

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, August 14

- 8:30 a.m. Bible Study Breakfast & Promotion Sunday - Fellowship Hall
- 9:00 a.m. Scrap Iron Broadcast (WLAQ 1410)
- 9:45 a.m. Bible Study
- 11:00 a.m. Worship

Monday, August 15

- 1:00 p.m. Women of the Church Book Group - Dining Room

Tuesday, August 16

- 12:15 p.m. WDPS Meet the Teacher - Preschool Hall

Wednesday, August 17

- WDPS First Day Back
- 5:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, August 18

- 6:00 p.m. Getting Ahead Class - Community Room

The flowers in the Narthex are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Wayne Dempsey, by Marsha Dempsey.

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ruland and Mr. and Mrs. Al Wilson on the occasion of their wedding anniversaries, by Hal and Debbie Ruland and Dan and Judy Roebuck.

PRAYERS FOR THE BROOKS FAMILY

David's first day in the office is August 22. Continue to pray for the sale of their home in North Carolina.

FAMILY NIGHTS RESUME

Join us in the Fellowship Hall at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, August 24 at the "Welcome Home Café!" This special night for all ages will be a time for us to welcome the Brooks family with great food, fun and games. Regular Wednesday activities will resume on August 31.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY EVENT

Saturday, August 27 at 11 a.m. the church will host a women's ministry event with Karen Stubbs, author and founder of the "Birds on a Wire" and podcast "Wire Talk." Tickets are \$10. Register at the link on the church website homepage or call the office.

WORSHIP CARE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Please contact Kristen or go to the church Facebook page to volunteer for worship care. Worship care is for children four years and younger, and is an important ministry and gift to families, who can know that their little one is safe and loved.

GETTING AHEAD OPPORTUNITIES: COACHING AND SERVING

As a Life Coach you will partner with a "Getting Ahead" graduate as they continue to build their future life story. Life Coaches support the graduate as they navigate daily life and create personal plans for building resources. A Life Coach orientation will be scheduled for late August. If you are interested in this rewarding service opportunity, please contact Nick Georgian. "Getting Ahead" classes are at FBC on Thursdays from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. If you can help with food, child care or transportation contact Keith Phillips, Nick Georgian, or Karen Garret or click on the QR code.



We welcome the band "Tried and True" as our worship guests for our first Bluegrass Sunday. Band members are Randy Garrett, David Milford and Johnny Wright.



First Baptist Church Rome, Georgia

August 14, 2022

11:00 a.m.

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

We welcome a larger congregation through Comcast Channel 44 and through the livestream over the church website and YouTube.

Prelude Tried and True

Call to Worship (Psalm 92:1-2; 95:1-2) Keith A. Reaves

O Lord, open our lips, and our mouth will proclaim your praise.

**It is good to praise the Lord and make music to Your name,
to proclaim Your love in the morning and your faithfulness at night.**

Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us shout aloud to the
Rock of our salvation.

**Let us come before God with thanksgiving and extol the Lord
with music and song!**

Special MusicTried and True

First Grade Bible Presentation

George Bagley, Gretchen Dunagan, Wesley Freeman, Wills Hortman,
David Lee, Emily Moon, Logan Rhinehart, Morgan Smith

Recognizing Students, Teachers, Administrators, Staff. Kristen Pope

Prayer for the New School YearNick Georgian

God, for our students who are beginning a new school year, we ask for
Your guidance and for their safety in their daily walks through hallways,
to the bus stops, and in the carpool lines.

**Bless these students as they sit in classrooms and learn, as they
study for tests and projects, and as they fill their brains with new
knowledge.**

For the teachers who will guide them, we pray their teaching will be
effective and their classrooms be filled with an excitement to learn.

**Bless these teachers as they prepare lesson plans and grade papers
and as they invest in the lives of dozens of children this school year.**

For the staff who will provide support to both teachers and students, we
pray that they will find joy in their work, which is vital to the success of
our schools but often goes unacknowledged.

**Bless the bus drivers, cafeteria workers, custodians, guidance
counselors, nurses, therapists, administrators and the countless
others who make quality education possible in our schools.**

For the families who will send their child off to school, whether to
preschool or off to college, we pray that they can balance the demands of
school and the needs of their families well. Help them to remember that
education is important, but so is having fun.

**May our students, teachers, administrators and staffs know that they
are a part of this family of faith, and that they are cared for, prayed
for, and loved.**

We pray all these things in the name of Jesus, the greatest teacher who
walked this earth.

Amen.

(Children may depart for Children’s Worship.)

Special MusicTried and True

*Prayer of Stewardship. Tamara Tillman Smathers

Offertory. Tried and True

Pastoral Blessing and Passing of the Peace

Closing Hymn. “I’ll Fly Away”

Some glad morning, when this life is o’er—I’ll fly away
To a home on God’s celestial shore— I’ll fly away.

*I’ll fly away, O Glory, I’ll fly away—
When I die, Hallelujah, by-and-by, I’ll fly away.*

Just a few more weary days and then, I’ll fly away
To a land where joys shall never end, I’ll fly away.

PostludeTried and True

Children’s Worship

Children ages four sixth grade are invited to
Children’s Worship on the second floor of
the Education Building. The children return
to the sanctuary following worship.

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.

Safety

Safe zones for severe weather are in
preschool hallways for children and the
Fellowship Hall for the congregation. If there
is a need to evacuate the building, parents
should pick up children at the bus parking lot
on the far side of First Presbyterian Church.

Keith A. Reaves

Senior Associate/Minister of Worship

Tamara Tillman Smathers

Minister of Education/Administration

Kristen Pope

Minister of Faith Development

Gwen Stephens

Minister to Extended Family

Nick Georgian

Interim Minister to Students and Missions

Joan Hill, *Organist*

Beverly Harris, *Pianist*