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FRUITS OF THE SUMMER

FBC ROME KIDS CALENDAR

Wed May 25: Ice Cream Social on the playground

Wed June 1: Lunch at Chick-fil-A @ noon

Wed June 8: Splash Pad Party @ Town Green

Tues/Thurs June 14 & 16: VBS Work nights, 5-8PM

June 20-23: Adventure Island VBS, 9-11:30AM

Wed June 29: Pizza @ Ridge Ferry Park

Sun July 10: Rome Braves game, 2PM

July 17-20: Passport Kids Camp

Wed July 27: Messy Games with 3rd-6th graders

Sat August 13: Java Joy & Back to School Scavenger Hunt



JUNE

- June 1** Let's Flourish – Bluem / Mellow Mushroom / Mountains Ice Cream
4:00-9:00 p.m. / \$15 per student
- June 3** Mystery Lunch
11:30 a.m. / \$15 for lunch
- June 12** Summer Kickoff at the Bagby's
6:00-8:00 p.m. / Free
- June 15** Diving into the WORD at the Keith's
6:00-8:00 p.m. / Free
- Jun. 26-Jul. 1** Passport Youth Camp – Greensboro, NC
Leave church @ 10:00 a.m. / Return home @ 6:00 p.m.

JULY

- July 6** Diving into the WORD at the Sumner's
6:00-8:00 p.m. / Free
- July 9** Atlanta Braves Game / 4:15 p.m. Game Time
\$25 per student plus money for food and merchandise
- July 10** Outdoor fun at the Poyner's
6:00-8:00 p.m. / Free
- July 12-16** Senior Trip / TBD
- July 20** Diving into the WORD at the Hood's
6:00-8:00 p.m. / Free
- July 25** Mystery Lunch / 11:30 a.m. / \$15 for lunch
- July 26** Six Flags / \$20 per student plus money for food and merchandise
- July 30** End of Summer Fun – Lake Day



FBC ROME STUDENTS

Flourish

CULTIVATE, NURTURE & ABIDE

SUMMER 2022

FROM THE PASTOR SEARCH COMMITTEE

The Pastor Search Committee is prepared to present FBC with our recommendation for the next Senior Pastor. We will have Call Weekend the weekend of June 19. Prior to that weekend, we will be sending out information about the candidate as well as a schedule of events for call weekend.

We are very excited about the candidate and know you will be as well! We appreciate and have felt your prayers, and we ask for continued prayers for our candidate and his family as they make this new transition in their life.

Janice Davis,
Chair of the Pastor Search Committee



WEEKDAY PRESCHOOL

PRESCHOOL OPENINGS

It's hard to believe, but the 2022-2023 school year will be here before we know it! Our preschool has some of the best teachers and staff around. If you know of someone who could benefit from our program, please have them contact us at 706.295.1150 or mwood@fbcrome.org.



BAXTER MCWHORTER'S LIFE VERSE

"Glorify the Lord with me; let us exalt his name together."

Psalm 34:3

CHILDREN'S CORNER



VBS

VBS is June 20-23rd, and we are still accepting volunteers and donations! Volunteers can help the actual week of VBS or with prep in the weeks before. Our donation wish list includes old umbrellas, artificial greenery, & Walmart/Amazon gift cards. Contact Kristen Pope or Karen Foss for more information.

SUMMER CALENDAR

The summer calendar is here! Make sure you write all the dates down in your family's summer planner, especially our first two upcoming events: a drop-in ice cream social on the church playground 5:00-6:30 PM on May 25th, and a Lunch & Learn with Ms. Kristen at Chick-fil-A on Wednesday June 1st at noon.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WHERE IS GOD CALLING YOU TO SERVE?

The ministries of our church function best under the leadership of active committees. It's best when members serve where their gifts and talents can best be invested. Please consider your interests and how you would be willing to serve. The Committee on Committees begins its work this week under the leadership of Kay Bratton. Consider now how you wish to serve and let Kay or one of the ministers know.

WOMEN OF THE CHURCH

MEET MYRA H

JUNE 25TH

RIDGE FERRY PARK

We will gather for a visit with Myra H in her new home. Built in 1932, Myra H washed ashore during the flood of 1940s, and has now found a protected home at Ridge Ferry Park. Bob Harris, one of the primary volunteers who worked to restore the Myra H, will introduce us to her lively history.



COURT SAWYER'S LIFE VERSE

"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid."

John 14:27

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MISSIONS



We are approaching the mid-point of the Getting Ahead program and making good progress. Our investigators are all very engaged as they

investigate their personal situation, community factors and begin to define their personal future story. Most of the investigators are now full-time employed and the others are making progress toward that goal. Bridges - Getting Ahead is creating a positive impact on individual lives who are now becoming positive contributors in our community. Thank you to everyone that has provided meals, transportation, childcare and financial support.

Volunteers continue to be needed for the remaining meetings to be a success. You can sign up several different ways. We are in need of volunteers to serve each week. The following are ways to serve:

- Food delivered for 20 participants (2 volunteers) - Provide and deliver food, beverages, and utensils to the 20 investigators.
- Transportation (2 volunteers) - Provide transportation for investigators to and from meetings. Automobiles should be able to seat (4) passengers.
- Childcare (2 volunteers) - Use the FBC nursery to care for children of investigators.

Thank you for your generous support of this very important community mission endeavor.

You can sign up three ways.

1. Follow this link:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050d4caf2aa5f49-2022>
2. Visit the church website and the Bridges Out of Poverty link on our homepage.
3. Scan this QR code with the camera on your smart phone.



SUNDAY FLOWERS

The flowers in the Narthex for Sunday, May 22, are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Robert Payne by Mary Louise Payne, Kevin, Chad and Family.

The flowers in the Sanctuary for Sunday, May 22, are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Edd and Bea Richards by Sharon Baker.

The flowers in the Narthex for Sunday, May 29, are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Wayne Dempsey on the occasion of his birthday by Marsha, Wright, Kristin, Jason and Jennifer Dempsey.

The flowers in the Sanctuary for Sunday, May 29, are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mrs. Shirley Kinney by Kathy Kinney.

May 21 - June 3

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Saturday, May 21

Minister on Call

Kristen Pope 502.693.5644

Sunday, May 22

Missions Committee Mtg., Conf. Rm.	8:30 am
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	
Rome High Baccalaureate Service, Sanctuary	2:00 pm

Monday, May 23

Final Women's Bible Study, DR	10:00 am
Committee on Committees Mtg., Conf. Room	5:30 pm

Tuesday, May 24

Pastor Search Committee Mtg., Room 302	5:30 pm
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Wednesday, May 25

FBC Serves Community Kitchen	8:30 am
Final Prayers and Reflections, FH	12:00 pm

Thursday, May 26

FBC Serves Community Kitchen	8:30 am
Bridges Out of Poverty Classes, Comm. Rm. & DR	6:00 p.m

Friday, May 27

FBC Serves Community Kitchen	8:30 am
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Saturday, May 28

Minister on Call

Keith Reaves 706.292.9620

Sunday, May 29

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	

Tuesday, May 31

Pastor Search Committee Mtg., Rm. 302	5:30 pm
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Thursday, June 2

Bridges Out of Poverty Classes, Comm. Rm. & DR	6:00 pm
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THIS WEEK: MAY 22

SUNDAY WORSHIP

SERMON: "The Desires Of Your Heart"

PREACHER: Dr. Joel Snider

SCRIPTURE: Psalm 37:1-4

ANTHEM: "Not Ashamed"...arr. Dan Forrest

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

FINAL PRAYERS AND REFLECTIONS
MAY 25 AT NOON IN
THE FELLOWSHIP HALL
DEVOTION BY TAMARA T. SMATHERS
Fried Chicken Sandwich

MINISTER ON CALL:
Kristen Pope 502.693.5644

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SUNDAY SERVICES

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

YOUTH NEWS



High School Seniors Recognition Day

NEXT WEEK: MAY 29

SUNDAY WORSHIP

SERMON: "Called to Curiosity"

PREACHER: Rev. Kristen Pope

SCRIPTURE: John 13: 1-17

ANTHEM: "My Faith Looks Up to Thee"...
arr. Benjamin Harlan

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