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ALL SAINTS DAY We will honor the memories of the following church members as a part of our All Saints Sunday worship on Sunday, November 6.

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Larry Atwell Susan Bradshaw Sandra Burk Vernon Grizzard Cindy Jenkins Nevin Jones Bill Kerestes Melissa King Jimmy Lawson Jr. Barbara McElyea Miller Milford Ken Nance

Pat Popham Ann Roebuck Harold Storey Bill Thompson Louise Walraven Charles White

Gratitude Stewardship Commitment Sunday, November 13

FROM OUR PASTOR

"Love and marriage, love and marriage," Sinatra sang in 1955, "They go together like a horse and carriage. This I'll tell you, brother: you can't have one without the other." Fast forward 65 years and tune in to a popular song by country music artist, Luke Combs: *Better Together*. Coke cans and BB guns, barbed wire and old fence posts, one arm out the window and one hand on the wheel — some things just go better together. Can you list some of those things? Just for fun, check out this "Things That Go Together Quiz" online: https://www.goldencarers.com/things-that-go-together-quiz-/3647/.

As you think about things that go together, here are two more: **gratitude** and **generosity**. Right now, as Thanksgiving approaches, we are usually inspired to grow in gratitude, to be intentional to give thanks. That is a wonderful thing for us to do! Giving thanks to God for every single gift and grace that we experience each day can fill our lives up with joy like nothing else. But the blessings of God that we receive — both spiritual and material — are not meant to be hoarded and kept to ourselves. If we are truly grateful, the best way to express our thanks is to be generous toward God and toward others — generous with our love, generous with kindness and care, generous with our time, and — without a doubt — generous with our income. Gratitude and generosity are two things that go together.

Let's take some time between now and Thanksgiving to reflect on both gratitude and generosity. And let's do more than just reflect. Let's express our gratitude through our generosity. You can't have one without the other. If you are grateful, then you will be generous. And if you are generous, you will be grateful to see how your generosity brings joy to you and to others around you.

Grace and peace,





STUDENT NEWS

WINTER RETREAT "ELEVATE": DECEMBER 27-30

Join us for our Winter Ski Retreat: *Elevate*!! The theme for *Elevate* comes from Paul's letter to the Ephesians 3:20, "Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us." We will ski the slopes and discover more in depth of who God is and learn practical ways how we can *elevate* our faith in our daily lives.

WHEN: December 27 - December 30.

WHERE: Timberline Mountain in West Virginia

COST: The total cost of the trip is \$400.

Join the fun and scan the QR code to RSVP today! The deadline to sign up is Sunday, November 20. Please contact Nick Georgian for more information.



STUDENT BBQ FUNDRAISER

Get ready for the best BBQ in Rome, by your very own FBC Student Ministry! Mark your calendars for the Student BBQ Fundraiser on February 11, 2023! Stay tuned for more information soon!







ANNOUNCEMENTS

SAVE THE DATE FOR THESE NOVEMBER EVENTS

NOVEMBER 20: Thanksgiving Service and Deacon-Sponsored Dinner at 5 p.m.

Christmas at First Baptist

CONCERT

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4 AT 4 P.M.

Featuring the Sanctuary Choir and

Orchestra with the Youth Choir,

Children's Choir and First Baptist Ringers

ANNUAL

NOVEMBER 27: Advent Wreath Making at 4 p.m.

WORSHIP CARE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We continue to need some help with worship care in the upcoming months, please sign up using the link on the church Facebook page or get in touch with Kristen directly. As a reminder, worship care is for children 4 years and younger, and is a very important ministry and a gift to parents, who can know that their little one is safe and loved.

SENIOR ADULT NEWS

CANADIAN MARITIMES IN 2023

The Senior Adult Ministry is hosting at trip to the Canadian Maritimes (Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island) in July 2023. An information meeting/slide show and opportunity to sign up will be Wednesday, November 16 at 3:30 p.m. in the Dining Room. Contact Keith Reaves for more information. Brochures will be available soon.

CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

The Senior Adult Christmas Luncheon is Thursday, December 8 at noon in the Fellowship Hall. Attendees are encouraged to bring a nativity set to display. The program will include Christmas music and stories surrounding the nativity sets. Cost of the lunch is \$10. Sign up by December 5 with Karen in the church office.

MUSIC MINISTRY

MUSIC ENSEMBLES See info below about our musical ensembles and contact Keith Reaves if you are interested in joining us or have questions.

SANCTUARY CHOIR Wednesdays at 6:45 p.m. ALL CHILDREN'S CHOIRS Wednesdays at 5:45 p.m. YOUTH CHOIR Sundays, following worship FIRST BAPTIST RINGERS Mondays at 5:15 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF ROME

WELCOME to the Church Family



PLEASE WELCOME: Margie Black

November 5 to November 18

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

MISSIONS

BRIDGES GETTING AHEAD APPLICATION

If you know of anyone who could benefit from the Bridges Program,

please click on the QR code and share the application with that individual! Please mail, email, or drop completed applications off by the FBC church office to Nick Georgian. Submit applications by Friday, November 11. Once we receive enough applicants, we will launch a new class.



HOC CHRISTMAS

Hands of Christ Christmas is a vital mission that supports our members as they engage in making long-term impact to individuals in need of hope and healing in our local community. This may include clothing, toys, transportation, education, housing, recovery,

healthcare, counseling services, and many other things. We are forming a committee and in need of members. If you are interested in being a part of this committee or have any questions about HOC Christmas, please contact Amy Cox or Kate Barron. Scan the QR code for the submission form.



SUNDAY FLOWERS

The flowers in the Narthex for Sunday, November 6, are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mark and Frances Johnson by Marsha Welch and Family.

The flowers in the Sanctuary for Sunday, November 6, are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Palmer and Chapman Marion by Jason and Margaret Marion, Blythe and Archer.

The flowers in the Narthex for Sunday, November 13, are given to the glory of God and provided by the Jo Huffman Flower Fund.

The flowers in the Sanctuary for Sunday, November 13, are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Reverend and Mrs. Harry Chafin and Rebecca Maimone by Brad and Catherine Davis and Family.

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Saturday, November 5 Minister on Call David Brooks 252.916.7174 Sunday, November 6 Missions Committee Meeting, Conf. Rm. 8:30 am Scrap Iron Broadcast (WLAQ 1410) 9:00 am 9:45 am Bible Study (all ages) Worship - Comcast Channel 44 11:00 am Worship also available on FBC Website / YouTube Channel Youth Choir, Choir Suite 12:00 pm Childrens' Committee, Conf. Rm. 4:00 pm Student Small Groups and Dinner 5:45 pm Monday, November 7 Women's Bible Study, Dining Rm. 10:00 am FBC Ringers, Choir Suite 5:15 pm Wednesday, November 9 Family Night Dinner 5:00 pm Children's Choirs 5:45 pm Student Room Opens 5:45 pm Prayer and Bible Study, Dining Rm. 6:00 pm Student Life 6:00 pm Kids J.A.M. 6:30 pm Student Discipleship, Student Rm. 6:30 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Choir Suite 6:45 pm Friday, November 11 Student CBF Fall Retreat at Camp Glisson Saturday, November 12 Minister on Call Kristen Mathis 502.693.5644 Sunday, November 13 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 Angels and Cider at Ruth Reynolds Farm 2:00 pm Monday November 14

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Women's Bible Study, Dining Rm.	10:00 am
Ruble-Whitworth Mission Group, Dining Rm.	11:30 am
Finance Committee Meeting, Conf. Rm.	12:00 pm
FBC Ringers, Choir Suite	4:45 pm
Deacons' Meeting, F.H.	5:30 pm
Tuesday, November 15	
WDPS Thanksgiving Program, Sanctuary	5:30 pm
Wednesday, November 16	
Senior Adult Trip Meeting, Dining Rm.	3:30 pm
Family Night Dinner	5:00 pm
Children's Choirs	5:45 pm
Student Room Opens	5:45 pm
Prayer and Bible Study	6:00 pm
Student Life	6:00 pm
Kids J.A.M.	6:30 pm
Student Discipleship	6:30 pm
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Choir Suite	6:45 pm



DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6

Remember to set your clocks BACK 1 HOUR before going to bed on Saturday, November 5 or you will be an hour early for Bible Study!

THIS WEEK: NOVEMBER 6

SUNDAY WORSHIP ALL SAINTS SUNDAY/ STEWARDSHIP EMPHASIS

SERMON: More Than We Can Measure

PREACHER: Rev. David Brooks

SCRIPTURE: Psalm 103:1-5 ANTHEM: All Things New...Elaine Hagenburg Fly Away Home...Mary McDonald

SPECIAL MUSIC: Matthew Becher

ACCESS THE ORDER OF WORSHIP EACH WEEK AT: https://fbcrome.com/orders-of-worship/

FAMILY NIGHT MENU

NOVEMBER 9

Mixed Green Salad Shrimp and Grits Steamed Asparagus with Lemon Peach Cream Ring Cake CHILDREN'S OPTION: Cheese Pizza

> MINISTER ON CALL: David Brooks 252.916.7174

NEXT WEEK: NOVEMBER 13

SUNDAY WORSHIP STEWARDSHIP EMPHASIS

SERMON: Give and It Will Be Given to You PREACHER: Rev. David Brooks SCRIPTURE: Luke 6:8 and 2 Corinthians 9:6 ANTHEM: Look at the World...John Rutter SPECIAL MUSIC: Iley Barnes

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FAMILY NIGHT MENU

- November 16
- Ambrosia Salad Breakfast Casserole Sausage Patties/Bacon Hash Brown Potato Casserole Danish Pastries CHILDREN'S OPTION: Scrambled Eggs Bacon

MINISTER ON CALL: Kristen Mathis 502.693.5644

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SUNDAY SERVICES

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

WOMEN OF THE CHURCH

ANGELS AND CIDER AT SUNDOWN SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2:00-5:00 P.M.

Ruth Reynolds has invited us to her Barnhouse! She will lead us in making an angel figurine. Bring a chair. Please register for this event by emailing Kris Wilder at kwilder@fbcrome.org.

WOMEN'S EPIPHANY RETREAT

JANUARY 6-8

One of our favorite traditions will resume this year, as women of all ages will gather for a retreat January 6-8. The sisters of Sacred Heart Monastery in Cullman, Alabama will welcome us into their home and retreat center. We will pray, laugh, stretch, and enjoy the peaceful grounds of the monastery. Please reserve your space by contacting Kris Wilder, kwilder@fbcrome.org. Watch for more details.



Cost including all meals: Private room, \$215; Shared room, \$175

Please visit us for more information: www.fbcrome.org

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