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Rev. Ruth Demby	Associate Pastor: Missions	Rev. Dr. Tony Lankford	Executive Pastor
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Susan Eernisse	Associate Minister: Music	Amy Sheridan	Communications
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Rev. Dr. Ron Grizzle	Pastoral Care	Rev. Christopher Simonton	Associate Pastor: Youth
Dr. Helen Hutsell	Co-Director of Elementary Ministries	Kayanne Smith	Music Admin. Assistant
Della Ruth Johnson	Organist Emeritus	April Wood	Financial Administrator

WORSHIP NOTES

Restrooms are located in the Foyer and in the hallway behind the sanctuary (please exit through the piano-side door).

Coffee is available in the South Portico Lobby.

Childcare is available for infants, toddlers and PreK in the nursery. An usher will be glad to lead you to the nursery area (below the Banquet Hall).

Clergy of the Week: Jeremy Shoulta (jeremy.shoulta@fbcgainesville.org)

Deacon Team of the Week: David Lancaster, Counte Cooley, Mc McCahan, Kimi Mihok and Debra Howington

If you have any safety concerns or needs this morning, please feel welcome to speak with our security officer, Ret. Lt. Nina Harkins, who usually can be found in the church foyer.

First Baptist Church is a **Stephen Ministry congregation**. Stephen Ministers are caregivers trained to provide one-to-one care to those experiencing a difficult time in life. If you would like to be put in touch with a Stephen Minister, please call **770-754-7354**.



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Welcome to worship! We encourage all guests to complete a Connect Card (located in the pew) and drop it in the offering plate by the chapel doors. You are also invited to stop by the Guest Table (located in the Foyer) to receive further information about First Baptist Church.



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“God the Consuming Fire”

Fifth Sunday of Easter
April 28, 2024 | 8:45 AM

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Gathering Song *We're Marching to Zion*
 Mark Green, Piano

Call to Worship *I Will Sing Praise*
(From Psalm 104:33, 35b NKJV)

Songs of Praise *How Great Is Our God (322)*
How Great Thou Art (323)

Welcome & Prayer Ruth Demby

Songs of Celebration *We're Marching to Zion (550)*
Completely Known, Completely Loved

Scripture Reading: Malachi 3:1-3; Matthew 3:11-12 Kellie Denton
Malachi 3:1-3: See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears?
 For he is like a refiner's fire and like washers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness.

Matthew 3:11-12: "I baptize you with water for repentance, but the one who is coming after me is more powerful than I, and I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

Words of Teaching "God the Consuming Fire"
 Jeremy Shoulta

Song of Response *The Potter's Hand(489)*

Opportunities to Connect & Serve Christopher Simonton

Called Church Conference Scott Wiley, Deacon Chair

Morning Prayer (Including the Lord's Prayer) Jeremy Shoulta

Congregational Response *Chorus of Completely Known, Completely Loved*

Departing Song *The Potter's Hand*
 Mark Green, Piano & Herve Aklotsoe, Cajón

A special thank you to Mark Green (Piano/Vocals), Susan Eernisse, Patton Gilbert and Herve Aklotsoe (Cajón) for leading our music today.

Your giving is important, offering Baskets are located at both exits

UPCOMING EVENTS

Salsa and Sardines
May 5 | 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM
 Youth Ministry Event featuring Free Moe's Taco Bar and a game of Sardines! Meet in the Nix Auditorium.

Orchestra Concert and BBQ Dinner
May 5 | 5:00 PM (Dinner) 6:00 PM (Concert)
 Join us for an unforgettable evening of music and fellowship! Purchase dinner tickets (\$15) at the QR code below.

Music Camp
June 3-5 | 9:00 AM - Noon
VBS
July 8-12 | 8:00 AM - Noon
Connect Camp
July 8-12 | 8:00 AM -5:00 PM



Nicaragua Mission Trip
June 1-8 | \$350 plus airfare and incidentals
 We will be helping remote villagers with the following: installing running water lines/septic tanks/bathrooms, farm projects, pruning, fertilization of fruit trees and/or other plants, health care projects to eliminate parasites, working with elementary school students at the Amigos Academy. Please email Jimmy McGowan (jem@sterileworks.com) for info.

THIS WEEK AT FBC

Wednesday
Dinner
5:00 PM | Banquet Hall
Performing Arts Academy String Concert
6:00 PM | Choir Room
Sanctuary Choir
7:00 PM | Choir Room

Welcome NEW MEMBERS



ABIGAIL LATHEM



BOB MADDOX



GREG VAUGHN

FBC 101
May 19 & 26

Hosted by Pastors Jeremy and Tony
 Join us for Breakfast!
 All visitors and new members are invited to attend.
 RSVP: PatsyShuford@gmail.com

Promising Futures
 END OF THE YEAR PICNIC

MAY | 14TH | 2024
4:00 PM

We will need volunteers to assist with grilling hot dogs, preparing food, helping children learn to fish, etc. If you would like to volunteer, please email:
 monica.ramirez.leon@fbcgainesville.org

Summer Youth Calendar

- May 28 - June 1: Summer Camp
- June 7: Movie Night
- June 11: Water War
- June 21: Trip to Six Flags
- June 24-30: Youth Choir Tour
- June 28: MS only Pool or Lake Day
- July 8-12: Connect Camp
- July 19: HS only Pool or Lake Day
- July 28: Back to School Bash