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## **Sunday Schedule for November 12**

**8:45 a.m.** Small Groups and Sunday School

Here ([fbccenterton.org/#/connect/small-groups](http://fbccenterton.org/#/connect/small-groups)) is a list of our Groups for Adults

**10:00 a.m.** Worship

## **Wednesday Schedule for November 15**

- **Wednesday Night Meal Menu for November 15, 2017**

Ham, stuffing, gravy, vegetable, salad, roll, dessert; (Menu is subject to change) Adults—\$5; Children (6th grade & under)—\$3; Family Max—\$20.

- **While Pastor Babb is away** on the Guatemala mission trip, **Pastor Bob Metcalf** will lead the Adult Bible Study on November 15 at 6:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall when he will speak from Psalm 119 on the subject of "Beginning with the End in Mind." Our Students (7<sup>th</sup>–12<sup>th</sup> grades), children (K–6<sup>th</sup> grades), and Mission Friends (three and four year olds) will meet at 6:00 p.m. All groups will dismiss at 7:30 p.m.

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### Women's Ministry Update

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- **Fall Bible Study Opportunities**

- Sunday mornings — 8:45 a.m. “Keep It Shut” in room A224, begins **December 17**. Please contact **Gail Lambert** at 757-570-0786 if you plan to attend so that she can order your book, which costs **\$10**. You will also need a three-ring binder for worksheets.
- Monday mornings— 9:30 a.m. at **Seena Varghese's** home, “Your Eternal Reward,” begins **December 18**. Please contact **Gail Lambert** at 757-570-0786 if you plan to attend so that she can order your book, which costs **\$10**. You will also need a three-ring binder for worksheets.
- Wednesday nights — 6:30 p.m. Study of Ephesians

### The STUDENT Section

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- **Student Worship**— Wednesday night at 6–7:30 p.m. in the Student Center. Join us this week as we continue our study on the Fruit of the Spirit.
- **Website/Text Messages**— Our webpage is a great source for parents to see what is going on in the Student Ministry. We generally send out a text to let you know when updates have been made. Also, if you or your student wants to receive text messages, please respond to [students@fbccenterton.org](mailto:students@fbccenterton.org) with your name, cell phone number and cell provider (AT&T, Verizon, etc.) and we will make sure you begin receiving our text message updates.

### Children's Ministry Update

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- **Upward Basketball Registration and Evaluations**

Evaluations continued yesterday for Third through Eighth Graders. There are no more spots available for boys in the league. All available registration spots are also full for Kindergartners. We still have space for more 3<sup>rd</sup>–8<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls in two different divisions.

To register, go to: <http://registration.upward.org/UPW65443>

You may pay online, or delay your payment until evaluation days. The cost is \$90. This year's cost does not include shorts for the uniform. Shorts will be available as an option for \$15. There is also a family discount of \$5 for the second child, \$10 for the third child, and \$15 for the fourth child in the same family.

Our evaluations conclude tomorrow (Monday) night and Tuesday night from 6–8 p.m. for pre-registered kindergarten-through-eighth graders who have not already registered. For more information, contact the church office and ask for **Michelle Langford**.

- **GAK (God's Amazing Kids)**

It is for kids in Kindergarten through 6th grades and takes place every Wednesday from **6:00-7:30 p.m.** We will have Bible study, games, memory verse games/activities, and missions!

Each week we'll continue our study out of Proverbs called, "The Way of the Wise." We are also trying to memorize **Proverbs 9:10** that reads, “*The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is understanding.*” Each week also includes a missions' study (this month it's Operation Christmas Child) and games! Join us!!

- **Operation Christmas Child**

GAK is collecting items to pack in our shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child! **In November we are focusing on winter warmth items** (hats, gloves, scarves). Please remember that we can't do liquids. There are collection boxes by the check-in desks and near the gym/worship center. The final collection of boxes is the week of November 13-20, with the packing party this Wednesday, **November 15**.

- **MAX Choir**

**MAX Choir** is a time of intentional discipleship in the Worship Arts for any and all 1st through 6th graders. MAX will meet on Wednesday afternoons through **December 13** from **4 p.m. to 5:15 p.m.** in Building B. This **Christmas Session** of MAX will engage students in exciting choral and instrumental activities all for the purpose of giving God MAXimum glory and celebrating his birth! The content that the students learn will be presented on **December 17 in the morning worship service** here at FBC Centerton. Life Way students can be escorted from carline for MAX after-school if this is indicated as a need on the registration form for “After School Care.”

The registration form is *here*: <https://myfbc.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/127/responses/new>

- **Family Dedication**

We are having a special Baby/Family Dedication service on **Sunday, December 3**. A baby/family dedication service is a special time to present your child(ren) to the church and commit yourself to raise your child(ren) in the faith. Your church family commits to help you and pray for you as you undertake this vital task. If you would like to participate, please email **Laura Tidwell** a high-resolution picture (to put on the screens) of your child(ren) along with a “life verse” that reflects the prayers you already have for your child(ren). Please submit the information to Laura at [ltidwell@lwcsar.com](mailto:ltidwell@lwcsar.com) by **Sunday, November 26**.

### Life Way News and Information

- **Basketball Season for Junior High Teams**

Our Life Way junior high teams play **November 10** versus NWA Classical. We will try to keep you updated as our schedule for the first year in the Heartland Christian Athletic Association settles down. The varsity boys have introduced a high-scoring, faster paced game to Life Way fans this year. If you like basketball, we think you will enjoy their style.

- **Senior Mission Trip**

Life Way seniors will be heading on mission trips to NYC and Guatemala on **November 13–21**. We are praying for the teams today as we send them out on mission.

- **Preschool Thanksgiving Program**

The Life Way preschoolers will tell the story of Thanksgiving at **8:30 a.m. on November 16 (Thursday) and 17 (Friday)**. Guests are welcome.

- **Choir Concert**

The Elementary and Junior High Choirs Concert is set for **Thursday, November 30** at **6:30 p.m.**

- **Anne of Green Gables**

The Life Way drama department will be presenting *Anne of Green Gables* on **Friday, December 8** and **Saturday, December 9**. Tickets will go on sale soon.

### Attendance Recap from Past Week

Connect Groups (October 30–November 5, 2017) .....	93
Sunday Small Groups .....	323
Sunday AM Worship Gathering.....	455

### Focus on Giving for November 5, 2017

**General Fund:**

Weekly Average Need.....	\$28,089.00
Weekly Receipts .....	\$21,404.70

**Designated Funds:**

World Mission Weekly Receipts.....	\$1,155.00
World Mission YTD .....	\$56,686.95
Building Forward Balance.....	\$37,279.07
Walkers.....	\$570.00
Seattle .....	\$525.00

Direct Missions.....	\$430.00
Benevolence Offering.....	\$100.00
Loving Choices.....	\$100.00
Ivy Memorial .....	\$75.00
Bedia.....	\$50.00
Love Offering .....	\$20.00

**Are you interested in going to Israel in December 2018?**

If you would like more information about the trip, you can attend an informational meeting on **today, November 12 at 5:00 p.m.** in Fellowship Hall. The meeting will inform you about the safety of the trip, the cost, what to expect, and much more. For more information about the trip, go to ***[www.trektoisrael.weebly.com](http://www.trektoisrael.weebly.com)***