



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, August 5
9:00 a.m. Scrap Iron Broadcast (WLAQ 1410)
9:15 a.m. Fellowship - Fellowship Hall
9:30 a.m. Dr. Ruby Payne - Fellowship Hall
11:00 a.m. Worship
12:30 p.m. Session with Dr. Payne for Non-Profits - Fellowship Hall
2:30 p.m. Session with Dr. Payne for Educators - City Auditorium

Tuesday, August 7
5:30 p.m. Discovery Team Meeting - Dining Room

Wednesday, August 8
5:00 p.m. First Choice Dinner - Fellowship Hall
6:00 p.m. Deacon Ordination Service - Sanctuary
6:45 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal - Choir Suite

Thursday, August 9
6:45 a.m. Men's Bible Study - MSP Law Office

Friday, August 10
11:30 a.m. Weekday Preschool Meet the Teacher

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of O.M. and Kathryn Cates and John and Miriam Talley by Martha Cates.

BRIDGES: Welcome, Dr. Ruby Payne! This afternoon, educators from Rome, Floyd County, and surrounding areas will gather at the City Auditorium to hear Dr. Payne's presentation, "Emotional Poverty: Addressing Anger, Anxiety, and Avoidance in the Classroom." The session begins at 2:30, and is free as a gift from FBC Rome in gratitude to those who invest their lives providing excellent education.

PROMOTION SUNDAY: Children will promote to their new Sunday School classes on Sunday, August 12. There will be a special blessing of students during worship and a group picture taken. Make sure your children are there for this day of transition and growth!

FBC STUDENT CHECK-UP LUNCHEON: All youth and parents please plan to join us for lunch after worship on August 19 as we dream about the future of Youth Ministry at FBC Rome. Even if you have a child who will be a Youth in the next year or so, we welcome your participation.

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A Service of Christian Worship

August 5, 2018 11:00 a.m.

To help maintain a spirit of worship in today's service, please silence cell phones and pagers. Hearing assisted devices are available. Please see an usher for more information.

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude. Joan Hill, organ
"All Creatures of Our God and King" ...arr. John Innes
(Please use this time to pray for yourself, for others, and for this service.)

Welcome to Worship. . . . Tamara Smathers, Minister of Education/Administration

Lead a life worthy of the calling to which you are called:
We cannot do this alone, we dare not try this alone, so we gather as God's people.
Lead a life worthy of your calling, a life filled with service and meekness.
We come to build up Christ's Body, in humility and gentleness, with patience and love.
Lead a life which reflects your calling, that life of peace grounded in the Spirit.
We rejoice in our oneness in Christ; we want to share the grace offered to us.
Live a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called.
We gather as God's family, to worship God in Spirit and in Truth!

*Hymn of Praise No. 349TO GOD BE THE GLORY
"To God Be the Glory"

Call to Confession No. 404 (Stanza Two). . . .NEED
I need Thee every hour, stay Thou nearby.
Temptations lose their power when Thou art night.
I need Thee, O I need Thee. Every hour I need Thee.
O bless me now, my Savior, I come to Thee.

A Time for Silent Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness. . . Kristen Pope, Minister of Faith Development
Through the power of the Holy Spirit within us, God is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine. So, hear and believe the good news that in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.
Amen!

*Reading of Holy Scripture Ephesians 4:1-16
 (The text may be found on page 1158 of the Bible in the pew racks.)
 William Douglas, lay reader
 Reader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God!

*Gloria Patri (Hymn 704)
 Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

Morning Prayer Matt DuVall, *Pastor*
 Your Son Jesus cared for all people. Some listened to Him and followed Him, others hated Him; but He was vulnerable and open to all — Pharisee, prostitute, tax collector, outcast, widow, rich, poor.

Lord, we confess that we have often separated ourselves from the least, the last, the lost, and the overlooked whom You also came to save.

Jesus welcomed the outcast, freed the demoniac, accepted the adoration of the prostitute, but we do not always engage the marginalized in our communities.

You have called us to be the body of Christ:

To reflect the openness of Christ to the world, to the powerful and the powerless alike, and to invite them to share the life of Christ together.

Make us vulnerable to the poor and needy.

Help us to see that being open to the poor is not so much sharing our wealth as sharing their poverty, not so much sharing our power as sharing their powerlessness, not so much sharing our respectability as sharing their stigma.

For we remember the grace of our Lord Jesus, who, though He was rich, yet for our sake He became poor, so that by His poverty we might become rich.

Help us to open our lives, not just our church buildings; to open our homes, not just our church halls.

Help us to be the servant not only of the beautiful, the capable, the articulate and well educated, but of the broken and difficult, the depressed and dispossessed.

Most of all, make us open to You.

Enter our lives and fill us with the Spirit of Jesus, so that our life together may be a corporate reflection of His generous presence in the world. Amen.

Response No. 652. SERVANT
 “Make Me a Servant”

Hymn of Service No. 249 AZMON
 “The Church of Christ Cannot Be Bound”
 (Children ages four through second grade may depart for Children’s Worship.)

Musical Offering. Sanctuary Choir
 “In My Father’s House” ...arr. Craig Courtney
 In my Father’s house, you will find a place in the warm embrace of an open door.
 In my Father’s house, leave the past behind, come inside and find what you’re longing for.
 In my Father’s house, solace can be found, comfort will surround the bruised and broken.
 In my Father’s house, children live in peace, war and hatred cease and love is spoken, in my Father’s house.
 In my Father’s house, you will find a place in the warm embrace of an open door.
 In my Father’s house, leave the past behind, come inside and find what you’re longing for.
 In my Father’s house, pardoned from all sin, free from what has been, life can start again.
 In my Father’s house, prodigals come home, no one walks alone, come and enter in, in my Father’s house.

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Sermon Rev. DuVall
 “Building the Body in Love”

*Hymn of Response No. 658 WYE VALLEY (Abridged)
 “Let Your Heart Be Broken”

*Prayer of Stewardship John Uldrick, *Minister to Students/Missions*

Offertory. Joan Hill
 “Psalm 23” ...Michael Burkhardt

Meditation Text:
 Ministries exist for the sake of ministry, not for their own sake. The ministry of all is about living out the life and love which constituted us in the first place and keeps us going together. —William Loader

The Work of the Church. Rev. Uldrick

Welcome to New Members of the Church Family

*Pastoral Blessing and Passing of the Peace

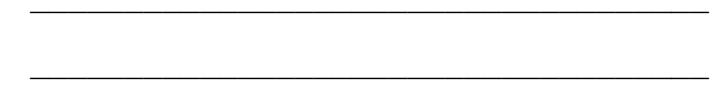
*The Lord’s Prayer...Albert Hay Malotte
 Our Father, which art in heaven hallowed be thy Name.
 Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
 Give us this day our daily bread
 and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
 And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
 For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

*Postlude. Joan Hill
 “Trumpet Tune” ...Charles Callahan

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.

Prayer Concerns. (Please place in offering plate or hand to an usher or minister.)



DEACON BALLOT 2018-2019
 The following individuals have been nominated by the Deacon Nominating Committee to serve as Deacons. Please vote for fourteen (14) persons. If you would like to write in another name or names, please strike one nominee for each person you write in.

- 1. Tom Bennett (Returning)
- 2. Louie Canova (Returning)
- 3. Chris Cook (Returning)
- 4. Janice Davis (New, to be Ordained)
- 5. Donnie Denson (New, to be Ordained)
- 6. Chip Hood (Returning)
- 7. Robert Hortman (New, to be Ordained)
- 8. Brandon Johnson (Returning)
- 9. Shannon Loy (Returning)
- 10. Wade Monk (Returning)
- 11. Nancy Ratcliffe (New, to be Ordained)
- 12. Jason Sanker (Returning)
- 13. Cathy Strickland (New, to be Ordained)
- 14. Jana Weidemann (Returning)

Write-Ins:



John Bennett has been nominated to serve as a Life Deacon. John has served FBC as a Deacon for 30 years. Please check if approved:

- 1. John Bennett