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FROM OUR PASTOR

In his book *Canoeing the Mountains*, Tod Bolsinger says that “leadership is a way of being in an organization...that mobilizes people to tackle tough challenges and thrive, and therefore leadership is always about personal and corporate transformation.” Churches shouldn’t ever call leaders to serve the church solely for who they have been or for how they might keep the church as it has always been. We should call leaders with an eye and a hope toward who they are becoming and for how they can help all of us in our becoming fully who we are called to be in Christ both in our own lives and in our life together.

This coming year will be a year with some shifts and some new ideas and initiatives being put into place because of the implementation of our Together, We vision. That ministry will challenge us in parts and it will stretch us. Those new opportunities will ask us to continue to imagine where God is at work in the world and to join God there. It will also require our leaders to respond to new opportunities to grow

and learn more about how God has gifted them to serve. As both clergy and lay leaders, our calling isn’t to maintain an institution and keep it doing the same thing year after year after year. Our calling is to be faithful to the call of God in this world, and that will always pull us outward to the edges of what we might be comfortable with or familiar with at times.

But the good news is that God goes before us and God has equipped and called some wonderful leaders for such a time as this. I give thanks to God for the deacons who have been called to serve our church for the next three years and look forward to serving and learning and growing alongside them in the months and years ahead.

With hopeful anticipation,



WEEKDAY PRESCHOOL

HAVE YOU REGISTERED FOR OUR WEEKDAY PRESCHOOL?

Classes for children 1yr-5yrs old start August 12. A few spaces are still available. We would love to have your child be a part of the learning, worship and fun!

Registration Forms are on the church website or contact Melissa Wood (mwood@fbcrome.org or 706.295.1150) for more information and to schedule a visit.



CHILDREN'S CORNER

JULY 28TH: Lunch & Lion King: join us in the Fellowship Hall directly following worship to watch the Original Lion King movie and eat together (a make your own sundae bar is included!)

JULY 31ST: We will go see the NEW Lion King movie at Mount Berry Theater. Time TBA.

AUGUST 4TH: Pool Party at Northside Swim Center, 2-5PM. Bring your favorite pool toys & start the school year with a splash!

AUGUST 11TH: Promotion Sunday is when we will move to our new Sunday School classes & each child will receive a "Back to School" button for their backpack. Make sure you're there!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIBLE STUDY PROMOTION AND EXPLORATION DAY SUNDAY, AUGUST 11

BREAKFAST AND FELLOWSHIP, 8:45 | BIBLE STUDY, 9:45

If you've always wanted to explore the various opportunities for Sunday morning Bible Study classes, this will be your day! Chef Greg will kick off the morning at 8:45 with a Big Breakfast served in the Fellowship Hall.

If as an adult you've wanted to check out what's happening with another class, this is your day. Guides will be located around the building to help you find your way. If you have questions, please contact Tamara Smathers.

FIRST CHOICE IS BACK! WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14



First Baptist Church is your place to be on Wednesday evenings. Start with the choices on a buffet dinner, and then join together for prayer time, seminars, music, missions, and worship.

We kick off on Wednesday, August 14, with dinner followed by a service of worship ordaining our new deacons.

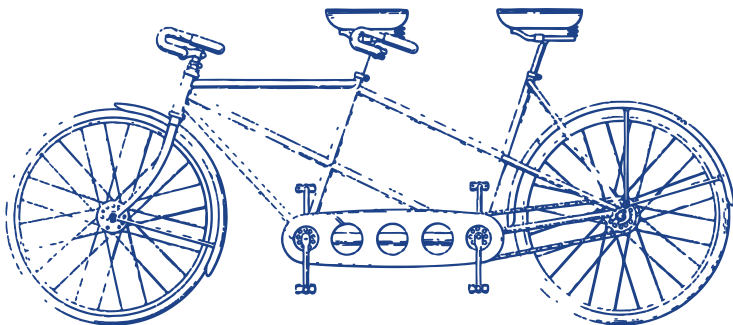
First Choice Dinner prices are increasing this year (for the first time in 10 years!). New prices are: Adults and Teenagers: \$7
Children (ages 3-12): \$4 | Household Maximum: \$22

HAVE YOU MET SHELBY?

She is helping our church get connected! Listen out for more information in the weeks ahead as we introduce Shelby to the church family.



YOUTH NEWS



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FBC ROME YOUTH | SUMMER 2019

SUMMER CALENDARS AVAILABLE!

John has printed copies available, or you can download one from the church website in the Important Documents or Announcements areas.

SUMMER ACTIVITIES

JULY 22 – Paintball Event (4:00 p.m.-Midnight)

JULY 24 – Atlanta Braves Game (4:00 p.m.-Midnight)

JULY 25 – Diving Into The Word, Hood's Home (5:00-8:00 p.m.)

JULY 29 – Mystery Lunch (11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.)

AUG. 3 – End of Summer Lake Day (10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.)

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SENIOR ADULTS

SIGN UP NOW FOR SAN ANTONIO!

The Senior Adult Ministry is sponsoring a trip to San Antonio February 16-20, 2020. This exciting trip will feature one hotel stay with side visits to The Alamo, River Walk, LBJ Ranch, Fredericksburg, the Stock Show and Rodeo and more. Brochures with signup information are available in the office and people are registering!

A meeting to answer any questions and to sign up is August 21 at 3:00 p.m. in the Dining Room. Contact Keith Reaves or Karen Garrett for more information.

JULIE HENDERSON'S LIFE VERSE:

"No temptation has seized you except what is common to man. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can stand up under it."

1 Corinthians 10:13



SUNDAY FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary for Sunday, July 21, are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Sybil Mann Harrison by Lindsey Sybil Mann Field and Ashley Harrison Mann Pittman.

The flowers in the Narthex for Sunday, July 28, are given to the glory of God and in gratitude for those who volunteer their gifts and time to serve the church.

The flowers in the Sanctuary for Sunday, July 28, are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Chapman and Sarah Shields, John Davis, Thomas Cliett, and Hugh and Frances Quinn who met on May 16, 1835 to form the Rome Baptist Church.

GIVING TO GOD

Year-to-Date:

Ministry Support Needed	\$1,397,471.57
Support Received	\$1,423,823.08

2018-2019 Total Budget Commitments to Date \$1,222,054.00

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July 20 - August 2

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Saturday, July 20

Minister on Call	Tamara Tillman Smathers 706.266.7141
Children depart for Passportkids Camp	8:00 am

Sunday, July 21

Adult Faith Development	
Committee Mtg., Conf. Rm.	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

Monday, July 22

Youth - Paintball Event	4:00 pm-Midnight
Women's Small Group, Community Rm.	5:30 pm

Tuesday, July 23

FBC Serves Community Kitchen	8:30 am
Men's Bible Study, DR	12:00 pm
FBC Serves Meals & More, FUMC	3:00-6:00 pm
Children return from Passportkids Camp	4:00 pm

Wednesday, July 24

FBC Serves Community Kitchen	8:30 am
Youth depart for Atlanta Braves Game	4:00 pm
<i>Together We</i> , Disciple Team Mtg., Conference Rm.	5:30 pm

Thursday, July 25

FBC Serves Community Kitchen	8:30 am
Youth - Diving Into The Word, Hood's Pool	5:00-8:00 pm

Friday, July 26

FBC Serves Community Kitchen	8:30 am
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Friday, July 26 - Saturday, July 27

Youth-Rising 7th Grad Kickoff & MS Lock-In:	
7th Grade Kickoff	12:00 p.m. - 9:00 am
Middle Schoolers join in the fun at Dinner	6:00 p.m. - 9:00 am

Saturday, July 27

Minister on Call	John Uldrick 706.766.0430
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Sunday, July 28

Scrap Iron Broadcast (WLAQ 1410)	9:00 am
Bible Study (all ages)	9:45 am
Worship - Comcast Channel 44	11:00 am
Children - Lunch & (Original)	
Lion King Viewing, FH	12:00-2:00 pm
Food on the Fourth (College Ministry)	12:00 pm

Monday, July 29

Youth - Mystery Lunch	11:30 am
Women's Small Group, Comm. Rm.	5:30 pm

Tuesday, July 30

Men's Bible Study, DR	12:00 pm
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Wednesday, July 31

Children - (New) Lion King Viewing at Mount Berry Theatre	
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THIS WEEK: JULY 21

SUNDAY WORSHIP

SERMON: "Christ, the Head of the Church"

PREACHER: Rev. Matt DuVall

SCRIPTURE: Colossians 1:15-28

ANTHEM: Lord of My Life...Lanny Allen

SPECIAL MUSIC: Mary Donahue, Solo

TLC VOLUNTEERS

BED BABIES: Joanne Owens

1'S & 2'S: Adel & Matthew Lee

3'S & 4'S: Kate Barron

MINISTER ON CALL:

Tamara Tillman Smathers 706.266.7141

NEXT WEEK: JULY 28

SUNDAY WORSHIP

SERMON: "Asking the Father"

PREACHER: Rev. Matt DuVall

SCRIPTURE: Luke 11:1-13

ANTHEM: Beautiful Savior...arr. Tom Fettke

TLC VOLUNTEERS

BED BABIES: Maggie & Daniel Dunagan

1'S & 2'S: Lauren & Ryals Stone

3'S & 4'S: Kim Higgins & Bobby George

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SUNDAY SERVICES

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

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JULY 26

Rising 7th Grade Kickoff
& Middle School Lock-In

AUGUST 7

Sanctuary Choir Dinner
& Rehearsal

AUGUST 4

Deacon Election

Pool Party at Northside
Swim Center

AUGUST 11

Bible Study Kickoff

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First Choice Dinner

Deacon Ordination Service

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