



FBC February Newsletter

Mark 12:28-30

And one of the scribes came up and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that He answered them well, asked Him, "Which commandment is the most important of all?"

Jesus answered, "The most important is, Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.' The second is this: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no commandment greater than these."

Men's Breakfast

Saturday, February 7 • 8:00 AM

Women's Breakfast

Saturday, February 28 • 8:30 AM

JANUARY GREETERS

- 1 Meredith & Matt Turek
- 8 Melissa & Kurt Bragan
- 15 Julie Saunders & Leola Pingree
- 22 Kim & Nathan Shepard

WEEKLY CHURCH EVENTS AND TIMES

- Sunday AM Worship: 10:30 AM
- Childrens' Sunday School Class, downstairs: 9:15 AM
- Youth Sunday School, downstairs: 9:15 AM
- Adult Sunday School, *Following Jesus*, The Gospel of Mark, W. Robert Godfrey, 26 weeks. Fellowship Hall: 9:15 AM
- Sunday Youth Group, Youth Room: 6:00 PM till 8:00 PM
- Tuesday Morning Bible Study: 9:30 AM Fellowship Hall: *Journey Into Living the Gospel* A study of 1 Timothy 9:00 AM Refreshments.
- Wednesday Prayer Meeting, Fellowship Hall: 6:30 PM
- Monday Book Club - *will resume in the Fall*
- Friday Morning, Moms in Prayer, 6:30 AM
(Speak with Amanda Bermudez if you would like to know more)
- Good News Club - Follows School District Calendar

GOOD NEWS CLUB

at the Rudmin home (31 Beech Street, Dexter)
is on hold until February

For more information, contact Benita at (207) 992-3921

A Call to Worship

O Lord, our Lord,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!
You have set your glory above the heavens.

- *Psalm 8:1*



Birthdays

- February 3 - Shelby Sinclair
- February 4 - Joanne Prescott
145 Zions Hills Rd
Dexter, ME 04930
- February 7 - Walter Akes
1089 Main St.
Ripley, ME 04930
- February 10 - Luke Shepard
68 Lincoln St
Dover-Foxcroft, ME 04426
- February 18 - Edwin Saunders
155 Sunken Bridge Road
Corinna, ME 04928
- February 20 - Charlotte Davis
290 Bowden Rd
Corinna, ME 04928

There are many opportunities to serve in the church and one of those is providing snacks on Sunday mornings; THEY NEED NOT BE HOMEMADE!
There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the church



New to our library this month: Christian Biographies for Young Readers (and not-so-young) by Simonetta Carr.

The Christian Biographies for Young Readers introduces children to important people in the Christian tradition. Parents and school teachers alike will welcome the excellent educational value it provides for students, while the quality of the publication and the artwork make each volume a keepsake for generations to come. Furthermore, the books in the series go beyond the simple story of someone's life by teaching young readers the historical and theological relevance of each character.

Simonetta Carr was born in Italy and has lived and worked in different cultures. A former elementary school teacher, she has home-schooled her eight children for many years. She has written for newspapers and magazines around the world and has translated the works of several Christian authors into Italian. Presently, she lives in San Diego with her husband Thomas and family. She is a member and Sunday School teacher at Christ United Reformed Church.



'LIGHT LUNCH AND FELLOWSHIP' Sunday, February 15, 2026

Strangers and Exiles

Christians belong to the world to come, making us strangers and exiles in this present order. In this message, Dr. Stephen Nichols considers what it means for Christians to be strangers and exiles, encouraging us to maintain a distinct identity as the people of God.

Special Prayer Requests for February

Three of our friends at FBC will be having serious surgeries this month, please hold them up in prayer:

- February 16, Kevin Bailey • February 20, Karen Dow • February 26, Shirley Grant

We continue to pray for Walter Akes who is making a remarkable recovery, praise God!

BUILDING COMMITTEE OPPORTUNITIES

Pastor Andrew will be starting up some new projects around the church in the near future and would welcome help from anyone with time on their hands and a willingness to serve.

Mission News



Jenker and Carrie Koçak, with CRU ministries, stay busy looking to meet internationals and immigrants in Winter Park, Florida. They have found that

one of the best ways to meet people is by shopping at Walmart at night! Before Christmas, they met a young woman from Syria, here in the US to care for an ailing aunt. They quickly exchanged contact information and she joined them for the Christmas service at their church. They found she is a Christian and could see Jesus' love for her in that He sent to her "friends like you".

The Koçaks are starting a small group study at their church based on a CRU publication, "Finding Home". Winter Park is home to many internationally owned businesses with employees from the Middle East and the Koçaks are excited to be making connections.

They report that they are at 80% of their support goal with \$2400/month still needed for full support. Pray for them for this provision and pray for opportunities to connect with people as they strive to bring the Gospel to the nations within their own community.

By the way, Carrie is from Passdumkeag, Maine!!



Caleb Bermudez, Kingdom Rain, reports that leaders in South Asia are working to identify unreached town and villages while making plans to raise up missionaries to reach them. In Central Asia the Holy Spirit has been moving among young people to follow Christ. At the same time, older leaders are seeing the need to work together in unity with this generation of believers.

- Prayer requests: For Caleb as he travels to Central Asia for a multi-country conference from March 10th - 16th.
- For Claire as she will be leading a Summer Mission Team for CRU ministries in Bogota, Columbia from July 17th - August 8th.
- Pray, too, for Claire as she ministers to a fifth grader and his family once a week by tutoring him in math. As they meet in her home, pray for a deeper connection with the family.



Dear Friends and Family,

I'm excited to share an incredible opportunity I've been given to spend six months in Costa Rica, mid September - mid December and mid January - mid April, participating in a life-changing GAP year program focused on personal growth, cultural immersion, and making a positive impact. This experience will allow me to learn, serve, and grow in ways with God, that will shape my future, and the communities I engage with. I'm reaching out to invite you to be part of this journey. Through sponsorship, you would be directly supporting this opportunity and helping make this experience possible. If you'd like to learn more about the program, the purpose behind the trip, and how you can contribute, please click the link below to read more details and make a donation if you feel inspired to do so.

Thank you so much for taking the time to learn about this opportunity and for considering your support.

missiongo.org

Sincerely,

Zeke Bermudez

PS. Feel free to share on social media!

A Brief Update from Haiti

Pastor Wawa and Josette were able to get in the states for Christmas! They had a wonderful time. We are still able to get funds to them in Haiti and the schools and programs are going well!

Heart of Maine Requests

Director Laura Gordon has requested donations of canned soups and canned protein (tuna, chicken, salmon), during February and March. There will be a box for the donations at the back of the church. Thank you for your support.