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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: Mark Green (mark.green@fbcgainesville.org)

Deacon Team of the Week: Randy Meincke, Joy Banks and Bob Page

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 **770-534-7354**.

If you are visiting us today, please scan the QR code to complete our guest connect card. We would love to hear from you.



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Grace discovered. Traditions renewed.

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.

"Crossing Thresholds: From One to Another"

Fourth Sunday of Easter Mother's Day May 11, 2025 | 8:45 AM

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First Baptist Church Chapel

Gathering Song I Surrender All Carrie Owens, Piano

Call to Worship Total Praise

Song of Praise Revelation Song

Welcome & Prayer Tony Lankford

Passing the Peace of Christ Congregation

May the peace of the Lord be with you And also with you

Song of Celebration Higher Ground

Scripture Reading: John 13:31-35

When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me, and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

Words of Teaching "Crossing Thresholds: From One to Another" Jeremy Shoulta

Song of Response They'll Know We Are Christians (272)

Stanzas 1 & 2

Opportunities to Connect & Serve Christopher Simonton

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

Congregational Response Chorus of Higher Ground

Departing Song Thy Word Tami Easterday, Piano

A special thank you to Susan Eernisse, Nancy Duncan, Carrie Owens, Kayanne Smith Kent Murphey, Chris Owens, Tami Easterday and Herve Aklotsoe for leading our music today.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Feast Virtual Study

Today | 4:30 pm | FLC-Gathering Room Last chance to see Kristi McLelland's "Feast" Bible Study

Youth Strings Recital May 14 | 5:30 PM | Choir Room

Parents Night Out

May 30 | 5:30 PM-8:30 PM | Youth Room

3 years to 5th grade children are welcome to enjoy games and activities. Hamburger and Hot Dog Dinner will be served. Please alert Elizabeth or Sarah if your child has allergies. The cost is \$5 per child. Please scan the QR Code to Register.



Young Adult Meet-Up

May 16 | 5:00-9:00 PM

We will meet up for Food Truck Friday at Lake Lanier Olympic Park! Email Pastor Kellie to RSVP. kellie.denton@fbcgainesville.org

*Mother's Day Photo Booth in the Welcome Center. If you post pictures on social, be sure to tag us! We would love to see them!

THIS WEEK AT FBC

Carpenter Mission Group
10:00 AM | Parlor
May 12: Bill Wittel, CEO of the Beyond Dementia
Coalition, will be our speaker this month. He will
be talking us through the warning signs and
stages of dementia as well as sharing what the
coalition is doing to educate and support
people in our area who are impacted by this
collection of symptoms. Everyone is invited to
attend. There will be a luncheon after the presentation, so please bring your favorite salad. sentation, so please bring your favorite salad, appetizer, or dessert.

Tuesday Women's Bible Study 10:00 AM | FLC-Gathering Room

Wednesday Women's Bible Study 5:45 PM | Parlor

Sanctuary Choir 6:50 PM | Choir Room

Thursday Women's Bible Study 10:00 AM | Winsome Room

SAVE THE DATE

Unified Sunday School

June 8 | 9:45 AM | Banquet Hall

We will conclude our Crossing Thresholds season of prayer by holding a combined Sunday School in the Banquet Hall.





FBC 101 & 102

For New Members & Visitors of FBC

June 1 and June 15 Join us for Breakfast!

FBC 101 will give you an overview of our church while FBC 102 takes a deeper look at our ministries and how you can get involved! RSVP to patsyshuford@gmail.com

^{**}Your giving is important. Offering baskets are located at both exits. **