# This Week at FBR

Sunday,	October 8
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9:45 AM	Sunday School	
11:00 AM	Worship Service	(Sanctuary)
3:00 PM	Come, Gather to Pray	(Chapel)
5:00 PM	Hope for Grieving Children	(Counseling Center)
5:00 PM	Missions Committee Meeting	(357)
5:30 PM	Apex Christian Singles Bible Study	(352)
5:30 PM	Children's Music Rehearsals	(201, 203, 210)
5:30 PM	Youth Choir Rehearsal	(302)
6:30 PM	CHC Reporting Session	(Sanctuary)
6:30 PM	M & M Bible Study	(Joyhouse)

#### Monday, October 9

No Planned Activities

# Tuesday, October 10

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9:00 AM	BSF Leader Meeting and Class Day	(Sanctuary)
7:00 PM	Jubilee Ringers	(313)
7:00 PM	The Sweet Life Bible Study	(350)

#### Wednesday, October 11

9:30 AM	Ladies Bible Study	(Joyhouse)
5:00 PM	Wednesday Night Supper	(Gym)
6:30 PM	Adult Elective Class - Pastor's Bible Study	(Chapel)
6:30 PM	Adult Elective Class - Ladies Bible Study - <i>Flooded</i>	(352)
6:30 PM	Adult Elective Class – The Ruthless Elimination of Hurry	(351)
6:30 PM	Adult Elective Class – The Theology of Science	(350)
6:30 PM	Orchestra Rehearsal	(Sanctuary)
6:30 PM	Outdoor Games with a Purpose – Youth	(Joyhouse)
6:30 PM	Passport to the World	(102, 258)
7:30 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	(Sanctuary)

#### Thursday, October 12

4:00 PM Family Promise Coordinator Dinner (Joyhouse)

#### Friday, October 13

No Planned Activities

# Saturday, October 14

5:30 PM Youth & Family Trivia Night (Joyhouse)

#### Sunday, October 15

9:45 AM	Sunday School	
11:00 AM	Worship Service	(Sanctuary)
12:15 PM	Called Church Conference	(Sanctuary)
12:15 PM	House & Grounds Committee Meeting	(GT 2)
3:00 PM	Come, Gather to Pray	(Chapel)
4:00 PM	Future Development Committee	(Parlor)
5:00 PM	Hope for Grieving Children	(Counseling Center)
5:30 PM	Apex Christian Singles Bible Study	(352)
5:30 PM	Children's Music Rehearsals	(201, 203, 210)
5:30 PM	Youth Choir Rehearsal	(302)
7:00 PM	Deacon Ordination Service	(Sanctuary)
8:00 PM	Deacon Reception	(Gvm)

# **History Room Hours**

Today, 12:00 - 1:00 PM

The History Room may be open at other dates and times by appointment. Please call 404-735-5561 or email Dottyetris@gmail.com

#### **Special Called Business Meeting**

Sunday, October 15, 2023 12:00 PM

Call to Order Daryl Robinson, Moderator

Agenda:

Nomination of Pastor Search Committee Members and Chairperson

Motion from the Nominating Committee Chairperson, Diana Mack: The Nominating Committee proposes the following slate of individuals to serve on the Pastor Search Committee:

Mark Armentrout - Chairperson Nathan Jones – Deacon Chair Ex-Officio Stewart Barnwell Jeff Jennings

Annie Johnston

Motion to Adjourn

Penny Kilpatrick Steve Kirby Elsie Kittrell Gwen Malcom

# **Wednesday Night Fellowship Dinner** 5:00 - 6:30 PM

**Adults:** Chicken w/Gravy, Ham Steak, Dressing, Sweet Potato Soufflé, Green Beans, Roll, Dessert

Children (12 and under): Chicken Sandwich, Pizza, Chef Choice Starch, Green Beans, Dessert

All dinner guests, please make a reservation online (reference Quick Links and Dinner) or fill out the white card in the pew rack and place in offering plate. Adults \$9, Children \$6, Family \$35



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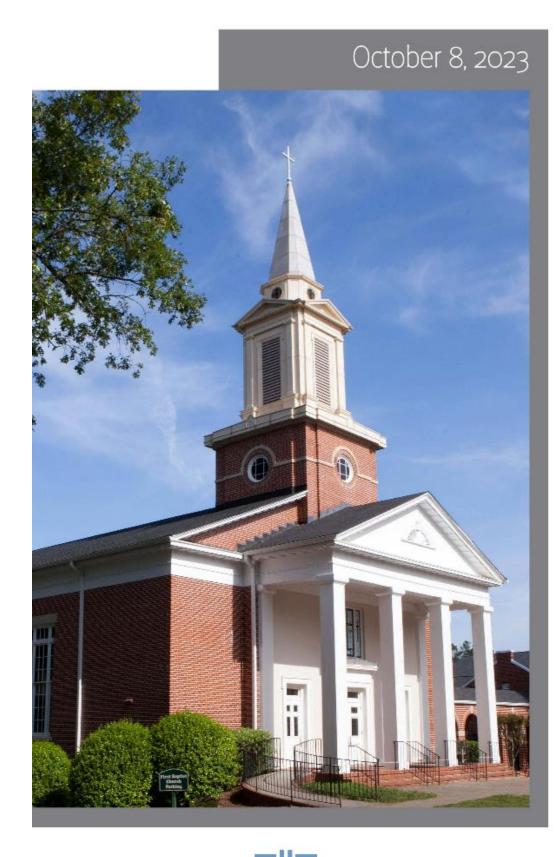
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# The Act of Worship October 8, 2023

Eleven o'clock

"I now see that the hands that forgive, console, heal and offer a festive meal must become my own." Henri Nouwen from "The Return of the Prodigal Son"

# **Preview of Upcoming Opportunities**

Gathering Music "King of Kings"
Church Orchestra

Dr. Doyle Hamilton

arr. Tim Cates

Chiming of the Trinity

Welcome

\*Hymn of Praise # 4 "To God Be the Glory" TO GOD BE THE GLORY

On the final stanza, all children are invited to come forward for the Children's Sermon.

Children's Sermon Rev. Jessica Asbell Oravec "What is Baptism?"

Celebration of Baptism Rev. Robert Turnbull

Garrett Appenfelder

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Musical Meditation "Softly and Tenderly" arr. Phillip Keveren
Church Orchestra

As you listen, you are invited to reflect upon the text of hymn # 312 in the pew hymnal and the image displayed on the screens.

# Pastoral Prayer & Prayer of Confession Rev. Logan Carpenter

Leader: Holy and Loving God, in you we have found our inheritance

and received much more than we have ever deserved.

People: However, we have often squandered that inheritance,

choosing to spoil it rather than share it with others.

Leader: Let us not hide from you or others, help us to turn back towards you, **People:** Help us come to our senses and turn away from our pride and guilt.

Leader: Merciful God, we acknowledge our sin,

but let us not confess them blindly; to you, we confess this:

People: "Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you.

I am not worthy to be called yours."

Leader: Greet us as the forgiving father greeted his wayward son. **People:** Welcome us back, for once we were lost, but now am found.

Leader: May your grace, now and always, lead us home.

All: In the name of the one who calls us home, Amen.

Assurance of Pardon **Psalm 103:6-14** Kayley Appenfelder

children, so the LORD has compassion on those who fear him; <sup>14</sup> for he knows how we are formed, he remembers that we are dust.

# This is the word of God, for the people of God: *Thanks be to God!*

\*Hymn of Giving #54

**FAITHFULNESS** 

"Great is Thy Faithfulness"

\*Offertory Prayer Elwyn Gaissert

Offertory "Amazing Grace" arr. Phillip Keveren Chancel Choir & Church Orchestra

Amazing grace! how sweet the sound That saved a wretch like me! I once was lost but now am found, Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace my fears relieved; How precious did that grace appear The hour I first believed!

Through many dangers, toils and snares I have already come; 'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far, And grace will lead me home.

Grace will lead me home. Lead me home.

When we've been there ten thousand years, Bright shining as the sun, We've no less days to sing God's praise Than when we first begun.

We've no less days to sing God's praise Than when we first begun.

Amazing grace!

Sermon Dr. Greg DeLoach

# The Three Faces of Forgiveness: "The Loving Father" Luke 15:11-13, 22-23, 28, 31-32 NRSV

<sup>11</sup> Then Jesus said, "There was a man who had two sons. <sup>12</sup> The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the wealth that will belong to me.' So he divided his assets between them. <sup>13</sup> A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant region, and there he squandered his wealth in dissolute living. <sup>22</sup> But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly, bring out a robe—the best one—and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. <sup>23</sup> And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate, <sup>28</sup> Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. <sup>31</sup> Then the father said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. <sup>32</sup> But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.'"

\*Hymn of Response # 185 HYFRYDOL "Jesus, What A Friend for Sinners"

Sharing of Decisions Dr. DeLoach

\*Benediction Dr. DeLoach

\*Congregational Response # 462 MALOTTE "The Lord's Praver"

For Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Postlude "I Sing the Mighty Power of God" arr. Steve Dunn

Church Orchestra

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Special thanks to the Church Orchestra (Rita Loadholt, conductor), Maryann Tyler (guest organist) and Rev. Jane Martin for leading in worship today.

#### Guests

Welcome to First Baptist Roswell. We hope you find our worship reverent, our ministries sincere, and our fellowship warm. If you need assistance, contact an usher. Please make note of opportunities for worship, ministry, and fellowship listed on this service order and on the Announcement insert. Please stop by the Welcome Wall at the Sanctuary entrance and pick up a Welcome Folder. We have childcare available for infants - kindergartners on the first floor of our Education building. Our ushers will be happy to direct you.

#### **Flowers**

The flowers in front of the pulpit today are given by Ted and Terri Kimbrell in memory of Maddison Seaman. We miss your beautiful smile and laugh every day - Love Uncle Ted and Aunt Terri.

The rose on the platform today is placed by First Baptist Roswell in honor of Charley Jewell Hermance, born on Sunday, October 1, 2023, to Ashley and Michael Hermance.

# **Worship Words**

The orchestra's offering of "Softly and Tenderly" is dedicated to the memory of those orchestra family members who have "come home" to be with the Lord in recent months: Ruth Lobbes (Heidi Erwood's mother, bass clarinet), Lily Alewine (Elise Baggett's mother, oboe), Marilyn Nichols (Kathy Good's mother, flute), and Mike Deal (Debbie Deal's husband, alto saxophone and Sarah Deal's father, flute).

Today in worship, the Chancel Choir and the Church Orchestra offer together one of the most beloved hymns in the song of the church, "Amazing Grace." Originally composed by the Reverend John Newton in the weeks leading up to New Year's Day in Olney, England in 1773, we offer this hymn arrangement today in honor and celebration of the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the hymn's premiere. We invite you remember these words in the context of today's worship service and Dr. Deloach's sermon series on the Parable of the Prodigal Son: "I once was lost, but now am found...and grace will lead me home."

# **Service Broadcasting and Recording**

The 11:00 AM Worship Service is broadcast live each week and recordings of the full service and sermons can be viewed on our church website: www.fbroswell.org under Quick Links, Live Broadcast. CD/DVD are also available. Please contact the church office to request a CD/DVD. If you would like to share Dr. Greg DeLoach's message from last week with a friend, please order: "The Resentful Brother".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup>The LORD works righteousness and justice for all the oppressed. He made known his ways to Moses, his deeds to the people of Israel: <sup>8</sup>The LORD is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love. He will not always accuse, nor will he harbor his anger forever; <sup>10</sup>he does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities. <sup>11</sup>For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him; <sup>12</sup> as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us. <sup>13</sup>As a father has compassion on his

#### **Announcements**

October 8, 2023

**Come, Gather to Pray:** Church family, the Deacon Ministry invites you to gather in the Chapel for a time of prayer, on Sundays, from 3 to 5 PM.

**Center for Healthy Churches Update:** Join us tonight at 6:30 PM in the Sanctuary for a presentation from the Center for Healthy Churches. Facilitator Dr. Joel Snider will provide a comprehensive report from the listening sessions. This is a time to listen, as well as to ask questions. A recording of this presentation will be available for those unable to attend.

**Trivia Night:** Youth and parents, join us for trivia night on Saturday, October 14, from 5:30 to 9 PM in the Joyhouse. Enjoy food, fellowship, and trivia provided by a professional trivia company. Catered dinner and prizes awarded. Cost is \$10 per family. Visit our website Events page to sign up.

**Special Called Church Conference:** On Sunday, October 15 immediately following worship, the Pastor Search Committee nominees will be presented for congregational approval. Please join us for this important conference.

**Deacon Ordination Service:** Join us on October 15 at 7 PM in the Sanctuary for our deacon ordination service. A reception will follow in the gym.

**SALT Picnic Luncheon:** Everyone 55 & over is invited to a picnic luncheon on Tuesday, October 17 at noon. Meet at Azalea Park, shelter #1. Boxed lunches will be provided, and reservations are required. Musical entertainer, Bill Gleeson will perform *Sounds of Sinatra*. Visit the Events page on our website to sign up online or call Ira in the church office.

Wednesday Night Adult Classes: New adult classes begin on October 18.

- Pastor's Bible Study. Ecclesiastes Curmudgeon, Crank or Sage? Led by Dr. Greg DeLoach, Chapel.
- Grief Support Group. Led by Dr. Doyle Hamilton, Counseling Center.
- Equally Called: A Biblical Study of Women in Ministry. Led by Rev. Jessica Asbell Oravec & Sylvia Eaves, room 350.
- Ladies Bible Study. My One Word. Led by Ruth Johnson & Lynn Lynch, room 352.

**Fall Festival:** Fall Festival is Saturday, October 21, from 3 to 6 PM. There will be fun for the entire family including inflatables, games, crafts, pumpkin decorating, sand art, and a cake walk. We need volunteers for this event! Visit the Events page on our website to sign up to help.

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October 8, 2023

**Fall Festival Cake Walk:** Help make the cake walk a success! Sign up in your Sunday School class, online, or at the Information Center to donate baked goods (homemade or store bought). Drop off donations at church beginning Wednesday, October 18 through Saturday, October 21 at 1 PM.

**Newcomer's Lunch:** All who have visited or are new to our church in the last year are invited to our Newcomer's Lunch on October 29. Join us after worship at 12 noon in the gym. Meet our ministers, learn more about getting plugged in at First Baptist Roswell, and ask questions! Visit the Events page on our website to RSVP for the complimentary lunch.

**Youth Open Forum Event:** Our youth today struggle with stress and anxiety. Hear from psychiatrist and minister, Dr. Brian Wright, a mental health advocate and speaker, on Sunday, October 29. This is an open forum and a time to ask questions. Youth, meet in the Joyhouse, from 4 to 5:20 PM. Dr. Wright will speak to parents on November 12, from 4 to 5:20 PM. RSVP to Robert at robert@fbroswell.org.

**Budget Listening Session:** Join us on Sunday, November 5 at 12:15 PM in Garden Terrace 2 for a 2024 budget listening session. The budget will be formally presented at the church conference that evening at 6:45 PM. The budget will be voted on Sunday, November 12, at the end of the morning worship service.

**Church Conference:** The next church conference is Sunday, November 5 at 6:45 PM in the Sanctuary. The Church Council will meet immediately after the conference in the Chancel Choir rehearsal room. If you are a committee chair, you are a member of the Council.

**Poinsettias:** Recognize someone special this holiday season. For a donation of \$12 per plant, a poinsettia will be placed in the Sanctuary in honor of or in memory of someone special. Donations can be made online or in person on Sunday mornings. Please utilize flower donation envelopes, located in pew racks, for Sunday donations. Visit the Events page on our website to donate online. Order deadline is November 12.

**Operation Christmas Child:** It's time to start packing shoeboxes. Pack and return filled shoeboxes to church collection bins by November 12 or build a shoebox online. Boxes and shoebox labels are available at the Information Center. Visit the Events page on our website for complete details.