

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

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
Minister to Students and Missions

Joan Hill, *Organist*

Beverly Harris, *Pianist*

THE WORK OF THE CHURCH

WOMEN'S MONDAY BIBLE STUDY RESUMES

This study, led by Tamara Tillman Smathers, is for women of all ages and meets Mondays at 10 a.m. in the Dining Room.

SPAGHETTI DINNER & SILENT AUCTION

Sunday, March 26 from 5:00 until 7:00 p.m. - Fellowship Hall

This annual event for the Children's Ministry includes a talent show featuring ANYONE (child or adult) who has a talent they would love to share. If you have a service, experience, or gift that you could offer for the auction or if you would like to participate in the talent show, please contact Kristen Mathis as soon as possible.

MARDI GRAS LUNCHEON

The Senior Adult Luncheon February 16 at noon will have a Mardi Gras theme. Ruth Reynolds will be making homemade gumbo and muffalattas, and we will have king cake and more fun! Cost is \$10 per person. Sign up with Karen in the office no later than noon Monday, February 13.

SAFE (SEXUAL AWARENESS & FAMILY EMPOWERMENT) SEMINAR

A workshop is running Wednesdays from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the Builders classroom. Participants are learning how to teach children about safety as it regards to their peers and other adults in their lives, as well as how to educate them from a faith-based perspective about their bodies at every stage of development.

HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR MISSIONS / SPIRITUAL INVESTOR

Please prayerfully consider becoming a Spiritual Investor in the life of a high school senior this year. We have four seniors going on a senior immersion mission trip to the Bahamas in June. There will be an information meeting on Sunday, February 26, at noon in the Dining Room for anyone who is interested in becoming a Spiritual Investor. Please contact Nick Georgian if you have any questions.

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, February 12

- 8:30 a.m. Finance Committee - Conference Room
- 9:45 a.m. Bible Study
- 11:00 a.m. Worship
- 12:00 p.m. Youth Choir - Fellowship Hall

Monday February 13

- 10:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study - Dining Room
- 11:30 a.m. Ruble-Whitworth Mission Group - Dining Room
- 5:00 p.m. First Baptist Ringers - Choir Suite
- 5:30 p.m. Deacon's Meeting/Dinner

Tuesday, February 14

- 6:00 p.m. Churns Bible Study - Conference Room

Wednesday, February 15

- 5:00 p.m. Family Night Dinner
- 5:45 p.m. Children's Choirs
- 6:00 p.m. Prayer and Bible Study (The Gospel of John) - Fellowship Hall
- Student Life - Student Room
- SAFE (Sexual Awareness & Family Empowerment) Seminar - Builders Room
- 6:30 p.m. Kids J.A.M. (Jesus and Me)
- Student Discipleship - Student Room
- 6:45 p.m. Sanctuary Choir - Choir Suite

Thursday, February 16

- 12:00 p.m. Senior Adult Mardi Gras Luncheon - Fellowship Hall

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 Ted A. Owens by Joanne Owens and Family.

The flowers in the Sanctuary today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Josephine and Hubert Lowe by Dick and Pat Lowe Johnston.

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WHO ARE WE?

A WORSHIP SERIES
FOCUSING ON OUR CORE VALUES

In Heritage...
Baptist

In Relationships
...Family

In Character...
Christlikeness

In Service...
Leadership

In All Things...
Prayer

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
ROME, GEORGIA



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FEBRUARY 12, 2023 11:00 A.M.

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

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

ORGAN PRELUDE "Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine"... arr. Anne A. Davis

WELCOME TO WORSHIP David Brooks

HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 597 "He Keeps Me Singing"

CALL TO CONFESSION NO. 436 (Stanza 1 sung twice)
Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness,
And all these things shall be added unto you: Allelu, alleluia.

A TIME FOR SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS NO. 436 (Stanza 2 sung twice)
Ask and it shall be given unto you, seek and ye shall find,
Knock, and the door shall be opened unto you. Allelu, alleluia.

READING OF HOLY SCRIPTURE Luke 11:1-13

Tamara Tillman Smathers, reader

He was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." ²He said to them, "When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. ³Give us each day our daily bread. ⁴And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial." ⁵And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; ⁶for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.' ⁷And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.' ⁸I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs. ⁹So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. ¹⁰For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. ¹¹Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? ¹²Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? ¹³If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

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.

SPECIAL MUSIC Emma Allen, Music Ministry Intern
"Teach Us to Pray"...Reba Rambo/Dony McGuire

HYMN OF PRAYER NO. 409 "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

MORNING PRAYER (with the Lord's Prayer) Kristen Mathis
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
"You Do Not Walk Alone"...Elaine Hagenberg
(This anthem is placed in the Music Library to the glory of God by Marsha Dempsey, in honor of her sons and their families.)

May you see God's light on the path ahead
when the road you walk is dark.
May you always hear even in your hour of sorrow,
the gentle singing of the lark.
When times are hard
may hardness never turn your heart to stone.
May you always remember when the shadows fall-
You do not walk alone.

SERMON Rev. Brooks
"In All Things...Prayer"

HYMN OF RESPONSE NO. 391 "Prayer Is the Soul's Sincere Desire"

PRAYER OF STEWARDSHIP Nick Georgian

ORGAN OFFERTORY "My Song Is Love Unknown"....Michael Costello
Meditation Text:
To say I love God but I do not pray much is like saying I love life but I do not breathe much. -Barbara Brown Taylor

THE WORK OF THE CHURCH Nick Georgian

AFFIRMATION OF PUBLIC DECISIONS

PASTORAL BLESSING

PASSING OF THE PEACE

HYMN OF COMMISSIONING NO. 514 HOLY MANNA
Christians, let us go and serve Him, serve the One who gives us life.
Let us serve in love and power, in the name of Jesus Christ.
Serve in love and serve in wisdom, reaching all we know and see.
Christians, let us go and serve Him, now and through eternity

ORGAN POSTLUDE "Recessional"...Douglas Wagner

WELCOME!

We are honored you are with us today!
Please fill out this form if you are a guest or in need of prayer support and place it in the offering plate or hand it to a minister. We promise to use it only to contact you about our church.

First visit to First Baptist Church
 Returning guest

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.
 Please have a minister contact me.
 I am interested in becoming a member of First Baptist Church.
 Add me to the newsletter email list.
 I am a guest of:

Please pray for:

