

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:

May 3, 2026

THE WORK OF THE CHURCH

WELCOME BILL AND LINDA ADCOCK

We welcome Bill and Linda to First Baptist Church. Bill is our new Interim Minister of Worship/Music. The Adcocks live in Powder Springs and are active members of First Baptist Church in Marietta.

BECOME A BRIDGES OUT OF POVERTY SUCCESS COACH

Bridges will host a Success Coach Information Session in preparation to provide coaches for graduates of the current Getting Ahead in a Just-Getting-By World program. The session is scheduled for this Saturday, May 9, from 10 a.m. until 11 a.m. in the Dining Room. If you have questions, please contact Keith Phillips.

PRAYERS & REFLECTIONS | May 6 - June 10 | Noon | Fellowship Hall

Lunch is \$8.00 and will be served at noon followed by a time of prayer and reflection.

- May 6 - David Brooks
- May 13 - Gwen Stephens
- May 20 - Suzanne Reece
- May 27 - Miriam Peterson
- June 3 - Kristen Mathis
- June 10 - John Bishop

ROME PRAYER BREAKFAST | Thursday, May 7 | Forum River Center

The Prayer Breakfast is from 7 to 8:30 a.m. Tickets are available in the church office.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REGISTRATION - NOW OPEN

Join us on our Journey to Egypt | June 22 - 25 | 9 to 11:30 a.m.

For children 3 years old to 4th grade. Scan the QR Code to register your child OR register as a volunteer.



WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, May 3

- 9:15 a.m. High School Senior Graduate Breakfast - Fellowship Hall
- 9:45 a.m. Bible Study
- 11:00 a.m. Worship
- 5:30 p.m. Student Small Group with John Bishop - Student Room

Monday, May 4

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

Wednesday, May 6

- 12:00 p.m. Prayers & Reflections - Fellowship Hall
- 1:00 p.m. Properties Committee - Conference Room
- 5:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir - Choir Suite

Saturday, May 9

- 10:00 a.m. Bridges Out of Poverty Info. Session for Success Coaching - Dining Room

The flowers in the Narthex are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of 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.

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I AM WITH YOU

A Worship Series from John 21



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH ROME, GEORGIA

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May 3, 2026



A Service of Worship

May 3, 2026

11:00 a.m.

As a courtesy to others, please silence all devices.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

ORGAN PRELUDE "Be Thou Vision" Traditional Irish Melody ...arr. Ruth Elaine Schram

WELCOME TO WORSHIP David Brooks

HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 58 "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

CALL TO CONFESSION Bill Adcock

If we confess our sins, He who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. (1 John 1:9)

Through Christ, we are forgiven. Amen!

A TIME FOR SILENT CONFESSION AND PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS Ava Ann Woods/Cooper Laliberte
"Jesus, Gentle Lamb"...Buryl Red/Ragan Courtney

RECOGNITION OF 2026 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

Harris Blalock	Callie Hunt	Sarah Lawson
Ruthie Brinson	Sarah Kate Hunt	Eva Poyner
Lee Donahue V	Harrison Inman	Ava Ann Woods
Murray Ellington	Caroline Knight	

READING OF HOLY SCRIPTURE John 21:20-25

John Bishop, reader

²⁰ Peter turned and saw the disciple whom Jesus loved following them; he was the one who had reclined next to Jesus at the supper and had said, "Lord, who is it that is going to betray you?" ²¹ When Peter saw him, he said to Jesus, "Lord, what about him?" ²² Jesus said to him, "If it is my will that he remain until I come, what is that to you? Follow me!" ²³ So the rumor spread among the brothers and sisters that this disciple would not die. Yet Jesus did not say to him that he would not die, but, "If it is my will that he remain until I come, what is that to you?"

²⁴ This is the disciple who is testifying to these things and has written them, and we know that his testimony is true. ²⁵ But there are also many other things that Jesus did; if every one of them were written down, I suppose that the world itself could not contain the books that would be written.

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 Harrison Inman

"Wonderful, Merciful Savior"...Dawn Rodgers/Eric Wyse

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.

HYMN OF DISCIPLESHIP NO. 68 "He Leadeth Me! O Blessed Thought"
(Children ages four through fourth grade may depart for Children's Worship.)

MUSICAL OFFERING Sanctuary Choir

"At the Name of Jesus"...arr. Cindy Berry
(The text for this anthem is adapted from Philippians 2:6-11)

SERMON Rev. Brooks

"I Am with You. . . Where You Are Going"

HYMN OF RESPONSE NO. 494 "Take My Life, Lead Me Lord"

(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 Suzanne Reece

PIANO OFFERTORY "I Am His and He Is Mine"...arr. Cindy Berry

THE WORK OF THE CHURCH Rev. Reece

AFFIRMATION OF PUBLIC DECISIONS

COMMISSIONING OF SEARCH COMMITTEE

Betty Holland, chair; Pam Arrington, Jennifer Bagby, Ben Brewer, Gayland Cooper, Chris Jackson, Jeff Smathers

Pastor (to Search Committee Members): Brothers and sisters in Christ, you have committed yourselves to a significant task on behalf of our congregation. In recognition of the importance of your work, we pause to express our gratitude and to remind ourselves that you do not undertake this task alone; you will be guided by the power and presence of the Holy Spirit and the prayerful support of the members of this church.

Committee Members: We promise to perform faithfully the task of searching for a new Minister of Worship & Music. We pledge, with God's guidance and your prayers, to be open to the leading of the Holy Spirit in all we do, say, and decide.

People: We pledge to be patient and to respect your need for confidentiality. We will pray for you and will offer words of encouragement with the hope and belief that you will be faithful to the guidance of the Spirit as you seek our new minister.

PASTORAL BLESSING

THE DOXOLOGY (Hymn 706)

ORGAN POSTLUDE "March in G Major"...Anne A. Davis

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP

Children 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 will be scheduled. Members of other Baptist congregations may transfer their membership. 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

Automated external defibrillators are in the stairwell leading to the choir loft on the organ side, across from the drink machine entering the Fellowship Hall, and on the third floor hall near the restrooms in the Education Building. Safe zones for severe weather are in preschool hallways for children and the Fellowship Hall for others.

STEWARDSHIP

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.



Rev. David Brooks Pastor

Rev. Kristen Mathis Minister to Children & Young Families
(Currently on Parental Leave)

Rev. Gwen Stephens Minister to Extended Family

Rev. Suzanne Reece Minister of Discipleship/Missions

Rev. Bill Adcock Interim Minister of Worship/Music

April Lucas Interim Director of Student Ministry

Beverly Harris Pianist

Kim Tunnell Music Associate/Organist