

Welcome to First Baptist Church!

Welcome to First Baptist Church, where we celebrate God's love and Christ's salvation. We hope that you feel the warm embrace of the First Baptist family and grow deeper in the Lord.

Nursery is provided for both services. We also have a "Family Room" for those who need time with their children—live streaming and changing stations are available! Hearing devices are available for the hearing impaired. Please see an usher for any questions or concerns!

This Week's Opportunities

Sunday, August 15, 2021

7:45 AM Worship Team Warmup
8:30 AM Celebrations Worship Service
9:15 AM The Gathering - FLC
9:30 AM Sunday School
9:45 AM Music Ministry Warmup
10:30 AM Traditions Worship Service

Contributions

A gift was given to the Sr. Adults in memory of Alma Lee Loy and Colleen Beatty. A gift was given to the General Fund in memory of Jon Goff.

Monday, August 16, 2021

4:00 PM RSVP for Wednesday Dinner
6:00 PM Treasure Coast Sports Ministry

Fellowship Dinner:

Baked fish, rice pilaf, broccoli & dessert
\$6.00 each

Wednesday, August 18, 2021

4:00 PM Clothing Room Opens
5:00 PM Fellowship Dinner & Wednesday Friends Dinner
5:45 PM Bible Study & Prayer Meeting

Deacon of the Week

Bob Shields

Thursday, August 19, 2021

7:00 PM Youth Group

Birthday Wishes - August Nonagenarian (90-99)

We would like to say **Happy Birthday** to our nonagenarian members:

Peggy Knight, August 5 (91), Jim Runnels, August 9 (90), Broadus Sowell, August 9 (94), & Irene Bush, August 25 (92)

Birthdays this Week:

Les Owen, Marjorie Butler, Neal Jackson, Ray Walker, Mark Reynolds, Jane Brausam, Paula Hindert, Gwen Gouge, Keri Gielow and Wanda Knight



Notice: Live video stream. You are being recorded.

Attention

Doors on the back side of the sanctuary will be locked after the service begins. If you go out those doors please knock for assistance to come back in.



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News and Notes

A Message from Pastor Joe: Our Bold Mission and Big Dream!

- For nearly two decades we have been working on ways to renovate the sanctuary bathrooms, administrative office and music building on campus. Each is in need of serious repair - extensive leaking and water damage in the music building and plumbing issues in the offices and bathrooms, that are over 50 years old - and all in need of our attention. **Now is the time to move forward in this bold mission!**
- Motion by Trustees to the Endowment Committee then by Endowment Committee to church for funds to restore Music Building.
- Motion by Nominating Committee to combine committees.

Join us Sunday, August 22, 2021 for a chef-prepared luncheon followed by our Church Conference. You will be excited to hear how we plan to move forward, including details about the renovations and ways of investing in this dream.

I hope you will dream big with us and join us. Let's get excited about what God is doing at First Baptist Church!

Blessing of the Teachers * Today at 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM

On this day we will recognize and bless all teachers and staff for the upcoming school year. Please join us in blessing those who teach our children.

Summer Choir * Sundays at 9:45 AM

Summer Choir will be leading us in worship at the 10:30 AM service. We invite all singers to join us in the sanctuary at 9:45 AM. Come sing with us.

Preschool Orientation * Thursday, August 19, 2021 at 6:00 PM

FBC Preschool will hold their parent orientation meeting in the church sanctuary. For more information, please see René LaRosa, Preschool Director.

Preschool Open House * Friday, August 20, 2021 at 9:00 AM

FBC Preschool will hold an open house for all incoming preschoolers and parents. Open house is 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM.

Joint Worship, Church Conference and Communion * Sunday, August 22, 2021

Join us at 10:30 AM for a joint worship service, which will include communion. A chef-prepared luncheon and Church Conference will follow the joint worship service.

Men's Breakfast * Saturday, August 28, 2021 at 9:00 AM

All men are invited to breakfast in the Family Life Center, Building C. Get filled with nourishment both physically and spiritually. The men also meet each Tuesday morning at 7:30 AM for prayer.

Revival Service * Sunday, August 29, 2021 at 4:00 PM

Come and join us for this summer revival service, including great music, preaching, and fellowship to revive our spirits and energize our commitment to Christ! Our revival is one of several revivals happening across Vero Beach this summer in an effort to unite our community in worship and evangelism for our Lord.

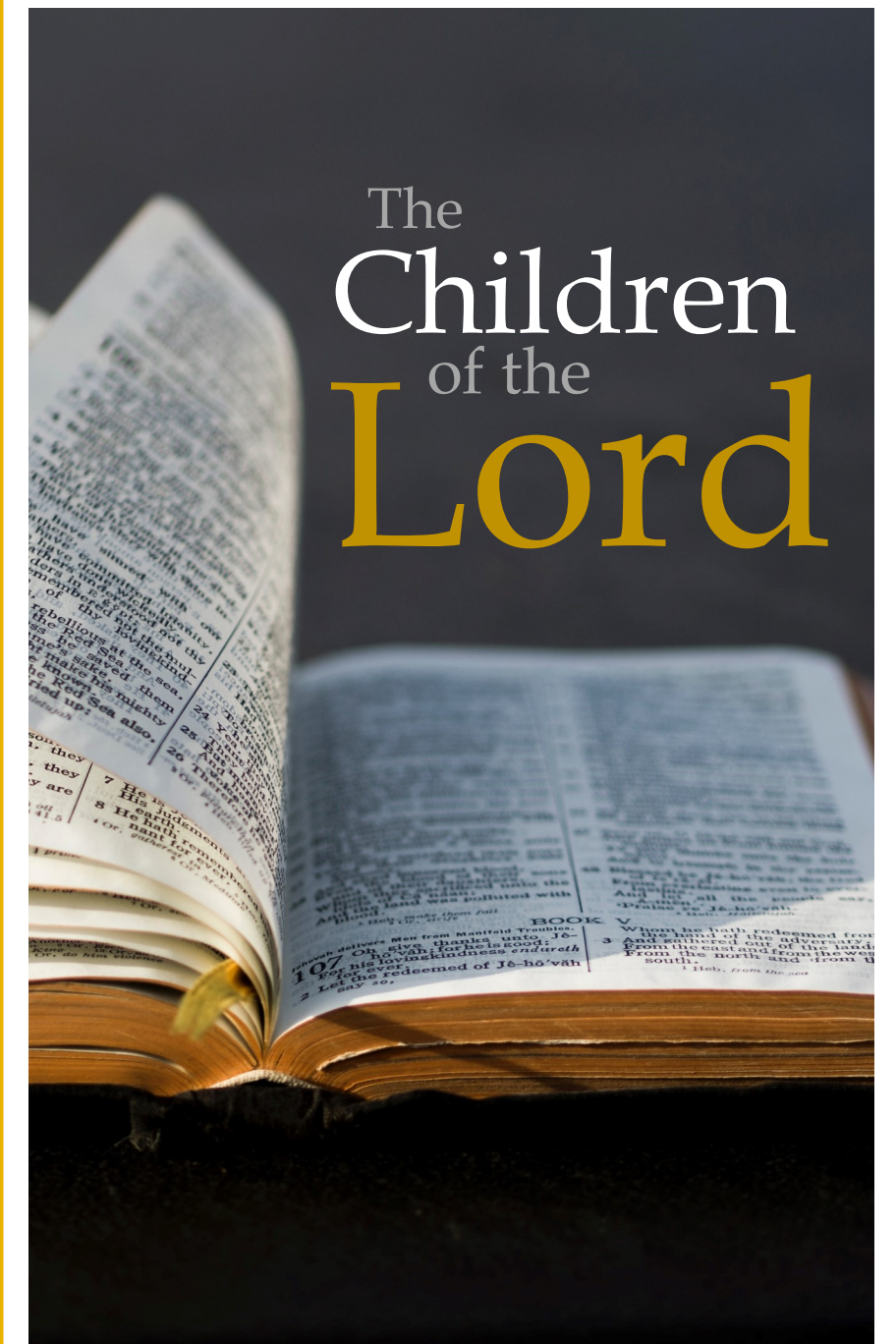
Revival!

Wednesday Friends' Needs

Our Wednesday Friends group needs mens jeans (32/30 & 34/30), umbrellas and deodorant (men & women's). Please drop off items at the church office. Thanks in advance for helping those in need - Matthew 7:12.

Memorial Service

A memorial service for Mary Delvecchio will be held Saturday, August 21, 2021 at 10:30 AM at First Presbyterian Church, 520 Royal Palm Blvd, Vero Beach.



The Worship of God

"The Ways of the Lord"

A Summer Bible Study Sermon Series
on First and Second Samuel

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

August 15, 2021

8:30 AM Celebrations Service

Opening Praise - Sunrise, Sunset

Invocation and Welcome - Rev. Dr. Joe LaGuardia

Worship Songs - Sunday School Spectacular

Recognition of Teachers and Pastoral Prayer- Rev. Bryce Richard

Scripture Lesson - Matthew 18:1-10 - Rev. Bob Shields

This is the Word of God for the people of God. / Thanks be to God!

Message - Rev. Dr. Joe LaGuardia - “As a Child”

Time of Response - I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

Offertory Prayer - Rev. Bob Shields

Benediction - Rev. Dr. Joe LaGuardia

Closing Song - May the Peace of God /Doxology

Worship Notes

Today, in the Christian calendar, is the Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost. The Sundays following Pentecost deal with the Church’s work in the world. The Church acknowledges and engages the words of Christ in Acts 1:8: empowered by the Spirit, Christ’s followers bear witness of him to the ends of the earth. The color for this season of the Christian Calendar is green signifying the growth of the Church. We thank Lance Lunceford for playing trombone in our services this summer! Cover photo by Aaron Burden www.unsplash.com.

Pastoral Ministry Team:

Rev. Dr. Joe LaGuardia, Rev. Dr. Michael Carter,
Rev. Bryce Richard, Dr. Ray Adams, and Kristina LaGuardia

Ministry Assistants:

John Clark, David DeGraeve, Millie Portante, Pat Smith and Roy Strickland

Celebrations Worship Team:

Dr. Ray Adams, Patrick Gordon,
Justin Mandell, Richie Mola, and Jackson Squires

Technical Support Team:

Jim Aldendorf, Roger Butler, Haleigh Santana LaGuardia, Casey Lunceford,
Henry Richard, Ron Selph, Philip Smith, Stephen Smith, and Jackson Squires

First Baptist Church Preschool

René LaRosa, Director

Nursery Workers

Diane Levow and Kim Piscitelli
Macy Richard and Hayden LaGuardia, Youth Volunteers

10:30 AM Traditions Service

Music Upon Gathering/Sounding of the Chimes Dr. Ray Adams, organ

The organ calls us to focus our attention on God.

Opening Sentences

Leader: Lord, your name endures forever, your faithfulness through all generations.

People: We will tell the next generation the praiseworthy deeds of the Lord, God’s power and the wonders God has done.

Choral Invocation Summer Choir

 Come Down, Lord (Stan Pethel)

Spoken Invocation and Welcome Rev. Dr. Joe LaGuardia

*Hymn of Worship (# 44) DIX

 For the Beauty of the Earth (1,2,3,6)

 (Children may come forward during this song.)

Children's Sermon Kristina LaGuardia

*Songs of Affirmation Sunday School Spectacular Everyone

 Do Lord / I’ve Got the Joy, Joy, Joy, Joy / I’m in the Lord’s Army

 The B-I-B-L-E / I Am a “C” / Jesus Loves Me /

 Jesus Loves the Little Children / This Little Light of Mine

Tithes and Offering of a Grateful People

*Offertory Prayer Rev. Bob Shields

*Doxology (# 253) OLD 100TH

Recognition of Teachers / Pastoral Prayer Rev. Bryce Richard

Scripture Lesson: Matthew 18:1-10

Sermon “As a Child” Rev. Dr. Joe LaGuardia

*Hymn of Invitation (# 489) I WANT TO BE A CHRISTIAN

 Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

*Benediction Rev. Dr. Joe LaGuardia

*Closing Affirmation (# 407, st. 2) RESURRECTION

 How sweet to hold a new-born baby,

 And feel the pride and joy he gives;

 But greater still the calm assurance,

 This child can face uncertain days because He lives.

 Because He lives I can face tomorrow;

 Because He lives all fear is gone;

 Because I know He holds the future,

 And life is worth the living just because He lives!

*Closing Voluntary Dr. Ray Adams, organ

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Sermon Notes