



WELCOME

CHURCH CALENDAR

We are honored you have chosen to join us in worship. There is a time in our service when we will welcome guests; we will not, however, ask you to stand, raise your hand or do anything that makes you feel awkward. We would like to know you were here, however. Please fill out the information request below and place it in the offering plate or hand it to an usher or minister. We promise to use it only to contact you about our church.

This is my (our)...
First visit to First Baptist Church
Second (+) visit

Name

Spouse's Name

Address

City

State Zip Code

E-mail

Marital Status
Married Single Widow(er)

Telephone

Children at Home (Name/Age/Grade)

I am new to Rome.
I am interested in knowing more about First Baptist Church.
I would like to talk with a minister.
I would like to know how to become a Christian.
I am a guest of:

Sunday, May 20
8:30 a.m. Adult Faith Development Committee - Conference Room
Missions Committee - Dining Room
9:00 a.m. Scrap Iron Broadcast (WLAQ 1410)
9:45 a.m. Bible Study
11:00 a.m. Worship

Monday, May 21
10:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study Brunch - Tamara's Home
1:00 p.m. Women of the Church Book Group - Conference Room
Deacons' Meeting
5:30 p.m. Executive Meeting - Conference Room
6:00 p.m. Dinner - Dining Room
6:30 p.m. General Meeting & Committees - Dining Room

Tuesday, May 22
3:00 p.m. Meals and More - First United Methodist Church
5:30 p.m. Discovery Team - Conference Room
7:00 p.m. Deacon Nominating Committee - Conference Room

Wednesday, May 23
12:00 p.m. Prayers and Reflections - Chapel/Dining Room—John Uldrick, speaker

Thursday, May 24
6:45 a.m. Men's Bible Study - MSP Law Office
6:00 p.m. Preschool Committee Meeting - Conference Room

Saturday, May 25
6:30 a.m. Mission Immersion Trip Departs - Bahamas

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Emmelyn C. Harrison on the occasion of her birthday and in loving memory of Thomas I. Harrison by J. Mark Harrison and Family.

The flowers in the Narthex are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Hazel Hay Dowd, Doris Dellinger Dowd and Edward Dowd by their Children.

CHURCH DIRECTORY: To access the mobile directory: 1. Go to our website. 2. At the bottom of the home page click the LOGIN link and enter the username and password you have previously registered. If you have not registered, click REGISTER and follow those instructions. 3. Once you are logged in, go to MEMBER RESOURCES and select MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY. You can scroll through the directory, search by name, view family profiles, etc. The onscreen Guided Tour will walk you through each of these areas. To update your contact information, please contact Melinda Duke at mduke@fbcrome.org. For those who had their photos made for the directory by Lifetouch, your free directory booklets have been shipped to the church and may be picked up in the church office later this week. For those who did not have their photos taken at the church by Lifetouch and therefore will not receive a free directory or for those who want extra directories, copies are \$10 each.

DEACON NOMINATING: It is time to nominate deacons to serve in the new church year. Please fill out forms available around the church and return them to the church office.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY BRUNCH: Gather at Tamara's home for brunch at 10:30 a.m. Monday. This is the final Women's Bible Study until September 10.

YOUTH SUMMER CALENDARS AVAILABLE: Download your copy from the church website or printed versions are available through the church office. Also please order summer t-shirts by May 23. Contact John with questions.

VBS: Register through the website for VBS June 4-6. The gym is open for volunteers Thursdays from 1-5 p.m. to work on decorations. Please bring camping equipment to the gym for decoration (pup tents, sleeping bags, lanterns, kayaks.)

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Pentecost Sunday

May 20, 2018 11:00 a.m.

To help maintain a spirit of worship, please silence cell phones. We welcome a larger congregation through Comcast Channel 44 and through the livestream over the church website.

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude ...Joan Hill
'Great Day, the Righteous Marchin'...arr. William Farley Smith
(Please use this time to pray for yourself, for others, and for this service.)

Call to Worship ...Acts 2:1-21
Tamara Smathers, John Uldrick, Kristen Pope, readers

*Hymn of Pentecost No. 225 ...ST. THEODULPH
'On Pentecost They Gathered'

Call to Confession No. 234 ... IVERSON
'Spirit of the Living God'

A Time for Silent Confession of Sin

Assurance of Forgiveness (Ezekiel 37:14)
'I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act, says the Lord.'

CELEBRATING 60 YEARS IN THE SANCTUARY

A Brief History of the Sanctuary. ...Dr. Bob Hortman
Son of Dr. Hobart Hortman, Building Committee Member

Hymn of the Church No. 246. ... AURELIA
'The Church's One Foundation'

A Covenant of Rededication. ...Tara Kirkland Inman, leader
Granddaughter of Eula Kirkland, Building Committee Member
(Based on the covenant used for the dedication of the sanctuary in 1958.)

For the faith and the vision and the sacrifice of Your people who through the years have desired to build and maintain this house. ...

We thank Thee, gracious Father.

For the worship of God, Our Father, and Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, and the Holy Spirit, our Comforter and Guide. . . .

We thank Thee, gracious Father.

For the study, preaching and teaching of the Bible, the word of God. . . .

We rededicate this building.

For the salvation of the lost, for the deliverance of those who are tempted, for the strengthening of Christian faith, for the comforting of those who are in sorrow, for the uplifting of the discouraged. . . .

We rededicate this building.

For the nurture of childhood, for the inspiration of youth, for the enrichment of adults, and for the support of Christian ideals in our homes and community. . . .

We rededicate this building.

For the spread of the Gospel, for the extension of Christian faith by missions to the uttermost parts of the earth. . . .

We rededicate this building.

ALL: We do now, the people of this church and congregation, compassed about with a great crowd of witnesses, DEDICATE OURSELVES, anew, to the worship of God in this place and to the great work of establishing His Kingdom in the world. Amen.

Hymn of DedicationELLACOMBE
 “Dedicatory Hymn”

*This hymn was used at the 1958 Sanctuary Dedication Service.
 (Children ages four through second grade may depart for Children’s Worship.)*

To Him Who hallows all our days our souls in worship bend;
 On joyful wing our songs of praise and gratitude ascend;
 This house we dedicate to Thee, O Lord, this holy day;
 And may its mission over be Thy glories to display.

A precious gem of Thy right hand a trophy of Thy grace,
 Long may its walls in beauty stand, for Thee a dwelling place;
 And as the years shall come and go on time’s unresting wing,
 May hearts of stone here learn to glow, and of Thy mercies sing.

And by Thy Spirit’s ministries, may saints their joys renew,
 And in the strength Thy grace supplies their heavenly race pursue;
 May faithful lips, with trumpet sound, Thy gospel her proclaim,
 Till tribes and tongues the world around shall praise Immanuel’s name.

Morning Prayer (*with The Lord’s Prayer*).Matt DuVall
 Our Father, who art in heaven hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Musical Offering. Sanctuary Choir

“Be My Church”...Susan Bradshaw/Keith Reaves
 (*The text to this anthem is based on our church covenant.*)

The one eternal God has sent the Holy Spirit
 and those who hear His words may write them on their hearts.
 He, who is our Savior, has spoken through the Spirit,
 engraving the invitation on the walls of our souls.

“Come, be My church. Come be My church in your time.
 Be My church by seeking My heart.
 Come, be My church. Come be My church for all time.
 Be My church by being My hands.

Until I return again seek My heart, be My hands, be My church!’

Let us covenant with one another and with our heavenly Father.
 We believe the church is the body of Christ on earth.
 Now, as we remember the first time we heard Him call our names
 we know the engraving on our souls will not fade.
 Christ’s invitation remains!

“Joyfully share your song, be busy doing My will.
 Whenever you hear a call, whenever you hear a cry, remember it is I!”

Sermon. Rev. DuVall
 “A Holy Wind”

*Hymn of Response No. 238. LOIS
 “Spirit, Now Live in Me”

*Prayer of Stewardship.Harold Storey
Building Committee Member

Offertory. Beverly Harris/Joan Hill
 “Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”...arr. John Innes

The Work of the Church Keith A. Reaves

Welcome to New Members of the Church Family

*Commissioning of Bahamas High School Mission Team
*Griffin Burgess, Anna Fitzpatrick, Charlie Uldrick,
 Jennifer Uldrick, John Uldrick, Anna Waguespack*

Leader: Jesus commanded us to go into all the world. In the Bahamas, the team will invite people to seek the heart of Christ, to receive God’s love in Christ, and to radiate God’s Spirit in other parts of the world.

People: We will offer our prayers and support to Griffin, Anna, Charlie, Jennifer, John and Anna.

Leader (*to the team*): Do you accept the responsibility of representing First Baptist in doing the work of our Lord in the Bahamas? Will you serve with energy, enthusiasm, intelligence, imagination and love, treasuring your experiences as opportunities to teach and to grow?

Mission Team: We will, with God’s help.

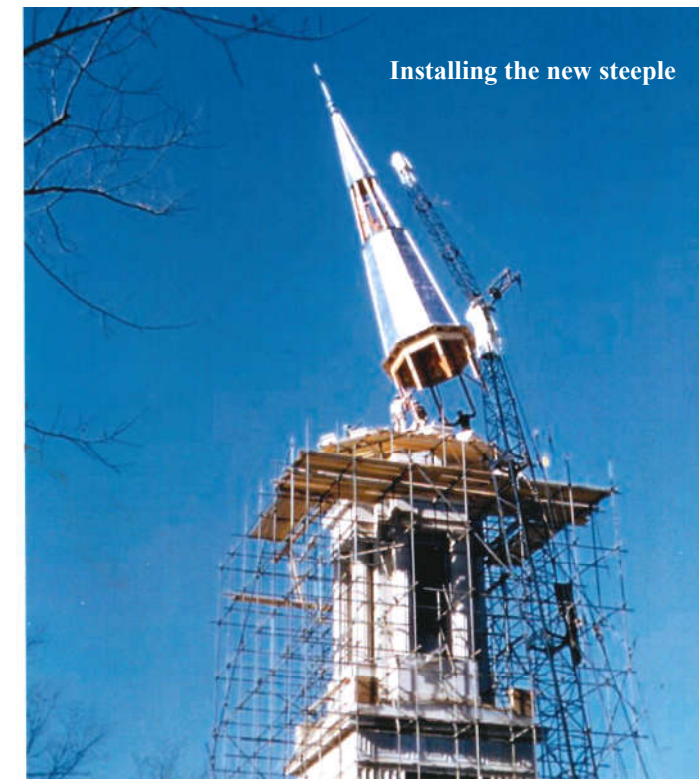
Leader: May God lead you, protect you, support you and make you a blessing as you work in the Bahamas and serve as the hands of Christ for us. May the peace of Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you. Amen.

*Passing of the Peace

*Hymn of Commissioning No. 241.MANNA
 “Sweet, Sweet Spirit”

*Postlude.Joan Hill, organ
 “The Emperor’s Fanfare” ...Antonio Soler/arr. E. Power Biggs



Children’s Worship. Children ages four through second grade are invited to Children’s Worship on the second floor of the Education Building. Parents may pick up their children there following worship.

Joining First Baptist. We receive new members in several ways. Those who have never publicly acknowledged Christ as Lord join by public profession of faith. Baptism is scheduled for a later date. Members of other Baptist congregations may transfer their membership to our congregation. We handle the details of contacting your current church. Members of other Christian faith traditions are invited to join by “statement of faith.” Because other traditions vary in belief and practice, those joining by statement of faith are invited to speak with a minister before joining so that they might answer questions.

Recording. All services are recorded and may be viewed on our website. If you would like a video or audio copy of today’s service, please call the office.

Matt DuVall, Pastor

Keith A. Reaves, Senior Associate/Minister of Worship

Tamara Tillman Smathers
 Minister of Education/Administration

John H. Uldrick, Minister to Students and Missions

Kristen Pope, Minister of Faith Development

Gwen Stephens, Ministry Assistant

Beverly Harris, Pianist Joan Hill, Organist