

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

SHROVE TUESDAY SUPPER | February 13, from 5:00 - 6:30 p.m.

Meet in the Fellowship Hall for Mardi Gras themed festivities and dinner. Dinner buffet opens at 5 p.m. and the program starts at 5:45 p.m.

INTERACTIVE ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE | February 14 | Noon - 6:00 p.m.

- Come to the Sanctuary any time between noon and 6 p.m. Stations in the sanctuary will introduce you to our worship series for Lent, “Wandering Heart.”
- New labyrinth to walk in our gym
- No Wednesday night activities or supper

BABY SHOWER FOR KRISTEN & BEN | February 17 | 2:00 p.m.- 4:00 p.m.

Come to the Fellowship Hall to celebrate the upcoming birth of baby Benji with Kristen and Ben Mathis. Please RSVP by scanning the QR Code.



BRIDGES OUT OF POVERTY EVENT | February 24 | 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

The Bridges Out of Poverty Relaunch is Saturday, February 24. Come hear from Treasure McKenzie, Executive Director of Bridges out of Poverty in Muskogee, Oklahoma. The workshop is from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Lunch is provided. Register at bridgesoutofpovertyrome.org or scan the QR code. To learn more, contact Keith Phillips or Nick Georgian.



WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, February 11	
8:30 a.m.	Extended Family Ministry Team - Conference Room
9:45 a.m.	Bible Study
	Youth Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary
12:00 p.m.	Student Ministry Luncheon & Fellowship - Meet Outside Church Office
11:00 a.m.	Worship
Monday, February 12	
10:00 a.m.	Women’s Bible Study - Dining Room
11:30 a.m.	Ruble Whitworth Mission Group - Dining Room
1:30 p.m.	Stephens Ministry - Conference Room
5:00 p.m.	First Baptist Ringers - Choir Suite
5:30 p.m.	Deacons’ Meeting - Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, February 13

5:00 p.m. Shrove Tuesday Dinner - Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, February 14

12:00 p.m. Interactive Ash Wednesday Service until 6 p.m. - Sanctuary

No Other Wednesday Activities

Thursday, February 15

6:00 p.m. Bridges Out of Poverty Class - Fellowship Hall & Community Room

Saturday, February 17

2:00 p.m. Baby Shower for Kristen & Ben Mathis - Fellowship Hall

The flowers in the Narthex are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. James Wilbur Keene on the occasion of their wedding anniversary, by Buddy and Ellen Keene.

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in honor of First Baptist Church ministers and staff by Mary and Earl Rolan.



WALKING WITH JESUS

Transfiguration Sunday

First Baptist Church
Rome, Georgia



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH ROME, GEORGIA

February 11, 2024 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

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP “We Are Singing, for the Lord Is Our Light”

WELCOME TO WORSHIP David Brooks

HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 154 “Christ Is the World’s Light”

CALL TO CONFESSION

Call us back to You,
that we may put our trust in You and not be afraid.
May we hear the words so clearly as the disciples did on the day of the
Transfiguration;
may we rise up, and not be afraid.
In the name of Jesus,
who loves us and offers us forgiveness, we pray. Amen.

A TIME FOR SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS NO. 155
“We Are Singing, for the Lord Is Our Light”

READING OF HOLY SCRIPTURE Mark 9:2-9
Tamara Tillman Smathers, reader

² Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, ³ and his clothes became dazzling bright, such as no one on earth could brighten them. ⁴ And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. ⁵ Then Peter said to Jesus, “Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us set up three tents: one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” ⁶ He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. ⁷ Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, “This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!” ⁸ Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

⁹ As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

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

Youth Choir
“Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Us”...Paul Vasile
Kim Tunnell, Music Ministry Associate, accompanist

HYMN OF THE TRANSFIGURATION NO. 161 “See Our Lord in All His Glory”
(Children through fourth grade are invited to depart for Children’s Worship.)

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

“Holy Is He”....arr. David Clydesdale
*Holy is He and great is His glory. Holy is He and worthy of our praise.
I stand in His presence amazed and crown Him with worship and praise!*

Who pardons my iniquities, who heals me from within?
Who lifts my fallen life and sets me on my feet again?
Who leads me like a shepherd when I’ve gone astray?
My Lord, my God, my Jesus: The One I praise today.

Who hears me in my loneliness, who finds me where I hide?
Who knocks outside my broken heart, till I let Him inside?
Whose life deserves the honor laid before His throne?
My Lord, my God, my Jesus: My Savior and my own!

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SERMON Rev. Brooks
“Walking with Jesus: Standing In Awe”

HYMN OF RESPONSE NO. 159 “Fairest Lord Jesus”

PRAYER OF STEWARDSHIP Nick Georgian

ORGAN OFFERTORY “Dearest Jesus, We Are Here”... Johann Sebastian Bach
Meditation Text:
If we live with a heightened perception of reality, then we will discover the springs of wonder that are just beneath the surface. We need a sense of awe, or we will miss what is most real. The world is filled with intimations of the divine. -Brett Younger

THE WORK OF THE CHURCH Rev. Georgian

AFFIRMATION OF PUBLIC DECISIONS

PASTORAL BLESSING AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

COMMISSIONING HYMN NO. 496 (Stanza 1) “Footsteps of Jesus”
Sweetly, Lord, have we heard Thee calling, “Come, follow Me!”
And we see where Thy footprints falling, lead us to Thee.
Footprints of Jesus that make the pathway glow;
We will follow the steps of Jesus where’re they go.

ORGAN POSTLUDE “I Will Sing My Maker’s Praise”....arr. Paul Manz

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

CHILDREN’S WORSHIP
Children ages four through fourth 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.

STEWARDSHIP
There are several ways to financially support the ministries of First Baptist Church. You may place your offering in the offering plates during worship, mail in your contribution or give online through the church website or by using this QR code.



David Brooks Pastor

Keith A. Reaves Senior Associate/Minister of Worship

Tamara 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