

## 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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January 19, 2025

## THE WORK OF THE CHURCH

**SING TOGETHER AGAIN! HYMN FESTIVAL** | Sunday, January 26 | 4:00 p.m.

The congregations from First Baptist Church, North Broad Baptist Church, Garden Lakes Baptist Church, Second Avenue Baptist Church and Horizon Baptist Fellowship will join together for a hymn festival next Sunday, January 26, at 4 p.m. at North Broad Baptist Church.

**BAPTISM CLASS** | Sunday, January 26 | 12:00 p.m. in the Collide Classroom

For 2nd grade children and older. Does your child have questions about baptism? This is an opportunity to ask questions and explore what it means to be baptized in our church community. A pizza lunch will be provided. **RSVP by January 24.**



**YOUTH BBQ SALE** | Order Pick up Saturday, February 8 | 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The Youth BBQ fundraiser is underway! The cost is \$25 for a rack of ribs and \$40 for a Boston butt. To order, please scan the QR code and complete the form. Please direct your payment for your order to the church online via ShelbyNext or by send/drop off a check or cash to the office. Please do not give your BBQ payment to someone outside of the church office. This helps us match your payment directly to your order. BBQ must be paid for in advance. **Deadline to order is February 1.**



**LOVE BUG LUNCH** | Sunday, February 9 | 12:00 to 2:00 p.m.

Young Families with children preschool and under are invited for a Valentines lunch directly following church. **RSVP by Wednesday, February 5.** Please scan the QR Code to register.



## WEEK AT A GLANCE

**Sunday, January 19**

8:30 a.m. Adult Faith Formation Committee - Conference Room  
9:45 a.m. Bible Study  
11:00 a.m. Worship  
12:00 p.m. Youth Choir - Choir Suite

**Monday, January 20**

Church Office Closed in Observance of MLK Day

**Tuesday, January 21**

5:30 p.m. Personnel Committee - Conference Room

**Wednesday, January 22**

5:00 p.m. Family Night Dinner - Fellowship Hall  
5:45 p.m. Children's Choirs  
6:00 p.m. Adult Faith Formation Seminars - Dining Room & Community Room  
Student Ministry Activities & Discipleship - Student Room  
6:30 p.m. Children's and Collide Missions  
6:45 p.m. Prayer Time - Dining Room & Community Room  
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal - Choir Suite

**Thursday, January 23**

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

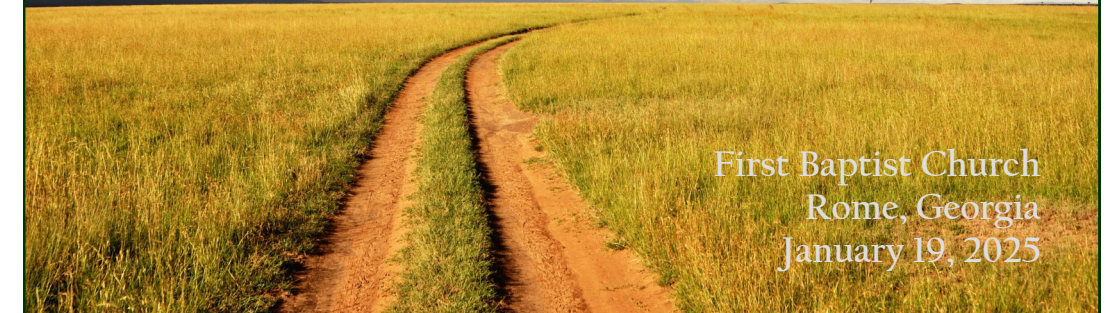
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*The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in honor of Bill Weidemann on the occasion of his birthday, by Jana Weidemann.*

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# WE WANT TO SEE JESUS

A Worship Series



First Baptist Church  
Rome, Georgia  
January 19, 2025

*To help maintain a spirit of worship, please silence electronic devices.*

### CHIMING OF THE HOUR

### ORGAN CALL TO WORSHIP

“Stand Up and Bless the Lord”...arr. Jack W. Jones

*(Please use this time to prepare your hearts for worship.)*

### WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Heather Shores

Leader: We come to see glory revealed.

People: We want to see miracles happen.

Leader: It is a time for miracles. It is a time of new understanding when God's steadfast love becomes manifest.

People: O may God's love become manifest in us!

Leader: May glory be revealed today.

All: To God be the glory!

### HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 349

“To God Be the Glory”

### CALL TO CONFESSION NO. 392

Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus,  
to reach out and touch Him and say that we love Him.  
Open our eyes, Lord, and help us to listen,  
open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus.

*A Time for Silent Confession of Sin*

### ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: Beloved in Christ, believe in the good news. For God's love is made manifest in our flesh. God's love has been poured over us with wisdom and understanding.

People: We belong to God. Alleluia! Amen.

## READING OF HOLY SCRIPTURE

John 2:1-11

Betty Holland, Deacon, reader

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. <sup>2</sup>Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding.

<sup>3</sup>When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, “They have no wine.”

<sup>4</sup>And Jesus said to her, “Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.” <sup>5</sup>His mother said to the servants, “Do whatever he tells you.”

<sup>6</sup>Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons.

<sup>7</sup>Jesus said to them, “Fill the jars with water.” And they filled them up to the brim.

<sup>8</sup>He said to them, “Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.” So they took it. <sup>9</sup>When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom <sup>10</sup>and said to him, “Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.”

<sup>11</sup>Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in 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

Harry Wise

“Stranger of Galilee” ...Lelia Naylor Morris

## HYMN OF A MIRACLE

“A Wedding Took Place” (ASH GROVE)

(Children ages four through fourth grade may depart for Children’s Worship.)

1. A wedding took place in the village of Cana, and Jesus, His mother, and followers all came.

The wine was exhausted, and Mary informed Him, they have no more wine—this would surely bring shame.

“Dear woman,” He answered, “Why do you involve Me?

My time to be recognized has not yet come.”

His mother then said to the servants there waiting,

“Whatever He tells you, now let it be done.”

2. Six water jars stood there for ritual washing, each holding then full twenty gallons or more.

He said to the servants, “Now fill them with water.”

They filled them brimful; there was no room for more.

Then Jesus instructed, “Take some to the master.”

The water had turned into wine—none knew how.

On tasting, the master exclaimed in amazement,

“The choicest and best wine you’ve saved until now!”

3. When Jesus turned water to wine while in Cana, this was the first miracle He’d ever done.

His glory He then did reveal to the people, and as a result, His disciples were won.

Lord, may I be like them, believing You fully.

And like the stone water jars, may I e’er be,

filled up to the brim with Your transforming Spirit.

Reveal now Your glory to others through me.

## 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. Amen.

## MUSICAL OFFERING

Sanctuary Choir

“Beautiful Savior”...arr. Tom Fettke

Beautiful Savior, King of Creation, Son of God and Son of Man!

Truly I’d love Thee, truly I’d serve Thee, Light of my soul, my Joy, my Crown.

Fair are the meadows, fair are the woodlands, Robed in flowers of blooming spring.

Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, He makes our sorrowing spirits sing.

Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations, Son of God and Son of Man!

Glory and honor, praise, adoration, Now and forevermore be Thine!

## SERMON

Rev. Brooks

“To God Be the Glory”

## HYMN OF RESPONSE NO. 490

“Take My Life, and Let It Be Consecrated”

## PRAYER OF STEWARDSHIP

Gwen Stephens

## ORGAN OFFERTORY

“Be Thou My Vision”...arr. David Cherwien

Meditation Text:

There are two aspects of the world which we must never forget. One is that this is God’s world, and He is active in the forces of history and the affairs of men. The second is that Jesus Christ gave his life for the redemption of this world and as his followers we are called to give our lives continuing the reconciling work of Christ in *this* world. -Martin Luther King, Jr.

## THE WORK OF THE CHURCH

Rev. Stephens

## CALLED CHURCH CONFERENCE

*Proposed Search Committee for Minister of Missions and Discipleship*

*Chair: Coleman Fannin*

*Bobby Jones, Bob Layfield, Robin Phillips,  
Nancy Ratcliffe, Ashley Smith, Tim Taylor*

## AFFIRMATION OF PUBLIC DECISIONS

## PASTORAL BLESSING AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

## ORGAN POSTLUDE

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”...arr. J. S. Bach

## 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*

Kristen Mathis *Minister of Faith Development*

Gwen Stephens *Minister to Extended Family*

Heather Shores, *Interim Minister to Students*

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