

## 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)

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- 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:

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May 5, 2024

## THE WORK OF THE CHURCH

### FELLOWSHIP HALL RENOVATIONS

Expected Date of Completion, May 31

The project comes with some temporary inconveniences, so please be patient as access to the Fellowship Hall will be limited.

### HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR RECOGNITION

Next Sunday, May 12

We look forward to this special day to celebrate our high school graduates!

### PRAYERS & REFLECTIONS

May 15 - June 12 | Noon - 1:00 p.m.

We will begin in the Chapel for a time led by one of the ministers and then move to the Dining Room for a light lunch. Guests are welcomed.

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June 24 - 27 | 9:00 to 11:30 a.m.

Use the church website to register your child early to help us prepare for this special time of learning for our children and their friends and neighbors.

## WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, May 5

- 9:45 a.m. Bible Study  
11:00 a.m. Worship  
12:00 p.m. Lunch & Learn - Dining Room

Monday, May 6

- 10:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study - Community Room

Wednesday, May 8

- 5:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal - Choir Suite

The flowers in the Narthex are given to the glory of God and in loving memory Jimmy Lawson, by Jane Lawson and family.

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in honor of Joanne Owens on the occasion of her birthday, by her family.

## WHAT DOES GOD ASK OF US?

MICAH 6:8

**DO**  
*justice*

**LOVE**  
*kindness*

**WALK**  
*humbly*  
WITH YOUR  
**GOD**





# FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH ROME, GEORGIA

**MAY 5, 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

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Sanctuary Choir

“What Does the Lord Require of You”...Jim Strathdee

(The text is based on Micah 6:6-8 and may be found in Hymn 690.)

What does the Lord require of you? What does the Lord require of you?

Justice, kindness, walk humbly with your God.

To see justice, and love kindness and walk humbly with your God.

## WELCOME TO WORSHIP

David Brooks

We gather to worship the God who calls us to do justice.

God, all glory belongs to You.

We gather to worship the God who calls us to love kindness.

God, from You all good things come.

We gather to worship the God who calls us to walk humbly with our God.

God, give us all that we need to follow where You guide us!

## HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 335

“Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens, Adore Him”

## CALL TO CONFESSION

Sanctuary Choir

“Hear Us, O Lord”...Thomas Attwood

Hear us, O Lord, in mercy, hear us. We bow before you, O Lord. Hear us. Amen.

## A TIME FOR SILENT CONFESSION

### ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

What has God done to us - shown mercy! What has God done for us—  
forgiven us! This is the good news for us.

We will not boast, for it is not our doing. We will give thanks to  
God for such grace and hope. Amen.

## SINGING OF HOLY SCRIPTURE

“Offertory” (Micah 6:6-8)...John Ness Beck

Mary Donahue, soprano

With what shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before God on high?

Shall I come before Him with burnt offerings,

shall I come before Him with yearling calves?

Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousand rivers of oil?

Shall I give Him my firstborn for my transgressions,

the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?

He has shown you, O man; He has shown you what is good.  
And what does the Lord require of you but to do justice and to love kindness,  
and to walk humbly with your God?

Soloist: 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.

## HYMN OF JUSTICE NO. 689

“Let Justice Flow Like Streams”

(Children through fourth grade are invited to depart for Children's Worship.)

## MORNING PRAYER (with the Lord's Prayer)

Rev. 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. Amen.

## MUSICAL OFFERING

First Baptist Ringers

“Blessed Assurance”...arr. Linda McKecknie

(The text to this anthem may be found in Hymn 619.)

## SERMON

Rev. Brooks

“To Do Justice”

## HYMN OF RESPONSE NO. 472

“Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus”

(Those desiring to join the church, to make a public profession of faith, or to share other decisions  
may come forward during the singing of this hymn.)

## PRAYER OF STEWARDSHIP

Tamara Tillman Smathers

## OFFERTORY

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”...arr. Joel Raney

Beverly Harris, Joan Hill, First Baptist Ringers, Sanctuary Choir

Meditation Text:

We need all three, which are really one, or we miss all three—and God. Perhaps the same  
way a tripod can't hold a camera without all three legs functioning, perhaps the way  
southern iced tea just isn't right without the tea, the lemon, and the sugar, we cannot see  
God without doing justice, and loving kindness, and walking humbly. -James C. Howell

## THE WORK OF THE CHURCH

Rev. Smathers

## AFFIRMATION OF PUBLIC DECISIONS

## PASTORAL BLESSING

## PASSING OF THE PEACE

## COMMISSIONING HYMN NO. 690

“What Does the Lord Require of You”

What does the Lord require of you? What does the Lord require of you?

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To see justice, and love kindness and walk humbly with your God.

## ORGAN POSTLUDE

“Hosanna to the King”...arr. Albert L. Travis

## 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*  
(currently on family leave)

Gwen Stephens *Minister to Extended Family*

Nick Georgian *Minister to Students and Missions*  
(currently on family leave)

Joan Hill, *Organist* Beverly Harris, *Pianist*