

The Deacon Nominating Committee for 2021-2022 makes the following recommendations for Deacons. Balloting will be Sunday, August 1, following the morning worship service. Deacon Ordination will be Sunday, August 8, 8:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary.

Returning Deacons



Gary Barton
Member: 33 years
Wife: Sara
Children: Dan
Retired
Served FBC as: Deacon, Adult Choir Member, Teacher for Adult Classes.
Committees: Budget Committee, Flower Committee, Men's Ministry, Minister of Worship Search Committee, Personnel Committee



Alice Clements
Member: 31 years
Husband: Frank
Children: Sarah and Caroline
Employed with the Community Foundation for Greater Rome, Inc.
Served FBC as: Chair of Deacons, S.S. teacher, Chair of Committee on Committees
Committees: Pastor Search, Faith Development Search, Budget, Finance, Together, We Disciple, Foundation



Frank Clements
Member: 31 years
Wife: Alice
Children: Sarah and Caroline
Employed with DNA Technical Fabric
Served FBC as: Deacon, Sunday School Teacher
Committees: Children's, Youth, Men's, Missions Committee, FBC Foundation



Karen Foss
Member: 45 years
Husband: Harry
Children: Wesley and Scott
Retired
Served FBC as: Deacon, Wednesday Night Choir/ Missions, S.S. Teacher, Adult Choir Member, VBS Co-Director
Committees: Children's, Doris White, Together, We Serve



John Head
Member: 16 years
Wife: Lee Ann
Children: Katie
Served FBC as: Deacon, Adult Choir Member, S.S. Teacher
Committees: Finance, Pastor Search, Stewardship



Lee Ann Head
Member: 16 years
Husband: John
Children: Katie
Employed: Franklin Energy
Served FBC as: Deacon, Sunday School teacher, Adult Choir Member
Committees: Comm. on Committees, Missions, Finance, Ministerial Search Committees



Bobby Keith
Member: 12 years
Wife: Cheryl
Children: Lindsey, Carrie, Maggie, and Sam
Employed: athenahealth
Served FBC as: Deacon, Sunday School Teacher, Sunday Night Children's Leader
Committees: Family Night, Youth, Pastor Search, Deacon Nominating Committee



Bill Kerestes
Member: 8 years
Wife: Sally
Children: Kathryn and David
Retired
Served FBC: Deacon, Community Kitchen, Ushers & Greeters, Hands of Christ
Committees: Men's Ministry, Chair-Ushers & Hospitality Coordinators



Stephanie Lewis
Member: 21 years
Husband: Jason
Children: Carter, Aaron, Henry, and Macy
Employed: Rome City Schools
Served FBC: Deacon, Sunday School Teacher, Bible Buddies, Youth Small Group Leader
Committees: Comm. on Committees, History, Children's Committee, Lord's Supper Committee



Julie McCormick
Member: 47 years
Husband: Jerry
Children: Winston and Mary Jo
Employed: St. Mary's Catholic School
Served FBC: Deacon, Adult Choir Member, Sunday School Teacher
Committees: Missions, Pastor Search, Weekday Preschool, Personnel, Stewardship, Membership

Returning Deacons



Lauren Sklar
Member: 40 years
Husband: Marc
Children: Abby and Emma
Served FBC as: Deacon, Sunday School Teacher, VBS Teacher, Missions Teacher
Committees: Women of the Church Committee, Flower Committee, Together, We Serve Committee



Beth Smith
Member: 41 years
Husband: Scott
Children: Bailey, Avery, and Anne Scott
Employed: Darlington School
Served FBC as: Deacon, Sunday School Teacher
Committees: Together, We Connect, Youth Committee, Children's Committee, Preschool Committee



Miriam Peterson
Member: 21 years
Husband: Carroll
Children: Tim Gowens
Retired
Served FBC as: Deacon, Covid Task Force, Sunday School Teacher, TLC Worker
Committees: Baptism, Budget Preparation, Adult Education Committee

New Deacon (To Be Ordained)



Ryals Stone
Member: 4 Years
Wife: Lauren
Children: Jack and Harrison
Employed with Stone Law Group
Committees: Budget Preparation, Finance Committee

New Deacon (Previously Ordained)



Sam Ratcliffe
Member: 9 years
Wife: Nancy
Retired
Previously Ordained at FBC Calhoun
Served FBC as: Broadcast/ Media Crew, Dean's List-President
Committees: Electronic Ministry

New Life Deacon



Bob Hortman
Member: 59 years
Wife: Susan
Children: Robert, Jeff and Janie
Retired
Served FBC as: Deacon, Sunday School Teacher, Treasurer
Committees: Foundation, Finance, Pastor Search, Stewardship, Budget Prep, Building, Faith Development