

PASTOR SEARCH COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

To be voted on in a Called Church Conference
Sunday, June 20th at the close of Worship

Janice Davis, Chair

John Bennett

Frank Clements

Jennifer Collins

Jennie Cook

Tara Inman

Bobby Jones

Bobby Keith

Mary Rolan

Heather Shores

FROM OUR INTERIM PASTOR

All of us need to keep growing in our knowledge of God's Word and its relevance for our lives. There are many approaches to assist us in that process, and one which I would like to recommend to you is called, "Lectio Divina" (Divine Reading). Christians since the 3rd century have experienced meaningful spiritual growth as they have used this discipline.

The five steps of Lectio Divina are:

1. Lectio (Read) – Read the chosen biblical text slowly and prayerfully, and perhaps re-read it as you truly listen to God speak to you through His Word.
2. Meditatio (Meditate) – Ponder the Word of God in your heart, reflecting on what it means to you. Memorize one or more of the verses, allowing them to interact with your thoughts, hopes, and desires.
3. Oratio (Pray) – Prayer is your response to God's Word, as you dialogue with God about what He is saying to you. Enjoy a loving conversation with Him as you speak your prayer and as you listen to Him.

4. Contemplatio (Contemplate) – Rest in God's presence and receive His transforming embrace. At this point, your words are not necessary. Be content and at peace with a quiet rest in God.

5. Actio (Act) – Through the scripture which you have read and meditated upon, decide upon a concrete, specific act which you could do as you apply God's Word in a relevant way, serving someone in Jesus' name.

As you experience the Lectio Divina process, use any biblical passage such as Matthew 5:1-12, or Philippians 4:4-9. Set aside 20 or 30 minutes and enjoy growing in your faith. You can learn much more about this method through an internet search of "Lectio Divina".

God bless you as you grow in your relationship with Him.

Grace and Peace,

WEEKDAY PRESCHOOL

LIMITED OPENINGS AVAILABLE

Think it may be time for your child to start preschool? We have limited openings available and would love to talk with you about our curriculum, learning opportunities, special days and so much more. Children have fun while they learn at FBWP! Our program serves children one year old by September 1st through 5 years old. Depending on age, they come 2, 3 or 4 days. Call us to set up a tour of the preschool and learn more. Melissa Wood, Director. 706.295.1150 or mwood@fbcrome.org

CHILDREN'S CORNER

VBS WORK DAYS

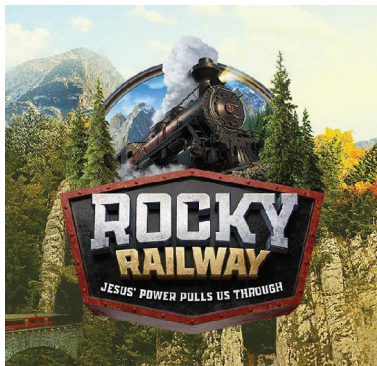
Every Monday & Tuesday beginning June 14th from 10AM-4PM we invite you to drop by the church and help with VBS prep! There will also be 2 work nights: Thursday June 24th 5-8PM and Wednesday June 30th from 5:00-8:00 PM. Please let Kristen Pope or Karen Foss know when you plan on coming so materials can be prepared.

BOWLING OUTING

On June 23rd, children who have finished 3rd grade-finished 6th grade are invited to join me at Floyd Bowling and Amusement at 6:00 PM. After we bowl we will go get ice cream and finish in the church parking lot for a devotion and pick-up at 8:00 PM.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Please register for VBS on the church website as soon as possible; we need to know how many friends will be joining us on the Rocky Railroad as we CHOO-CHOOSE Jesus! VBS is for children who are 3 years-finished 4th grade.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE CHURCH CONTINUES TO FOLLOW CDC GUIDELINES

MASKS

- Face masks are not required for those who are fully vaccinated.
- Face masks should be worn by those who are not fully vaccinated.
- Children and youth who are not fully vaccinated should continue to wear masks.

SEATING

- Seating is on every other pew.
- Fully vaccinated individuals are no longer required to maintain social distance from each other.

PRAYERS AND REFLECTIONS

Our annual summer series returns to an "In Person" format. We will gather with plenty of room in the Fellowship Hall to pray for the needs of our church family and hear from one of our ministers. Lunch, prepared by Chef Greg, will be served in individual containers. \$6.00 per person. Make your reservation by noon each Tuesday by contacting Debbye Akins at dakins@fbcrome.org or calling the church office.

WEEKLY PRESENTERS INCLUDE:

June 23 – John Uldrick June 30 – Gwen Stephens

WOMEN OF THE CHURCH

HOLD THE DATE!

The Women's Epiphany Retreat will be held January 7-9, 2022 at the Benedictine Retreat Center in Cullman, Alabama. More information will follow about deposits, but for now, please put the date on your calendar as we return to our retreat tradition.

YOUTH NEWS

PAINTBALL EVENT

Monday, June 21st at 1:00 p.m.
\$35 for paintball - Eat lunch prior to meeting at FBC
Bring \$ for dinner
<https://forms.gle/3TSFXL6HfhiEnkUr8>

DIVING INTO THE WORD

Tuesday, June 22nd at Hood Home (486 New Rosedale Road 30105)
6-8pm - Dinner provided

MYSTERY LUNCH

Thursday, June 24 - \$15/student
11:30am - 2:00pm - Meet at FBC offices with money for lunch!



PRAY FOR YOUTH PASSPORT PARTICIPANTS

If you would like the specific name of a student to pray for the week of June 28-July 3, please email John Uldrick at juldrick@fbcrome.org.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF ROME

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MISSIONS

MEDICAL DEBT RELIEF UPDATE

Because of FBC ROME's generous giving, we've already met our cooperative \$50,000 goal to erase over \$5 million in long term medical debt. The four cooperating churches will raise our goal, continue to erase medical debt in our counties, and stretch out to contiguous counties as we receive more support! Thank you for all the ways you have supported this effort. Anyone can still give through FBC directly or through the RIP Medical Debt link on our website.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

AN EXCITING RETURN TO BIBLE STUDY

How wonderful to have the building full of Children, Youth, and Adults as we began meeting in person for Bible Study last week. When most churches are involved in a "Summer Slump" you arrived with excitement and anticipation for what is ahead. If you are interested in knowing more about Sunday morning Bible Study groups, please contact Tamara Smathers who can share with you the many options. August 15 has been designated as "Together, We Return" Sunday with a celebration of Bible Study Promotion Day.

BILL HENDERSON'S LIFE VERSE

"And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose."

Romans 8:28

SUNDAY FLOWERS

The flowers in the Narthex for Sunday, June 20, are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Reagan Ransom Coker by George and Bess Bosworth.

The flowers in the Sanctuary for Sunday, June 20, are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Dr. Robert Cates by Martha Cates and Family.

The flowers in the Narthex for Sunday, June 27, are given to the glory of God and in honor of Beverly (Mimi) Harris for her love of music in our lives by Bob, Children and Grandchildren.

The flowers in the Sanctuary for Sunday, June 27, are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Al Briley on the occasion of his birthday by Ansley & Dean Saville and their Family.

GIVING TO GOD

Year-to-Date:

Ministry Support Needed	\$1,307,811.98
Support Received	\$1,310,604.14

2020-2021 Total Budget Commitments to Date \$1,159,490.48

June 19 - July 2

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Saturday, June 19

Minister on Call

Keith Reaves 706.292.9620

Sunday, June 20

Scrap Iron Broadcast (WLAQ 1410)	9:00 am
Bible Study (all ages)	9:45 am
Worship - Comcast Channel 44	11:00 am
Parent/Child Dedication for The Hancock Family	
Worship also available on FBC Website / YouTube Channel	
Called Church Conference-vote on	
Pastor Search Committee	12:00 pm

Monday, June 21

VBS Workday	10:00 am-4:00 pm
Women of the Church Book Group	1:00 pm
Youth Paint Ball	1:00 pm
Committee on Committees, Conf. Rm.	5:30 pm

Tuesday, June 22

VBS Workday	10:00 am-4:00 pm
Youth Diving Into The Word, Hood Pool	6:00-8:00 pm

Wednesday, June 23

Prayers & Reflections, FH (<i>Reservations Only</i>)	12:00 pm
Wonderful Wednesday -	
Bowling with 3rd-6th Graders	6:00-7:30 pm
Sound/Video Booth Training, Sanctuary	6:00-7:15 pm

Thursday, June 24

Youth Mystery Lunch	11:30 am-2:00 pm
Getting Ahead Team (Bridges Out of Poverty),	
Comm. Rm.	6:00 pm
VBS Worknight (Childcare provided)	5:00-8:00 pm

Saturday, June 26

Minister on Call

Kristen Pope 502.693.5644

Sunday, June 27

Scrap Iron Broadcast (WLAQ 1410)	9:00 am
Bible Study (all ages)	9:45 am
Worship - Comcast Channel 44	11:00 am
Worship also available on FBC Website / YouTube Channel	

Monday, June 28

FBC Serves Community Kitchen	8:00 am
VBS Workday	10:00 am-4:00 pm
Youth Passport Trip	

Tuesday, June 29

VBS Workday	10:00 am-4:00 pm
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Wednesday, June 30

FBC Serves Community Kitchen	8:00 am
Final Prayers & Reflections, FH (<i>Reservations Only</i>)	12:00 pm
VBS Worknight (Childcare provided)	5:00-8:00 pm

Thursday, July 1

Getting Ahead Team (Bridges Out of Poverty),	
Comm. Rm.	6:00 pm

Friday, July 2

FBC Serves Community Kitchen	8:00 am
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seeking His heart | Being His hands

THIS WEEK: JUNE 20

SUNDAY WORSHIP

SERMON: "Underdog Mentality"

PREACHER: Rev. John Uldrick

SCRIPTURE: 1 Samuel 17: 4-11, 19-23, 3-49

ANTHEM: God Is Our Refuge...Allen Pote

Parent/Child Dedication for Scotty, Ronda and Mylee Hancock

ACCESS THE ORDER OF WORSHIP EACH WEEK AT:

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

PRAYERS AND REFLECTIONS

(RESERVATIONS BY NOON ON TUESDAY)

JUNE 23 AT NOON IN
THE FELLOWSHIP HALL

PRESENTER: JOHN ULDRICK

MENU:

Hamburgers/Hot Dogs

Lettuce/Tomato/Pickle

Chips / Macaroni Salad

Lemon Bars

MINISTER ON CALL:

John Uldrick 706.766.0430

THE SPIRE

SUNDAY SERVICES

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

UPCOMING EVENTS MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!

JUNE 20

Pastor Search Committee
Recommendation Vote

JULY 11-14

Vacation Bible School

JUNE 28-JULY 3

Passport Youth Camp

AUGUST 15

"Together, We Return"

NEXT WEEK: JUNE 27

SUNDAY WORSHIP

SERMON: "Staying In Touch"

PREACHER: Dr. Ron Murray

SCRIPTURE: Mark 5:21-43

ANTHEM: Almighty Father...Benjamin Harlan

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PRAYERS AND REFLECTIONS

(RESERVATIONS BY NOON ON TUESDAY)

JUNE 30 AT NOON IN
THE FELLOWSHIP HALL

PRESENTER: GWEN STEPHENS

MENU:

Pulled Pork Sandwiches

French Fries

Baked Beans

Pickles

Fresh Fruit Salad

MINISTER ON CALL:

Kristen Pope 502.693.5644

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