Welcome to First Baptist Church!

Welcome to First Baptist Church, where we celebrate God's love and Christ's salvation, engage in ministry near and far, and empower each person to be the good news of Jesus Christ in Vero Beach. Please see an usher for any concerns, and fill out a Connection Card for the offering plate.

We welcome children in our worship services: The presence of children is a gift, and we celebrate their wiggles, cries, and play as we teach them how to "play" and be the church! We hope that you feel the warm embrace of the First Baptist family and grow deeper in the Lord. Nursery is provided for infants and preschool children in both services.

This Week's Opportunities

Sunday, November 1, 2026
7:45 AM Worship Team Warmup
8:30 AM Worship Service
9:15 AM The Gathering
9:30 AM Sunday School
10:00 AM Celebration Choir Warmup
10:30 AM Worship Service
4:00 PM Online Sunday School

Monday, November 2, 2026
6:00 PM RiskTakers for Christ
6:30 PM Men's Bible Study
7:00 PM Treasure Coast Chorale

Tuesday, November 3, 2026
7:45 AM Men's Prayer (Waterfall Diner)

Wednesday, November 4, 2026
3:45 PM Clothing Room Opens
5:00 PM Wednesday Friends
5:00 PM Supper
5:45 PM Prayer & Bible Study

Thursday, November 5, 2026
4:30 PM Samaritan Soup Bowl
6:30 PM Youth Worship

November 4, 2026 Supper Menu
Baked tilapia or breaded scrod, rice pilaf, coleslaw, roll/butter & dessert
Suppers $8 each

Church Office Closed
Veterans Day
Wednesday, November 11, 2026

Thanksgiving Holiday
Thursday, November 26, 2026
Friday, November 27, 2026

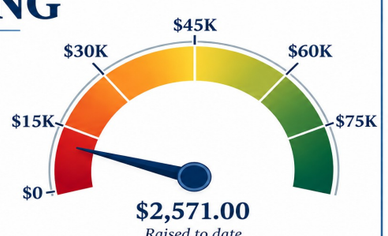
Deacon of the Week
Rusty Banack

Birthday Wishes
November Nonagenarian (90-99)
We would like to say Happy Birthday to our nonagenarian members:
Harry Hurst—November 3 (93)
Nola McCrillis—November 21 (92)
Ron Hutchison—November 27 (94)

THANKSLIVING

As we enter this season of Thanksgiving, we give thanks to God for His continued faithfulness and the many blessings in our church family.

We invite you to prayerfully consider a special year-end gift above your regular tithes and offerings to help sustain our ministries and finish the year on solid financial footing.



Our Thanksliving Goal: $75,000.00

If everyone who attends regularly provides a one-time gift of $535.00 to Thanksliving, we will meet our goal.

News and Notes

Samaritan Soup Bowl * Thursday, November 5, 2026 at 4:30 PM
Join us in the Family Life Center 4:30 PM to 7:00 PM for the 34th Annual Soup Bowl Event benefiting Catholic Charities' Samaritan Center. We will be serving soup, fresh bread, iced tea, water and dessert. Eat-In or To-Go Soup: $5.00 - & $15 - Quart. Pottery Bowls ($20 each) will be sold here as well as the Heritage Center 2140 14th Ave on Thursday, November 5, 2026 -9:00 AM - 7:00 PM.

Advent Poinsettia Order Forms Available * Deadline is November 8, 2026
Order a poinsettia for the Advent Season to honor an individual or to memorialize a loved one. Bring your message to the church office or drop it in the offering plate with a check or cash for $20. Order deadline is Sunday, November 8, 2026.

Trip to Valiant Warbird Air Museum and Dixie Crossroads * Thursday, November 12, 2026
Senior adults are invited to join Pastor Joe for a day trip to Valiant Warbird Air Museum and Dixie Crossroads for lunch in Titusville. Each person is responsible for price of admission and lunch. We get a group rate for 10 or more at the museum! Sign up with Pastor Joe by November 1, 2026.

FBC Preschool Christmas Evergreen Fundraiser
Fresh wreaths, garland and gifts are available to order to help raise money for our preschool. You will be able to pickup your order at the preschool the week after Thanksgiving or direct delivery available for out-of-town orders. Order deadline for local orders is November 4 and direct delivery orders is November 14. All orders will be placed online. **https://omt.sffwa.com/minisite/fbcp2026christmaswreaths**
Payments: made by check, payable to First Baptist Church Preschool or FBCP. Thank you for supporting our preschool.

Communion/Lunch/Church Conference at 11:45 AM * Sunday, November 15, 2026
We will be celebrating communion at one worship service. The Nominating Committee will be announcing new members for next year's committees for approval. Please plan to attend this important Church Conference. Lunch will be served. This will take place in the Family Life Center.

Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes * Due Back Sunday, November 15, 2026
OCC shoeboxes are available to pick up and fill. For any questions, please call Kim Orndorff at 772.532.1816. Shipping for each shoebox is $10.

"Fluffing of the Greens" * Monday, November 23, 2026 at 9:00 AM
After being compressed into cartons for storage all year, the miles of greenery (not really miles, but a few feet) that we have for the Advent Season will need to be fluffed. It won't take very long with many willing hands. Join us as we prepare God's house for Advent.

Men's Bible Studies * Mondays at 6:30 PM and Tuesdays at 7:45 AM
Get into God's word and join in accountability as "iron sharpens iron". Monday group meets in the executive library. Tuesday group meets at Waterfall Diner.

Wednesday Supper and Bible Study * at 5:00 PM
"Fire and Brimstone: A Study of God's Justice and Mercy in Christ"
Join Pastor Joe after supper for a Bible study intended to deepen your love for Christ and His sacrifice on the cross by moving through "Two Sides of the Gospel Message: Salvation and Judgment".

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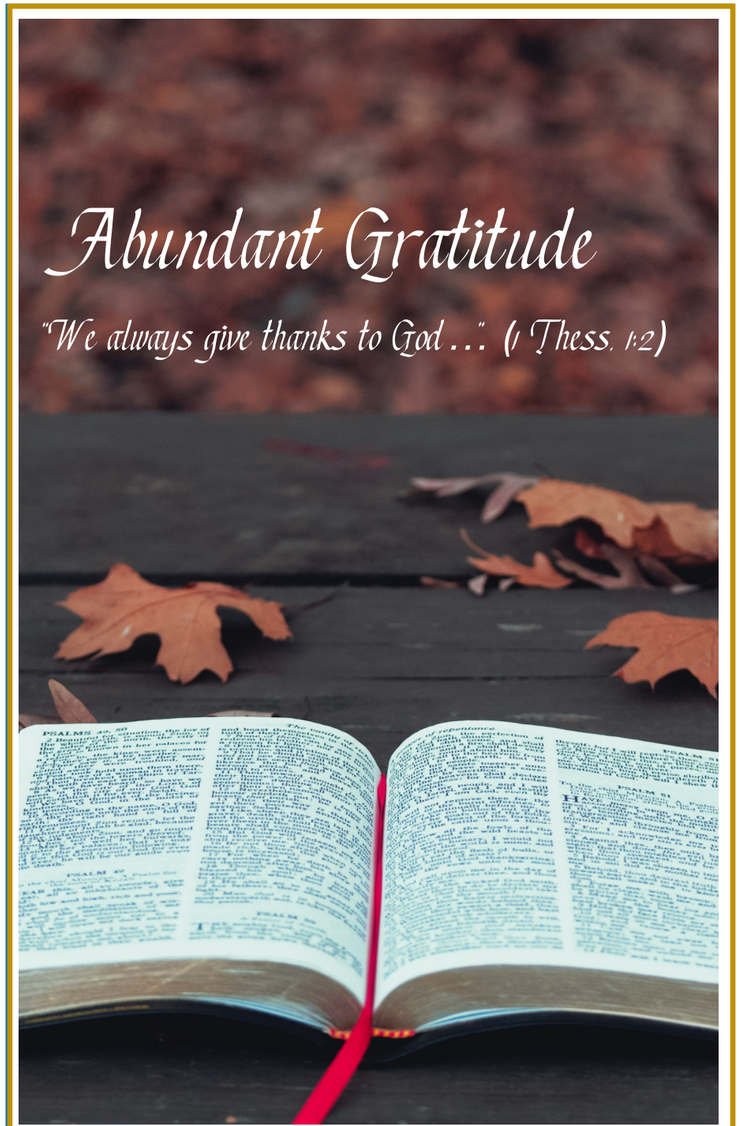

First Baptist Vero Beach

The Worship of God

All Saints Sunday

November 1, 2026

8:30 AM Worship Service

Opening Praise - *Rest on Us*

Welcome and Invocation - Rev. Dr. Joe LaGuardia

Worship Songs - *Holy Forever/Cornerstone*

Pastoral Prayer - Rev. Kristina LaGuardia

Remembering the Saints

Scripture Lesson - 1 Thess. 2:13-16 (NT p. 158) - Rusty Banack

Message - "Models of Ministry" - Rev. Dr. Joe LaGuardia

Time of Response - *Nothing But The Blood*

Offertory Prayer - Rusty Banack / **Offertory** - Great Are You Lord

Ministry Opportunities - Rev. Dr. Joe LaGuardia

Closing Song - *Rest On Us*

Welcome to worship! First Baptist Church follows the Christian Calendar, which proclaims God's Great Story of Redemption and helps mark the seasons of our life together. Today is All Saints Sunday in the Christian Year. It is a time to celebrate and give thanks for the community of faith and the individuals who comprise it. We give thanks for the generations of faithful folks who have prepared the way for us. We pray that we may also be faithful as we share God's love with this and future generations: all to the glory of God! The color for All Saints Sunday is white.

Pastoral Ministry Team:
Rev. Dr. Joe LaGuardia, Rev. Dr. Michael Carter,
Dr. Ray Adams and Rev. Kristina LaGuardia

Ministry Assistants:
David DeGraeve, Millie Portante, Roy Strickland
and Stefania Wright-Osment

Worship Team:
Dr. Ray Adams, Judy Carter, Lance Lunceford,
Richie Mola, Dezmond Moss, Joey Rumberger and
Billy Smith

Technical Support Team:
Jim Aldendorf, Roger Butler, Abigail Gast,
Hayden LaGuardia, Philip Smith, and Stephen Smith

First Baptist Church Preschool
Director René LaRosa, Assistant Director Chrissy Rogers

Nursery Workers
Kim Piscitelli, Zoe Gordon, Sam Guymon and Shyanna Nowell

Youth Volunteers
Willow Brown, Ali Crawford, Teagan Davis and Dylan Johnson

<u>Our Mission</u>
To worship God and to share the Good News of Jesus Christ through word and action with our local community and around the world.

10:30 AM Worship Service

Gathering Music
O when the saints go marching in, O when the saints go marching in,
O Lord, I want to be In that number when the saints go marching in!
O when they crown Him Lord of all, O when they crown Him Lord of all,
O Lord, I want to be in that number when they crown Him Lord of all!

Call to Worship (singing # 204, stanza 2; # 514, stanzas 1,2)
Great Redeemer, Lord and Master, Light of all eternal days;
Let the saints of ev'ry nation sing Thy just and endless praise!
Glorious, glorious, glorious is Thy name, O Lord!
Glorious, glorious, glorious is Thy name, O Lord!

Sing the wondrous love of Jesus, sing His mercy and His grace:
In the mansions bright and blessed, He'll prepare for us a place.
When we all get to heaven, what a day of rejoicing that will be!
When we all see Jesus, we'll sing and shout the victory!

While we walk the pilgrim pathway, clouds will over-spread the sky;
But when trav'ling days are over, not a shadow, not a sigh.
When we all get to heaven, what a day of rejoicing that will be!
When we all see Jesus, we'll sing and shout the victory!

Invocation and Welcome — Rev. Dr. Joe LaGuardia

Leader: Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses,
People: Let us lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, running with perseverance the race that is set before us,
Leader: Looking to Jesus, the pioneer and perfector of our faith, who endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of God.
People: Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks!

*Hymn of Praise (# 355, stanzas 1,2,5) — *SINE NOMINE*
For All the Saints

Pastoral Prayer — Rev. Kristina LaGuardia

Choral Affirmation — (Chris Rice/Robert Sterling)
Untitled Hymn

*Hymn of Affirmation (# 522) — *BY AND BY*
When the Morning Comes

Tithes and Offerings of a Grateful, Generous People
*Offertory Prayer — Rusty Banack
Offertory — Dr. Ray Adams, organ
*Doxology (# 253) — *OLD 100TH*

Children's Sermon

Remembering the Saints — Rev. Kristina LaGuardia

Susan Aretz	Myrtle Holman	Lacey Profeta
Jean Bowhay	John Kirby, Sr.	Harry Righton
Nan Carroll	Rolland Laramore	Janice Sizelove
Paul Grenier	Harold O'Flaherty	Aileen Skinner
Betty Hedrick	Ed Page	Michael Small
Donald Hinz	Steven Poteat	Betsy Smith

(Following each name, please respond: "Thanks be to God!")
Giving Thanks for Other Saints in God's Nearer Presence / Silent Prayer

(singing #426, stanza 3) *I heard about a mansion He has built for me in glory, and I heard about the streets of gold beyond the crystal sea; about the angels singing, and the old redemption story, and some sweet day I'll sing up there the song of victory. O victory in Jesus, my Savior, for ever, He sought me and bought me with His redeeming blood; He loved me ere I knew Him, and all my love is due Him, He plunged me to victory, beneath the cleansing flood!*

Scripture Lesson: 1 Thess. 2:13-16 (NT p. 158) — Rusty Banack
Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.
People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon — Rev. Dr. Joe LaGuardia
"Models of Ministry"

*Hymn of Invitation (# 524) — *MARCHING TO ZION*
We're Marching to Zion

Ministry Opportunities and Benediction — Rev. Dr. Joe LaGuardia

*Closing Affirmation — *O WHEN THE SAINTS / I'LL FLY AWAY*
O when the saints march out to serve, O when the saints march out to serve,
*O, let us **ALL** be in that number, when the saints march out to serve!!*

Some glad morning when this life is o'er, I'll fly away, (fly away);
To a home on God's celestial shore, I'll fly away, (fly away).
I'll fly away, O glory, I'll fly away, (in the morning);
When I die, hallelujah, by and by, I'll fly away, (fly away).

*Music upon Departure — Dr. Ray Adams, organ

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