

THE SPIRE

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“Conversations for Every Couple” MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT WEEKEND

March 1-2, Dining Room of FBC
Friday 6:00-9:00 p.m.
Saturday 8:30 a.m.-noon

\$25 per couple includes a Banquet Dinner and Breakfast
Led by David and Jane Hull
Free Childcare with reservations by February 22

FROM OUR PASTOR

I can still hear my baseball coach yelling at us “you have to commit!” Whether it was chasing down a fly ball in the gap or stealing a base or even taking a swing at a pitch, he wanted to see us commit to what it was that we needed to do. If we were going to do it, he wanted us to commit all the way—don’t hesitate and don’t hold back. His reason for his demand was simple: You will have more success if you commit to your action because “nobody ever won nothin’ with half-hearted commitment.”

Sunday March 3rd is Commitment Sunday for our *Together, We* vision. On that day, we will begin a season of commitment where we will ask for you to fill out a commitment card to be a part of our *Together, We* vision. As I have said before, we won’t be successful in achieving this vision if we don’t commit to each other and to God that we will follow where God is leading

us. There are so many different opportunities for each of us to find ways to serve, to share, to worship, to disciple and to connect, and within each of those areas, there is room to find places to be a part of this vision. You will be able to commit to more than one area, and over the following weeks and months, we will begin to organize ourselves to prioritize and then begin pursuing the initiatives in *Together, We*.

Every single person in our community can find a place in *Together, We*, and it will be so exciting to see how God uses our commitment to further the work that God is already up to in our community. Please continue to pray for God to give you clarity about where you are called to serve, and let’s commit with each other to accomplish *Together, We*!

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WEEKDAY PRESCHOOL

2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR

Have you registered for our Weekday Preschool? Your child can be a part of the learning, worship and fun! Registration Forms are on the church website.

Contact Melissa

Wood at mwood@fbcrome.org or

706.295.1150 for more information or to schedule a visit.



CHILDREN'S CORNER

CHILDCARE FOR MARRIAGE RETREAT

If you are planning to attend the marriage retreat on March 1st-2nd, please call the office by February 22 if you will need childcare so that we can be prepared.

GETTING READY LUNCH & LEARN

Kids 2nd-6th grade who have not yet made the decision to be baptized are invited to lunch with Ms. Kristen on March 10 from 12:00-2:00 p.m. to talk about what baptism is, what it means, and how each person feels ready at a different time. Please email Kristen at kpope@fbcrome.org to sign your child up!

TALENT SHOW & SILENT AUCTION

It's time to gear up for our annual fundraiser on March 31st. Email or text Kristen if your child would like to participate in the talent show, or if there is something you will be donating for the auction. We will need everyone's help!

YOUTH NEWS

MARCH MISSION MADNESS

March 15 - 17 in Alpharetta, GA

\$100 per participant

Sign up here: <https://fbcromemmm2019.eventbrite.com>

SAVE THE DATES!

Youth Mission Trip in Americas

June 8 - 14

We will work with Together for Hope Georgia

PASSPORT CHOICES IN GREENSBORO, NC

June 30 - July 5

\$399 per participant

Sign up for YOUR spot here:

<https://fbcrome-ythpassport-19.eventbrite.com>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

YOU CAN CHANGE THE WORLD! GIVE TO THE OFFERING FOR GLOBAL MISSIONS

The Cooperative Baptist Fellowship is our primary partner in Global Missions, as we commit to pray for and support the missionaries who serve through CBF. 100% of your gift sends CBF field personnel to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Please help us reach our goal of \$33,000. Given to date: \$18,207.00.

ADULT CHOICES

Wednesdays, 6:20 p.m.

- “The Children of Abraham: A Study of Three Monotheistic Religions” Led by Brian Inman in the Chapel, this seminar looks at the three Abrahamic Religions: Judaism, Christianity and Islam.
- “Together, We Vision in Detail” Led by Matt DuVall in the Dining Room, this seminar will walk us through the *Together, We* visioning plan. Each week, one of the specific areas in the plan will be discussed in detail, beginning with an overview and proceeding through Share, Worship, Connect, Serve and Disciple.

“CONVERSATIONS FOR EVERY COUPLE” MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT WEEKEND

FRIDAY, MARCH 1, 6:00-9:00 P.M.

SATURDAY, MARCH 2, 8:30 A.M.-12:00 P.M.

\$25 per couple includes the cost of dinner on Friday and breakfast Saturday morning

This “in house” enrichment event will draw from the wealth of experience of David and Jane Hull, who as pastors, enjoy encouraging couples as they prepare for marriage and maintain healthy marriages. We will kick off the weekend with a nice dinner on Friday night and continue the fun Saturday morning.

Please don't delay. Make your reservations through the church office by

February 25th. Childcare requests *MUST*

be made by February 22. Contact Tamara Smathers for more information.



MISSIONS MINISTRY

HANDS OF CHRIST DAY

SATURDAY, APRIL 6TH

We need YOUR HELP to host a Bridges out of Poverty Workshop for the Rome/Floyd County community!

There will be TONS of ways YOU can help. So, save the date, make plans to help, and we'll have ways for you to register SOON!

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WELCOME TO THE CHURCH FAMILY

PLEASE WELCOME:

Charlene Turner and Scotty, Ronda and Gatlin Hancock

MUSIC MINISTRY

FURMAN SINGERS IN CONCERT AT FBC

The Furman Singers will present a free concert in the Sanctuary on Tuesday, March 5 at 7:00 p.m. Two of our members, Mary Jo McCormick and William Douglas, are members of this acclaimed ensemble. Bring some friends and enjoy a night of great music!

MUSIC MINISTRY TO THE FOX

The Music Ministry is sponsoring a trip to see "Dear Evan Hansen" at the Fox in Atlanta on Thursday, April 25. Orchestra level tickets are \$100 and that includes transportation. We will depart at 4:15 p.m. Please sign up and pay in the church office. Your payment ensures your ticket!

SENIOR ADULTS

SENIOR ADULT TRIP TO THE WEST

A few spaces are still available for our trip to Yellowstone, Jackson Hole, the Badlands and more in September. The trip is now open to those who are not members of FBC. Contact Keith for details.

SUNDAY FLOWERS

The flowers in the Narthex for Sunday, February 17, are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Ted A. Owens by Joanne Owens and Family.

The flowers in the Sanctuary for Sunday, February 17, are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Josephine and Hubert Lowe by Dick and Pat Johnston.

The flowers in the Narthex for Sunday, February 24, are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of George and Natalie Reynolds by the Reynolds Family.

The flowers in the Sanctuary for Sunday, February 24, are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Al and Nell Ansley Briley by Ansley and Dean Saville and Family.

The Sanctuary and Narthex flower calendar has several openings in the month of July. If you are interested in placing flowers in the church on a Sunday to honor or memorialize someone special, please contact Karen Garrett in the church office.

GIVING TO GOD

Year-to-Date:

Ministry Support Needed \$725,169.68
Support Received \$763,688.03

2018-2019 Total Budget Commitments to Date \$1,216,354.00

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February 16 - March 1

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Saturday, February 16

Minister on Call Tamara Tillman Smathers 706.266.7141

Sunday, February 17

Adult Faith Development
Committee Mtg., Conf. Rm. 8:30 am
Missions Committee Mtg., DR 8:30 am
Scrap Iron Broadcast (WLAQ 1410) 9:00 am
Bible Study (all ages) 9:45 am
Worship - Comcast Channel 44 11:00 am
WD Early Education Committee Mtg., Conf. Rm. 5:30 pm

Monday, February 18

Centering Prayer, Prayer Rm. 9:30 am
Women's Bible Study, DR 10:00 am
WOC Book Group, Conf. Rm. 1:00 pm
First Baptist Ringers 5:15 pm
Women's Small Group, Comm. Rm. 5:30 pm
The Edge (HS Seniors), Finnegan Home 7:30 pm

Tuesday, February 19

Men's Bible Study, DR 12:00 pm

Wednesday, February 20

First Choice Dinner, FH 5:00 pm
Women's Small Group, 3rd Flr. Education Bldg. 5:45-6:30 pm
Youth Hangout, YR 5:45 pm
Children's Choirs 5:45 pm
Prayer Time, FH 6:00 pm
Adult Choice Seminars, DR/Chapel 6:20 pm
Children on Mission 6:30 pm
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Choir Suite 6:45 pm

Saturday, February 23

Minister on Call John Uldrick 706.766.0430

Sunday, February 24 (World Hunger Offering)

Scrap Iron Broadcast (WLAQ 1410) 9:00 am
Youth Choir, Choir Suite 9:00 am
Youth Parent Panel Mtg., YR 9:00 am
Bible Study (all ages) 9:45 am
Family Worship - Comcast Channel 44 11:00 am
Food on the Fourth (College Ministry) 12:00 pm
Youth Small Groups, YR 5:00-7:00 pm

Monday, February 25

Centering Prayer, Prayer Rm. 9:30 am
Women's Bible Study, DR 10:00 am
First Baptist Ringers 5:15 pm
Women's Small Group, Comm. Rm. 5:30 pm

Tuesday, February 26

FBC Serves Community Kitchen 8:00 am
Men's Bible Study, Comm. Rm. 12:00 pm
FBC Serves Meals & More, FUMC 3:00-6:00 pm

Wednesday, February 27

FBC Serves Community Kitchen 8:00 am
Senior Adult Committee Mtg., Conf. Rm. 3:30 pm
First Choice Dinner, FH 5:00 pm
Women's Small Group, 3rd Flr. Education Bldg. 5:45-6:30 pm
Youth Hangout, YR 5:45 pm
Children's Choirs 5:45 pm
Prayer Time, FH 6:00 pm
Adult Choice Seminars, DR/Chapel 6:20 pm
Children on Mission 6:30 pm
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Choir Suite 6:45 pm

Thursday, February 28

FBC Serves Community Kitchen 8:00 am

Friday, March 1

FBC Serves Community Kitchen 8:00 am
Marriage Enrichment Weekend, FH 6:00-9:00 pm

THIS WEEK: FEBRUARY 17

SUNDAY WORSHIP

SERMON: *"Together, We....Serve"*

PREACHER: Rev. Matt DuVall

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 25:36-46

ANTHEM: Lord of the Small...Dan Forrest

SPECIAL MUSIC: Lyman Hinson, tenor

TLC VOLUNTEERS

BED BABIES: Janie Smith and Reid Finnegan

1'S & 2'S: Mike & Pam Finnegan

3'S & 4'S: Julie Waguspak and Holly Amerman

FIRST CHOICE MENU

FEBRUARY 20

Meatloaf

CHILDREN'S OPTION

Hamburgers with Tater Tots

MINISTER ON CALL:

Tamara Tillman Smathers 706.266.7141

NEXT WEEK: FEBRUARY 24

FAMILY SUNDAY WORSHIP

SERMON: *"Together, We....Disciple"*

PREACHER: Rev. Matt DuVall

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 28:16-20, John 13:34-35

ANTHEM: Yes, My Jesus Loves Me...
arr. Mary McDonald

PARENT/CHILD DEDICATION FOR
VIRGINIA LEIGH JACKSON AND FAMILY

TLC VOLUNTEERS

BED BABIES: Dana Hester, Joan Goss and
Sharon Baker

1'S & 2'S: Ty & Mary Ethridge

3'S & 4'S: Jarrett & Bridget Gray

FIRST CHOICE MENU

FEBRUARY 27

Baked Cod with Lemon-Garlic Butter

CHILDREN'S OPTION

Breaded Chicken Fingers

MINISTER ON CALL:

John Uldrick 706.766.0430

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SUNDAY SERVICES

BROADCAST LIVE ON
COMCAST CHANNEL 44 AND
VIA WWW.FBCROME.ORG

UPCOMING EVENTS MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!

MARCH 1-2

Marriage Enrichment Weekend

MARCH 5

Furman Singers Concert

MARCH 6

Ash Wednesday Service

MARCH 10

Getting Ready Lunch & Learn

MARCH 15-17

March Mission Madness

MARCH 31

Children's Talent Show & Silent Auction Fundraiser

APRIL 6

Hands of Christ Day

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www.fbcrome.org

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