

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

TODAY — THANKSGIVING SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2017

- 8:30 a.m. **Cathedral Choir rehearsal** in the Music Room.
9:15 a.m. **Prayer Ministry** in the Moore Prayer Chapel.
9:30 a.m. **FBC Male Chorus rehearsal** in the Sanctuary.
9:30 a.m. **CHURCH SCHOOL: "A Fellowship of Learning."** For all ages, infant through adult.
10:40 a.m. **Prayer** in the Sanctuary, led by the Women's Ministry.
11:00 a.m. **MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE** in the **Sanctuary**.
12:30 p.m. **Thanksgiving Luncheon** in the Robbins Dining Hall.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20

- 7:00 p.m. **Pastoral Search Committee** in the Babcock Room.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21

- 9:00 a.m. Los Angeles Regional Food Bank senior program in the main parking lot.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22

- 6:00 a.m. **Tele-Prayer** (from 6:00 a.m. to 6:21 a.m.) Call: 323-645-9525.
11:00 a.m. **Ministry of Prayer** in the Moore Prayer Chapel.

THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 23 & 24

Building and Church Office closed in observance of Thanksgiving.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25

- 11:00 a.m. **Play More Children's Activities** in the gym (until 4:00 pm).

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26

- 9:15 a.m. **Prayer Ministry** in the Moore Prayer Chapel.
9:30 a.m. **FBC Gospel Ensemble rehearsal** in the Sanctuary.
9:30 a.m. **CHURCH SCHOOL: "A Fellowship of Learning."** For all ages, infant through adult.
11:00 a.m. **MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE** in the **Sanctuary**.

***The Church office is open Monday through Friday
from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.***

PLEASE NOTE

BIBLES in English and Spanish are available in the narthex or from an usher for use during the service. Please return them to the cart in the narthex following worship.

BOOK OF MEMORY: The page illuminated today – *In Memory of Bernice Ledbetter. President of Friendship Class 1955-1956. “Serve the Lord with gladness.” Psalm 100:2. This page presented by members of the Friendship Class.* You may see this lovely book displayed at the east end of the Sanctuary narthex.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR THOSE ON OUR PRAYER LIST: Alice Gubatan, Sara Guevara, Noel Herrera, Noah LaRosa, Gustavo Martinez, Nalis Mercier, Anabel Sanchez, and Dera Tatum. You may pick up the Prayer List in the narthex.

IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

“Trusting God in the Transition” Proverbs 3:5-6

**Assisted Listening Equipment is available along with translation assistance in Korean and Spanish. Please see an usher for a device..*

OUR CALL AS A CONGREGATION

We are called to be a community of faith, a welcome table, that celebrates the rich diversity of its membership as it serves and honors the diverse cultural and ethnic nature of Los Angeles and surrounding communities. We are called to be deeply grounded in the Word and Witness through the power of the Holy Spirit, being a prophetic voice for justice, healing and transformation. We are called to manifest the love of Christ as we share our various sources of capital with the community as well as being a witness to God’s reign through celebrative worship and care for one another.

WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS

We are delighted that you have chosen to worship with us today. We invite you to complete the Registration card located in the bulletin and place it in the offering plate at the time of the offering. Please join us following Morning Worship for Coffee/Fellowship Time.

INTERESTED IN JOINING FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH?

Near the end of worship, the pastor will invite anyone who wishes to become a member of this community of faith to the front of the sanctuary. Following this response, you will be introduced to our Membership Intake Ministry, who will guide you through the process of church membership and beyond.

THANKSGIVING SUNDAY

As I reflect this week leading up to Thanksgiving Day on November 23, I praise God for you, the members, families and friends of First Baptist Church. I am thankful for the opportunity given to me to be your Interim Shepherd as you prepare for the call of the next pastor of this historic congregation. As the song goes, “we have so much to thank God for... He’s made a way for me, He gives me victory, He opens doors for me that I am unable to see. So much to thank God for!” As you are reflecting on the goodness of God this week and spending time with family and friends, think about the numerous blessings that God has granted you. I guarantee that you will have little room to complain, but more time to give gratitude and live with an attitude of gratitude. On behalf of the leadership team of First Baptist, we wish you a wonderful Thanksgiving Day!

Excerpt from “The Prayer of Thanksgiving” by Howard Thurman, 1899–1981

Today, I make my Sacrament of Thanksgiving.

I begin with the simple things of my days:

Fresh air to breathe,

Cool water to drink,

The taste of food,

The protection of houses and clothes,

The comforts of home.

For all these I make an act of Thanksgiving this day!

With Thanks, Pastor Bullock

Please join us in Robbins Dining Hall following the Morning Worship experience for our **Annual Thanksgiving Luncheon**. The requested donation is **\$8 per person (\$5 for children)**. During this luncheon, we will set aside some time to allow for the congregation to express their thankfulness. It is so encouraging to hear the wonderful things that God is doing in people’s lives. The food will be great but the sharing will be even better.

HOLIDAY FOOD COLLECTION FOR FAMILIES IN NEED

Our Food Pantry Ministry provides food on a weekly basis to the community. We are encouraging all members to bring canned food or non-perishable items for our Pantry each Sunday throughout the month of November. During this holiday season, there are many families who are in need. As a church family, we will demonstrate God’s love through our sharing of food and other resources to those who are in need.

PASTORAL SEARCH COMMITTEE

The Pastoral Search Committee will be available to provide status updates and answer questions during the coffee fellowship time following the morning worship service. Please do not hesitate to ask questions of any PSC Member. PSC Members are: Gerald Gubatan, Chair; Zuleima Argumedo, Daniel Choi, David McFadden, Shirley Parsley, Alma Pineda, Richard Rogers and Marta Torres.

DID YOU TAKE PICTURES AT A FBCLA EVENT?

If you have photos and announcements that you would like to share; to include in the newsletter and online, please email them to fbclasmm@fbcofla.org.

2018 YOUTH WINTER RETREAT

2018 Youth Winter Retreat is coming. The Early registration for the ABCOFLASH winter retreat is finally open. The date for the retreat is **February 17-19**, Saturday to Monday. The prices are \$135 if you register by December 11. It is \$145 after that date. If you are interested in attending the retreat, talk with Pastor Woun Kim for more details.

SUPPLIES NEEDED FOR DEBORAH'S HOUSE

Sisters of Faith is asking for your help in collecting supplies for Deborah's House! We need:

School Supplies

Backpacks

Stuffed Animals

Interactive Games (bilingual)

Puzzles

Toys (Dolls, Balls, Hot Wheels, etc.)

Hygiene Supplies (combs, brushes, shampoo & conditioner, soap, deodorant, toothbrush & toothpaste)

Hats, Gloves, Scarves, Socks

Your small donation can make a big difference! If you would rather help financially, let us know! We can purchase your donation for you! Donations accepted until the end of November. Boxes will be available in Robbins Dining Hall.

We appreciate your help in helping people in need!

SERMON NOTES:

Subject: _____

Scripture: _____

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