

THIS WEEK: MAY 5

SUNDAY WORSHIP

WORSHIP SERIES: "What Does God Ask of Us?"

SERMON: "To Do What is Right"

PREACHER: Rev. David Brooks

SCRIPTURE: Micah 6:6-8

ANTHEM: Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee...
arr. Joel Raney

SPECIAL MUSIC: Mary Donahue, soloist;
First Baptist Ringers

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WEEKEND MINISTER ON CALL (MAY 4-5):
David Brooks 252.916.7174

NEXT WEEK: MAY 12

SUNDAY WORSHIP

WORSHIP SERIES: What Does God Ask of Us?

SERMON: "To Love Kindness"

PREACHER: Rev. David Brooks

SCRIPTURE: Micah 6:6-8

ANTHEM: The Lord Almighty Reigns...
arr. Mary McDonald

SPECIAL MUSIC: Emalee Collins, piano

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE RECOGNITION

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WEEKEND MINISTER ON CALL (MAY 11-12):
Gwen Stephens 706.766.5074

THE SPIRE

SUNDAY SERVICES

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COMCAST CHANNEL 44 AND
VIA WWW.FBCROME.COM

SUMMER SERIES

PRAYERS & REFLECTIONS

Wednesdays | May 15 - June 12

12:00p.m. in the Chapel

12:30p.m. Lunch in the Dining Room

MAY 15 | LED BY KEITH REAVES
MAY 22 | LED BY TAMARA SMATHERS
MAY 29 | LED BY DAVID BROOKS
JUNE 5 | LED BY GWEN STEPHENS
JUNE 12 | LED BY KRISTEN MATHIS



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Congratulations TO OUR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES!



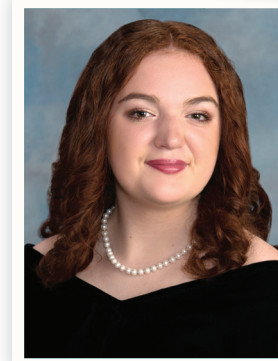
SENIOR RECOGNITION ON SUNDAY, MAY 12

Also celebrated but not pictured:
Bryson Bridges and Ava Girard.

Come by and see the graduates' display tables in the first floor hallway in front of the gymnasium as we celebrate their accomplishments!



Anna Clark - Rome High



Emalee Collins - Armuchee



Mary Blair Fuller - Darlington



Sarah Gee - Pepperell



Evan Sumner - Darlington



Peyton Sumner - Darlington



James Vu - Cass High

FROM OUR PASTOR

If you have felt the winds of change in our church in recent days, you are not alone. And the changes are for the good! First, since January 1, we have added three members to our church staff. You're probably aware of them already, but as a reminder, they are Janice Pinson, Kim Tunnell, and April Lucas.

- Janice serves as our Financial Assistant in the office, coming to us with years of experience in financial administration.
- Kim serves as our Music Ministry Associate, working closely with Keith Reaves to support various aspects of our music ministry, including our Children's and Youth Choirs and supplying for Keith, Beverly, and Joan (Kim's mom!) when they are away.
- April is our new Director of Communications, helping us to better communicate with one another as church members about all that takes place in our congregation. In addition, she is helping us to

improve our "messaging" to the greater Rome community through our website and social media.

Second, through the generosity of several donors and with monies from our designated capital fund, our Fellowship Hall is currently under renovation. Included in this much-needed renovation: resurfacing/painting the ceiling; a fresh coat of paint on the walls; new lighting, speakers, and heating/air returns; and a new ceiling-mounted projector and retractable screen. We expect the project to be finished by May 31, and when we return to the Fellowship Hall, we will have a much brighter, more functional space that will better serve the needs of our church for many years to come.

New employees to serve the needs of our church and a renewed and updated Fellowship Hall? These are changes in which I think we can all rejoice!

David



CHILDREN'S CORNER

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REGISTRATION OPEN

Registration for Vacation Bible School is open. VBS this summer is June 24-27, 9-11:30 a.m. Please register early to help us plan, as Kristen will be on maternity leave for much of the time leading up to VBS!

MATERNITY LEAVE CONTACT - KAREN FOSS

Maternity Leave Contact for Children's Ministry is Karen Foss. Please direct any questions to Karen & she will do her best to find the answer or the person who knows the answer!

STUDENT NEWS

PATERNITY LEAVE CONTACT

While Nick is away on paternity leave, contact Julie McCormick with any questions about missions at FBC and Steve and Nicki Hunt with questions about Student Ministry.

TRANSFORMED T-SHIRTS DEADLINE

Parents, please remember that the deadline to order Transformed T-shirts for this Summer is May 12th!

HEALTH

TAI CHI CLASS

FBC ROME AND NORTHWEST GEORGIA AAA PRESENT:
TAI CHI CLASS

TIME: Tuesday 10:00-11:00 a.m.

WHEN: Through May 7

WHERE: Community Room at FBC Rome

COST: FREE

If you have any questions or would like to learn more information about the workshop or Tai Chi, please contact Sharon Baker.

MISSIONS

BRIDGES - GETTING AHEAD PROGRAM

As we work towards the end of the 6th Getting Ahead Program, we invite you to consider how God might be calling you to be a part of impacting lives through the mission and ministry of Bridges.

Thank you for your support and generosity. Please contact Keith Phillips or Alice Clements for more information.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

FELLOWSHIP HALL RENOVATION

The Fellowship Hall renovation has started. The expected date of completion is **May 31**. Included in renovation:

- Resurfacing and painting the ceiling
- A fresh coat of paint on the walls
- New lighting, speakers, and heat/air returns
- New ceiling-mounted projector and retractable screen

The project comes with some temporary inconveniences, so please be patient as access to the Fellowship Hall and kitchen will be limited and six parking spots in front of the sanctuary will be blocked off for the use of a construction dumpster. The end result will be a brighter, more functional Fellowship Hall that will better serve the needs of our congregation!



HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE

Planning for a pilgrimage to Jordan and Israel have resumed with high hopes.

Watch for exact dates to be announced in the next month for late April and early May, 2025.

MEN'S STEAK DINNER



Chip Hood and Troy Fitzpatrick work together to grill the steaks.

WELCOME TO THE CHURCH FAMILY



PLEASE WELCOME:
Lynn and Katie Dempsey

WILL HORTMAN LIFE VERSE

“Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.”

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

SUNDAY FLOWERS

The flowers in the Narthex for Sunday, May 5, are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Jimmy Lawson by Jane Lawson and family.

The flowers in the Sanctuary for Sunday, May 5, are given to the glory of God and in honor of Joanne Owens on the occasion of her birthday by her family.

The flowers in the Narthex for Sunday, May 12, are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of William and Alice Davies and John and Etsie Johnson by the Davies family.

The flowers in the Sanctuary for Sunday, May 12, are given to the glory of God and in honor of Barbara and Art Crowe on the occasion of their wedding anniversary by Art Crowe.

There are three opportunities in July to place flowers in the church on Sunday mornings. If you are interested let Karen in the church office know by calling the office or by emailing at kgarrett@fbcrome.org.

- July 14 – Narthex
- July 21 – Narthex
- July 28 - Narthex

May 4 - May 17

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Sunday, May 5

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| Scrap Iron Broadcast (WLAQ 1410) | 9:00 am |
| Bible Study | 9:45 am |
| Worship | 11:00 am |
| Worship also available on Comcast Channel 44 / FBC Website / YouTube Channel | |
| Lunch & Learn, D.R. | 12:00 pm |

Monday, May 6

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| Weekday Preschool Teacher Appreciation | 9:00 am |
| Women's Bible Study Group, Conf. Rm. | 10:00 am |

Wednesday, May 8

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| Sanctuary Choir, Choir Suite | 5:30 pm |
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Sunday, May 12

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| Senior Recognition Breakfast | 8:30 am |
| Scrap Iron Broadcast (WLAQ 1410) | 9:00 am |
| Bible Study | 9:45 am |
| Worship | 11:00 am |
| Worship also available on Comcast Channel 44 / FBC Website / YouTube Channel | |

Monday, May 13

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| Women's Bible Study, Conf. Rm. | 10:00 am |
| Ruble-Whitworth Mission Group, D.R. | 11:30 am |
| Finance Committee, Conf. Rm. | 12:00 pm |
| Deacons' Meeting, F.H. | 5:30 pm |

Tuesday, May 14

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| Weekday Preschool Graduation and Year-End Parties | 11:00 am |
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Wednesday, May 15

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| Prayers and Reflections, Chapel and D.R. | 12:00 pm |
| Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Choir Suite | 5:30 pm |