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Finance Report	January 2024	January 2025
Income year-to-date	\$117,626	\$169,389
Expense year-to-date	<u>\$159,919</u>	<u>\$156,135</u>
Income over (under) expense	(\$42,293)	\$13,254



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### This Week at FBR

#### Sunday, March 9

- 9:45 AM Sunday School
- 11:00 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary)
- 12:00 PM Foundation Board Meeting (Conference Room)
- 3:00 PM A Choral Celebration with Craig Courtney (Offsite-RUMC)
- 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 Parent's Book Club (211)
- 5:30 PM Youth Choir Rehearsal (302)
- 6:30 PM Middle & High School Bible Study (Joyhouse)

#### Monday, March 10

- 9:30 AM BSF Leaders Meeting (350, 351, 352)

#### Tuesday, March 11

- 9:00 AM BSF (Sanctuary)
- 2:00 PM Loving Someone with Memory Loss (Offsite)
- 7:00 PM Jubilee Ringers (313)
- 7:00 PM Sew Incredibles (259)
- 7:00 PM The Sweet Life Bible Study (350)

#### Wednesday, March 12

- 5:00 PM Mimosa Brass (GT3)
- 5:00 PM Wednesday Night Fellowship Dinner (Gym)
- 6:30 PM Helping Children Thrive Discussion (350)
- 6:30 PM Church Orchestra Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 6:30 PM IMPACT – Youth (Joyhouse)
- 6:30 PM Ladies Bible Study (352)
- 6:30 PM Missionary Speaker (Chapel)
- 6:30 PM Passport to the World (102, 258)
- 7:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

#### Thursday, March 13

No Planned Activities

#### Friday, March 14

No Planned Activities

#### Saturday, March 15

- 2:00 PM SALT to Neil Diamond Musical (Offsite)

#### Sunday, March 16

- 9:45 AM Sunday School
- 11:00 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary)
- 12:15 PM House & Grounds 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 Parent's Book Club (211)
- 5:30 PM Youth Choir Rehearsal (302)

### Wednesday Night Fellowship Dinner 5:00 – 6:30 PM

**Adult:** Turkey Shepherd's Pie, Irish Stew, Broccoli Cheese Casserole, Baked Squash, Salad Bar, Roll, Dessert

**Children (12 and under):** Chicken Tenders, Hot Dogs, Chips, Vegetables, 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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**The Act of Worship**  
**The First Sunday of Lent**  
**March 9, 2025 | Eleven o'clock in the Morning**

*"Prayer is sitting in silence until it silences us, choosing gratitude until we are grateful."*  
*- Richard Rohr*

Preview of Upcoming Opportunities

Gathering Music Dale Wood  
**“When Morning Gilds the Skies”**  
 Rev. Jane Martin, organ

Welcome Rev. David Warren

Chiming of the Trinity

+ Call to Worship Rev. Robert Turnbull

Leader: Jesus began his ministry to the world, led by the Spirit into the wilderness.  
**People: As we begin our Lenten journey, let us be led by the Spirit, even into the uncomfortable places.**  
 Leader: In those forty days, and in that place, Jesus was faced with hunger, doubt and temptation.  
**People: As we seek to follow Jesus, let us be led by our God, even into the uncomfortable choices.**  
 Leader: Jesus left the wilderness, faithful and obedient to God, rejoicing in the One in whom he trusted.  
**People: As we continue on our path to faithfulness, let us be led by our Christ, rejoicing in the Lord our God.**  
*- (inspired by Matthew 4:1-11, Mark 1:12-13, Luke 4:1-13)*

+ Hymn of Praise # 16 LYONS  
**“O Worship the King”**  
 Stanzas 1, 2 & 4

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

Children’s Sermon Rev. Jessica Asbell Oravec  
**“Being Wise”**

Scripture Reading Davis Mackay  
**Proverbs 9:9-12 NIV**

<sup>9</sup> *Instruct the wise and they will be wiser still; teach the righteous and they will add to their learning.* <sup>10</sup> *The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom, and knowledge of the Holy One is understanding.* <sup>11</sup> *For through wisdom your days will be many, and years will be added to your life.* <sup>12</sup> *If you are wise, your wisdom will reward you; if you are a mocker, you alone will suffer.*

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

Call to Confession Maher  
 # 450 **“Lord, I Need You”** – Stanzas 1 & 2  
**“I Need Thee Every Hour”** – Refrain  
*(See bulletin insert)* NEED

Pastoral Prayer & Prayer of Confession Rev. Logan Carpenter

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon arr. Philip Keveren  
**“He Will Hold Me Fast”**  
 Youth Choir; Sophia Fiorillo, cello

*When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast. When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast. I could never keep my hope through life’s fearful path, For my love is often cold, He must hold me fast.*

[Chorus] *He will hold me fast. He will hold me fast. For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast.*

*Those He saves are His delight, Christ will hold me fast. Precious in His Holy sight, He will hold me fast. He’ll not let my soul be lost, His promises shall last; Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast.* [Chorus]

*For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast. Justice has been satisfied; He will hold me fast. Raised with Him to endless life, He will hold me fast; Till my faith is turned to sight when He comes at last.* [Chorus]

+ Hymn of Giving # 395 CWM RHONDDA  
**“God of Grace and God of Glory”**  
 Stanzas 1, 3 & 4

+ Offertory Prayer Sheila Edenfield

Offertory arr. Dan Forrest  
**“The King of Love My Shepherd Is”**  
*(from A Choral Celebration with Craig Courtney)*  
 Chancel Choir

*The King of love my Shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never; I nothing lack if I am His and he is mine forever.*

*Where streams of living water flow, my ransomed soul He leadeth, and where the verdant pastures grow, with food celestial feedeth.*

*Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, but yet in love He sought me, and on His shoulder gently laid, and home, rejoicing brought me.*

*The King of love my Shepherd is, the King of love; And so through all the length of days thy goodness faileth never; Good Shepherd may I sing Thy praise within Thy house forever. Good Shepherd may I sing Thy praise within Thy house forever.*

Sermon Dr. Greg DeLoach  
**Seven Holy Habits: Wisdom**  
 Philippians 4:8-9 NRSV

<sup>8</sup> *Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things.* <sup>9</sup> *Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.*

+ Hymn of Response # 60 SLANE  
**“Be Thou My Vision”**

Sharing of Decisions Dr. DeLoach

+ Benediction Dr. DeLoach

+ Congregational Response # 144 HAMBURG  
**“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”**  
 Stanza 4

**Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small;  
 Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.**

Organ Postlude arr. Joel Raney  
**“Jesus Shall Reign”**  
 Rev. Martin

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+ *Please stand as you are able.* *Words Reprinted with Permission. CCLI License # 499294 & One License #A-737138.*

*Special thanks to the Youth Choir (Sheldon Fisher, accompanist) 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.

“Love so amazing, so divine,... demands my soul, my life, my all!”  
 May we grow richer and deeper in our faith as we journey together this Lenten season.

**Bulletin Update**

We are exploring and experimenting with a new layout for our printed bulletins and worship orders throughout the season of Lent leading to Easter. If you have any feedback, we welcome your thoughts – please write to us at music@fbroswell.org or contact Rev. David Warren.

**Worship Words**

As we begin the season of Lent, we journey together to commit to deepening our relationship with God, and to grow closer to God by taking time to pause and reflect within ourselves on how to be a more faithful follower of Christ. As we worship during Lent, we’ll take time during our liturgy to pause: to reflect, remember, repent, and renew during a time of prayer and confession. In doing this, we seek to be honest about our actions, words, and deeds - to confess that in our lives, we need God, and to ask the Holy Spirit to guide us as we put aside any barriers that hinder us from our following God and draw closer to Christ. In the words of our anthem from today,

**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: **"Seeing the World in a Whole New Light".**

## Announcements for *March 9, 2025*

**Lent Devotional: *The Promise of Lent*:** Lent is a special time in the life of the church, when we as Christians take dedicated time to focus on our need of a Savior and prepare ourselves for the coming celebration of Easter. To guide you, *The Promise of Lent* by Chris Tiegreen is available for pickup outside the Sanctuary doors. A \$5 to \$10 donation is appreciated but not required.

**Parents' Book Club:** Join Rev. Jessica Asbell Oravec on Sundays in March (5:30 to 6:30 PM) as we explore *Woven: Nurturing a Faith Your Kid Doesn't Have to Heal From* by Meredith Miller. We'll discuss purposeful parenting, God-centered storytelling, and building a lasting faith foundation for our kids.

**The Sacred Sounds of Roswell: A Choral Celebration:** Join us this afternoon for a special choral concert conducted by renowned composer Craig Courtney. This event unites adult choirs from First Baptist Roswell, RUMC, Roswell Presbyterian, and Northbrook UMC, in a powerful celebration of faith, community, and the timeless beauty of choral music. Under Courtney's direction, the concert will feature a rich blend of classic hymns, contemporary choral works, and original pieces, including selections by the composer himself. The concert is at 3 PM in the Sanctuary at RUMC. Free admission and preschool childcare is available.

**Loving Someone with Memory Loss.** Join Dr. Doyle Hamilton on Tuesday, March 11, at 2 PM at Vickery Rose Retirement Resort (295 East Crossville Road) for an educational and conversational discussion on caring for a loved one with memory loss, based on *Loving Someone Who Has Dementia* by Pauline Boss. All are welcome!

**Guest Speaker:** What is a church plant? Join us on Wednesday, March 12 at 6:30 PM in the Chapel as Pastor Chris Porter, Senior Pastor of Harvest Baptist Church in Lula, Georgia, shares his journey in church planting. Learn how he was called to this mission and how the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering supports this vital work.

**Helping Children Thrive: A Social Skills Discussion.** Parents, join us on Wednesday, March 12, from 6:30 to 7:30 PM in Room 350 for an insightful discussion on supporting your child's social development. Jennifer E. Zimmerman, M.Ed., from Social Skills for All, will lead this informative session, sharing strategies to help children build essential social skills. Childcare is available, and mission activities will be offered for children ages 4 years through 5th grade.

**Prayer Walk Invitation:** The Deacon Prayer Team invites everyone to join a special Prayer Walk on Sunday, March 16, at 8 AM. Together, we will seek God's guidance and protection for our preschool and toddler children. Meet us on the first floor of the preschool hall as we pray over our youngest members.

**Take Control of Your Finances with Financial Peace University!** Starting March 19, we're offering Financial Peace University - a life-changing 9-week course from Ramsey Solutions. Learn how to get out of debt, build wealth, and live generously. Open to everyone - church members, friends, and family. Visit the Events page on our website to learn more and register. Contact Logan at [logan@fbroswell.org](mailto:logan@fbroswell.org) with questions.

**Spring Choral Concert:** Join us on March 23 at 4 PM in the Sanctuary as we host the Georgia Festival Chorus in their spring concert series *All Loves Excelling* featuring special guest artist soprano Tiffany Uzoije. Admission is complimentary, no tickets or reservations needed.

*(More Announcements on Reverse Side)*

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**Ushers Needed!** We're looking for ushers to greet guests and assist during services on Sunday mornings. If you're interested in serving, please contact Robert at robert@fbroswell.org.

**Spring Pancake Spectacular:** Join us for a morning of fellowship and delicious pancakes! Meet in the gym before Sunday school on Sunday, March 30, from 9:15 to 10:15 AM. To help us prepare, please sign up on the Events page to let us know you're coming. This event is hosted and served by the Deacons ~ we look forward to seeing you there!

**Save the Date!** Beyond Our Walls service day is Saturday, April 26, from 8 AM to 1 PM. Join us in sharing Christ's love through various community projects. Sign-ups start March 30 ~ mark your calendars!

**Ladies Book Club:** Ladies, mark your calendars for Sunday, March 30. Meet in the Parlor, from 5:30 to 6:30 PM, to discuss the book *The Selection*, by Kiera Cass. All ladies welcome.

**Easter Egg Hunt Donations Needed:** Let's make this year's egg hunt eggstra special! We need volunteers to donate individually wrapped candy - chocolate or non-chocolate - to be included in goody bags for the event. Drop off donations in collection bins or the church office by March 30.

**Easter Egg Hunt:** All children are invited to our Easter Egg Hunt on Sunday, April 13 (Palm Sunday), at 12:15 PM, immediately following our worship service. Meet in the gym for instructions. Drop off Easter baskets in the gym before Sunday school or worship. We will start promptly at 12:15, so don't be late!

**Flowering Cross:** In celebration of Easter and the new life that Jesus brings, we will display a flowering cross on the front lawn of our church. Recognize someone special by making a flower donation in their honor or memory. The cost is \$10 per bouquet and donations will be accepted through April 13. Visit the Events page for donation details.

**The Grace Project ~ Annie Armstrong Easter Offering:** Help us reach our church goal of \$20,000 by contributing to our annual offering in celebration of the life and legacy of missionary Annie Armstrong. 100% of your donation supports North American missions.

**Youth FUGE Camp** is July 14 to 18 at Ridgecrest Conference Center in Black Mountain, North Carolina. Youth in grades 6-12 are invited for five days of Bible study, recreation, and fellowship. Secure your spot with a \$100 deposit and register today on the Events page of our website!

**Vacation Bible School Registration** is open for True North: Trusting Jesus in a Wild World. VBS is June 9 through 13, from 9 AM to noon, for children, ages 4 (as of September 1, 2024) through 5th grade. Go to the Events page on our website to sign up.

**VBS Volunteers Needed:** Help make this year's VBS unforgettable! Whether you're into acting, leading Bible lessons, games, crafts, snacks, or decorating, there's a spot for you. Youth (grade 6 and up) are welcome too! Visit our website's Events page to learn more and sign up today!

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