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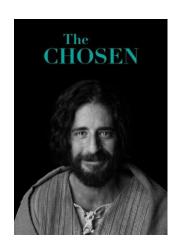
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Occasionally someone will come and ask what books, or shows, or podcasts am I into lately. Here are some recommendations for you to consider.

Pastor Nathan

TV SHOWS



# IN THIS ISSUE

#### **ELDER'S CORNER**

Tom Trotta

#### THE CHOSEN

Throughout the years turning scripture into movies or television shows doesn't always work well. *The Chosen*, however, being a low budget, crowd funded endeavor, has kept it from going over the top.

#### **MISSION MOMENT**

Barbara Lynn

One of the fascinating aspects of this show is how it focuses on the individuals' interactions and encounters with Jesus.

Rita Vernon

PRAYER MINISTRY

There are some things I could pick at, but overall, this is the best Jesus film or show that is currently out there.

Oh by the way, it is filmed in Texas!!

You can watch *The Chosen* on VidAngel, Youtube, or download the The Chosen App.



#### **PODCASTS**

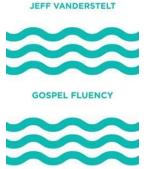


#### The Rise and Fall of Mars Hill

This is a podcast about the fall of Mars Hill church in Seattle, that was pastored by Mark Driscoll. This podcast is produced by Christianity Today. They currently have 5 episodes out of the planned 10 episodes. It is a documentary type podcast. This podcast does a good job of going in and examining how a mega church of 15,000 people suddenly in one Sunday, come crashing down and no longer exists. It explores the nature of leadership, masculinity, and power. Be careful as some of the topics are sensitive in nature and so it might not be appropriate to listen to around children.

You can listen to it on Apple Podcasts and Spotify, or wherever you get your podcasts.

#### **BOOKS**

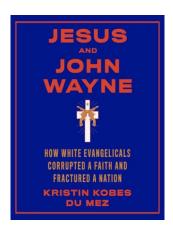


#### Gospel Fluency by Jeff Vanderselt

I read this book alongside two other pastors here at the beach. This book is well written and is the first that I have found helpful in how we can, as followers of Christ, actually talk about the Gospel within conversations. This isn't a how-to on evangelism.

In this book Jeff Vanderselt does a good job of exploring what it means to be fluent in the Gospel. Meaning how we apply it to our lives and how we can also talk about it when talking with others. It is definitely worth the read to learn the exercise of fruit to root and then root to fruit. (I know I sound crazy in that sentence, but you have to read it to understand.)

#### BONUS RECCOMENDATION



Jesus and John Wayne by Kristen Kobes Du Mez

This is a book that dives into the history of the American Evangelical movement post WWI. Understanding that the author is looking to critique American Evangelicalism, she does a good job diving into its history and putting puzzle pieces together. As someone who was unfamiliar with a lot of this history, it was an interesting read. Billy Graham, to James Dobson, to Ronald Reagan, to Oliver North, to today, she unpacks the history and the theology behind it.

**Disclaimer:** This book is going to be controversial. I read it for the history it provided and context. Some of its theological critique I do not agree with, yet I still think there are things we can learn.

# **Elder's Corner**

by Tom Trotta

#### WHAT'S GOING ON?

Fifty years ago, Marvin Gaye released his iconic song, "What's Going On?". Perhaps some of you remember it. This protest song was written during a very turbulent time in our nation's history and galvanized many. The country was rife with riots, violence, protests, and social activism. It was a time much like today. In fact, that song could have been written today.

What is going on? At least back in the seventies we understood what was going on even though we may not have agreed with it. Today, I believe the culture has us so confused that a great deal of the behaviors and things we are being told just don't make any sense.

One must be careful to not disagree or question anything for fear of being labeled, ostracized or worse. Christians should not be surprised at what's going on. We get a preview in the Scriptures.

The problem started in Genesis 3 (the fall). Things started spiraling down then. In Genesis 6 the Bible says, "the Lord saw the wickedness of man was great and that every intention of his heart was only evil continually." (Gen. 6:5) Then the flood came. Peter tells us that, ... "the heavens and the earth that now exist are stored up for fire, being kept until the day of judgement and destruction of the ungodly". (2 Peter 3:7) Paul warns Timothy that in the last days will come times of difficulty and great sin. (2Timothy 3:1-9) Jesus is more specific and direct as He talks with His disciples on the Mount of Olives before his crucifixion. (Mt.24, Mk 13, Lu. 21) He gives them, and us, a glimpse of the future, warnings, and hope. Things on earth will not get better, they will get worse. At the end Jesus will be hated and so will His followers.

I believe that attitude is headed our way. As the little boy said to his mother when the clock struck 13 times. "Mommy, mommy, it's later than it's ever been before!" It really is, but for believers that is good news. Jesus says, "Now when you see these things begin to take place, raise your heads because your redemption is drawing near". (Lu. 21:28) Jesus' return is soon; that's what's going on. Are you ready?

# **Notes from Nancy**

by Nancy Barrett

Thank you to Ian Bula who has directed the choir while I have been traveling. I want to also thank Leslie Hale and Devin Clark who put our music selections in the bulletin and on the screen each week. Sometimes they have to deal with last minute changes, but they always manage to get it done.

The Gospelaires Concert we have been planning for August 15<sup>th</sup>, has been cancelled. Hopefully in the near future we will be able to once again make plans to host them.

# **Search Committee:**

# **Associate Pastor of Administration/Executive Pastor**

by Barbara Lynn

Search Committee Chair

The Search Committee has narrowed the list of prospective candidates through reviewing resumes and profiles submitted, reading the Biographical and Spiritual Journeys of qualified candidates, contacting their references, further conversation with them through email and direct contact. We continue to saturate our forward steps in prayer, seeking God's leadership and are sensing the guidance of the Holy Spirit as we proceed. We join with you in desiring to have a full staff and appreciate your patient understanding as we move forward. We hope to bring a specific candidate to you for your approval in the near future.

Discerning God's person for our Associate Pastor of Administration/Executive Pastor is our goal and yours. Please continue to pray for us individually and for the person God has for this position, asking God to lead us together to glorify and serve Him at FCCB.

# **Stewardship**

by John Campbell

How Are You Swiping God's Card?

We begin to have a healthier view of our relationship to money when we think of ourselves as managers of God's resources. Every time we swipe our personal credit or debit card, we are exercising our authority as God's steward to invest His resources. Essentially, we are using "God's Card."

Thankfully the Master isn't an angry taskmaster who doesn't realize that I have needs. He isn't angry every time I buy a latte or see a movie. But with the right mindset, the perspective changes from "How much of my money do I have to give You, Lord?" to "How should I best use Your money on behalf of Your kingdom?"

Christians look at the world through a different lens, and they interact with the world through an understanding of God's sovereignty.

The driving question for those outside of a relationship with God is, "How will this benefit myself or those I love?" However, from within the kingdom, the question changes to, "How can this resource best be leveraged for the kingdom?"

So, my fellow Disciples, how do you plan on using your God Card today?

# **Prayer Ministry**

#### by Rita Vernon

Prayer Ministry Team Lead

It's a quiet month for the Prayer Ministry. Just a reminder that there are new Prayer Journals near Salty's closet. If you have been thinking about keeping a prayer journal, please feel free to pick one up. We are looking for additional members for our Prayer Ministry Team. No experience necessary.

Sweet Sleep Pillowcases are available to anyone needing some special prayer accompanied by a signed pillowcase. If you would like one, please call Rita Vernon at 904-386-8788 or email the request to ritavern@gmail.com

# **Scout News**

by Barre Barrett

# **Upcoming Events - Troop 40 BSA Scouts**

#### **Troop 40 BSA Scouts**

There are no regular meetings of Troop 40 this summer.

#### Pack 40 Cub Scouts

Cub Scout Pack 40 is not meeting during summer months - will resume in late August when school starts again.

# **Campus Activities**

Stretching and Toning Classes meet in Fellowship Hall every Tuesday (except the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month), bring your own mat or use one of the churches chairs. All are welcome!

#### CHURCH WORKDAY Saturday, August 14th at 9:00AM

FCCB is looking for volunteers to help clean up the church. It will mostly be cleaning out the inside of classrooms, closets, etc. But we could also work on the outside! Sign up sheet in Fellowship Hall.

# **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES AT FCCB**

Sign up online at: **fc2b.org/serving**Or pick up a form at the Welcome Counter in the foyer beside the sanctuary or call the church office at 904-246-2010.

# **Library News**

by Geno Valet

The Church needs an Assistant Librarian. Duties are light; serving church needs is always a blessing. Linda White has moved to the Carolinas, so currently the biggest need is a "computerista" to make the spine-labels for new additions.

Please email me at JazzValet@icloud.com if interested. I'm happy to answer any questions about maintaining the library in general.

# **Other News**

### **Youth House Steering Committee**

The third floor has been added to the Youth House. You can now get a good idea of what it will look like. We still have not met our goal of \$1.5 million in funds. If you have not yet contributed, we are still taking donations. If you have, but would like to do more, we will take that too. Please continue to pray for our Youth House and add the new Director of Student Ministries. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully, Rita Vernon, Steering Committee Lead

# **Youth Summer Calendar 2021**

Back to school kick-off party with Nerf wars and Chick-Fil-A on August 8th from 5:30-7:30. FCCB Students meeting every Sunday Night from 5:30-7:30.

Tuesday August 10th - Duval students report to school :(

# FCCB Meeting Summary - Body of Trustees

No Meeting was held in July

Join Rev. Nathan Loewen

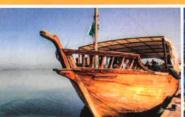
# Journey through the Bible

March 8 - 18, 2022



<sup>Host:</sup> <mark>Rev. Nathan</mark> Loewen











We Celebrate the Gospe

Are you interested in journeying to the Holy Land?

Pastor Nathan will lead this tour group in 2022

Brochures are in the church office or you can find information and sign up online using the link below.

**Holy Land Tour Information Link** 

# Stay Connected with Us!

### www.fc2b.org

Live Worship Service on Sunday Submit Tithes & Prayer Requests

- www.fc2b.org/giving
- www.fc2b.org/prayer-request

# Worship Resources Information

- Announcements
- Tidal Wave

#### **Facebook**

**Live Worship Streaming on Sundays** 

#### YouTube

Sunday Sermon-only Replay

We're LIVE on Sunday morning in the Sanctuary and online!



#### **Church Communication**

Contact the church office to be added to our email or phone list, or to update your contact information.

• Email Church information, weekly e-bulletin and announcements

Phone Tree Weekly announcements and important notification messages by phone

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# **August Birthdays**

- 01 Connie Wendt
- 01 Theresa Rose
- 04 Mellanie Meador
- 06 Vicki Rulong
- 09 Debbie Claytor
- 09 Tracye Hawkins
- 10 Lora Burnett
- 11 Murray Trotta
- 14 Brenda Brown
- 15 Devin Clark
- 17 Dan Bula
- 18 Sherise Mills
- 19 Betty Heindel
- 22 David MacInnes
- 23 Chuck Walker
- 23 Diane Ricketts
- 26 Betty Smith
- 28 Kitty Digaetani

# **August Anniversaries**

- 02 Lyle and Sharon Reimann
- 12 Barre and Nancy Barrett
- 13 Kurtis and Margaret Loftus
- 14 Dave and Linda White
- 16 Don and Jeanie Peters
- 21 Steve and Kay Park



# August Prayers

OUR MEMBERS		Dufrene, Justin & Armand	U	Elliott, Robert	Н
Al-Banna Family	Н	(Carla Tracy's grandsons) Garnett, Dawn	Н	(John Campbell) Feather, Hal	Н
Aley, Mark	Н	(Jack Garnett's cousin)		(Don Brown)	
Bailey, Mary	H	Green, Scott	Н	Joe S.	Н
Bassett, Wes	Н	(Shirlee & Wally Green)		(Paul Robbins)	
Bennett, Bud & Barbara	Н	Griffin, Eddie	Н	Johnston, Jessie	Н
Brown, Don Casino, Joy	H H	(Judy Griffin Fryrear's brother)	Н	(Betty Smith)	U
Choate, Maurine	H	Hibbard, Lisa (Brandy's sister-in-law)	П	Julian <i>(Cani Hahn)</i>	U
Claytor, Jim	H	Jim Peau's Sister, Memi	Н	Julien, Oliver	Н
Coggin Family	G	(Jim Peau)	•	(Brenda Brown)	• •
Donnell, Jean	Н	Jones, Rick	Н	Joyce & Amy	Н
Grader, Madeline	Н	(Rita Vernon's cousin)		(Jan Wheeler)	
Gonzales, Corliss	H	Kalahear, Cathy	Н	Kimbrough, Karen	U
Hall, Dan	Н	(Charlie Setters aunt)		(Mel Perdue)	
Harman Family	H H	Kirkley, Jay & Lila	Ή	Krieger, Bill	Н
Hibbard, Brandy Jackson, Polly	H	(Marge Medina's grandchildren Kirkley, Laura	у Н	(Chuck & Phyllis Walker) Lani & Family	U
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Lim, Dolly	Н	(Paul Stiehl's sister)		(Billy Howell)	·
Meess, Mary Margaret	Н	Mangine, Steven	Н	Family of Ann Mackee	Н
Miller, Kenyon	Н	(Bill Mangine's brother)		(Paul & Ruth Stiehl)	
Peau Jim	H	Meess, Ronald "Rocky"	Н	Mary Ellen	Н
Pike, Diane	Н	(Mary Margaret Meess' father)		(Billy Howell)	
Pinner, Alice	H H	Moon, Teari	Н	Mathis, Charlie	Н
Ranier, Vicki Robbins, Paul	Н	(Charlie Setters' aunt) Morgan, Buddy	Н	(Choate, Dick)	U
Ross, Jon	H	(Jim & Rita Vernon's son-in-lav		Meriyah & Children (Cani Hahn)	U
Schoonover, Carol	H	Mullins, Tasha	'/ H	McCoy, Cameron	U
Setters, Paola	Н	(Pam Mangine's niece)		(Sherry Bevis)	·
Shimp, Marcella	Н	Rasco, Suzanne	Н	McSorley, Carol	U
Speevack, Peachie	Н	(Ruth Stiehl's sister-in-law)		(Mel Perdue)	
Stevenson, Barry	H	Shellenberger, Margaret & Bob	Н	Nay, David	Н
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Walker & O'Boyle Families	G	(Jerry Terrell)	••	(Marti Miller)	Ü
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Williams, Evelyn	G	(Andy Walker)		(Marti Miller)	
Williams, Beth	U	Wallman, Jill	Н	Pendleton, Larry	Н
Williams, Beverly	H	(Sue Wallman's daughter)		(John Campbell)	
Williams, LouAnn	Н			Perez, Stacey	Н
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(Carla Tracy's daughter)		Amato, Paul & Family	Н	(Barbara Lynn)	
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(Jim & Val Peau's grandson)		Anderson, Alli Lake	Н	(Sally Washburn)	
Barth, Andy	Н	(Scott Kelly)		Treadwell, Theresa	Н
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(Joseph Chiocca's daughter)		(Sherry Boatman-Burris)		,	
Clark, Marilyn	Н	Christy & Scott	Н	RELOCATED MEMBERS	
(Devin Clark's wife)		(Sherry Boatman-Burris)			
Connor, Jimmy	Н	Cobb, Mike & Phyllis	Н	Frost, Sallie	Н
(Betty Mills great nephew)	ш	(Don & Barbara Lynn)	U	Weber, Sherron	Н
Daisy (Joy Casino)	Н	Crawford, Karen (Sherry Bevis)	U	CHIIDCH EDIENDS	
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Loewen, Nathan & Family Madison, John & Family Fox, Luke & Family
Hopkins, Chris & Family
Richards, Robin
Collins Family
Goehrig Family
Israel, Jeremy
(Bama Israel's son)
Martell, José & Elizabeth (Cuba)
Phillips, Scott & Jenny
(Indonesia)
Permenter, Ayla
(Brandy Hibbard)
Sink Family & Saul to Paul Ministry
Walker, Pilar
(Rock Solid Bible Camp, Alaska)

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#### **Prayer Codes**

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Job

Health Issues

Prison

Injury

Relationships

Travel

Unspoken

Member relationships are shown in parentheses

# **WEEKEND SCHEDULE**

Sundays

5:30 PM TEEN YOUTH GROUP

Middle School & High School Students

### SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

1 8:00 AM OUTDOOR WORSHIP (weather permitting)
On the East Lawn - Bring your own chairs

9:00 AM WORSHIP - In the Sanctuary / Live Online

10:00 AM Bible Study Classes

11:00 AM WORSHIP - In the Sanctuary / Live Online

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# Join Us Online from anywhere

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#### **MONTH OF AUGUST**

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#### **AUGUST ELDERS & DEACONS**

#### **ELDERS**

Don Lynn

Don Peters

Andy Walker

Brandy Hibbard

#### **DEACONS**

Mike, Brenda Snyder

Ashlee Loewen

Sylvia Osewalt

Debbie Claytor

Ruth Forrest

Worship ime Change

## 8:00 am

Outside – East Lawn (Weather permitting)

9:00 & 11:00 am

In the Sanctuary & Live online

# Join us for Sunday worship no matter where you are

We're online every Sunday morning to Celebrate the Gospel, share God's word, take Communion and sing songs of praise and worship!

Visit us live on Facebook and at fc2b.org/LIVE

