



May 12, 2020

Dear Church Family,

In lieu of our current Global Pandemic this year's Business Meeting and vote will take place via written communication and on-line. For 'Active Members' of First Baptist Church you will receive a hard copy via USPS which will include detailed information regarding this year's ballot.

You will have two options for voting. First, you can use the enclosed ballot and mail it back to the church signed no later than June 28th or; second, you can go to our web page, www.sheltonfbc.org, and click on the Business Meeting button and vote electronically. Electronic ballots must also be signed and completed by June 28th. If you have questions regarding any of the ballot issues, please call the church office at 360-426-8461 and one of the elders will contact you.

If you are not an 'Active Member' of First Baptist Church you will receive an email with this communication encouraging you to go to our web site, www.sheltonfbc.org, and click on the Business Meeting so you can track with what members are voting on. Only 'Active Members' are allowed to vote on church business.

We have never entered a budget planning season in the middle of a global pandemic. Needless to say we are uncertain about what the coming months look like economically. Amazingly as we write this letter giving is at budget through April, 2020. It never ceases to amaze us what a giving church family you are.

With uncertainty looming in the coming months, leadership's intention for the 2020/21 budget is to; 'Hold the Line'. The only increase in this year's budget is \$3,588 representing state mandated minimum wage increase. Besides that there are no increases in the overall budget. Additionally, our intention through the summer and fall season is to move forward 'cautiously' with spending until we see how things begin to trend past our re-opening.

With that in mind we are asking you to review this budget for the 2020/21 budget year. If you have questions prior to voting please feel free to contact the elders/pastors.

God bless our First Baptist Church family! We miss you and can't wait until we are allowed to come back together.

Sincerely,

FBC Elders