

WELCOME MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

It's Sunday! Thank you for joining us for worship at First! I trust you have already been greeted by our friendly Engage Team, grabbed a free cup of coffee, and are ready to worship Jesus as one collective faith family. While you are here, I pray you are both encouraged and challenged by the message. When you leave, my prayer is that you can honestly say you have been in the presence of the Lord. We are here to help you get connected, so please stop by the Connection Center to ask any questions you have, for any help that you need, or for any directions to get where you need to go. It's going to be a great day!

In Christ Alone,
Pastor Travis

DECEMBER 31, 20239:30 A.M. & 11:00

Gathering for Worship

Call to Worship

Great Things

Welcome & Announcements

Songs of Worship

The Heart of Worship
How Great is Our God
How Great Thou Art

Offertory PrayerPastor Janton Barrineau

Featured Worship

Behold Him

Message“MAKING THE CHOICE TO REJOICE”
Philippians 4:4-8 (NASB)
Dr. Travis Farris - Senior Pastor

Responding to God’s Word

In Christ Alone

Recognition of Public Response

Deacon Prayer9:30 - Ron Hunt 11:00 - Marc Whtt

Closing Music

KNOW – BAPTISM!

BELIEVER’S BAPTISM

Believer’s Baptism is one of the two great ordinances of the evangelical church. It is the action after salvation by which a person makes a public profession of faith in and discipleship to Christ Jesus. As noted in Colossians 2:12, the immersion symbolizes the believer’s burial of their old life, and the resurrection to walk in a new life in obedience to the Lord.

LOTTIE MOON CHRISTMAS OFFERING

Throughout December, we will focus on the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions. Your prayers and gifts make an essential difference. FBC goal is \$38,000. Partner with us this week in praying for the lost and for missionaries who are steadfastly present among them. Prayer guides and offering envelopes are available at all entrances. Visit www.imb.org for more information.

GROW

2 Peter 3 tells us to “grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ”. Let’s get you plugged in! **Our 2024 MDWK Studies** is an opportunity to grow and enjoy a full exploration of God’s Word. There will be a choice of five adult studies, and we ask that you register in advance so that you will have a book. Please visit fbcrichmondky.church/mdwk-studies for more information or to register.

KIDMIN**DZone will resume January 10.** Join us for dinner from 5:35 to 5:55 & DZone begins at 5:55 on Wednesday nights!

Moms & Daughters, **TrueGirl** is coming to FBC Richmond on February 18 for a time to bring you closer to each other and to Jesus.

ALL THINGS YOUTH!**2024 Medical Release Forms** are needed for all students, forms can be found in the Youth Area and must be fully completed.
Cross Life will resume January 7, Sundays, at 6:00 p.m. Meet us in the WC.
Cross Life MidWeek will resume January 10, Wednesdays, at 5:45 p.m. Meet us in the YA.
Get ready! Camp Registrations are open now!
Registration for the Youth Evangelism Summit are now open.
Registration for Perfect North Snow Tubing opens January 5th

BOOMERS & BEYOND**Luncheon, January 12th at 11:30AM.** Entrée of soup and sandwiches will be provided, those attending are requested to bring a desert. After lunch Dan and India Kirstein will share about Mission Enrich which provides employment and additional support services to people with alternative resumes in Richmond. Everyone is invited to join in the great fellowship, good food and informative discussion.

2024 FBC Bowling League Information Meeting Sunday January 14th at 6:00PM in Music Suite Rm 280. People of all ages are welcome to participate.

SHOW

We are excited to announce that the Administrative Ministries Assistant Position has been filled! Please join us in welcoming **Mrs. Carolyn Ferrell** to our staff! Carolyn will begin on Tuesday, January 2nd and we pray God will use her and the staff of FBC to reach Richmond for His glory!

VISION SUNDAY is January 7. Discover how the church will KNOW, GROW, SHOW and GO for Christ in 2024!

GO – MISSIONS 2023/2024!

Adults and youth, are you looking for a great mission’s experience in 2024? Kentucky Changers is set for June 24-28, 2024, in Maysville, KY. The cost is \$200, and registration is now open. There is a \$100 non-refundable deposit due upon registration. Join us in making a difference as we help those who are in need of light construction, painting, and landscaping.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 31, 2023

MS=Music Suite FH=Fellowship Hall PW=Preschool Wing WC=Worship Center YA=Youth Area

SUNDAY

8:15 Adult Grow Groups, Classrooms
9:00 Discover First, Connection Center
9:30 Early Worship, WC
Children/Youth/Adult Grow Groups, Classrooms
Hispanic Grow Group, Balcony Rm. 310
11:00 Morning Worship, WC
Adult Grow Groups, Classrooms
Hispanic Worship, YA
12:00 Discover First, Connection Center

MONDAY

OFFICES CLOSED - New Year’s Day

TUESDAY

NO ACTIVITIES

WEDNESDAY

6:00 MDWK Service with Pastor Travis, WC

THURSDAY

06:00 Deacon’s Meeting, FH

FRIDAY

OFFICES CLOSED

SATURDAY

NO ACTIVITIES

Please Note: New Church Office hours are M-Th, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and closed on Fridays until Monday, January 8th. On January 8th office hours will return to M-F, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thank you for your patience.

Prayer or Minister Requests: Please share your prayer requests on the Member Care card in the pew pocket, and place it in the offering plate. You may also call the church office at (859) 623-4028 and share your prayer requests or to speak with a minister regarding your relationship with Christ.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24 *FOR THE RECORD*

Weekly Offering Needed	Offering Received	YTD Offering Needed	YTD Offering Received	
\$34,618.62	\$42,532.06	\$1,800,168.23	\$1,929,177.63	
Total 2023 Budget	Total Worship Attendance: 865			
\$1,800,168.23	One Combined Worship Service			
<u>SPECIAL OFFERINGS RECEIVED THIS YEAR</u>				
Lottie Moon	Annie Armstrong	Eliza Broadus	Church Planting	Nannie Lackey
\$26,634.02	\$22,015.00	\$13,490.00	\$10,533.50	\$6,933.00
<u>SPECIAL OFFERINGS 2023 GOALS</u>				
Lottie Moon	Annie Armstrong	Eliza Broadus	Church Planting	Nannie Lackey
\$38,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$8,500.00	\$10,000.00

2024 CHURCH BUDGET REQUIREMENTS

At the November Faith Family Business Meeting a new budget for 2024 was approved. The budget was increased from \$1,800,168.23 to \$1,890,168.23 an increase of \$90,000.00. Starting on Sunday January 7th our weekly required giving will increase from \$34,618.62 to \$46,349.29 an increase of \$1,731.13. We know that the Lord will provide and we ask that you take time to pray for the Lord to use your tithe and offering to glorify Him.

2024 Weekly Offering Needed	Total 2024 Budget
\$36,349.29	\$1,890,168.23



How to Get Connected...

One way we encourage you to get connected is to participate in one of our GROW groups. These meet for Bible Study on Sunday mornings at 8:15, 9:30, and 11:00. Off-campus GROW groups are available during the week.

New to FBC ? Ask about Discover First at the Connection Center, located just outside the Worship Center. Our Engage Team will introduce you to First Baptist, opportunities, and a tour of the facility.

We invite you to make First Baptist your church home. To express your desire for church membership, you may speak to any minister at the conclusion of any services, or schedule a meeting at another time. *Thank you for worshipping with us today!*

Growth Track is a 4-week small group, at 9:30 a.m. only, where you can learn more about First Baptist. Each week focuses on an aspect of our Vision Statement **KNOW, GROW, SHOW, GO**. This is an on-going class that starts the first Sunday of every month. You can join the class at any time; if you start on the 2nd, 3rd or 4th week, the class will rotate back to any sessions you missed. To register, scan the QR code, register through our website at www.fbcrichmondky.church/i-m-new or contact Rebekah Smith at rebekah.smith@fbcrichmondky.church



HELPFUL INFORMATION

- Please **silence** your cell phone when entering the Worship Center.
- Assisted listening devices are available for individuals with hearing difficulties. You may check out a device in the Worship Center prior to one of our morning services. Please return once the service concludes.
- Our Nursery is available at 9:30 and 11:00. Rooted Children’s Ministry, Nursery through 5th grade, is a *power-packed* Sunday Worship experience 9:30 to 11:00 a.m.
- The Cry Room is available in the back of the Worship Center for families who may desire privacy or a quiet space. Windows and sound into the Worship Center provides continued access to the service.
- The offering is generally intended for those who are members and regular attendees. As our guest, you are welcome to give, but please do not feel obligated.
- Prayer lists for the week are available at all entrances.
- The monthly birthday list is now available in the Church office.
- FBC Wi-Fi access: **FBC_Guest**; Password: **BeMyGuest**
- Visit us at www.fbcrichmondky.church, or on Facebook [fbcrichmondky](https://www.facebook.com/fbcrichmondky), to access previous sermons and/or for more information.

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DR. TRAVIS FARRIS

“Making the Choice to Rejoice”
Philippians 4:4-8
(All scripture referenced is from NASB.)

Philippians 4:4-8 ⁴Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice! ⁵Let your gentle spirit be known to all men. The Lord is near. ⁶Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷And the peace of God, which surpasses all comprehension, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. ⁸Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is of good repute, if there is any excellence and if anything worthy of praise, dwell on these things.

3 Choices You Must Make if You Want to Rejoice

- I. Make the Choice to Rejoice by _____ at All _____
Philippians 4:4-5 ⁴Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice! ⁵Let your gentle spirit be known to all men. The Lord is near.
- II. Make the Choice to Rejoice by _____ at All _____
Philippians 4:6-7 ⁶Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷And the peace of God, which surpasses all comprehension, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.
- III. Make the Choice to Rejoice by _____ at All _____
Philippians 4:8 ⁸Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is of good repute, if there is any excellence and if anything worthy of praise, dwell on these things.

Notes: _____



welcome

KNOW . GROW . SHOW . GO .

GROW GROUPS
SUNDAYS AT 8:15, 9:30, 11:00 AM

WORSHIP
SUNDAYS AT 9:30 & 11:00 AM

CROSS LIFE YOUTH/CONTEMPORARY SERVICE
SUNDAYS AT 6:00 PM