



# FBC December Newsletter

*Isaiah 9:6-7*

*6 For to us a child is born, to us a son is given;  
and the government shall be upon his shoulder,*

*and his name shall be called*

*Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,*

*Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.*

*7 Of the increase of his government and of  
peace there will be no end, on the throne of  
David and over his kingdom, to establish it and  
to uphold it with justice and with righteousness  
from this time forth and forevermore. The zeal  
of the Lord of hosts will do this.*

## **Men's Breakfast**

Saturday, December 6 • 8:00 AM

## **Women's Breakfast**

will resume January 17

## **DECEMBER GREETERS**

- 7 Charlotte Davis & Carolyn Henry
- 14 Carol & Fred Sherburne
- 21 Kim & Nathan Shepard
- 28 Melissa & Kurt Bragan

## **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:  
A study of Spiritual gifts in the New Testament  
"Your Spiritual Gift" 9:00 AM Refreshments.
- Wednesday Prayer Meeting, Fellowship Hall: 6:30 PM
- Book Club - Mondays, at 3:00 PM, *The Prodigal God* by  
Timothy Keller. Fellowship Hall.
- 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*

To you I lift up my eyes,  
O you are enthroned in the heavens!

- *Psalms 123:1*



## Birthdays

- **December 4 - Lois Walker**  
1038 Dexter Rd.  
St. Albans, ME 04971
- **December 6 - Chloe Murdock**  
79 Highland Ave.  
Dexter, ME 04930
- **December 11 - Isabella Wallace**  
76 Old Dover Rd.  
Dexter, ME 04930
- **December 17 - Larry Charles**  
3367 Finola Ave SE  
Palm Bay, FL 32909
- **December 18 - Charlie Akes**  
64 Railroad Ave  
Dexter, Maine 04930
- **December 29 - Jason Sinclair**

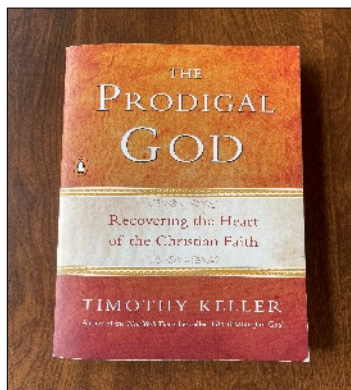
## Anniversaries

- **December 28**  
**Andrew & Amanda Bermúdez**  
7 Free St  
Dexter, ME 04930

## The Safe Haven Support Group

meets the fourth Saturday of the month  
at 9:30 a.m. at FBC Church

It's a support group for any emotional battle, i.e., anxiety,  
depression, discouragement, grief, abuse from a narcissist, etc.



**BOOK GROUP  
DATES**  
**Mondays 3-4 PM**

**Next meeting**  
**Dec. 1 - Chapter 5**  
**Dec. 15 - Chapter 6**

‘Light Lunch and Fellowship’  
Sunday, will resume January 18, 2026  
following worship service.  
Please plan to join us.

## *Annual Christmas Party*

**Saturday, December 6**  
**Dinner at 5:00 pm**

**There will be a Yankee Swap**  
**for those who want to participate**  
(Wrapped gifts are to cost \$5 or under)

“And they devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers... And all who believed were together and had all things in common.” Acts 2:42,44

Hearing about the love and fellowship that was characteristic of the early Church gladdens my heart. Pastor Andrew’s recent teachings on the early Church from the Book of Acts have been encouraging and insightful and have given me a longing for the coming restoration of all things upon the return of our blessed Lord Jesus. Yet, here in Acts, we see bits and pieces of that coming restoration as God’s people come together to live out their lives in community and loving obedience to Him.

Historically, we at First Baptist have contributed monthly to a Deacon’s Fund, or Benevolence Fund, to care for the needs of our brothers and sisters in Christ. Recently this fund has been added as a budget line item, so that, though the ‘fund’ may be empty, people’s needs will continue to be met. This brings me back to the early Church and it’s model of people caring for people. There was joy in their giving and, as Pastor Andrew expressed, their generosity flowed from the grace that God had given them and for their love for each other. We will begin again to offer Benevolence Fund envelopes every Communion Sunday for those who wish to donate to this fund to help your brothers and sisters in their time of need. We are reminded in 2 Corinthians 9:6-15 that this leads to thanksgiving and praise to the glory of God!

Benita Rudmin

**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

Shelby Sinclair from our Youth Group  
has brought this mission outreach  
to our church family



**Tri-County Technical Center’s  
Early Childhood Education program  
presents...**

# *Diaper & Wipe Drive*

**November 20 - December 19**  
Diapers (any size) and wipes can be  
brought to



Tri-County Technical Center  
14 Abbott Hill Road, Dexter, ME  
or

ECE Program  
572 Bangor Road, Dover-Foxcroft, ME

***All donations will go to families in need  
in our local community***

For any questions, reach out to  
[amgudroe@aos94.org](mailto:amgudroe@aos94.org)



**TCTC  
Early Childhood  
Education**





It's that time...

# *A Christmas Cantata*

***"Lead Me Back to Bethlehem"***

by Pepper Choplin.

Performances will be  
**Saturday, December 13 and  
Sunday, December 14, at 3 pm.**

*Come and enjoy  
the reason for the season*

**First Baptist Church of Dexter**

5 Main Street Hill

just above the Dexter Post Office

Donations Welcome

*Light Refreshments follow*