



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, Anna Branch, Carolyn & Prentiss Brown, Jean Brown, Kevin Brown, H.L. Cleghorn, Ronnie Clemons, Jennifer Coleman, Shirley Coxen, Kurt Cribbs, Mike Devane, Chip Dorminy, Dana Dunn, Rick & Sherry Ellis, Joni Wiggins Fox, Kay Fussell, Chase Giddens, Tonya Griffin, Ed Hill, Peggy Hogan, Harley Ivemeyer, Claudette & Jerry Mahan, David & Shirley Malcolm, Thomas Mayo, Billy McEachern, Don & June Morris, Anne Nelms, William Phillips, Rusty Phillips, Mildred Pigg, Donna Sheffield, Debbie Sherret, Kelly Sumner, Ferris Taylor, Janet Thompson, Joyce Treece, Larry Troupe, Ken Trout, Brianna Turnmire, Van Waters, Donald & Brenda Wiggins, 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, August 9, 2026, are dedicated to the glory of God and placed in loving memory of Mr. & Mrs. Harvey Jay, Mr. & Mrs. Eugene L. Mason, Sr., and Andy Mason by Gene and Lydia Mason.



The flowers in the Sanctuary on Sunday, August 16, 2026, are dedicated to the glory of God and placed in loving memory of Jamie Stone by Lamar, Kathy, and Jeremy Stone.



What a wonderful day we shared on High Attendance Sunday! It was a joy to see so many members, guests, friends, and families worshipping together. Thank you to everyone who invited someone to Sunday School and

worship, made visitors feel welcome, and helped make the day so special. We were blessed to have 229 people in Sunday School and close to 300 in Worship. We thank God for each person who attended and for the opportunity to gather together in worship and fellowship. We are grateful for everyone who joined us to pray for our schools, students, faculty, and staff. Everyone who visited felt the love of Christ and the warmth of our church family. Whether you have been part of First Baptist for years or were with us for the very first time, let's continue reaching out to our neighbors, friends, and family throughout the year, inviting them to join us each week.



New Members

Krieg Alexander (Lex) Luke made a public profession of faith and was baptized on Sunday, July 26. Lex is the son of Kreig and April Luke. We welcome him as a new member and brother in Christ.

This past Sunday, **Derek Avery Sheppard** made a public profession of faith and will be baptized the morning of Sunday, August 16. Derek is the son of Zach and Kayla Sheppard, the grandson of Scott and Tammie Sheppard, David and Susan Keen, and Steven and Belinda Brannen. We welcome him as a new member and brother in Christ.

YOUTH NEWS



MUSIC MINISTRY



MARK YOUR CALENDARS for THIS Sunday morning, August 9th as we kick back off CHOIR PRACTICE at 9:15am in the Sanctuary. We will also talk about our plans for our Christmas Musical this year. NOW IS THE TIME TO JOIN THE CHOIR! Handbells will begin rehearsals soon in preparation for the Fall and Christmas season. We continue to have new folks join us... we would love to see you! See you Sunday!

Ms. Carly's Corner For Kids



We had a great time Saturday at the BACK TO SCHOOL WATER BASH and promotion Sunday!

*Children's Choir is now Children's Choir + Supper Club located in the preschool building. A meal will be provided as part of Children's Choir starting on 8/12 at 5:30PM.



Children's Church Volunteers:

August 9th - Carly & TJ Harper
August 16th - Melissa Cowan & Natalie King
August 23rd - Kayla & Zach Sheppard
August 30th - Mollie & Trent Taylor

Opportunities for Worship and Ministry

TUESDAY, AUGUST 4

Newsletter Day

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5

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

6:00 PM.....Youth WNL*

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9

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

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

11:00 AM.....Worship*

1:30 PM.....Deacons Meeting (Mann Hall)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12

5:30 PM.....Children’s Choir Practice (Preschool Building)*

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

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

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16

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

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

11:00 AM.....Worship*

TUESDAY, AUGUST 18

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

Aug Deacons of the Month: Zach Luckie and Johnny Giddens

Aug Ushers: *Byron Smith, *Lew Brinson, Bob Jones, Todd Cook, Kevin Phillips, Johnnie Giddens, Jared Garner, Tony Eckler, and Justin Phillips.

REMINDERS



Deacons Meeting

Sunday, August 9 at 1:30pm in Mann Hall

🔥 The Discussion of the Gym has been postponed until the September meeting!



Clubhouse Guatemala’s Christmas Cheer Packs

Thank you for supporting this ministry! **Donations are still welcome through August 10** in Sunday School classrooms, the church office, or the Church Narthex. Needed items include toothbrushes, soap, school supplies, preschool coloring books, small toys, and socks. You may also purchase items through Karen Spivey’s Amazon Wish List

by going to Gift Registry and searching “Karen Spivey.” The items will be shipped to the church office. To support Clubhouse Guatemalan Ministries, make checks payable to First Baptist Church and designate them for Guatemala Missions.



Women's Bible Study

Ladies, mark your calendars! The Women's Bible Study will meet **August 23, at 5pm**. They will resume full time on **Sunday, September 6, at 5pm**. All women are invited to join us for a meaningful time of Bible study, fellowship, and encouragement. Whether you've been attending for years or are joining us for the first time, we'd love to have you. Bring a friend and come grow with us in God's Word!

BACK-TO-SCHOOL Prayer FOR STUDENTS, TEACHERS & FAMILIES

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- STUDENTS**
Pray for wisdom, confidence, and a heart that seeks God in all they do.
- TEACHERS & STAFF**
Pray for strength, patience, and encouragement as they invest in the next generation.
- PARENTS & FAMILIES**
Pray for guidance, peace, and the ability to support and encourage their children.
- SCHOOLS & ADMINISTRATORS**
Pray for safety, unity, and wisdom in decisions that impact our schools.
- BUS DRIVERS & SUPPORT STAFF**
Pray for protection and thankfulness for their faithful service each day.
- COLLEGE STUDENTS**
Pray for focus, time management, and a boldness to live and share their faith on campus.

A Prayer for the NEW SCHOOL YEAR

Lord,

As our children begin this new school year, we place them in Your loving hands.

Protect them from harm, keep them safe each day, and surround them with people who will encourage and guide them.

Give them wisdom to learn, courage to do what is right, and joy in all they do.

Help them to know that You are with them wherever they go.

Cover their school, their teachers, and their friends with Your peace and protection.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

“The Lord will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore.”
PSALM 121:8 (NIV)

Our Stewardship Review

Budget Report as of August 4

Monthly Budget Required.....	\$51,886.58
MTD Budget Received	\$9,512.00
YTD Budget Requirement	\$375,325.91
YTD Budget Giving Received.....	\$370,521.52
YTD Budget Expenses.....	\$355,059.33

July 26, 2026 - Sunday School Attendance – 163
August 2, 2026 – High Attendance/Sunday School Attendance – 229

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, August 5

Adult Bible Study and Youth WNL resume at 6pm

Sunday, August 9

Choir Practice at 9:15am

Sunday School at 10am

Worship Sunday at 11am

Dr. Jerry Mahan



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Children’s Activities (Mission Friends, RAs, & GAs) resume at 6pm

Sunday, August 16

Choir Practice at 9:15am

Sunday School at 10am

Worship Sunday at 11am

Baptismal Service

Dr. Jerry Mahan

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