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OF THE CITY OF WASHINGTON D.C.

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PLAY BALL!

First Baptist has 60 seats reserved for the baseball game between the Nationals and the Colorado Rockies at 1:35 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 28. The seats are in Section 306, easily accessible by escalator.

It's Baseball
Time!—Aug 28



Rockies vs Nationals
on Sunday, August 28

Tickets are \$19 each and must be reserved and paid for by Sunday, Aug. 7. Reserve seats with an email to Administrator D'O Dillard at ddillard@firstbaptistdc.org. Make checks payable to First Baptist. Go Nats!

SUMMER GUEST PREACHERS



7/31 Sam Hill 8/7 Brent Walker
(See 7/14 newsletter for more info)

AUGUST FORUM

On Sundays during the month of August we gather as a community from 9:15am - 10:30am for a light breakfast and special opportunities to know each other better and to be spiritually refreshed.

August 7: Poetry (FBC Sanctuary)



Dr. James Langley, FBC member and former Executive Director of the DC Baptist Convention, begins this year's Forum on August 7th with a reading of his narrative poem "Holocaust Image," which was recently published in Christian Ethics Today. (Poetry reading begins at 9:40am in the Sanctuary. Coffee, cookies, donuts, etc., served at 9:15am in the Parlor.)

August 14, 21 & 28: Faith Stories (Fellowship Hall)

Every life uniquely reflects something of the character and kingdom of God that no other story can. Our relationships with Jesus and with the people around us deepen when we share our personal stories with one another. Each Sunday we'll hear the faith stories of two different individuals who call First Baptist their church home. Join us as we go deeper with God and each other. (On August 14, 21 & 28 breakfast begins at 9:15am in Fellowship Hall; faith stories begin at 9:45am.)

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The First Baptist Church of the City of Washington, D.C.
invites you to celebrate with us the installation of

Rev. Julie Pennington-Russell
AS THE NINETEENTH PASTOR OF OUR CHURCH

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2016
four o'clock in the afternoon

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH SANCTUARY
1328 16th St NW
Washington, D.C. 20036

Reception in Fellowship Hall
following the worship service

Valet Parking Provided

Willow Creek Global Leadership Summit

August 11-12, 2016, Colum-
bia Baptist Church, Falls
Church, VA



Please pray for participants
from FBC: Didier Ahimera,
Denny Austin, Paul Clark,
Chelsea Clarke, Rod Coates,
Rochelle Howard, Al Mil-
likan, Steve Netcott, Allen
Norfleet, Lucy Plovnick,
Jac Whatley, Julie P-R, D'O
Dillard and Tim P-R.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Deacons & Church Council Switching Sundays in August

- August 14 Church Council Meeting
- August 21 Deacons' Meeting

2016-17 Budget Approval Process

- August 14 2016-17 FBC budget presented to Church Council for approval
- September 25 Congregation vote on 2016-17 budget in the Quarterly Business Meeting

FIRST SUNDAY POTLUCK

AUG 7th

Join us next Sunday, August 7, following worship for our First Sunday potluck lunch in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring a dish or two to share:

A-J: meats

K-R: salad and vegetables

S-Z: dessert and fruit



CHURCH PICNIC 9/24

Saturday, September 24,
11am - 3pm @ Rock Creek Park.
Grilling starts at noon!



Intro to Centering Prayer

You are invited to experience a meditation practice rooted in the Christian tradition, which can be integrated into our daily lives.

The Centering Prayer Introductory Program Introductory Workshop:
9am-3:30pm Sat., Sep. 24, 2016.
Annunciation Catholic Church,
3810 Massachusetts Avenue, NW
Washington, D.C..

"Centering Prayer is a receptive method of silent prayer in which we experience God's presence within us and is both a relationship with God and a discipline to foster that relationship" (Fr. Thomas Keating, OCSO, a founding member and spiritual guide of Contemplative Outreach). The Centering Prayer Introductory Workshop familiarizes participants with the method of Centering Prayer and its conceptual background and offers two opportunities to experience the prayer.

Following the Introductory Workshop, four different locations in the DC metro area will offer four Continuing Sessions to provide support, and the time needed to establish a personal Centering Prayer practice. Sessions include videos and discussion.

Find out more at:
<http://comwcp.org/events/>

SUNDAYS AT FBC



AUGUST BENEVOLENT OFFERING TO SUPPORT POLICE OFFICERS, RACIAL JUSTICE

We have all had our hearts broken by the incidents of apparent racial injustice and violence against police officers that have shocked our nation in recent weeks. In response, the Life Deacons, with the support of the full Diaconate, have elected to dedicate the proceeds of August's Benevolent Offering to support both police officers and racial justice in our community.

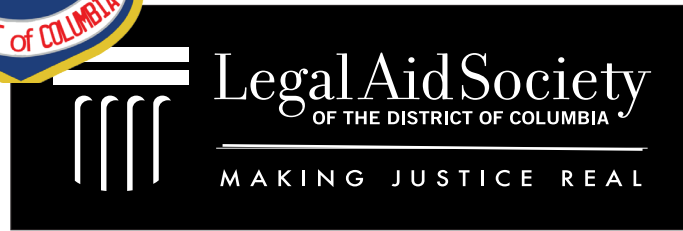
The offering will be evenly divided between support for the D.C. police officers who work to keep the neighborhood around FBCDC safe and the Legal Aid Society of the District of Columbia.



The D.C. Metropolitan Police Department is a recognized national leader in innovative forms of community policing. MPD Chief Cathy

The Legal Aid Society of the District of Columbia is the District's oldest and largest organization devoted to legal services for underprivileged people in the nation's capital. The organization works on individual cases as well

as systemic efforts to eliminate racial and economic disparities in our justice system.



Lanier has earned praise across the country for her efforts to protect public safety by improving relations between officers and the communities they police.

The offering will be taken at the Sanctuary exits following our 11:00 a.m. worship service on Sunday, August 7. Please give generously to support servants of justice in the District!

MORE SUNDAYS AT FBC



EVENTS

Sunday, July 28

- 9:30am: Church School for All Ages
- 10am: Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Rm 312)
- 11am: Worship followed by Coffee in Parlor
- 2pm: Worship in Spanish (Dawson Room)

Wednesday, August 3

- 11am: Staff Meeting
- Summer Break/No Church Meeting

Saturday, August 6

- (Building open 11am - 6pm)
- 5pm: Mosaic (Sanctuary Side Chapel)

DEACONS ON-CALL WEEK OF JULY 31



Jean Bell

WEEK OF AUGUST 7



Stan Hastey

FBC PRAYER & CARE

Sympathy To

Kathy and Jac Whatley in the death of Kathy's father, **Albert Meiburg**, on July 23rd in Raleigh, NC, at the age of 90.

Congratulations & Birthday Blessings To

David Hunter who turned 99 on July 25th!



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