

# FCBC WEEKLY UPDATE

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*Happy Mother's Day to all moms and to all the women who have "mothered" and mentored us over the years. We love and appreciate you.*

**This week at First Central:**

This Sunday as we continue our study in the book of John, Pastor Mark's message is "Witnesses for the Defense" from John 5:30-47.

You can watch the services live on Facebook [here](#). You can also view the service (after the fact) on Pastor Mark's [blog](#) and on the church website, [www.firstcentral.church](http://www.firstcentral.church).



**Men, rise up!**

Join us tomorrow morning at the FCBC Men's Breakfast. Saturday, May 7, 8:30AM. We will enjoy good food, conversation, and encouragement from God's Word. See you in the morning.



**This month at Senior Saints, we are remembering and honoring our mothers.**

Menu

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| Fresh Fruit Bowl    | Mini-Quiche            |
| Breakfast Casserole | French Toast Casserole |
| Assorted Pastries   | Hash Brown Casserole   |
| Shrimp Bowl         | Assorted Desserts      |

Please bring pastries or a dessert to share. If you would like to bring a hot dish, please contact Carol Sumler for more information.

Join us on May 21 at 11:45 am. Ladies, we'd love for you to wear long dresses. 😊

**Pearlie Pitts has a new address:**

Pearlie Pitts  
Genesis Memory Support of Heritage Hall  
464 Main Street — Room 107  
Agawam MA 01001



**How welcoming are we?**

**At FCBC**, we want to create an environment in which guests, newcomers, and seekers are comfortable, and where regular attenders and members are ministers of grace and hospitality. It helps to practice the Circle of 10 and the Rule of 3.

**Circle of 10:** Greet anyone—guest, newcomer, regular attender, or member—who comes within ten feet of you. Make a special effort to greet the people you don't already know within your Circle of 10.

**Rule of 3:** Try not to talk to your friends for the first three minutes after the service. Talk only to those you don't know and to people that you know are guests. It takes guests about three minutes to exit the church after worship so it's important to make sure someone has made contact with them before they leave.

**Some dates on the horizon. Plan ahead!**



- Men's Fellowship Breakfast** — May 7 at 8:30 AM
- Baptism and new members** — May 15
- Semi-Annual business meeting** — June 15 at 6:30 PM
- Church Picnic** — Sunday, June 26 at Buttery Brook in South Hadley. More information coming soon.

**Ongoing weekly events**

- Sunday School** — Sundays at 9:15 AM
- Worship Service** — Sundays at 10:30 AM
- Women's Bible study** — Mondays at 10:15 AM
- Seniors Alive** — Wednesdays from 1 — 3 PM
- Team Kids, Youth Group, Bible study & prayer** — Wednesdays from 6:30 — 8 PM
- Women's Bible study** — Thursdays at 9:30 AM



**Giving back to God:**

<u>DATE</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>GIVING</u>
May 1	\$9,038	\$12,192
Year-to-date:	\$162,684	\$155,076

*OOPS! Last week's offering was incorrectly reported as \$17,255. The correct figure is \$7,255. The Y-T-D figure for this week is correct.*

