

# Contact

November 2019

1st First Baptist Church of Metuchen

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## Pastor's Pennings

Dear Church Family,



### Extra-Big Weekend Coming November 27-December 1

There will be many events taking place on those dates. Your help and participation will be deeply appreciated.

#### Thanks-ful Giving Tree

Now until Thanksgiving Weekend  
Share our praise and thanksgiving to our Lord and know all that our Lord has done in our lives. From now until Thanksgiving Weekend, the Thanks-ful Giving Tree will be on the bulletin board outside of Room 205 / Library.

#### Thanksgiving Family Testimony Service

Wednesday, November 27th at 7:30PM  
Our tradition is to gather together and voice our words of thanks for what the Lord has done in our lives. The entire service is singing and testimonies.

#### Ideas Needed for the Float

for Metuchen Winter Festival Parade  
The parade theme is "Making Spirits Bright."  
Do you have ideas for the float? Share them with Pastor Ian.

#### Fellowship Lunch

Sunday, December 1st at 12:30PM

We will observe communion during our worship times, and then come together for a meal. The food will be provided. We are suggesting donations of \$2 per person or \$5 per family to defray costs.

#### Metuchen Winter Festival Parade

Sunday, December 1st at 4:00PM

We need people to walk in the parade with our float (meet at Edgar Middle School at 3:30PM). The parade is a great opportunity to make our presence known in the community.

#### Metuchen Christmas Tree Lighting

Sunday, December 1st at 5:30PM

Following the parade, at the plaza on New St, we will provide hot chocolate and cookies to those attending the Metuchen Christmas Tree Lighting. Volunteers are needed for this, also.

This big Thanksgiving weekend provides many good opportunities to show the love of Christ to others, as well as to fellowship with each other and to worship our God who has done so much for us.

*Give thanks to the Lord,  
for He is good.  
His love endures forever.  
Psalm 118:1*

Sincerely in Christ,  
Pastor Jim Miller

#### GENERAL FUND - OCTOBER 31, 2019

2019 Budget Need	\$580,000
YTD Budget Need	\$479,615
YTD In	\$442,616
YTD Out	\$461,304
Pending Bills	\$10,245

## Sunday Morning Worship Service



## Mid-Week Prayer Meeting



## Prayer Meeting

Wednesdays  
at 7:30pm  
in the Chapel

## Sunday School Classes

### Sunday School Classes at 9:45am

#### Adult Sunday School

##### **The Parables of Jesus** Room 206

Jesus communicated deep spiritual truths through simple, vivid, and engaging stories. Woven from the stuff of everyday life, the parables of Jesus made the kingdom of God understandable and accessible to his listeners and will help you appreciate more fully their relevance for your own life.



##### **Be Compassionate - Luke** Room 207

Christ's overwhelming compassion for people marked his life and ministry. His heart is the same today. We are to be Christ's hands and feet and extend His extravagant love to a broken world. Examine the heart-beat of our Savior and explore how Jesus connected with hurting people in an authentic powerful way.



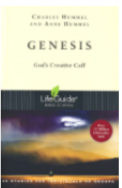
##### **The Beatitudes** Room 208

The qualities Jesus mentioned in this list obviously could not be products of Pharisaic righteousness who were concerned primarily with external qualities. The qualities Jesus mentioned are internal. These come only when one is properly related to God through faith, when one places his complete trust in God.



##### **Genesis** Room 209

Do you struggle to know and to follow God's call for you in the world? Genesis tells us that even the giants of faith- Abraham, Isaac, Jacob and Joseph-struggled to obey their Creator. But Genesis also reveals the amazing truth that the God who called a world and a nations in to being also calls each of us to serve Him.



##### **2 Samuel** Room 210

1 & 2 Samuel has power struggles, betrayal, warfare, and romance... fascinating, in-depth look at the inauguration of the Davidic dynasty in ancient Israel and shows how it reflects God's cosmic reign. Include historical insights, word origins, life applications, discussion questions.



##### **Discovery Bible Study** Gym

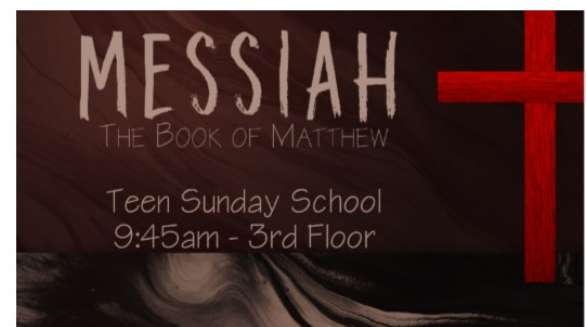
An intimate & friendship based interactive Bible study to discover scripture meaning in your life through sharing, discussing and supporting one another.

- small group for people to share more intimacy & friendship
- absolutely safe for people to ask questions or have doubts
- welcomes not only Christians but also non-believers
- There is no teaching; share, discuss, support each other and pray



### Sunday School Classes at 9:45am

#### Teen Sunday School



Teen Sunday School  
9:45am - 3rd Floor

## Children's Sunday School

### Sunday School Worship Hour

- \* Bible Storytime
- \* Activities
- \* Praise & Worship
- \* Weekly Memory Verses
- \* Snacks



### Junior Church follows at 11:00am

#### Children earn points every Sunday

- \* Attendance
- \* Bringing a Bible
- \* Reciting Memory Verses
- \* Special Assignments
- \* Bringing a New Friend to Church

Children can redeem their points for prizes and gifts.

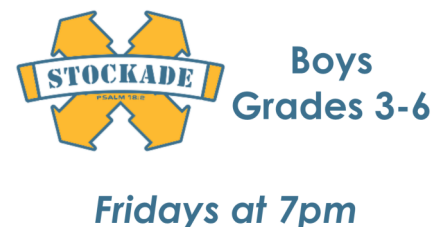
If anyone is interested in volunteering as a teacher or helper, please contact

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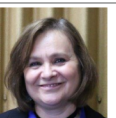

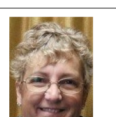




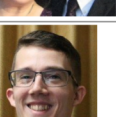






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# Small Groups

I'm a disciple making disciples who make disciples.

1st	First Baptist Church of Metuchen <i>Small Groups</i>		
<i>Leader &amp; Location</i>	<i>Day / Time / Frequency</i>	<i>For Whom</i>	
	Ed & Dina O'Connor <i>at</i> FBCM 206	Alternating Sundays 2:00pm	Co-Ed
	Andy & Patricia Kobayashi <i>at</i> The Kobayashi Home (Metuchen)	Alternating Sundays 5:00pm	Co-Ed
	Ian & Sara Dancer <i>at</i> The Austin Home (Hopelawn)	Sundays 6:00pm	Co-Ed
	Anne Lai <i>at</i> The Lai Home (Metuchen)	Mondays (Sep - May) 7:00pm	Ladies Bible Study
	Suzanne Kalish <i>at</i> The Kalish Home (East Brunswick)	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Mondays 7:30pm	Co-Ed
	Ian & Sara Dancer Joe & Anne Lai <i>at</i> their homes (Metuchen)	Tuesdays 7:30pm	Young Adults (~21-35)
	Jennifer Spatz <i>at</i> FBCM 206	Wednesdays (Sep - Jun) 7:00pm	Parents
	Anne Lai <i>at</i> FBCM 206	Thursdays (Sep - May) 10:00am	Ladies Bible Study
	Pastor Miller <i>in</i> Pastor's Office	Thursdays 8:00pm	Co-Ed
	Dan & Lucy Tillotson <i>at</i> The Tillotson Home (Edison)	Alternating Fridays 7:00pm	Co-Ed
	Joe & Anne Lai <i>at</i> The Lai Home (Metuchen)	2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Fridays 7:30pm	Co-Ed
	Mike Spatz <i>at</i> (various locations)	<i>watch for events</i>	College
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