Announcements

May 25, 2025

Roswell Remembers Memorial Day Ceremony Event: Meet at Roswell City Hall tomorrow for the 26th annual Roswell Remembers Memorial Day Ceremony. Grounds open at 10 AM with displays and music. The program begins at 11 AM and includes a military ceremony, presentation of colors, the national anthem, Pledge of Allegiance, POW/MIA tribute and the laying of the wreath. After, purchase tickets for a BBQ lunch.

Youth Summer Kickoff: The youth ministry is kicking off the summer on Sunday night, June 1 with a hangout in the Joyhouse. All 6th-12thgraders are invited to come eat, play games and spend time with friends from 6:30-9:30 PM. Come and bring a friend!

SALT Luncheon*:* The SALT Ministry invites all adults 55 and over to a lunch on Tuesday, June 3 at 12 PM at Azalea Park, Shelter #1. Enjoy a picnic lunch, great fellowship, and a lively game of bingo with prizes for the winners! Reservations are required, and a $10 donation is appreciated. In case of rain, we'll move to the church gym. Sign up on the Events page or call Ira in the church office.

Snacks Needed for VBS Volunteers. Help us care for our hardworking adult volunteers during VBS (June 9 -13) by providing snacks! Donations can be dropped off in the gym on Sunday, June 8, or by 9 AM on sign-up day. If your snack is allergy-friendly (gluten-free, dairy-free, or nut-free), please let us know. Sign up on our website today.

VBS Volunteers Needed! We still need two youth volunteers and two adult crew leaders to join our VBS team. Youth (6th grade and up), this is a great opportunity to serve - and friends are welcome to volunteer too! VBS runs June 9 - 13, from 9 AM to 12 PM. Visit the Events page on our website for more details and to sign up. Let's make this an unforgettable week for our kids!

Appalachian Outreach: Our Men's Ministry mission team will be heading to Appalachia July 13 through July 17. If you are interested in joining, visit the Events page on our website to sign up. Contact Wes at wes@fbroswell.org for more details.

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Experience Nashville with SALT! The SALT Ministry invites adults 55 and over to join us for a fun-filled getaway to Nashville and the beautiful Opryland Resort, August 14–16, 2025. Enjoy 3 days of fellowship, entertainment, and relaxation at one of the South's most iconic destinations. Visit the Events page for complete details and to secure your spot.

The Grace Project: Each week, our church opens a food pantry to families and individuals in need. The pantry includes non-perishable items, and we are running low! Highly requested items include:

- Spam (pop tops and bacon flavored is a favorite)
- Crackers (Ritz and Saltines)
- Hearty canned soup (no water added soups, such as Progresso)
- Vienna Sausages, potted meat, canned tuna in water (pop top)

Drop off donations in blue collection bins or at the church office. Visit the Events page on our website for a complete list of donation items.

Church-wide Emails: We regularly send email communications to members and guests. Ensure that you are receiving these emails by reviewing your contact information. Review and update on our church app, our website (Quick Links – Member Login), or by calling the church office. In addition, add our email address, info@fbroswell.org, to your email contact list.

This Week at FBR

Sunday, May 25
9:45 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary)
5:30 PM Apex Christian Singles Bible Study (352)

Monday, May 26
Memorial Day - Church Office Closed

Tuesday, May 27
No Planned Activities

Wednesday, May 28
6:30 PM Church Orchestra Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
7:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

Thursday, May 29
No Planned Activities

Friday, May 30
No Planned Activities

Saturday, May 31
No Planned Activities

Sunday, June 1
9:45 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary)
4:30 PM Personnel Committee Meeting (259)
5:00 PM Finance Committee Meeting (357)
5:00 PM Youth Choir Mission Tour Parent & Student Meeting (302)
5:30 PM Apex Christian Singles Bible Study (352)
5:30 PM Youth Choir Rehearsal (302)
6:30 PM Youth Group Hang Out (Joyhouse)

Wednesday Night Fellowship Dinner
will resume in September.

To find out more about all the ways you can support the ministries of our church through giving, scan the QR code or visit our website: ***fbroswell.org/give***

Finance Report	April 2024	April 2025
Income year-to-date	$519,489	$591,058
Expense year-to-date	$686,048	$637,852
Income over (under) expense	($166,559)	($46,794)

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The Worship of God
The Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 25, 2025 | Eleven o'clock in the Morning

"Be blessed by sharing. Be blessed by generosity that costs you some comfort.
Be blessed by feeling the weight of another's need, and then helping to lift that weight by the grace of God."
– Terry W. York

Preview of Upcoming Opportunities

Gathering Music ***"Crown Him with Many Crowns"*** arr. Jason Payne
Rev. Jane Martin, organ

Welcome Rev. Logan Carpenter

Chiming of the Trinity

+ Call to Worship Rev. David Warren

Leader: Clap your hands, all you peoples; shout to God with loud songs of joy.
People: ***For the LORD, the Most High, is awesome, a great king over all the earth.***
Leader: God has gone up with a shout, the LORD with the sound of a trumpet.
People: ***Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises.***
Leader: For God is the king of all the earth; sing praises with a psalm.
People: ***God is king over the nations; God sits on his holy throne.***

– based on Psalm 47

+ Hymn of Praise # 163 ***"Thine Is the Glory"*** MACCABEUS

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

Children's Sermon **"Praise the Lord"** Rev. Jessica Asbell Oravec

Hymn of Petition ***"Before the Throne of God Above"*** arr. Bruce Greer
(See bulletin insert)

Scripture Reading **John 14:23-29 NIV** Rev. Robert Turnbull

23 Jesus replied, "Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will love them, and we will come to
them and make our home with them. 24 Anyone who does not love me will not obey my teaching. These words
you hear are not my own; they belong to the Father who sent me. 25 "All this I have spoken while still with you.
26 But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will
remind you of everything I have said to you. 27 Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as
the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid. 28 "You heard me say, 'I am going away
and I am coming back to you.' If you loved me, you would be glad that I am going to the Father, for the Father is
greater than I. 29 I have told you now before it happens, so that when it does happen you will believe.

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

Prayers of the People Dr. Doyle Hamilton

Silence

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in Heaven, Hallowed be thy name.
Thy Kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive those who trespass against us,
And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the Kingdom, the power, and the glory, Forever and ever.
Amen.

+ Hymn of Giving ***"Be Still, My Soul"*** FINLANDIA
(See bulletin insert)

+ Offertory Prayer Elsie Kittrell

Offertory ***"A Shelter of Shalom"*** Craig Courtney
Chancel Choir

You wrap yourself in wondrous light, and let it shine on me.
You spread the heavens like a tent and cover me with peace.
You make a shelter of yourself, my dwelling place, my home.
A refuge in the wilderness, a shelter of shalom.
Lead me home, lead me home, Lead me home at last to you.
Lead me home, lead me home, Lead me home at last to you.

The sorrows of this life are great and, God, my heart so small.
The fragile peace within the world cannot withstand them all.
Yet even in the shadowlands, you will not let me go.
My haven and my hiding place, the shelter of shalom.
Lead me home, lead me home, Lead me home at last to you.
Lead me home, lead me home, Lead me home at last to you.

When stars above my head at night are whispering "Shalom,"
I do not fear my brokenness. I know I shall be whole.
And when my earthly tent comes down, this house of flesh and bone,
O lead me home to peace at last, your shelter of shalom.
Lead me home, lead me home, Lead me home at last to you.
Lead me home, lead me home, Lead me home at last to you.
Lead me home, lead me home, Lead me home at last to you.
Shalom, shalom, my Shalom.

Sermon **"Looking Up and Looking Out"** Dr. Greg DeLoach
Acts 1:1-11 NRSV

1 In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning 2 until the day when
he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen.
3 After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during
forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. 4 While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave
Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me; 5 for
John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now." 6 So when they
had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" 7 He
replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. 8 But you will
receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea
and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." 9 When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and
a cloud took him out of their sight. 10 While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two
men in white robes stood by them. 11 They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven?
This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into
heaven."

+ Hymn of Response # 198 ***"At the Name of Jesus"*** WYE VALLEY (Abridged)

Sharing of Decisions Dr. DeLoach

+ Benediction Dr. DeLoach

+ Congregational Response # 462 ***"The Lord's Prayer"*** MALOTTE

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

Organ Postlude ***"Toccata"*** David Hegarty
Rev. Jane Martin

+ *Please stand as you are able.*

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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 Suzanne Cockrel and Brad Lackey in memory of our mother, whose birthday May 25th, 1935 falls on today's date May 25th, 2025.

Worship Words

On this sixth Sunday of Easter, we continue our celebration of the resurrection. Easter is not simply one day in our church calendar, but an entire season of the church year in which we celebrate and remember Christ's victory over the grave through his resurrection. All throughout Easter, we are reminded that we are indeed Easter people, living in the new and everlasting life that comes from God. Today in our worship, we are reminded through the witness and testimony of our liturgy, the hymns, songs, psalms, prayers, scripture, and message, as well as the context of the day, Memorial Day Weekend, and its meaning to our country and national memory, that just as so many have died and given up their lives for the cause of justice, freedom, and a right care of humankind and God's creation, Christ, too, in God's triumphant and everlasting kingdom, gave up His throne, to dwell among us and give up His life for ours, so that in our freedom from the oppression and weight of sin, we might have the liberty to proclaim this truth in our faith as Easter people: "Christ is risen, He is risen indeed!"

Bulletin Update

We are exploring and experimenting with a new layout (*"same size, different fold"*) 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.

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: **"Open Door Policy: Heaven Help Us – They're Graduating!"**.