

## This Week at FBR

### Sunday, January 7

|          |  |             |
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| 9:45 AM  | Sunday School                              |             |
| 11:00 AM | Worship Service                            | (Sanctuary) |
| 4:30 PM  | Nominating Committee Meeting               | (GT2)       |
| 4:30 PM  | Personnel Committee Meeting                | (259)       |
| 5:30 PM  | Apex Singles Bible Study                   | (352)       |
| 5:30 PM  | Children's Music Leader Mid-Winter Meeting | (201)       |
| 6:30 PM  | Deacon Meeting                             | (350)       |

### Monday, January 8

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| 9:30 AM | BSF Leaders Meeting | (350, 351, 352) |
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### Tuesday, January 9

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| 9:00 AM  | BSF                        | (Sanctuary) |
| 10:00 AM | Women on Mission           | (Joyhouse)  |
| 7:00 PM  | Jubilee Ringers            | (313)       |
| 7:00 PM  | The Sweet Life Bible Study | (350)       |

### Wednesday, January 10

|         |                                      |             |
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| 5:00 PM | Wednesday Night Supper               | (Gym)       |
| 5:00 PM | Mimosa Brass                         | (GT3B)      |
| 6:30 PM | Pastor's Bible Study                 | (Chapel)    |
| 6:30 PM | Ladies Bible Study                   | (352)       |
| 6:30 PM | Parenting Study                      | (350)       |
| 6:30 PM | Apprentice Small Group               | (351)       |
| 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, January 11

No Planned Activities

### Friday, January 12

No Planned Activities

### Saturday, January 13

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| 10:00 AM | Visitation for John A. Jones                | (Chapel)    |
| 11:00 AM | Celebration of Life Service – John A. Jones | (Chapel)    |
| 3:00 PM  | Apex Singles Chili Cookoff                  | (Gym)       |
| 3:00 PM  | Celebration of Life Service – Ruth Mikell   | (Sanctuary) |

### Sunday, January 14

|          |                                |             |
|----------|--------------------------------|-------------|
| 9:45 AM  | Sunday School                  |             |
| 11:00 AM | Worship Service                | (Sanctuary) |
| 5:00 PM  | Healing & Hope Fellowship Meal | (Gym)       |
| 5:30 PM  | Apex Singles Bible Study       | (352)       |
| 6:00 PM  | Healing & Hope Service         | (Sanctuary) |

### Wednesday Night Fellowship Dinner Resumes January 10<sup>th</sup> 5:00 – 6:30 PM

**Adults:** Fried Catfish, Roasted Pork, Yellow Rice, Collard Greens, Black Eyed Peas, Salad Bar, Roll, Dessert

**Children (12 and under):** Pizza, Hot Dog, Chips

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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First Baptist Roswell

**The Act of Worship**  
**January 7, 2024**  
Eleven o'clock

*The true nature of Christian leadership is service to others.  
It is difficult to stand on a pedestal and wash the feet of others.*

*- Charles W. Colson*

Preview of Upcoming Opportunities

Gathering Music    **“When We All Get to Heaven”**    arr. Harold DeCou  
Suzanne Ivey, piano

Welcome    Rev. Logan Carpenter

Chiming of the Trinity

Call to Worship    **“Samuel’s Litany”**    Rev. David Warren

Leader: As we turn aside from all else...

**People: speak Lord, your servants are listening.**

Leader: As we declare our praise...

**People: speak Lord, your servants are listening.**

Leader: As we acknowledge our need...

**People: speak Lord, your servants are listening.**

Leader: As we remember the world’s need...

**People: speak Lord, your servants are listening.**

Leader: As we express our faith...

**People: speak Lord, your servants are listening.**

Leader: As we renew our calls...

**People: speak Lord, your servants are listening.**

\*Hymn of Praise # 74    ST. ANNE  
**“O God, Our Help in Ages Past”**  
Stanzas 1, 2, 3 & 6

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

Children’s Sermon    **“Hooray!”**    Rev. Jessica Asbell Oravec

Hymn of Calling    **“Speak, O Lord”**    Getty & Townend  
*(See bulletin insert)*

Scripture Reading    **Luke 15:3-7**    Rev. Robert Turnbull

<sup>3</sup> Then Jesus told them this parable: <sup>4</sup> “Suppose one of you has a hundred sheep and loses one of them. Doesn’t he leave the ninety-nine in the open country and go after the lost sheep until he finds it? <sup>5</sup> And when he finds it, he joyfully puts it on his shoulders <sup>6</sup> and goes home. Then he calls his friends and neighbors together and says, ‘Rejoice with me; I have found my lost sheep.’ <sup>7</sup> I tell you that in the same way there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who do not need to repent.

This is the word of God, for the people of God:

**Thanks be to God!**

Pastoral Prayer    Dr. Doyle Hamilton

\*Hymn of Giving # 187    **“In the Garden”**    GARDEN

\*Offertory Prayer    Nathan Jones

Offertory    **“Count Your Blessings” in Gospel Style**    arr. Dan Miller  
Rev. Jane Martin, organ

Sermon    **When God Asks the Questions: “Where are you?”**    Dr. Greg DeLoach  
**Genesis 3:8-9**

<sup>8</sup> They heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden. <sup>9</sup> But the Lord God called to the man, and said to him, “Where are you?”

\*Hymn of Response # 390    AUSTRIAN HYMN  
**“We Are Called to Be God’s People”**

Sharing of Decisions    Dr. DeLoach

\*Benediction    Dr. DeLoach

\*Congregational Response # 462    MALOTTE  
**“The Lord’s Prayer”**

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

Organ Postlude    **“Rondeau”**    John Joseph Mouret  
Rev. Martin

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**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 the Baptistry today are given by Mr. Jim Gilbert in loving memory of Elizabeth Gilbert, his wife of 57 years.

**Worship Words**

For six days now, we have gotten our first taste of the New Year! And on this seventh day, this day of rest, we gather together as God’s people for the first time in this new calendar year. As we worship today, we invite you to bring all yourself with you into our worship space. While often our impulse is to put on a new face with a new year, or even just for Sunday mornings, we invite you to bring yourself just as you are alongside this community of believers who gather to offer thanks, praise, and respond in faith. Listen as we worship for the whispers of God and where God might be calling you in this next year. When God asks where are you, how will you respond? Will you cautiously wait to see what unfolds, or will you answer as Samuel did: “Here I am...speak Lord, your servant is listening!”

While this past Sunday we celebrated ahead of the church calendar the coming of the Magi to visit the Christ child in the season known as Epiphany, we invite you to remember the response of the Magi to come see the Christ Child, to bring their brightest and best for the Messiah. May this season inspire us to do the same, to respond to where God is leading us. Remember, while we move into a season from Christmas, the work of Christmas begins...

**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](http://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 Rev. David Warren’s message from last week with a friend, please order: **"The Work of Christmas Begins"**.

## Announcements

January 7, 2024

**Angel Giving Tree Update:** Thank you for your Angel Tree gifts in support of the Foster Care Support Foundation and North Fulton Community Charities. We collected and donated more than 300 clothing items, including 50 winter coats, and 175 toys!

**Operation Christmas Child:** Thank you for your shoeboxes! We collected over 125 shoeboxes for children around the world.

**Women on Mission** meet on Tuesday, January 9 at 10:30 AM in the Joyhouse for a workday for mission projects. A soup and dessert luncheon will follow. All ladies are welcome!

**Wednesday Night Dinners** begin again on Wednesday night! If you regularly attend Wednesday night dinners, consider purchasing a meal plan. Adult plans are \$112 each and child plans are \$75. The meal plan includes 14 dinners and runs through April 24. Purchase your meal plan by contacting the church office or at our first Wednesday night dinner.

**Wednesday Nights -Children and Youth:** Children's missions and youth activities resume on January 10.

**New Wednesday Night, Adult Elective Classes** begin on January 10.

Choose from one of the following:

- Pastor's Bible Study: Our Baptist Identity. Led by Dr. Greg DeLoach. Chapel.
- Parenting Study: *Sticky Faith: Everyday Ideas to Build Lasting Faith in Your Kids*. Led by Kathy Jennings. Room 350.
- Apprentice Small Group: The Good and Beautiful God. Led by Logan Carpenter. Room 351.
- Ladies Bible Study: *Jesus and Women*. Led by Ruth Johnson & Lynn Lynch. Room 352.

**Service of Healing and Hope:** All are invited to join at 6 PM on Sunday, January 14, for a special service of healing & hope. Begin the new year asking God to bring healing into our lives, our relationships, and our world. We will spend time being unified in worship and prayer, asking God for guidance for the coming year. There will be a meal, catered by Moe's, before the service at 5 PM in the gym. Sign up on the Events page on our website. Contact Logan Carpenter at [logan@fbroswell.org](mailto:logan@fbroswell.org) with any questions.

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**SAFE Seminar:** Parents of children (infants to 8<sup>th</sup> grade), join us for an important seminar on sexual awareness and family empowerment on January 19 and 20. Led by licensed clinical social worker and ordained minister, LeAnn Gardner, parents will delve into and learn how to be the main resource on these important issues. Cost is \$30 per person and \$50 per couple. Food and childcare provided. Visit the Events page on our website for complete details and to sign up.

**DNow:** Disciple Now is January 26 through 28, 2024. Youth, join us for a weekend of worship, fellowship, and fun. Event cost is \$150. Register online today. Youth are encouraged to bring friends.

**Ladies Book Club:** Ladies, mark your calendars for Sunday, January 28. Meet in the Parlor, from 5:30 to 6:30 PM, to discuss the book *Lessons in Chemistry*, by Bonnie Garmus. Ready for your next book? Meet on February 25 and discuss *Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine* by Gail Honeymoon.

**Church Conference:** The next church conference is Sunday, January 28 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.

**Daddy Daughter Sock Hop** is Saturday, February 3, from 6 to 8 PM and is open to daughters aged 3 through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Dust off your dancing shoes and start practicing for our dance off! The theme is a Sock Hop, so break out your best interpretation of 50s attire and join us for a rockin' good time! Tickets are \$5 for dads; daughters are free! Visit the Events page on our website to purchase tickets.

**Mission Madness 2024** is March 15 to 17 in Athens, GA. Open to youth in grades 6 through 12. Total cost is \$100. Visit the Events page for all details.

**Youth Mission Trip:** High school and college students are invited on a summer mission trip to Freeport, Grand Bahama, from June 15 to June 22. Join us for a profound mission experience of compassion and service. Youth will assist in the repair of Pastor Grace Pinter's home, which remains unfinished because of Hurricane Dorian in 2019. In addition, youth can participate in music and worship opportunities. Total trip cost is \$1,700 and a non-refundable airfare deposit of \$600 is due by January 31. Visit the Events page on our website for complete details and to sign up.