



# 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: MaryAnne Bentley, Rick Bostleman, Anna Branch, Barbara Brinson, Carolyn and Prentiss Brown, Jean Brown, Kevin Brown, Deanie Cleghorn, H.L. Cleghorn, Ronnie Clemons, Jennifer Coleman, 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, Jennifer Hatcher, Ed Hill, Peggy Hogan, Harley Ivemeyer, Claudette Mahan, Jerry Mahan, David Malcolm, Shirley Malcolm, Thomas Mayo, Billy McEachern, Don Morris, June Morris, Nancy Mutchler, Anne Nelms, William Phillips, 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, Jason Youmans

### 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, May 17, 2026, are dedicated in honor of the 2026 high school graduates and their families, and in appreciation of the teachers at First Baptist Church who have faithfully invested in their lives.



The flowers in the Sanctuary on Sunday, May 24, 2026, are dedicated to the glory of God and placed in loving memory of Richard Coxen and all Veterans by his wife Shirley and his children in remembrance of his 26 years of military service and his love for his country.



We are pleased to share that on Sunday, May 3, 2026, **Craig and Cheryl Seagroves** joined our church family by public profession and statement. We warmly welcome them as our newest members and as our brother and sister in Christ.



Dear First Baptist Church-Jerry, Blane, Byron, Jeff, and Dana,  
Please, thank everyone for the use of the breezeway, the chairs, and the bathrooms from the Ben Hill Ministerial Association for the Easter Sunrise Service! What a blessing for us to have the service under your breezeway! Love, prayers, and blessings-Pastor Terry Cole



Dear First Baptist Church, Thank you so much to all of you who donated to the Ronald McDonald House. It has meant so much to me and it will help out tremendously. I am honored to tell the National Honor Society at my school that my church donated so much and deeply care about others.  
Thank you for your support. Love, Kate Phillips

# YOUTH NEWS FBC Class of 2026



McKenzie Branch



Matthew Cowan



Wilson Davis



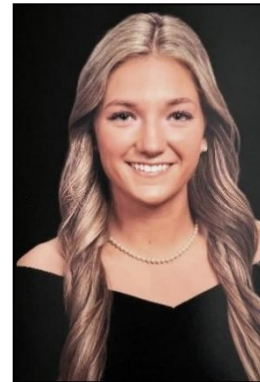
Kaden Griffin



Brie Henderson



Lex Luke



Kate Phillips



Caroline Spivey



Miley Grace Young

### MUSIC MINISTRY



We will have choir practice on Sunday, May 24<sup>th</sup> at 9:15am in the Sanctuary as we prepare for our Memorial Day Service. Handbells and orchestra WILL NOT play that day. We will singing again on May 31<sup>st</sup> and have choir practice that day as well. Summer is coming so please be here to sing when you can!



Thank you to the many individuals and Sunday School classes that contributed to our church's donations for the Brantley County fire victims. We delivered 67 gift cards to the collection center. WMU also donated 150 bookbags to use in helping distribute supplies. They were very appreciative and thanked us all for the blessing.

# Ms. Carly's Corner For Kids



**OUR LAST WEDNESDAY NIGHT IS THIS WEEK!!**

**\*May 13<sup>th</sup>\***

Thanks to all of our Wednesday leaders for another GREAT year! We are thankful for you!

**GREAT JOB to all our children who participated in our Children's Day Service!**



**MAY 13  
LAST WEDNESDAY NIGHT**

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**MAY 31<sup>ST</sup> - JUNE 1 VBS**

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**JULY 12-15  
PASSPORTKIDS CAMP**

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**AUGUST 1  
BACK TO SCHOOL WATER BASH**

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL IS ALMOST HERE!

Two Days of VBS - May 31<sup>st</sup> and June 1<sup>st</sup>



Don't wait—sign up today! Simply scan the QR code to register online, or contact the church office. We're also seeking Volunteers in all areas—your help makes a difference!



### Children's Church Rotation

**May 17<sup>th</sup> – Erin & Jad Dixon**

**May 24<sup>th</sup> – Memorial Day – No Children's Church**

**May 31<sup>st</sup> – VBS Kick Off!**

**Opportunities for Worship and Ministry**

**TUESDAY, MAY 12**

Newsletter Day

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 13**

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, MAY 17**

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

11:00 AM.....Worship\*

**TUESDAY, MAY 19**

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

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 20**

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

**SUNDAY, MAY 24**

9:15 AM.....Sanctuary Choir Practice\*

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

11:00 AM.....Memorial Day Sunday\*

**MONDAY, MAY 25- Church Office Closed in Observance of Memorial Day**

**TUESDAY, MAY 26**

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

**May Deacons of the Month:** Zach Luckie and Johnny Giddens

**May Ushers:** \*Billy McEachern, \*Mike Ellis, Hank Cook,

Jim Burke, Stewart Carswell, Nathan Carswell, Logan Carswell, Tommy Roberts,

Donnie Hopkins, Jason Dunn, Zach Luckie, and Taylor Spivey



**Final Round of Deacon Election Sunday, May 17, 2026**

The twelve names are in alphabetical order, from which six will be chosen.

**Stan Bryant, Ronnie Clemons, Hank Cook, Jimmy Davis, David Herlovich, John Luckie, Gene Mason, Mike Raynor, Shane Sapp, Mike Smith, Trent Taylor, and Jim Womack**



**Attention College & Technical College Graduates!**

We would love to recognize our college and technical college graduates in the June 9 newsletter! If you or someone in your family is graduating, please help us celebrate this special achievement by submitting the following information no later than **May 28th**:

- Graduate’s full name    -Picture
- School name            -Degree earned
- Future career plans

Please send information to Dana at the church office or contact her with any questions at **229-423-4367** or **229-425-0725**.

**Don’t wait until the last minute — we don’t want to miss anyone!**



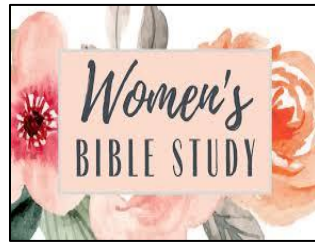
**55+CLUB/Sr. Adult BBQ Supper**

**Wednesday, June 3**

**6pm in Burch Hall**

Sign-up sheets are located in your Sunday school class and on the Narthex table.

**Deadline to sign-up is May 31<sup>st</sup>.**



The next Women’s Bible Study meeting will be held on Sunday, June 7, at 5:00 p.m. Please note that there will be no additional meetings in May.



Closed in observance of

*Memorial Day*

The Church Office will be closed for Memorial Day, Monday, May 25th.

**Our Stewardship Review**

**Budget Report as of May 12**

Monthly Budget Required.....	\$47,886.58
MTD Budget Received .....	\$22,807.00
YTD Budget Requirement .....	\$215,489.74
YTD Budget Giving Received.....	\$246,748.73
YTD Budget Expenses.....	\$202,312.68

May 3, 2026 - Sunday School Attendance – 126

May 10, 2026 - Sunday School Attendance – 148

**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, May 13**

5:30pm Children’s Choir Practice

6:00pm Adult Bible Study

6:00 pm Youth Wednesday Night Live at Cirillo’s

6:00pm Mission Friends, R.A., and G.A

**Sunday, May 17**

Sunday School at 10am and Graduate Sunday Service at 11am

Final Round of Deacon Election



**Wednesday, May 20**

6:00pm Adult Bible Study

**Sunday, May 24**

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal at 9:15am

Sunday School at 10am

Memorial Day Sunday at 11am



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