mark Werder

**All terms begin on February 1, 2020**



All registrations are now done online at [www.camparrahwanna.org](http://www.camparrahwanna.org)

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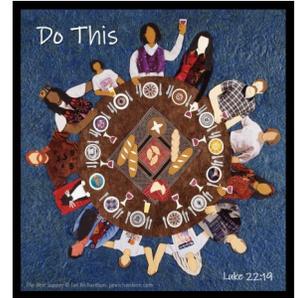
Winter Camp for ALL  
(3rd – 12th Grade)  
February 14-17  
(Fri-Mon)

## Year-End Giving

Many members of our church family fulfill their pledges prior to the end of the calendar year. If you are hand delivering your pledge, please have it to the church no later than Sunday, December 29th; if mailing, it must be postmarked no later than December 31st to be considered a 2019 contribution.

### Preparing for Scripture . . .

December 23-29	Luke 2:21-40, "Blessed, Broken, Given"
Dec 30-Jan 5	Jeremiah 31:7-14; Psalm 147:12-20; Ephesians 1:3-14; John 1:(1-9), 10-18
January 6-12	Isaiah 42:1-9; Psalm 29; Acts 10:34-43; Matthew 3:13-17
January 13-19	Isaiah 49:1-7; Psalm 40:1-11; 1 Corinthians 1:1-9; John 1:29-42
January 20-26	Isaiah 9:1-4; Psalm 27:1, 4-9; 1 Corinthians 1:10-18; Matthew 4:12-23
Jan - Feb 2	Micah 6:1-8; Psalm 15; 1 Corinthians 1:18-31; Matthew 5:1-12



**Sunday, February 23, 2019 at 2:30 pm**  
**Hult Center Silva Concert Hall**

On the 250th anniversary of Beethoven's birth, we celebrate this great master with a wide range of his most enduring works. Included on the program are the Choral Fantasy, featuring concert pianist Alexander Tutunov, an excerpt from the opera Fidelio highlighting our spectacular soloists, and the most triumphant work of all time - "Ode to Joy" from Beethoven's Ninth Symphony!

**THANK YOU!** Thank you so much for the generosity of those who provided gifts and specially made cookies to the parking lot Oasis families. The families were both surprised and overwhelmed by your act of service and love.

Your Reaching Team



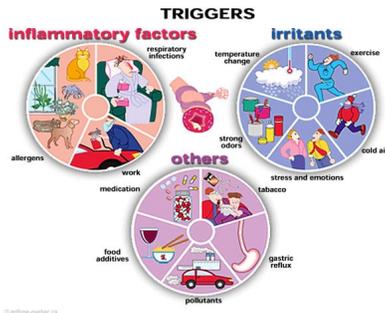
Dear FBCCS Congregation: Your generosity overwhelms me, again and again. Thank you so much for your Christmas gift. Bless you all . Ronnie

# For Your Health: Live. Life. Healthy



## Managing Your Asthma

by Gail Engle

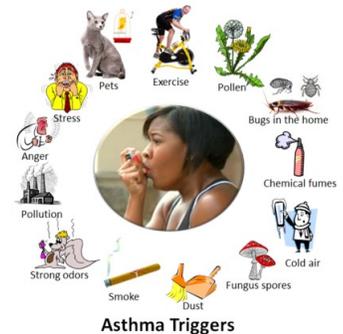


Asthma can strike at any age but adult onset asthma is stubborn to treat. Allergies play an important role in the onset of asthma but not in all cases. Tobacco or other smoke, other inhaled irritant like room spray or spray furniture polish as well as aspirin, lung infections and reflux disease can bring on asthma in asthma prone people.

Treatment usually consists of inhaled steroids and bronchodilators. You might try eliminating possible food allergens like wheat, corn, soy, shellfish, milk products and peanuts. Some people are sensitive to

sulfites in dried fruit. Drinking lots of water before and during an attack help to keep the secretions loose.

Exercise can trigger asthma in some people but it is an important way to strengthen respiratory muscles. And exercise can decrease attacks. I have been amazed at the number of top runners and swimmers who are asthmatic. Gentle exercise might be needed by some people so check out tai chi or yoga. And try taking vitamin B6 and B12 to possibly lessen the attacks. Others feel that cooking with ginger and hot peppers may help.



To stop an attack, learn to relax, open your airway and visualize a calm cool and quiet place .

### Church Bulletin Bloopers:

- Due to the Rector's illness, Wednesday's healing services will be discontinued until further notice.
- Bertha Belch, a missionary from Africa, will be speaking tonight at Calvary Methodist. Come hear Bertha Belch all the way from Africa.
- The Rev. Merriweather spoke briefly, much to the delight of the audience.
- On a church bulletin during the minister's illness: *GOD IS GOOD; Dr. Hargreaves is better.*
- Applications are now being accepted for 2-year-old nursery workers.
- The pastor will preach his farewell message, after which the choir will sing, *Break Forth Into Joy.*"
- If you would like to make a donation, fill out a form, enclose a check, and drip in the collection basket.





The next generation grows up so fast! We seek to have every child who comes to FBCS know that God loves them, Jesus offers to save them, and that they belong.

Sunday School classes for all ages are held downstairs in the children's church classroom from 9:30 am – 10:30 am, before our Worship Service. We read stories, study scripture, sing, and play age appropriate games.

Nursery care is available for children birth – 5 years during both Sunday School and Worship Service. The nursery space is designed with our youngest FBCS members in mind and offers



age appropriate toys, books, Veggie Tales series and activities.

Children's Church, for kids in Kindergarten – 5th grade happens during the Worship Service on the second and fourth Sundays of the month. We read and discuss the same scripture as the congregation using drama, singing, and active learning to engage all kids.

Youth Group activities for kids in Middle and High School are planned monthly to fit with the busy schedules of our FBCS youth. Watch the Youth bulletin board in the gathering space and the Youth Ministries Facebook page for more information on dates and times!

For more information or to connect with our Youth Ministries Coordinator contact Mandy Sloan ([mandysloan@me.com](mailto:mandysloan@me.com)) or call the church at 541-746-6031

# INTERNATIONAL MINISTRIES



ALISE & MARK JUANES

Hope is defined as "to look forward to with desire and reasonable confidence" and "to believe, desire, and trust." How fitting it is that in the first week of Advent we focus on

HOPE. I recently watched a word study on Hope from The Bible Project on YouTube, in which they stated, "Hope is a state of anticipation."

We have all experienced a feeling of Hope during different times of life...maybe in small things like hoping for your favorite player as you opened your new package of baseball cards, or the hope that as you open the new box of cereal, you can find the prize at the bottom before your brother does. Maybe there have been big moments...hoping for the job you interviewed for and desperately wanted or the hope that on the next date you would meet "the one." In our case, the hope that we will soon be heading to Thailand after years of waiting on the Lord and His perfect timing.

For all of us who know the Lord, our greatest Hope is found in Jesus. We can choose Hope even in the most trying (and darkest) times because of Jesus! The Bible Project stated so beautifully, "It's God's past faithfulness that motivates Hope for the future; we look forward by looking backward." God is faithful, His promises never fail. "For you have been my HOPE, Sovereign Lord, my confidence since my youth." Psalm 71:5 When we look back, we can trace the path of God's faithfulness in our lives, even during the most difficult times. Thus, we know He will continue to guide our future. We have assurance and confidence (Hope) in this because of God's beautiful gift of His son, Jesus Christ. "Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the HOPE of the glory of God." Romans 5:1-2

Today, we can confidently boast in the Hope of the glory of God as we continually look toward the gift of Jesus Christ and the price He paid for us so that we no longer have to be separated from God. "May the God of HOPE fill you with ALL joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with HOPE by the power of the Holy Spirit." Romans 15:13

Our family is full of HOPE and can confidently boast in the provision of our Lord...we are 98% funded (we only need \$306/month to reach 100%)!!! Thank you to our faithful partners who are surrounding us in prayer and a huge thanks to those who are committed to supporting us financially...we are very certain we will be heading to Thailand in late-January/early-February and we wouldn't be able to go without your partnership! Thank you for joining us in sharing HOPE and the love of Christ with the Hilltribe people in Thailand!

Filled with HOPE, Alise & Mark Juanes



# January 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 <p><b>Sunday Lockup Patterson Family</b></p>			<p><b>1</b> A HAPPY NEW YEAR</p>	<p><b>2</b> 10 Reaching Team  7:00 CCF Practice</p>	<p><b>3</b>  7:30 CCF Service</p>	<p><b>4</b></p>
<p><b>5</b> Worship Leader Karen Gillette 12:30 Ignite 3 CCF Service</p>	<p><b>6</b></p>	<p><b>7</b> 10:30 Yoga 2:45 CATS</p>	<p><b>8</b> 10 PRC</p>	<p><b>9</b>  2:45 CATS 7:00 CCF Practice</p>	<p><b>10</b>  7:30 CCF Service</p>	<p><b>11</b></p>
<p><b>12</b> Worship Leader Michael Nau 12:30 Ignite 3 CCF Service</p>	<p><b>13</b></p>	<p><b>14</b> 10:30 Yoga 2:45 CATS 4:00 SSRA</p>	<p><b>15</b> 11:00 Food Box Delivery  3 Partner Meeting</p>	<p><b>16</b>  2:45 CATS 7:00 CCF Practice</p>	<p><b>17</b>  7:30 CCF Service</p>	<p><b>18</b></p>
<p><b>19</b> Worship Leader Amanda Gley 12:30 pm Focus on Ministry Mtg 12:30 Ignite 3 CCF Service</p>	<p><b>20</b> <i>Martin Luther King Day</i></p>	<p><b>21</b> 10:30 Yoga 2:45 CATS</p>	<p><b>22</b> 11:30 Invest- ment Team</p>	<p><b>23</b>  2:45 CATS 7:00 CCF Practice</p>	<p><b>24</b>  7:30 CCF Service</p>	<p><b>25</b></p>
<p><b>26</b> Worship Leader Janet Savage 12:30 Ignite 3 CCF Service</p>	<p><b>27</b></p>	<p><b>28</b> 10:30 Yoga 2:45 CATS 6 Leadership Retreat for Council &amp; Officers</p>	<p><b>29</b></p>	<p><b>30</b>  7:00 CCF Practice</p>	<p><b>31</b></p>	<p><b>1 Feb</b> 9 Leadership Retreat for Ministry Teams &amp; Deacons</p>

Pastor Jeff Retreat



**BIRTHDAYS**

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| 3 Terry Fitch       | 17 Harrison Fitch   |
| 3 Liza Stucky       | 17 Isabelle Fitch   |
| 4 Gladys Roush      | 17 Lawson Fitch     |
| 6 Karen Berge       | 17 Mike McCall      |
| 10 Claudia Eastburn | 20 Michael Garrett  |
| 10 Sean Gley        | 20 Megan Helms      |
| 12 Austin Moore     | 23 Norm Bethany     |
| 13 Valerie L-Ansell | 26 Emily Sloan      |
| 13 Greyden McDowall | 28 Charlene S-Helms |

- 28 Steve Stoneberg  
31 Austin Ragland



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**AS FRIENDS AND FOLLOWERS OF CHRIST, WE ARE COMMITTED TO:**

- Growing** our friendship with Christ and one another through worship, prayer, study, partnership and service.
- Reaching** out to others in our community with the living and joy-giving message of Christ.
- Training** those in this congregation for ministry and leadership in the church and the world.

