

# FRANKLIN ROAD BAPTIST CHURCH

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Friday, August 12, 2022

The Bible teaches us in Romans 8:28, “And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God.” On the evening of Sunday, August 7th, the Church Auditorium received smoke and fire damage from a roof fire prior to the evening service. We’re thankful for the safety the Lord gave our church family and the Rutherford County Fire Department who helped locate the fire and put it out successfully.

While the actual source of the fire was small, the damage from the smoke has been extensive. Currently, Pastor Norris, the church staff, and the deacons are working with insurance to remediate the smoke damage and restore the Auditorium. In the meantime, there will be some temporary schedule changes, location changes, and more as we work through this time together. We are excited to see how the Lord will use this for our good and His glory!

Below, you will find helpful information regarding some of these temporary changes. You can also consult with your ministry leader for further questions and information.

## **Worship Services**

- All services will be held in the Gymnasium during this time. The Auditorium will be closed for smoke remediation and restoration.
- Due to the reduced capacity of the Gymnasium, there will be two morning Worship Services. The early service will begin at 9:00 AM, followed by 10:00 AM LifeStage Classes, and an 11:00 AM Worship Service.
- Sunday and Wednesday evening services will be at their normal times in the Gymnasium.
- Remediated Auditorium chairs will be used in the Gymnasium for all services.

## **LifeStage Classes**

- All LifeStage Classes will meet in their regular locations and times during the 10:00 hour with the exception of the Auditorium Crusader Class which will meet in the Gymnasium.
- All FRBC Kids, Bus, Teen, and Adult Classes will end promptly at 10:45 to allow time for transition to the Gymnasium for the 11:00 AM Worship Service and to assist with traffic patterns.

## **FRBC Kids**

- All FRBC Kids programs, including nurseries, will be offered for all services.
- If you attend the 9:00 AM service, your K3-K5 children will be in their normal classrooms. There will also be a 1st-6th Grade Children’s Church service in the Band Room during the early service.
- Following the 9:00 AM service, children will be taken to their 10:00 LifeStage Classes by their teachers at 9:45 AM promptly. Teachers please be in the Band Room to pick up your class at 9:45 AM to help maintain the schedule.
- Sunday night K3-K5 classes will be dismissed to the FRCS Preschool Hallway on the west side of the school for your convenience.
- Fall Programs will begin on Wednesday, August 17th. K3-K5 Little Lambs will meet in their normal location upstairs in the church building, Masters Club for 1st-3rd Grade will be in the west hallway of the school building, and Anchored for 4th-6th Grade will meet in the Upper Room of the church building.
- During this time, there will be no check-in for kids. Roll will be taken in the classroom.

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## **FRBC Bus**

- All FRBC Bus Ministry classes will meet in their normal locations with the exception of the the 1st-2nd Grade Bus Church and 3rd-6th Grade Bus Church. 1st-2nd Grade Bus Church has been moved to ED 154. 1st-6th Grade Bus Church has been moved to the Band Room.
- Teachers will pick up all bus children at 10:45 AM to transition them to their classrooms for the 11:00 AM hour.
- Please refrain from parking behind the school building on Sunday mornings. This space will be reserved for bus parking only.
- Bus riders will enter the back of the school building. Teens transitioning to their classes will need to use the halls rather than the Gym due to the 9:00 AM Worship Service.

## **Parking and Traffic Flow**

- Normal parking locations will be available during this time. Please seek to leave spaces close to the Gymnasium available for the elderly of our church.
- You can enter the Gymnasium from the front of the school building or the East and West canopies of the school by going through the Commons. Doors from the Commons to the Gym will be locked during service times. You can enter the gym by either utilizing the halls on either side or the Commons entrance prior to the service.
- As you exit the campus, the left turn lane at each Franklin Road exit will be closed on Sunday mornings. If you need to turn left onto Franklin Road, please exit out the back of the property or the Gresham Lane exit to use the light at Gresham Lane.
- Due to the new service schedule on Sunday mornings, there will be some traffic dismissal following the 10:00 AM LifeStage Classes. Please be aware and patient as you enter and exit the property.

## **Additional Information**

- There will be a scaled version of livestream available for each service. You can continue to access the livestream through your normal feed.
- Some logistical changes will occur during this time. Please look for communication from your ministry's leader, the church website, social media, email, and the church texting service.
- Due to the multi-purpose role of both the Gymnasium and Auditorium, there will be a great amount of set-up and tear-down. Volunteer opportunities and announcements will be made in the service during this process. This is a great opportunity for everyone to be a part of serving Christ's Church.

## **Prayer Requests**

- Safe and efficient remediation and restoration of the Auditorium
- Spirit of cooperation amongst the church family
- Revival and spiritual growth in this time of transition

Thank you for being a part of Franklin Road Baptist Church. Even though this was not in our plans, it was in our Lord's plans. We are asking God that He would use this time to grow and revive His church for even better days ahead!