



Prayers for Our People



We are praying for you, your family, your caretakers, and all that God will do for you.

Let us pray for: Jeff Bell, Rick Bostleman, Anna Branch, Barbara Brinson, Carolyn and Prentiss Brown, Jean Brown, Deanie Cleghorn, H.L. Cleghorn, Ronnie Clemons, Shirley Coxen, Kurt Cribbs, Mike Devane, Jerry Dixon, Chip Dorminy, Dana Dunn, Rick Ellis, Sherry Ellis, Joni Wiggins Fox, Kay Fussell, Chase Giddens, Tonya Griffin, Ed Hill, Peggy Hogan, Harley Ivemeyer, Claudette Mahan, David Malcolm, Shirley Malcolm, Thomas Mayo, Billy McEachern, Don Morris, June Morris, Anne Nelms, Mildred Pigg, Donna Sheffield, Debbie Sherret, Kelly Sumner, Joyce Treece, Larry Troupe, Mark Turner, Brianna Turnmire, Van Waters, Brenda Wiggins, Donald Wiggins, Debbie Woods

Members in Care Facilities

Pruitt Health (Ocilla): Drew Fountain, Maple Court (Tifton): Shirley Coxen, **Homebound Members – Fitzgerald and Out of Town/State** June and Don Morris–Fitzgerald

Sanctuary Flowers

The flowers in the Sanctuary on Sunday, April 5, 2026, are dedicated to the glory of God and placed in loving memory of Wilmer and Doris Stewart by Kenny and Jean Brown and family.

The flowers in the Sanctuary on Sunday, April 12, 2026, are dedicated to the glory of God and placed in loving memory of John W. Cook by The Cook, Clements, and Henderson families.



WHAT'S HAPPENING IN APRIL

Apr. Deacons of the Month: Zach Sheppard and Eric Stone
Apr. Ushers: *Jimmy Davis, *Bobby Tharp, Ronnie Clemons, Greg Brown, Tony Sheffield, Scott Sheppard, Mark Turner, Eric Stone, Brian Gunter, and Tyler Clemons

- Wed Apr 1** Spring Break Week – No Wednesday Activities
- Sat Apr 4** Easter Egg Hunt and Pancake Breakfast (9am Burch Hall)
- Sun Apr 5** Easter Sunrise Service (7am FBC Breezeway)
- Mon Apr 6** 55+Club/Young At Heart (12pm Burch Hall - Hosts: Jim & Frances Burke, La-Quita Carswell, Craig & Cheryl Seagroves, and Jane Ellen Phillips) Blood Drive (1:00-6:00pm Gym)
- Wed Apr 8** Easter Nursing Home Parade (5:30pm FBC Preschool Parking Lot)
- Sun Apr 12** Deacons' Meeting (1:30pm Mann Hall) Bridal Shower in honor of Miranda Chiesi, Bride elect of Caleb Sheppard (1:30-2:30pm Burch Hall)
- Mon-Thu Apr 20-23** Absentee Ballot Week for First Round of Deacon Election
- Tue Apr 21** Women On Mission Bible Study (10am Library)
- Sun Apr 26** First Round of Deacon Election



Dear Nancy & First Baptist Friends, On behalf of our Geezer Team from First Baptist Church, Carrollton, and the greater company of construction crew partners involved in the Fitzgerald Home Build project, we thank you all for your kindness and hospitality in providing an "over the top" luncheon on Monday, March 2. The fellowship warmed our spirits, and the food nourished and replinshed our bodies for the important work of providing a simple, decent place to live for a deserving family. Thank you for your partnership. Onward and upward! Grace and peace, Henry Tyson

YOUTH NEWS



Graduate Sunday is May 17th and our **Graduates and Junior Parents will meet on APRIL 12th to plan your special day.** The graduates will meet at 10am during Sunday school and the Jr. Parents will meet immediately following worship in the sanctuary. GRADUATES email or bring you graduate and baby picture to the meeting as well as the number of family members that will be attending the Graduate Banquet. WE WILL NOT have Wednesday Night Live on April 1st but will start back meeting the following Wednesday night. If you signed up for Summer Youth Camp, you will receive a letter during the month of April with all the details. **ALSO... we are planning a local youth mission project prior to Summer Camp** that everyone going to camp **MUST** attend but ALL youth are invited to join and work. More Details Soon!



MUSIC MINISTRY

THIS SUNDAY is Easter Sunday so let's fill the choir loft. **THERE WILL BE NO CHOIR PRACTICE** so please join us at **10:40am** to run through our music in the choir room. There will also be NO CHOIR PRACTICE on April 12th as the Sportsman Class Men's Choir will fill the loft. We appreciate the many ways this class serves not only our church but our entire community! The choir will begin practice again and sing on April 19th! See you Easter Sunday!



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BACKPACK MINISTRY

The Women on Mission are excited to sponsor a special mission project this year with the goal of blessing 200 individuals right here in our community. Our first outreach will serve the residents of the Summit Apartments. We invite you to be a part of this meaningful ministry by helping us fill backpacks with essential items that can be especially useful in a disaster situation. Donations may be brought to your Sunday School class. Beginning April 5th, collection boxes labeled Backpack Ministry will be available in each classroom. Thank you for helping with this mission project.

Items needed include:

- Small flashlight with batteries
- Bottled water
- Granola bars
- Blankets
- Small first aid kit
- Bath wipes
- Other non-perishable snack items
- Manual can openers



All ladies are invited to a Bridal Shower honoring Miranda Chiesi, bride-elect of Caleb Sheppard, as they prepare for their upcoming marriage. The shower will be held on Sunday, April 12, 2026, from 1:30-2:30pm in Burch Hall. We hope you will join us for this special time of celebration!

Ms. Carly's Corner For Kids

Thanks for supporting our Children's Lemonade Stand last Sunday! We raised over \$900 for Called to Care!



EGG HUNT & PANCAKE BREAKFAST SATURDAY 9:30AM

CHILDREN SING SUNDAY

EASTER NURSING HOME PARADE WEDNESDAY APRIL 8TH 5:30

Children's Church Rotation
April 5th – Carly & TJ Harper
April 12th – Kristin & Ross Campbell
April 19th – Rebecca Dawson & Jennifer Wiley

Opportunities for Worship and Ministry

TUESDAY, MAR 31

Newsletter Day

WEDNESDAY, APR 1

NO WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES - *Spring Break Week*

SATURDAY, APR 4

9:30 AM.....Easter Egg Hunt & Pancake Breakfast (Burch Hall)

SUNDAY, APR 5 - EASTER SUNDAY

7:00 AM.....Community Easter Sunrise Service (Breezeway)

NO SANCTUARY CHOIR PRACTICE

10:00 AM.....Sunday School*

11:00 AM.....Worship*

4:00 PM.....Women’s Bible Study (Mann Hall)

WEDNESDAY, APR 8

5:30 PM.....Children’s Choir Practice (Team Kids Room)*

6:00 PM.....Adult Bible Study (Adult III Assembly Rm)*

6:00 PM.....Youth WNL, Missions Friends, RAs, and GAs*

SUNDAY, APR 12

NO SANCTUARY CHOIR PRACTICE

10:00 AM.....Sunday School*

11:00 AM.....Worship*

1:00 PM.....Deacons Meeting (Mann Hall)

1:30-2:30 PM.....Bridal Shower for Miranda Chiesi (Burch Hall)

4:00 PM.....Women’s Bible Study (Mann Hall)

TUESDAY, APR 14

Newsletter Day

*Nursery Staff available for these events.

Exercise Class - Tues. & Thurs. every week at 10:00 AM in Mann Hall

Church Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, closed all day Friday
8:30am-12:15pm (12:15-1:30 closed for lunch & office errands) 1:30pm-5pm

March Deacons: Wesley Mitchell and Bobby Tharp

March Ushers: *Gene Mason, *Bryan Griffin, Mike Sherret, Brent Brown, Paul Dawson, David Herlovich, Ken Thames, Michael Baxter, Zach Sheppard, B.J. Rodgers, and Edward Hill, Jr.



Deacons Presently Serving and are Ineligible for Election

2023-2026 Term of Office and Who Rotates Off in 2026

Stewart Carswell, III	Ed Hill, Sr.	Trey Luckie
David Roberts	Zach Sheppard	Eric Stone

2024-2027 Term of Office and Who Rotates Off in 2027

Mike Ellis	David Evans	Johnny Giddens
Zach Luckie	Kevin Phillips	Byron Smith

2025-2028 Term of Office and Who Rotates Off in 2028

Brent Brown	Johnny Burch	Tyler Clemons
Todd Cook	Wesley Mitchell	Bobby Tharp

2026 First Round of Deacon Election - The first round of the Deacon Election will be held on Sunday, April 26, 2026. If you do not wish to be on the ballot or your name is not listed, please contact the church office by Thursday, April 16. Absentee ballots will be available in the church office Monday, April 20 – Thursday, April 23. Please review the names below and be prepared to select up to six (6) individuals to serve the 2026–2029 term.

Those Eligible for Election according to the Church Constitution

Gowan Arnold	Charles Benoit	Blake Blanchett	Allen Brown
Ben Braddy	Stan Bryant	Daniel Calhoun	Ross Campbell
Logan Carswell	Nathan Carswell	H. L. Cleghorn	Conner Clemons
Ronnie Clemons	Drew Cook	Hank Cook	Jay Cooper
Robby Cowan	Casey Cross	Brett Davis	Glenn Davis
Jason Davis	Jimmy Davis	Paul Dawson	Jad Dixon
Art Dorminy	Chip Dorminy	Rick Ellis	Austin Futch
Jared Garner	Don Griffin	Michael Griffin	Lamar Hall
Chandler Hammond	Taylor Hammond	Will Hammond	Ozzie Hampton
Mike Harden	Mickey Helms	Nate Henderson	Taylor Henderson
David Herlovich	Phil Herlovich	Tony Herlovich	Danny Hester
Edward M. Hill, Jr.	Donnie Hopkins	Jimmy Howell	Tommy Howell
Ben Jacobs	Bobby Lee	Lee Liles	John Luckie, Jr.
Reid Luckie	James Martin	Gene Mason	Wesley McCauley
Jason McDonald	Mason McDonald	John McLeod	Chris Miller
Stanley Mitchell	David Nelms	Roger Norris	Kade Parrish
Dwain Parrish	Jay E. Paulk	Pressley Paulk	Johnny Pope
Ronnie Posey	Tucker Pruitt	Mike Raynor	Lee Renfroe
Clint Revels	Clayton Roberts	Tommy Roberts	Leo Roberts, Jr.
Gabriel Robertson	B. J. Rodgers	Rhett Rycroft	Shane Sapp
Billy Seagroves	Jake Sellars	Marc Sheffield	Tony Sheffield
Mike Smith	Len Spivey	Taylor Spivey	Jeremy Stone
Lamar Stone	Parker Stone	Aaron Stubbs	Peyton Taylor
Phillips Taylor	Trent Taylor	Ken Thames	Jeff Thompson
Larry Troupe	Donald Wiggins	Drew Wiley	Johnny Wilson, Jr.
Eli Willcox	Cecil Winn	Jim Womack	Scotty Wright
Ed Wynn	Barry Yeager	Kyle Young	

Our Stewardship Review
Budget Report as of March 31

Monthly Budget Required.....	\$47,886.58
MTD Budget Received	\$37,071.00
YTD Budget Requirement	\$143,659.83
YTD Budget Giving Received.....	\$142,373.49
YTD Budget Expenses.....	\$141,285.65

March 22, 2026 - Sunday School Attendance – 153
March 29, 2026 - Sunday School Attendance – 141

Church Staff

Interim Pastor.....Dr. Jerry Mahan
Minister of Music & Youth.....Rev. Blane Jacobs
Administrative Assistant.....Ms. Dana Luckie
Director of Children’s Activities.....Ms. Carly Harper
Church Administrator.....Mr. Byron Smith
Custodian.....Mr. Jeffrey Morgan
Housekeeping.....Ms. Antoinette Hill
Church Organist.....Ms. Barbara Jacobs
Church Pianist.....Ms. Susan Spivey
Nursery Staff.....Ms. Dana Luckie, Ms. Candy Herod, and Ms. Megan McLeod

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Glad Tidings

WE DECLARE UNTO YOU GLAD TIDINGS

First Baptist Church is a loving and caring Christian community seeking to extend the open hand of God’s grace to meet physical and spiritual needs through worship, education, ministry, fellowship, and spiritual nurturing.

Come Join Us!

Wednesday, April 1
No Wednesday Night Activities

Saturday, April 4

Easter Egg Hunt and Pancake Breakfast
9:30am Burch Hall

Easter Sunday, April 5
7am – Community Easter Sunrise Service on the Breezeway
Sunday School at 10am
Worship at 11am
Dr. Jerry Mahan

Wednesday, 8
5:30pm Children’s Easter Nursing Home Parade
6:00pm Adult Bible Study
6:00 pm Youth WNL, Mission Friends, RAs, and GAs

Sunday, April 12
Sunday School at 10am
Worship at 11am
SPORTSMAN CLASS CHOIR SINGS
Dr. Jerry Mahan

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