

WELCOME!

We are honored you have joined us in worship. 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:

THE WORK OF THE CHURCH

PASTOR'S WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

David Brooks is leading a Bible study entitled "What We Need Is Here: Practicing the Heart of Christian Spirituality," based on a book by Roger Owens.

STUDENT SMALL GROUPS HIKE @ BERRY

We will meet in the church parking lot at 2:00 p.m. Travel to Berry by bus, hike to the House of Dreams and pizza to follow on mountain campus. Parents pick students up by 6:00 p.m. in the church parking lot.

CHURCHWIDE PICNIC AND FALL FESTIVAL

Our Picnic and Fall Festival will be at Morrison Campground Sunday, October 30 from 3 p.m. - 7 p.m. Entertainment will be by bluegrass band "Tried and True." We will also have a Vespers service, potluck, a petting zoo, pumpkin painting and cookie decorating. The church will provide paper products, utensils and bottled water. Invite friends and bring a chair!
Evening Schedule: Bluegrass 4:15; Dinner 5:00; Vespers will follow.

WOMEN OF THE CHURCH - ANGELS & CIDER AT SUNDOWN

Sunday, November 13 from 2:00 until 5:00 p.m. We will make angel figurines at Ruth Reynolds' Barnhouse. Email Kris Wilder at kwilder@fbcrome to register.

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, October 23

9:45 a.m. Bible Study
11:00 a.m. Worship
12:00 p.m. Youth Choir
2:00 p.m. Student Small Groups Hike @ Berry
3:30 p.m. Youth/Missions Minister Search Committee - Conference Room
5:00 p.m. Builders Bible Study Class Party

Monday, October 24

10:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study - Dining Room
1:00 p.m. Women of the Church Book Group - Dining Room
5:15 p.m. First Baptist Ringers - Choir Suite

Wednesday, October 26

FBC Serves Community Kitchen
5:00 p.m. Family Night Dinner
5:45 p.m. Children's Choirs
6:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting/Bible Study/Adult Seminar
Student Life and Discipleship
6:30 p.m. Kids J.A.M. (Jesus and Me)
6:45 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, October 27

FBC Serves Community Kitchen

Friday, October 28

FBC Serves Community Kitchen

For information on these and other activities see www.fbcrome.org or The Spire.

The flowers in the Narthex today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of George and Natalie Reynolds on the occasion of their wedding anniversary by the Reynolds Family.

The flowers in the Sanctuary today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of David T. Brown by Ann Brown Ryan and Children.

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The Heart of a Pastor

A Worship Series
from the Letters of 1 and 2 Timothy

From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing. -2 Timothy 4:8





A SERVICE OF WORSHIP

OCTOBER 23, 2022

11:00 A.M.

We welcome a larger congregation through Comcast Channel 44, streaming through the church website and YouTube. As a courtesy to others, please silence your phone.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

ORGAN PRELUDE

“Blessed Jesus We Are Here”...J.S. Bach

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Tamara Tillman Smathers

What, then, shall we say about these things?

If God is for us, who is against us?

What, then, shall we say about these things?

God offers us new life, a fresh start, a second chance.

What, then, shall we say about these things?

That God, who is holy, desires wholeness and joy for all people.

So then, let us say that, and let us worship our God.

HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 590

“The Solid Rock”
SOLID ROCK

CALL TO CONFESSION NO. 637

“Guide My Feet”
GUIDE MY FEET

A TIME FOR SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Children’s Choir

“There Is None Like You”...Cindy Berry

There is none like You, O Lord, there is none like You.

You are great and great is Your name.

You are everywhere I go and I know You love me so.

You are mighty, holy Lord of all.

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READING OF HOLY SCRIPTURE

2 Timothy 4:6-8

Kristen Mathis, reader

6 As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. 7 I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. 8 From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

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.

(Children through third grade are invited to depart for Children’s Worship.)

SPECIAL MUSIC

Leeanna Allen, Music Ministry Intern

“Over My Head, I Hear Music in the Air”...arr. Uzee Brown, Jr.

MORNING PRAYER (with the Lord’s Prayer)

David Brooks

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 and ever. Amen.

MUSICAL OFFERING

Sanctuary Choir

“This Is the Day”...Dan Forrest

(This anthem is given to the glory of God and in memory of Jim and Susan Bradshaw, by Mac and Nancy Eubanks.)

This is the day the Lord has made. We will rejoice and be glad in it.

The Lord is my strength, the Lord is my song, He has become my salvation.

The Lord is my strength, the Lord is my song, You are my God and I will exalt You.

SERMON

Rev. Brooks

“Final Words”

HYMN OF RESPONSE NO. 63

LANCASHIRE

“Lead On, O King Eternal”

PRAYER OF STEWARDSHIP

Nick Georgian

PIANO OFFERTORY

“Find Us Faithful”...Jon Mohr

Meditation Text:

Jesus absolutely redefines greatness in the kingdom of God. It is a measure of one’s willingness to serve others. It is a measure of the degree to which one is willing to sacrifice for the sake of others and for the sake of the kingdom.

-Jack Glasgow

THE WORK OF THE CHURCH

Nick Georgian

AFFIRMATION OF PUBLIC DECISIONS

PASTORAL BLESSING

PASSING OF THE PEACE

COMMISSIONING HYMN

Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me.

Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.

With God as Creator, family all are we.

Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me. Let this be the moment now.

With every step I take let this be my solemn vow:

To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally!

Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.

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ORGAN POSTLUDE

“In Thee Is Gladness”...J.S. Bach

CHILDREN’S WORSHIP

Children ages four through third 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 others. If there is a need to evacuate, parents should pick up children at the bus parking lot on the far side of First Presbyterian Church.

David Brooks

Pastor

Keith A. Reaves

Senior Associate/Minister of Worship

Tamara Tillman Smathers

Minister of Education/Administration

Kristen Mathis

Minister of Faith Development

Gwen Stephens

Minister to Extended Family

Nick Georgian

Interim Minister to Students and Missions

Joan Hill, *Organist*

Beverly Harris, *Pianist*