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EXTEND
HOPE &
HOSPITALITY

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OFFERING FOR
GLOBAL MISSIONS

2020-2021

Please give as generously as you can to this year's Offering for Global Missions. Your gift will share the Good News and offer lasting hope and loving hospitality to refugees and other vulnerable communities.

Our Goal: \$35,000

Given To Date: \$8,920

A MESSAGE FROM TAMARA

This year's Offering for Global Missions emphasis invites us to extend lasting hope and loving hospitality in very real ways to refugees, people living in poverty, and marginalized children and families. Through missions personnel of the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship we find it possible to offer a witness for Jesus Christ in areas of the world that have little access to the Gospel. We know many of these individuals by name and have heard their stories of developing long term relationships within their communities. We have committed to pray for them and for the people with whom they serve. We have also committed to support them through the Offering for Global Missions.

One such story comes from Janee Angel and her husband Hary who minister among with Syrian refugees and Arabic-speaking people in Antwerp, Belgium. They started a new ministry center where worship services, Bible studies, fellowship meals, and language

classes are held. Nearly 35 people from both Muslim and Christian backgrounds were baptized last year.

The mission Jesus gave us to share the Gospel to all nations has never been greater than it is now. In these days of COVID-19 pandemic, our field personnel are called to minister to and help meet ever emerging critical needs.

When you give to the Offering for Global Missions, you help plant new churches, and share the hope of Christ with people who have never heard the Gospel. You offer food, teach children how to succeed in school, and help refugees adapt and thrive in their new homes. The goal for our church this year is \$35,000. We know that this support will help to transform lives.

Tamara Tillman Smathers
Minister of Education/



WEEKDAY PRESCHOOL

2021-2022 REGISTRATION OPEN NOW

It's time to register for the 2021-2022 school year! Our Christian based preschool plus our experienced and nurturing staff make the Weekday Preschool a perfect place for your child's early learning experience. Contact us to set up a virtual tour of the preschool. Visit fbcrome.org for information on classes offered, registration forms and more. I'd love to hear from you! Melissa Wood, Director, 706.295.1150 or mwood@fbcrome.org



CHILDREN'S CORNER

LENT BOXES

Lent Boxes will be available for pick-up or delivery beginning February 7th, chock full of ways to walk through the Lenten season to Easter together!

SPRING CALENDAR

The Spring Calendar of events has been released. Make sure you have seen it & marked your calendars! Available to view on Facebook, Instagram, Email & our Remind app.

SIGN UP FOR WORSHIP WITH YOUR FAMILY

Sign your family up for worship, and remember that Children's Church has been extended to 4th grade during this time.

DANNY ALEXANDER'S LIFE VERSE:

"Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you."

Ephesians 4:32

YOUTH NEWS

2021 YOUTH BBQ SALE

Due to COVID precautions, GMC Value Mart will prepare and smoke our BBQ this year. They have prepared all of our meat in the past, and this year they will also smoke it. All orders must be placed no later than January 31st and picked up on Friday, February 5th between 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. from the GMC store located in Coosa at 3402 Alabama Highway.

\$35 - 1 smoked butt | \$20 - 1 smoked rack of ribs

Tickets may be purchased **online only** at www.fbcrome.org until January 31. If you need assistance placing your order, please call the church office or reach out to a member of the FBC youth group.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



OFFERING FOR GLOBAL MISSIONS

OFFERING FOR GLOBAL MISSIONS OUR GOAL: \$35,000

FBC Rome is committed to sharing the Gospel as instructed by Jesus. We have a rich history of participating in missions in our community as well as in global mission involvement. We enable those who are equipped with the local languages and culture to serve on our behalf while we support them financially and undergird them with prayer. The Cooperative Baptist Fellowship is our primary partner in Global Missions as it carries out the Great Commission through our support. Please support the Offering for Global Missions as we seek to reach a goal of \$35,000.

MISSY WARD ANGALLA TO SPEAK

The Ruble-Whitworth missions group will host Missy Ward Angalla on Monday, February 8th at 11:30 a.m. Missy serves with the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship Global Missions working alongside refugee women in Kampala, Uganda. The meeting will be hosted through Zoom and will also be recorded.

OFFERING ENVELOPES

The 2021 Offering Envelopes are available for pick up in the Sanctuary Narthex, Office Lobby, and the Community Room Lobby or can be mailed upon request.



FIRST CHOICE CURBSIDE DINNER PICKUP TIMES ARE BETWEEN 4:45-5:45 P.M.

Served Wednesdays between 4:45 and 5:45. Make your reservations (or changes to your reservations by noon on Tuesday) by contacting Debbie Akins at dakins@fbcrome.org, or calling the church office. Weekly menus are listed on the back page of the Spire as well as on the church website.



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF ROME

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ADULT CHOICES

“Seeing Gray in a World of Black and White”

Wednesdays, 6:20 p.m. by Zoom

A book published 13 years ago offers important lessons for us today. Rev. Adam Hamilton writes, “Everyone agrees that America is polarized, with ever-hardening positions held by people less and less willing to listen to one another. No one agrees on what to do about it. One solution that hasn’t yet been tried is for thinking persons of faith to model for the rest of the country a richer, more thoughtful conversation on the political, moral, and religious issues that divide us.”

A Zoom link is available from Melinda Duke or Tamara Smathers.

Books are available through your favorite book seller.

JIM BRADSHAW’S LIFE VERSE:

“Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.”

Hebrews 12:1-2

SUNDAY FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary for Sunday, January 31, are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Grace Kelley and Margaret Flowers by Lynn and Vickie Whatley.

The flowers in the Narthex for Sunday, February 7, are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. James Wilbur Keene on the occasion of their wedding anniversary by Buddy and Ellen Keene.

The flowers in the Sanctuary for Sunday, February 7, are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of our parents by Earl and Mary Rolan.

GIVING TO GOD

Year-to-Date:

Ministry Support Needed	\$638,495.10
Support Received	\$752,521.72

2020-2021 Total Budget Commitments to Date \$1,147,890.48

seeking His heart | Being His hands

January 30 - February 12

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Saturday, January 30

Minister on Call

Keith Reaves 706.292.9620

Sunday, January 31

LAST DAY TO SUBMIT BBQ ORDERS

Covid Task Force Team Mtg., Zoom	8:00 am
Scrap Iron Broadcast (WLAQ 1410)	9:00 am
Presentation by Dr. Terry Ellis, Virtual	9:45 am
Worship - Comcast Channel 44	11:00 am
Worship also available on FBC Website / Facebook Live	

Monday, February 1

Women's Bible Study, Chapel	10:00 am
Adult Bible Study Teacher's Lesson Prep, Zoom	5:15 pm

Wednesday, February 3

First Choice Curbside Meals (<i>Reservation Only</i>)	4:45-5:45 pm
Prayer Time, Chapel/Zoom	6:00 pm
Churns Bible Study, Zoom	6:00 pm
Adult Seminar, Zoom	6:20 pm
“Seeing Gray in a World of Black and White”	

Thursday, February 4

Women's Small Group, Zoom	5:45 pm
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Friday, February 5

Finance Committee Meeting, Zoom	12:00 pm
Pickup Preordered BBQ at	
GMC Value Mart	11:00 am - 7:00 pm

Saturday, February 6

Minister on Call

Keith Reaves 706.292.9620

Sunday, February 7

Covid Task Force Team Mtg., Zoom	8:00 am
Scrap Iron Broadcast (WLAQ 1410)	9:00 am
Bible Study (Adults), Zoom	9:45 am
Worship - Comcast Channel 44	11:00 am
Worship also available on FBC Website / Facebook Live	

Monday, February 8

Women's Bible Study, Chapel	10:00 am
Ruble-Whitworth Mission Group, Zoom	11:30 am
Adult Bible Study Teacher's Lesson Prep, Zoom	5:15 pm
Deacons' Meeting, Zoom	
Executive Meeting	6:00 pm
General Meeting	6:30 pm

Wednesday, February 10

First Choice Curbside Meals (<i>Reservation Only</i>)	4:45-5:45 pm
Prayer Time, Chapel/Zoom	6:00 pm
Churns Bible Study, Zoom	6:00 pm
Adult Seminar, Zoom	6:20 pm
“Seeing Gray in a World of Black and White”	

Thursday, February 11

Women's Small Group, Zoom	5:45 pm
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THIS WEEK: JANUARY 31

SUNDAY WORSHIP

PREACHER: Dr. Terry Ellis

SCRIPTURE: Mark 1:21-28

ANTHEM: Down in the Valley to Pray...
arr. Jay Althouse

ACCESS THE ORDER OF WORSHIP EACH WEEK AT:
<https://fbcrome.com/orders-of-worship/>

FIRST CHOICE CURBSIDE MEALS (RESERVATIONS BY NOON ON TUESDAY)

FEBRUARY 3

Mixed Green Salad
Baked Chicken with Rosemary
Roasted Quartered New Potatoes
Yellow Squash Casserole
Red Velvet Cake

MINISTER ON CALL:
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NEXT WEEK: FEBRUARY 7

SUNDAY WORSHIP

PREACHER: Rev. Kristen Pope

SCRIPTURE: Mark 1:29-39

ANthem: By Our Love...Christie Nockles

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FIRST CHOICE CURBSIDE MEALS (RESERVATIONS BY NOON ON TUESDAY)

FEBRUARY 10

Mixed Green Salad
Meatloaf with Gravy
Mashed Potatoes
Mixed Vegetables
Key Lime Pie

MINISTER ON CALL:
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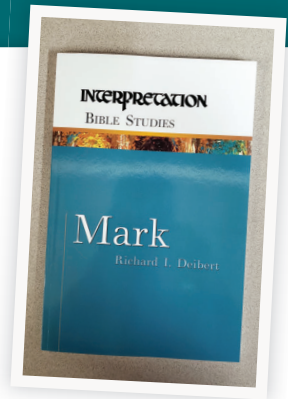
SUNDAY SERVICES

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

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

JESUS THROUGH THE GOSPEL OF MARK

Experience the Good News! Adult Sunday Morning Bible Study classes are launching a 9-week study through the Gospel of Mark beginning February 7, which will culminate on Easter Sunday. Classes continue to meet remotely through Zoom. Copies of *Interpretation Bible Study: Mark* are available in the church office lobby, the News Bin at the Community Room, or in the Sanctuary Narthex. Please contact Tamara Smathers to learn about class options.



UPCOMING EVENTS

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!

FEBRUARY 1

Women's Bible Study
resumes at 10:00 a.m.

FEBRUARY 5

Youth BBQ Sale
Pick up

FEBRUARY 8

Deacons' Meeting

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www.fbcrome.org

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