We’re glad that you have chosen to worship with us this morning. Whether you’re attending our traditional service or our contemporary service, our desire is that you find this to be a warm, inviting atmosphere in which to encounter our living God. If there is anything that you need, just ask us or others at our Welcome Center, and they will be happy to assist you.

Throughout this bulletin you can see some of the current activities of our church. Most of them are open to anyone, so if you see something that interests you, feel free to participate. You can find more information on our website, www.firstfrederick.org.

If this is your first visit, please stop by the Welcome Center in the Gathering Room. There you will find friendly people who can answer any questions that you have. If there is any way that we can serve you or your family, you can complete a Communication Card and leave it with one of the Welcome Center volunteers.

By the way, there are no expectations for you to give financially during our Offering. We consider that to be our responsibility and privilege, and you want to feel free and be our guest. If you have children, be sure to take advantage of our safe preschool and children’s facilities. We ask that parents register each child first through grade 5. During the 11:15 service, children in grades 1-5 enjoy their own worship experience, Mustard Seed; and preschoolers go to Mustard Seedlings. Rachel Pyles, Director of Children’s Ministries, and her skilled staff work very hard to make sure that your children are not only safe and cared for, but also that they grow in Christ and have a blast doing it.

First Baptist Church has been a fixture in the Frederick community since 1905. In the last 25 years, Frederick has experienced tremendous growth in population and diversity. In order to continue to be a vital force in this region, we decided in 1998 to purchase 38 acres four miles away from our original site and relocate.

Today, we are blessed with a beautiful new facility on a gorgeous campus with a breathtaking view of Frederick and beyond. This new site has expanded our opportunities in worship, children’s ministry, adult discipleship and recreation ministry. We also see it as a launching point for new ministry opportunities in our community.

As grateful as we are for our new facility, our greatest strength remains our people. From our full and part-time ministry staff to our volunteers, we are able to minister so effectively because of the many gifted, talented and dedicated people who give sacrificially of their time and resources.

So wherever you are in your journey, we hope you’ll consider being part of this wonderful adventure. We would love to share it with you.
**Light Unleashed! Being the Presence of Christ in our World.**

14th Backpack Program is in Full Swing!

Every Wednesday night we fill backpacks of food and deliver them to Waverley Elementary School and the Judy Center of Frederick to feed children in our community. With each new school year this program has grown and we are growing out of the food pantry closet that we operate out of. We need more money and more volunteers. Please keep posted to the bulletin for updates about how we plan to solve some of these issues. If you are interested in helping and being a part of this ministry to children in our community please contact Rachel Pyles at 301-473-8283 ext 206 or Rach@firstfrederick.org. Please consider helping a couple hours a week to make a lifetime difference in a young child's life.

**Little Lights Update**

We are so excited to announce that we have received our new smart board for our educational pre-k program at Little Lights. This will help young children in their school readiness. Almost every school in Frederick County has one of these boards and it is used daily in the classroom to help children with reading, math, science, social studies, and other educational programs. Little Lights teachers have a way to get children excited about learning and hands on interactive ways to make learning fun. It is so exciting that we can make this technology available to our very own preschool children and are looking forward to this new school year and what it has to bring. Please continue to pray for Little Lights as we are just months away from starting the after hours program and have recently been included in a FREE nutritious hot dinner meal program that will run Monday through Friday for our children in Pre-k to 5th grade. If you are interested in being a part of this program and would like to volunteer or tutor a couple evenings a month please contact Rachel Pyles at 301-473-8283 ext 206. Thank you!

**Children’s Ministry**

**Mustard Seed and M&Ms**

Last week your child came home with a tube of mini M&Ms. This is our first missions project of the year and will help our church reach the $22,000 goal we have set for Feed My Starving Children. A meal cost about 15 cents! After they have filled their tube with M&Ms and then filling the M&M tube with pocket change. A meal cost about 15 cents! A quick word about definitions: in the Bible, “justice” and “righteousness” were virtually synonymous. Righteousness wasn’t a status given to those whose sins were forgiven, it was the act of doing the right thing. Justice wasn’t about punishing offenders and rewarding law abiders, it was about taking care of each other. Participation in the common good was seen as demonstrating justice, common good, captures the essence of both words. The earth belonged to the Lord, and the common good was to be a part of Mustard Seed and thank you for aiding us in this important mission to feed children around the globe. If you would like to encourage and invite you and your children to help us on October 5th when we turn our sanctuary into a mobile packing site and fill 100,000 meals for children all over the world. Thank you!

**Student Ministry**

**Fall Calendar**

- **September 29:** Laser Tag at Shadow Land in Frederick. Cost: $20. 1-3:30 PM
- **October 5:** Feed My Starving Children. Sign up to volunteer.
- **October 18:** Hershey Park in the Dark. The church bus will leave at 3 PM. Cost: $32
- **November 16:** First Family Thanksgiving from 6-9 PM. Bring your family and potluck to share.
- **November 22-24:** Youth Alive in Ocean City, MD. This is a Middle School only trip. Cost: $30. The bus will leave at 3:30.
- **November 22:** Rock & Bowl at Terrace Lanes in Frederick. This is a High School only event. Cost: $13. Times: 9-12 AM

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The [God] expected justice, but saw bloodshed; righteousness, but heard a cry of冤. If you who join house to house, who add field to field, until there is room for no one but you, and you are left to live alone in the midst of the land. The LORD of hosts has sworn in my hearing: Surely many houses shall be desolate, large and beautiful houses, without inhabitant.”

**Isaiah 5:1-9**

It’s too easy when reading about ancient history from the Bible to allow our eyes to roll back in our head out of boredom. Most of that boredom is because we think that it just isn’t relevant to our lives today. So I promise to get to the relevance at the end if you promise to labor through the history. No fair skipping to the end!

God called Israel out from among the nations to use them as a shining example of how a nation founded on justice, righteousness and seeking the common good for all could prosper and enjoy both the Lord’s blessing and the Lord’s protection. Instead, Israel used their “calling out” as a sign of a status over against the nations. They took for granted their blessing and privilege of being God’s people and not available. Or further assistance. Voicemail Office Hours: 8:30-5:00 AM and 9 PM. Fax: 301.473.8286 Phone: 301.473.8283

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**requests For Prayer**

Please pray for church needs; passing of Holly’s mom, Linda Atkins Postelle.

**General Information**

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Save the Date: Staff Appreciation- Sunday, October 13th. Details to follow.

**Coming this Fall in the Pastor’s Bible Study: The Tongues of Men and Angels: A Study of the Corinthian Correspondence**

Among the earliest of Paul’s writings, the epistles of 1 & 2 Corinthians are two of four letters that Paul wrote to the church in the seaport town of Corinth, a city deeply reigned in pagan idolatry and immorality. In the course of dealing with issues in the church—issues that the modern church still struggles with today—Paul touches on important issues of theology and practice. Paul’s views on justice, morality, Christology, ecclesiology, and the nature of the resurrection all come into play in these two letters. Pastor Larry will be continuing the study on 1 & 2 Corinthians on Wednesday nights and what it has to bring.

**With Christian Sympathy**

We extend Christian sympathy to Holly and Michael Late and family on the recent passing of Holly’s mom, Linda Atkins Postelle.

**Snack Donations Requested**

We do offers snacks during the Sunday School hour and many of them are provided through donations. If you would like to contribute, we are in need of crackers, cookies, juice mix, and fruit snacks. You can drop these items off in the Children’s Registration area. Thank you!

**BCM/D Disaster Training Event**

On November 2nd, our church will be hosting the Baptist Convention of Maryland & Delaware as they hold a disaster relief training. When a national disaster occurs, the BCM/D deploys volunteers who have been through this training to support various needs. The training will run from 8:30 to 4:30 and costs $20 for returning volunteers and $30 for new volunteers. It covers lunch, materials and credentials. For information please call or email Pam Eubanks at 240-409-8011 or rescueangel24@gmail.com. To register call Donna Shiflett at 410-290-5290 ext. 226 or dshiflett@bcmd.org