



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: Rick Bostleman, Anna Branch, Barbara Brinson, Carolyn and Prentiss Brown, Jean Brown, Kevin 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, Ferris Taylor, Phillip Taylor, Joyce Treece, Larry Troupe, Ken Trout, 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 19, 2026, are dedicated to the glory of God and placed in loving memory of Leo and Jewel Roberts by their family.



The flowers in the Sanctuary on Sunday, April 26, 2026, are dedicated to the glory of God and placed in loving memory of Horace and Kathryn Finley by Lamar, Kathy, and Jeremy Stone.

Together with their families

Miranda Chiesi & Caleb Sheppard

Joyfully invite you to their wedding celebration

Saturday, the second of May

Two thousand twenty-six

at two o'clock in the afternoon

First Baptist Church Prayer Garden

Reception to follow in the Social Hall

Dear Friends, Thank you very much for your hospitality and kindness in providing lunch the last week for the Fuller Build in your lovely town. Most of us were old and we all were tired and so thankful for those wonderful lunches! We very much needed you, and your support meant so much. God's love is evident in you. Very truly yours, Janet Brown



YOUTH NEWS



FBC Graduates, if you did not turn in your Graduate and Baby Picture this past Sunday, please do so THIS WEEK. You can drop it by my office or email to me at blane@fbcfitz.com. I also need to know the number of family members that will be attending the Graduate Banquet. WE NEED THIS INFORMATION ASAP so we can

adequately plan for your special day. Graduate Sunday is May 17th!



If you signed up for Summer Youth Camp, you will receive a letter later in the month 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



We will have choir practice this Sunday at 9:15am in the Sanctuary, we will sing a special during worship and orchestra and handbells will also play during worship. We had 33 in the choir on Easter Sunday and 35 men singing from the Sportsman Sunday

School Class last Sunday!! What A Sight To See!



AND ON SUNDAY MORNING, APRIL 26th, Johnny Burch and his quartet, *New Jerusalem* will be singing two songs during worship. I know you will not want to miss hearing them sing! The choir will also sing a special on the 26th. Make a special effort

to attend worship on the 26th to hear *New Jerusalem*! See You Sunday!

HELP SUPPORT CAMP KALEO



Recently, our RA boys had the opportunity to attend their annual Camporee weekend at Camp Kaleo, joining other churches for a time of friendly competition, fellowship, and spiritual growth. They came back with full hearts and wonderful memories, and we are so thankful for the lasting impact this ministry continues to have on our children. Camp Kaleo has long been a meaningful place where young people grow in their faith, build friendships, and experience God's creation. Events like the RA Camporee play an important role in sustaining this ministry and helping ensure it continues for many years to come. If you feel led to give, you may do so through our church. Simply write "Camp Kaleo" in the memo line of your check, or give online through our church website and designate your gift accordingly. We will collect donations and send them directly to the camp. Thank you for your continued generosity and for supporting ministries that invest in the next generation.



On Sunday, April 12th, Donnie Hopkins publicly professed his faith in Christ and united with our church family, expressing his desire to follow the Lord in believer's baptism which will be this Sunday, April 19th. We rejoice in his decision and warmly welcome him as our newest member and brother in Christ.

Ms. Carly's Corner For Kids



Camp Kaleo: A few weeks ago the RAs enjoyed a weekend at Camp Kaleo! Below are the results. Thanks to Mr. Larry, Mr. Brian and the dads for all their hard work!

Camp Kaleo Camp Results		
	LADS	CRUSADERS
Chariot Race	3 rd Place - Jackson Phillips, Sullivan Gunter, & Marcus Sheppard	1 st Place - Max Luckie, Fenn Campbell, & Montarian Richardson
Map & Compass	2 nd Place - Collin Floyd, Jackson Phillips, Sullivan Gunter, Derek Sheppard, Marcus Sheppard	
First Aid		3 rd Place - Max Luckie, Fenn Campbell, Montarian Richardson, and Wilkes Dawson
Fire Building	2 nd Place - Sullivan Gunter, Collin Floyd, Jackson Phillips, Derek Sheppard, & Marcus Sheppard	
Team Knot Tying		1 st Place - Max Luckie, Fenn Campbell, Montarian Richardson, and Wilkes Dawson
Canoeing	2 nd Place- Justin & Jackson Phillips 3 rd Place - Zach & Derek Sheppard	
Wild Wood Run	1 st Place - Jackson Phillips 2 nd Place- Sullivan Gunter	3 rd Place - Max Luckie 2 nd Place - Fenn Campbell
Bird ID	2 nd Place - Sullivan Gunter 3 rd Place - Collin Floyd	1 st Place - Fenn Campbell 2 nd Place - Wilkes Dawson 3 rd Place - Max Luckie
Individual Knots	Two Half Hitches 1 st Place - Derek Sheppard Bowline 1 st - Jackson Phillips	Sheet Bend - 1 st Place Montarian Richardson Two Half Hitches - Max Luckie Clove Hitch - Fenn Campbell
BB Gun		Max Luckie



Children's Sunday is May 10th! Mark your calendar to support our Children! We had a great turnout for our Easter Nursing Home Parade last Wednesday with 30 children attending! A huge thanks to the Sportman's Class for breakfast and all those who helped with the Egg Hunt Saturday! We had 83 children and family members attend!

Children's Church Rotation
April 19th - Rebecca Dawson & Jennifer Wiley
April 26th - Mollie and Trent Taylor

Opportunities for Worship and Ministry

TUESDAY, MAR 14

Newsletter Day

WEDNESDAY, APR 15

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 19

9:15 AM.....Sanctuary Choir Practice*
 10:00 AM.....Sunday School*
 11:00 AM.....Worship*
 4:00 PM.....Women’s Bible Study (Mann Hall)

TUESDAY, MAR 21

10:00 AM.....Women on Mission (Library)

WEDNESDAY, APR 22

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 26 - First Round of Deacon Election

9:15 AM.....Sanctuary Choir Practice*
 10:00 AM.....Sunday School*
 11:00 AM.....Worship*
 4:00 PM.....Women’s Bible Study (Mann Hall)

TUESDAY, APR 28

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

April Deacons: Zach Sheppard and Eric Stone

April Ushers: *Jimmy Davis, *Bobby Tharp, Ronnie Clemons, Greg Brown, Eric Stone, Tony Sheffield, Scott Sheppard, Mark Turner, Brian Gunter, and Tyler Clemons



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.	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 April 14

Monthly Budget Required.....	\$47,886.58
MTD Budget Received	\$49,437.00
YTD Budget Requirement	\$167,603.10
YTD Budget Giving Received.....	\$200,231.83
YTD Budget Expenses.....	\$162,346.64

April 5, 2026 - Sunday School Attendance – 198
 April 12, 2026 - Sunday School Attendance – 149

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.



Wednesday, April 15

5:30pm Children’s Choir Practice
 6:00pm Adult Bible Study
 6:00 pm Youth Wednesday Night Live
 Mission Friends, R.A., and G.A

Sunday, April 19

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal at 9:15am
 Sunday School at 10am
 Worship at 11am
 Baptism of Donnie Hopkins
 Dr. Jerry Mahan

Wednesday, April 22

5:30pm Children’s Choir Practice
 6:00pm Adult Bible Study
 6:00 pm Youth Wednesday Night Live
 Mission Friends, R.A., and G.A

Sunday, April 26

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal at 9:15am
 Sunday School at 10am
 Worship at 11am
 Special Music by New Jerusalem
 Dr. Jerry Mahan

