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WORSHIP NOTES

Restrooms are located in the Foyer and in the hallway behind the sanctuary (please exit through the piano-side door).

Coffee is available in the South Portico Lobby.

Childcare is available for infants, toddlers and PreK in the nursery. An usher will be glad to lead you to the nursery area (below the Banquet Hall).

Clergy of the Week: Kellie Denton (Kellie.Denton@fbcgainesville.org)
Deacon Team of the Week: Tim Corbin, Dick Childers and Joyce Tharpe

If you have any safety concerns or needs this morning, please feel welcome to speak with our security officer, Ret. Lt. Nina Harkins, who usually can be found in the church foyer.

First Baptist Church is a **Stephen Ministry congregation**. Stephen Ministers are caregivers trained to provide one-to-one care to those experiencing a difficult time in life. If you would like to be put in touch with a Stephen Minister, please call **770-534-7354**.

If you are visiting us today, please scan the QR code to complete our guest connect card. We would love to hear from you.



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Grace discovered.
Traditions renewed.

Welcome to worship! We encourage all guests to complete a Connect Card (located in the pew) and drop it in the offering plate by the Chapel doors. You are also invited to stop by the Guest Table (located in the Foyer) to receive further information about First Baptist Church.

“The Building of God”

Seventh Sunday After Epiphany
February 23, 2025 | 8:45 AM

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February 23, 2025 at 8:45 AM**

First Baptist Church Chapel

Gathering Song	<i>Surely the Presence</i> Piano Duet: Mark Green and Judy Thomas
Call to Worship	<i>Psalms 150 (Praise the Lord)</i>
Song of Praise	<i>Who You Say I Am</i>
Welcome & Prayer	Tony Lankford
Missional Partner Spotlight	Barbara Fleming from Center Point
Scripture Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:1-10	David Smith
<i>For we know that, if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. For in this tent we groan, longing to be further clothed with our heavenly dwelling, for surely when we have been clothed in it we will not be found naked. For while we are in this tent, we groan under our burden because we wish not to be unclothed but to be further clothed, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. The one who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a down payment.</i>	
<i>So we are always confident, even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord—for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to be pleasing to him. For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive due recompense for actions done in the body, whether good or evil.</i>	
Words of Teaching	“The Building of God” Jeremy Shoulta
Song of Response	<i>There Is a Redeemer (377)</i> Stanzas 1 and 3
Opportunities to Connect & Serve	Christopher Simonton
Morning Prayer (Including the Lord’s Prayer)	Jeremy Shoulta
Congregational Response	Chorus of <i>Who You Say I Am</i>
Departing Song	<i>Praise the Lord</i> Worship Band

****Your giving is important. Offering baskets are located at both exits.****

A special thank you to Mark Green, Susan Eernisse, Mary Beth Magnus, Randy Eakins, Judy Thomas and Herve Aklotsoe for leading our music today.

The flowers in the Chapel are in loving memory of my bride, Lyn McCahan, on what would have been our 66th Anniversary on January 28, given by her husband Mac McCahan.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Missional Partner Spotlight: Center Point

Today | 8:45 & 11:00 Worship Services

We are pleased to welcome Barbara Fleming, Executive Director of Center Point, to share in today’s missional partner spotlight. Center Point is a Gainesville-based nonprofit organization that provides mental health services to young people and their families. If you would like to learn more about Center Point, please visit: <https://centerpointga.org/>.

Youth Sundown

Tonight | 6:00 PM | FLC

Youth are invited to an evening of fun and fellowship for open gym at the FLC.

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

March 4 | 5:00 PM | Banquet Hall

Join us for a Pancake Dinner! Tickets are \$5. This is a fundraiser for our FBC Youth Group.

Ash Wednesday

March 5 | 6:15 PM | Sanctuary

Ash Wednesday worship service will be at 6:15 PM in the Sanctuary. We will have dinner in the Banquet Hall at 5:00 PM. We will not have children or youth programs on Ash Wednesday.

Feast Virtual Event with Kristi McLelland

March 7 | 6:00 PM | Banquet Hall

March 8 | 9:00 AM | Banquet Hall

Gather to Feast upon God’s word. Tickets are \$25 and can be purchased on the church website. Ticket includes bible study, light supper on Friday, coffee and muffins and box lunch on Saturday.

THIS WEEK AT FBC

Monday

Men’s Bible Study
9:00 AM | Banquet Hall

Tuesday

Women’s Bible Study
10:00 AM | FLC-Gathering Room

Wednesday

Women’s Bible Study
10:00 AM | FLC-Gathering Room
5:00 PM: **Dinner in Banquet Hall**
5:45 PM: **Women’s Bible Study in Parlor**
6:00 PM: **Adult Bible Study; “Jesus: Game Changer”**
6:00 PM: **Children’s Choirs**
6:00 PM: **Youth**
6:00 PM: **GriefShare in Room 204**
6:50 PM: **Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal**

* The walking track in the FLC will be open for Parents to use during children & youth programs on Wednesday nights from 6:00 - 7:00 PM. The rest of the FLC facilities will be closed. Please see Pastor Kellie if you have questions.

Thursday

Women’s Bible Study
10:00 AM | Winsome Room

Thank you for your faithful and generous giving.

