



ALL SAINTS DAY

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1
11:00 A.M. IN THE SANCTUARY

IN LOVING MEMORY

Catherine B. Aaron

Madeline Austin

John Burch

Jean Camp

Beverly Chandler

Mae Dell Clark

Wydelle Clark

Carolyn Cordle

Ouida Dickey

Joel Fletcher

Margaret Flowers

Burnese Harper

Jo Anne Locklear

Martin McElyea

Beverly Pearson

Marion Richards

Doris Schmick

Patricia Seymour

Dewey Stevens Jr

Mike Twente

Orene Walls

Clint Yates

FROM OUR PASTOR

I was recently listening to a psychologist talk about grief and loss and something she said stuck out to me in a way it hadn't before. She was asked a question regarding how people deal with the different parts or different phases of grief, and she made an effort to point out that grief or that loss isn't something that we ever fully finish with. Many of us know the stages of death and dying by Elizabeth Kubler Ross and we apply that to our stages of grief, but this expert suggested we are never really finished with our grief when it is someone we deeply love. It stays with us. What we should be trying to do is to learn to live with grief and loss. Instead of it being an unwelcomed guest who has invaded our home or our space and who we are trying to get rid of, we should create a space for it and recognize that it has a place in our lives.

Part of how we do that as a church is to remember the lives of those who have been a part of our church family who have died in the previous year. As we do every year, we will remember those loved ones and saints on Sunday, November 1st which is All Saints Sunday. We do this to not only honor again the ways that these beloved brothers and sisters made a significant contribution to our lives and to our life together, but also to remember and support their family members and loved ones who are still feeling the depths of their grief. As we remember and give thanks for their lives, we also are reminded of the life that all of us have in Christ and how Christ is present to us in our grief. Thanks be to God!

Grace and peace,

WEEKDAY PRESCHOOL

READY TO SEND YOUR CHILD TO PRESCHOOL THIS YEAR?

Email mwood@fbcrome.org or call 706.295.1150 to ask about the policies and procedures we have in place to keep your child & family safe and healthy. We're having a great year at First Baptist Weekday Preschool and would love for your child to join us!



MARY SHOTWELL SMITH'S LIFE VERSE:

"Those who live in the shelter of the Most High will find rest in the shadow of the Almighty. This I declare about the Lord: He alone is my refuge, my place of safety; he is my God, and I trust him. As for me, I am in your hands; do with me whatever you think is good and right.."

Psalm 91:1-2

CHILDREN'S CORNER

FALL FESTIVAL

Wear your costumes (and your mask) and Kristen will see you on Wednesday, October 28, 6:00-7:15 p.m. for our Fall Festival which will end with a Halloween egg hunt. As an added bonus, the Java Joy coffee cart will be there to serve us coffee and hot chocolate. Java Joy is a mobile coffee cart that employs and empowers people with disabilities, so that they can share their joy!

WORSHIP RESERVATION

Make a reservation for worship, there is room for you and children are welcome! You will find packaged Ziploc bags of activities for kids in the Narthex before you enter.

GRATITUDE DEVOTIONAL

Beginning in November, a gratitude devotional will be available for families. It will be available as a paper copy and digitally. I hope you will use it as a family throughout the month!

WOMEN OF THE CHURCH

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY HAS RESUMED! MONDAYS AT 10:00 A.M.

Join us on Mondays at 10:00 a.m. in the Chapel, which allows space for distancing. Please enter through the Community Room doors to check in. If you have questions, please contact Tamara Smathers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



FIRST CHOICE CURBSIDE DINNERS WEDNESDAYS, 4:45-6:15 P.M.

Even though we are unable to sit around tables in the Fellowship Hall, we ARE able to enjoy the yummy mid-week meals prepared by Chef Greg. **Each bag includes two adult servings** of salad, entrée, and dessert and packaged in microwavable containers. Total cost is \$12.00.

FOLLOW THESE EASY STEPS:

1. Make a reservation each week (by noon on Tuesday) or request a "standing reservation" by calling the church office or emailing Debbye Akins dakins@fbcrome.org. **Note: Those with a standing reservation need only advise if you do *not* plan to pick up that particular week.**
2. Enter the Community Room Parking Lot following the drive thru directional signs.
3. A volunteer will receive your payment (cash, check or Square) and place your packaged meal in your car.
4. Return home to enjoy your meal, and then to join Matt for Prayer Time at 6:00 p.m.

MUSIC MINISTRY

SANCTUARY CHOIR REHEARSAL

The choir is rehearsing in the Sanctuary at 7:15 p.m. on Wednesdays preparing to record music for our annual "Christmas at First Baptist" concert. Please contact Keith Reaves if you are interested in singing in this year's program.

CHRISTMAS AT FIRST BAPTIST

A pandemic cannot stop the presentation of the 22nd annual "Christmas at First Baptist" concert! It will be a little different as youth, children and adult choirs will be recording the concert this year to be presented through our church website, Comcast and our church Facebook page. More details coming!

HEATHER SHORES' LIFE VERSE:

"For I know the plans I have for you" declares the Lord,
"plans to prosper you and not to harm you,
plans to give you hope and a future."

Jeremiah 29:11

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF ROME

100 East 4th Avenue Rome, GA 30161 706.291.6850 www.fbcrome.org



MISSIONS MINISTRY

SHOWER TRAILER HOST VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

FBC has recently partnered with a sister congregation in Armuchee who has a shower trailer set up in First United Methodist Church's parking lot. Each Saturday, they offer showers to those experiencing homelessness in our area. FBC is now responsible for providing two individuals to greet those taking advantage of a warm shower and provide them a meal on the 4th Saturday of each month from 2:30-4:30. If you would be willing to serve in this important ministry, please email John at juldrick@fbcrome.org or call the church office.

HANDS OF CHRIST CHRISTMAS

The ways in which we have served the greater Rome community at Christmas has changed through the years. What began as the Angel Tree Gift ministry became an annual Hands of Christ Christmas breakfast event, and we now look forward to serving our community in a new way this Christmas. Goal two of our *Together, We Serve* emphasis reads, "Build mutually transformative relationships and partnerships with those who live in our local community," and that is what we wish to do through our Hands of Christ Christmas emphasis in 2020. Many of you as church members already have authentic relationships with families in our community who have needs that are unmet. Our goal is to learn about those families and their needs, including adults and children, and then leverage and combine our individual resources to support them at Christmas and throughout the coming year. This may include clothing, toys, transportation, education, housing, recovery, healthcare, counseling and many other things. We are following a God-sized dream, and we hope you will make plans to join us along the way. More details will be forthcoming soon! In the meantime, anyone with questions or an interest in being a part of the planning team may contact Kate Barron, Jennifer Uldrick, Amy Cox, or John Uldrick.

SUNDAY FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary for Sunday, October 25, are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of David T. Brown by Ann Brown Ryan and Children.

The flowers in the Sanctuary for Sunday, November 1, are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Trixie and Dee Couch by Patsy and Jere Drummond.

GIVING TO GOD

Year-to-Date:

Ministry Support Needed	\$97,130.76
Support Received	\$80,847.34

2019-2020 Total Budget Commitments to Date \$1,188,449.48

October 24 - November 6

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Saturday, October 24

Minister on Call Matt DuVall 706.254.1323

Sunday, October 25 Reformation Sunday

Scrap Iron Broadcast (WLAQ 1410) 9:00 am
Bible Study (Adults), Zoom 9:45 am
Worship - Comcast Channel 44 11:00 am
Baptism
Worship also available on FBC Website /Facebook Live

Monday, October 26

FBC Serves Community Kitchen 8:00 am
Women's Bible Study, Chapel 10:00 am
Women's Small Group, Zoom 5:30-7:00 pm

Tuesday, October 27

Together, We Serve Team Meeting, DR/Zoom 5:30 pm

Wednesday, October 28

FBC Serves Community Kitchen 8:00 am
First Choice Curbside Meals (*Reservation Only*) 4:45-6:15 pm
Children's Fall Festival, Outdoor Ball Court 6:00-7:15 pm
Youth - Wednesday Connection
(*Enter through Ball Court*) 6:00-7:15 pm
Prayer Meeting, Chapel/Zoom 6:00-6:15 pm
Churns Bible Study, Zoom 6:00 pm
Book Discussion for Adults, Choir Rm./Zoom 6:00 pm
Adult Bible Study, Chapel/Zoom 6:20-7:00 pm
Adult Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary 7:15-8:00 pm

Friday, October 30

FBC Serves Community Kitchen 8:00 am

Saturday, October 31

Minister on Call John Uldrick 706.766.0430
Youth Fall Event, Hood Farm 7:00-10:30 pm

Sunday, November 1 (All Saints Day)

Scrap Iron Broadcast (WLAQ 1410) 9:00 am
Bible Study (Adults), Zoom 9:45 am
Worship - Comcast Channel 44 11:00 am
Observance of the Lord's Supper
Worship also available on FBC Website/Facebook Live

Monday, November 2

NO Women's Bible Study
Women's Small Group, Zoom 5:30-7:00 pm

Wednesday, November 4

First Choice Curbside Meals (*Reservation Only*) 4:45-6:15 pm
FBC Kids Connect:
Birth-1st Grade (*Drop off - Playground Entrance*) 6:00-7:00 pm
2nd-6th Grade (*Drop off - Courtyard Entrance*) 6:00-7:15 pm
Youth - Wednesday's Connection
(*Enter through Ball Court*) 6:00-7:15 pm
Prayer Meeting, Chapel/Zoom 6:00-6:15 pm
Churns Bible Study, Zoom 6:00 pm
Book Discussion for Adults, Choir Rm./Zoom 6:00 pm
Adult Bible Study, Chapel/Zoom 6:20-7:00 pm
Adult Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary 7:15-8:00 pm

THIS WEEK: OCTOBER 25

REFORMATION SUNDAY

SUNDAY WORSHIP

SERMON: "It's Love Y'all"

PREACHER: Rev. Matt DuVall

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 22:34-46

BAPTISM OF NOAH HOOD AND BRADEN HOOD

TOGETHER, WE CONNECT: Earl and Mary Rolan

ACCESS THE ORDER OF WORSHIP EACH WEEK AT:

<https://fbcrome.com/orders-of-worship/>

FIRST CHOICE CURBSIDE MEALS

(RESERVATIONS BY NOON ON TUESDAY)

OCTOBER 28

Mixed Green Salad

Beef Bourguignon

Whipped Potatoes

Medley of Vegetables

French Silk Pie

MINISTER ON CALL:

Matt DuVall 706.254.1323

NEXT WEEK: NOVEMBER 1

ALL SAINTS DAY

SUNDAY WORSHIP

SERMON: "Finding the Way"

PREACHER: Rev. Matt DuVall

SCRIPTURE: Psalm 107:1-7, 33-37

OBSERVANCE OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

TOGETHER, WE CONNECT: Nina Lovel

SPECIAL MUSIC: Nancy Ratcliffe

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FIRST CHOICE CURBSIDE MEALS

(RESERVATIONS BY NOON ON TUESDAY)

NOVEMBER 4

Mixed Green Salad

Shrimp & Grits

Steamed Asparagus with Lemon

Peach Cream Ring Cake

MINISTER ON CALL:

John Uldrick 706.766.0430

THE SPIRE

SUNDAY SERVICES

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

YOUTH NEWS

YOUTH MINISTRY

WEDNESDAY'S CONNECTION

EACH WED FROM 6-7:15 PM IN YOUTH ROOM

*ENTER THE OUTSIDE BALL COURT DOOR (TO THE LEFT OF SANCTUARY)

*WEAR YOUR MASK

*EAT DINNER BEFORE YOU COME OR AFTER OUR SESSION

*BRING A FRIEND OR 2!

FALL FUN EVENT

SATURDAY, OCT 31

7:30 - 10:30 PM

HOOD FARM

486 NEW ROSEDALE ROAD
30105

ALL YOUTH FAMILIES WELCOME
REGISTER FOR A CFA MEAL FOR DINNER

SOCIALLY DISTANCED HAY RIDES, BONFIRE, & OUTDOOR MOVIE - "SIGNS"

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