

We are honored you have chosen to join us in worship. There is a time in our service when we will welcome guests; we will not, however, ask you to stand, raise your hand or do anything that makes you feel awkward. We would like to know you were here, however. Please fill out the information request below and place it in the offering plate or hand it to an usher or minister. We promise to use it only to contact you about our church.

This is my (our)...
 First visit to First Baptist Church
 Second (+) visit

Name _____
 Spouse's Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____
 State _____ Zip Code _____

E-mail _____

Marital Status
 Married Single Widow(er)

Telephone _____

Children at Home (Name/Age/Grade)

I am new to Rome.
 I am interested in knowing more about First Baptist Church.
 I would like to talk with a minister.
 I would like to know how to become a Christian.
 I am interested in becoming a member of First Baptist Church.
 I am a guest of:

Sunday, February 27
 8:30 a.m. Adult Faith Development Committee - Conference Room
 9:00 a.m. Scrap Iron Broadcast (WLAQ 1410)
 9:45 a.m. All Sunday Bible Study
 11:00 a.m. Worship

Monday, February 28
 FBC Serves Community Kitchen
 10:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study - Dining Room

Tuesday, March 1
 FBC Serves Community Kitchen
 2:00 p.m. Properties Committee Meeting - Dining Room
 5:30 p.m. Pastor Search Committee - Builder's Room

Wednesday, March 2
 FBC Serves Community Kitchen
 2:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday (Self Guided) Experience - Sanctuary
 4:45 p.m. First Choice Curbside meals (*Reservation Only*)
 5:45 p.m. Youth Connection - Youth Room
 6:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting - Zoom
 6:30 p.m. Youth Fun & Games
 6:45 p.m. Sanctuary Choir - Choir Room
 7:00 p.m. Youth Small Groups - Youth Room

Thursday, March 3
 FBC Serves Community Kitchen
 6:00 p.m. Bridges Out of Poverty - Community Room

Friday, March 4
 FBC Serves Community Kitchen

The flowers in the Narthex are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Hazel Hay Dowd, Willard Hay and Edward and Doris Dellinger Dowd by Lucy Hay Vick and Dub and Lyn Hay.

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Don Clements by the Clements Family.

INTERACTIVE ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE - 2:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.
 Our Ash Wednesday observance will feature an interactive, self-guided, come and go experience in the Sanctuary from 2:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. Several stations around the room will prepare you for Lent and introduce you to our Lent worship series theme, "Good Enough." The experience should take 20-30 minutes. The stations are tactile and COVID and family-friendly. It is hoped that those who do not work during the day can come earlier so that families who have working parents can use the time in the afternoon and early evening. Guests are welcome.



Goal: \$40,000
Total Given:
\$20,507



**A Service of Christian Worship
 February 27, 2022**



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH ROME, GEORGIA

February 27, 2022 11:00 a.m.

To help maintain a spirit of worship, please silence phones.

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude Brass Ensemble/Joan Hill, organ
"HYFRYDOL"arr. J. William Greene

Welcome to Worship. Tamara Tillman Smathers

As we gather this morning, be confident that the Lord is with You;

God has called us, that we may be where God is!

Jesus is the path that leads to God;

He is the certainty that leads to God.

Jesus came as the Way, the Truth and the Life to protect us, to lead us and to comfort us always.

Let us worship God!

*Hymn of Praise No. 415. CRUCIFER
"Lift High the Cross"

Call to Confession. Children's Choir
"Sometimes When I Am Still"Carol Huffman Dickerson
Betty Holland, accompanist

A Time for Silent Prayer

Assurance of Forgiveness. Children's Choir/Congregation
"Amazing Grace"arr. Jay Althouse

Stanza One: Children

Congregation (join when prompted):

Through many dangers, toils and snares I have already come.

'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.

When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise
than when we first begun.

*Reading of Holy Scripture. Acts 22:3-5 and John 14:5-14
(The text may be found on page 1103 and 1067 of the Bible in the pew racks.)

Dr. Joel Snider, reader
Reader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

*Gloria Patri (Hymn 704)
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be world without end. Amen. Amen.

Hymn of Perseverance No. 633 ALL THE WAY
"All the Way My Savior Leads Me"

Morning Prayer (with the Lord's Prayer) Kristen Pope
Our Father, who art in heaven hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Musical Offering Sanctuary Choir/Brass Ensemble
"The Invitation"arr. Craig Courtney
(The text for this anthem is taken from Isaiah 55:1,6.)

Come, you who thirst, come to the water,
and you who have nothing, come buy and eat.

Come to Me.

Seek Me while I may be found.

Call on Me while I am near.

Sermon Dr. Snider
"This Is the Way"

*Hymn of Response No. 471 RESTORATION
"Come Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy"

*Prayer of Stewardship. John Uldrick

Offertory Brass Ensemble/Beverly Harris, piano
"Fairest Lord Jesus"arr. Ruth Elaine Schram

Offering for Global Missions Prayer Requests:

- Thank God that long-term presence of CBF field personnel allows for trust to build and opportunities to bear witness to Jesus Christ.
- Ask the Holy Spirit to lead CBF field personnel as they share the good news of Jesus Christ in ways that are culturally relevant.

The Work of the Church. Rev. Uldrick

Welcome to New Members of the Church Family

*Pastoral Blessing and Passing of the Peace Dr. Snider

Commissioning Song No. 496. FOOTSTEPS
"Footsteps of Jesus" (Stanza One)

*Postlude Joan Hill
"In Thee Is Gladness"J. S. Bach

Joining First Baptist

We receive new members in several ways. Those who have never publicly acknowledged Christ as Lord join by public profession of faith. Baptism is scheduled for a later date. Members of other Baptist congregations may transfer their membership to our congregation. We handle the details of contacting your current church. Members of other Christian faith traditions are invited to join by "statement of faith." Because other traditions vary in belief and practice, those joining by statement of faith are invited to speak with a minister before joining so that they might answer questions.

Family Worship

Today is the last Sunday of the month. These days are designated as "Family Worship" days and all children sit with their families. Nursery care is available for children four and younger. Children's Worship will return next Sunday.

Prayer Concerns

(Please place in offering plate or hand to a minister.)

- Dr. Ron Murray
Interim Pastor
- Keith A. Reaves
Senior Associate/Minister of Worship
- Tamara Tillman Smathers
Minister of Education/Administration
- John H. Uldrick
Minister to Students and Missions
- Kristen Pope
Minister of Faith Development
- Gwen Stephens
Minister to Extended Family
- Joan Hill, Organist
- Beverly Harris, Pianist