



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

198 East Church Street, Jasper, Georgia

March 19, 2017 • Eleven O'Clock

LENT 3

*Please silence all electronic devices.
No food, drink, or candy in the Sanctuary.*

The Worship of God

GREETING

Annie Sutton

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME

Please pass the Friendship Register as you record your name.

Please place Wednesday Night Meal RSVP in offering plate.

ENTRANCE INTO WORSHIP

Recitation of The Jesus Creed

Hear, O people of God:

The Lord our God,

the Lord is one.

You shall love the Lord your God

with all your heart and

with all your soul and

with all your mind and

with all your strength.

And you shall love your neighbor as yourself.

There is no other commandment greater than these.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

LIGHTING THE CANDLE OF DIVINE PRESENCE

Christian Rasco

We light a candle as a symbolic reminder of God's presence with us.

WORDS FOR REFLECTION

"I think it is hope that lies at our hearts and hope that finally brings us all here.

Hope that in spite of all the devastating evidence to the contrary, the ground we stand on is holy ground because Christ walked here and walks here still.

Hope that we are known, each one of us, by name, and that out of the burning moments of our lives he will call us by our names to the lives he would have us live and the selves he would have us become. Hope that into the secret grief and pain and bewilderment of each of us and of our world he will come at last to heal and to save."

--Frederick Buechner

PRELUDE

HYMN NO. 354

Praise Him! Praise Him!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (WITH CONFESSION)

Greg Pope

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, and the power, and the glory, forever.
Amen.**

FIRST TESTAMENT READING

Melanie McCurdy

Genesis 1.26-31

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Matthew 16.24-26

This is the gift of Holy Scripture.
Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Kim Mason

HYMN 280

Speak, O Lord

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

THE OFFERING OF OUR SELVES, OUR TITHES, AND OUR OFFERINGS

CHORAL ANTHEM

Sanctuary Choir

Great is Thy Faithfulness

Arr. Joel Raney

*“Great is Thy faithfulness,” O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.
“Great is Thy faithfulness!” “Great is Thy faithfulness!”
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided—
“Great is Thy faithfulness,” Lord, unto me!
Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above,
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.
Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!*

DOXOLOGY

Children who are 3 years old through Kindergarten may follow
Kim Mason and Anne Smith to Children's Church.

*Hear, O people of the living God.
The Lord our God, the Lord is one.
Come love the Lord with all you are.
And love your neighbor as yourself.
Amen.*

SERMON

Greg Pope

*The Jesus Creed: Lady Gaga and Shakespeare,
Aretha Franklin and Jesus*

SILENT MEDITATION

Where do you need the love of God?
Who is God calling you to love?

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP AND COMMUNITY

If you desire to profess publicly your decision to follow Christ
or to unite your life with this community of faith,
you are invited to come forward during the Hymn of Response
and share your decision with the minister.

HYMN NO. 80

I Then Shall Live

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

BLESSING & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE



SIGN UP FOR E-MAIL OR JOIN THE FBC JASPER FACEBOOK PAGE AND RECEIVE...

- ...notices about cancellations due to weather.
- ...weekly happenings at FBC Jasper.
- ...special announcements.

*Visit www.fbcjasper.com and click the CONTACT tab
to add your information to our list
or call 706-253-5015 or email office@fbcjasper.com.*

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Sunday, March 19

Deacon of the Week: Marcia McDaniel

- 9:00** Worship in Chapel
- 9:00** Prayer Group meets in the Gideon classroom
- 10:00** Sunday School Classes for all ages
- 10:30** Cable broadcast of 03/12 worship on ETC 3
- 11:00** Worship in Sanctuary (broadcast live on WYYZ)
- 2:00** Children's Committee Meeting in Welcome Center
- 5:00** Youth Choir
- 6:00** Youth Connect

Monday, March 20

- 5:30** Handbells

Wednesday, March 22

- 5:15** Dinner in Walker Hall
(reservations requested by noon Tues. 03/21)
- 6:00** Prayer - Walker Hall
- 6:00** Preschool and Children's Choirs
- 6:00** Youth Small Group for Middle Schoolers
- 6:15** The Bible Book by Book: Revelation Part 2
- 6:15** Women's Bible Study Class
- 6:30** Mission Friends
- 6:30** FBI and Club 456
- 7:00** Choir Rehearsal
- 7:30** Band Rehearsal

Thursday, March 23

- 6:00** PULSE Youth Small Group for High Schoolers

Friday - Saturday, March 24-25

CBF of Georgia @ Vineville Baptist Church in Macon, GA

Saturday, March 25

**5:30 - 8:30 Acts of Random Kindness and
Flash Light Egg Hunt for 4th - 6th Graders**

Sunday, March 26

- 12:00** Mission Trip Information Session in Walker Hall

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL 03/22/2017

\$6 Adult \$4 Kids \$20 Family Maximum

Adult Menu:

Child Menu:

First and Last Name _____

No. Adults _____

No. Kids _____

To change or cancel:

Peggie Chapman (h) 706-692-2258 (c) 770-367-0281 (e) peggiechapman@me.com

**If you would like to have a STANDING RESERVATION for every
Wednesday Night Dinner, please check here: _____
If you are unable to attend dinner, and do not cancel your
reservation, you will still be financially responsible for your meal.**

Lent: The Jesus Creed

- March 19 *The Jesus Creed: Lady Gaga and Shakespeare,
Aretha Franklin and Jesus*
- March 26 *The Jesus Creed: The Cobbler's Gift*
- April 2 *The Jesus Creed: Who is My Neighbor?*
- April 9 The Passion Story in Scripture and Song
Led by the Sanctuary Choir
- April 13 6:30 Maundy Thursday Service in Chapel
No Greater Love
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4th- 6th Grade Flashlight Egg Hunt Saturday, March 25th at 5:30-8:30

We'll eat pizza, do random acts of kindness around Jasper,
and have a flashlight egg hunt!

Bring a flashlight and an Easter basket!

Sign up **REQUIRED** by Wednesday, March 22nd
and we must have a current
permission/medical release form on file!
Sign up in the Welcome Center or
email Kim Mason at children@fbcjasper.com

The Communion Table Flowers

Given in loving memory of
Rob Westmoreland
and in honor of
Henry Stuart

Given by David and Helen Stuart



AN INVITATION

First Baptist Church extends to all an invitation to membership. If you are looking for a community of faith where you can seek God, follow Jesus, and serve the needs of the world, we would gladly welcome you in this place. If you would like to commit your life to the way of Jesus and live as the beloved, forgiven child of God you are, and be baptized, we invite you to come forward during the Hymn of Response and share that decision with the pastor. You may also unite with our church by moving your membership from another community of faith. If you have any questions about FBC or what it means to follow Christ, the pastor would be glad to speak with you at any time. Welcome to First Baptist Jasper!

MINISTRY LEADERSHIP TEAM

Christie Beiring, Office Administrator

Joy Huddlestun, Organist

Kim Mason, Minister to Children

Melanie McCurdy, Pianist

Ruth Mehari, 9:00 Worship Leader

Matthew Newton, Associate Pastor, Minister of Music & Administration

Greg Pope, Pastor

Cassie Rasco, Preschool Director

David Stuart, Minister of Music Emeritus

Annie Sutton, Minister of Youth & Outreach

Did You Know....?

Annie, Jessica, and some of the youth went to Macon, GA with CBF GA to participate in March Mission Madness - a yearly missions and service event for CBF youth groups - last weekend. Our youth worked with about 200 other students on Saturday and participated in worship each day. They had a great time bearing Christ in the Macon community and making new friends!



2017 Budget

<i>Operating Budget</i>	<i>Building Fund Budget</i>	<i>Remaining Balance on Building Loan</i>
Required YTD \$116,974.90	Required YTD \$19,172.34	<i>As of 03/15/2017</i> \$280,384.46
Received YTD \$95,677.54	Received YTD \$10,399.75	
Spent YTD \$102,737.00		