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Music Admin. Assistant
Interim Director of the Family Life Center
Interim Director of Children's Ministries
Financial Administrator

WORSHIP NOTES

April Wood

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. Our Nursery is located in the Children's Hall, to the right of the HUB.

Clergy of the Week: Christopher Simonton (christopher@fbcgainesville.org)

Deacon Team of the Week: David Lancaster, Kimi Mihok and Darrell White

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. Lives 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.

"Why I Believe in God"

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost August 31, 2025 | 8:45 AM

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First Baptist Church Chapel

Gathering Song

Redeemed

Worship Band

"Be filled with God's goodness. Get lost in God's love."

Welcome & Prayer Tony Lankford

Passing the Peace of Christ

May the peace of the Lord be with you

And also with you.

Congregation

Call to Worship

Redeemed

Song of Praise Who You Say I Am

Song of Assurance Completely Known, Completely Loved

Words of Teaching

"Why I Believe in God"

Jim Ramsey

I John 4:7-21; Pew Bible No. 1902

1.Genesis 1:1 – In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

2.Psalm 8:3-4 – When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, what is mankind that you are mindful of them, human beings that you care for them?

3. 1 John 4:8c-9 – God is love. This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him.

Song of Response Blessed Assurance (No. 619)

Stanzas 1 & 3

Opportunities to Connect & Serve Kellie Denton

Morning Prayer (Including the Lord's Prayer) Christopher Simonton

Congregational Response Chorus of Who You Say I Am

Departing Song

All My Hope

Worship Band

A special thank you to Mark Green, Susan Eernisse, Kayanne Smith, Jerry Johnson, Carl Bedingfield (Electric Bass) and Herve Aklotsoe (Cajón) for leading our music today.

Welcowe New Members



Durham & Hawkins Bryant



Billy Ray & Delores Burkett



Todd & Kristen Tharpe



Carolyn Davis



Randy & Curtis Shead



Tonya & Larry Corbett

FBC 101

SEPTEMBER 7
9:45 AM
BANQUET HALL

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