



# THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

198 East Church Street, Jasper, Georgia

May 14, 2017 • Eleven O'Clock  
EASTER 5

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

## The Worship of God

### GREETING

Greg Pope

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

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

### WORDS FOR REFLECTION

### LIGHTING THE CANDLE OF DIVINE PRESENCE

Caleb Wilson

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

### CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

Sanctuary Choir

*Total Praise*

*Lord, I will lift my eyes to the hills, knowing my help is coming from you.*

*Your peace you give me in time of the storm.*

*You are the source of my strength, you are the strength of my life.*

*We lift our hearts in total praise to you.*

*Holy, holy, Lord God almighty.*

*Early in the morning my song shall rise to thee.*

*Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty God, in three persons, blessed Trinity.*

*You are the source of my strength, you are the strength of my life.*

*We lift our hearts in total praise to you.*

*Amen, amen. Amen, amen. Amen, amen. Amen, amen!*

### RESPONSIVE SCRIPTURE READING NO. 11

Matt Newton

### HYMN NO. 12

*God, Our Father, We Adore Thee*

### DEDICATION OF A CHILD

The Introduction of Parents and Child

Greg Pope

*Neena and Slade Lowe*

*Rylyn Tarver Lowe*

The Litany of Dedication Pastor, Parents, and Congregation

Pastor: By God's love we are given children  
through the miracle of birth.

**Congregation: We give God thanks.**

Pastor: May we greet each new son and daughter with joy,  
and surround them with faith,  
so that they may know Christ and want to be his disciples.

**Congregation: Let us never neglect children,  
but delight in them,  
showing them the welcome  
God has shown us all.**

Pastor: Neena and Slade, in presenting R.T. to the Lord,  
do you promise in dependence upon God's grace  
and with the help of the church  
to teach your son by prayer, word, and example  
the gifts and claims of the Christian faith?

**Parents: We do.**

Pastor: Brothers and sisters in the family of God,  
your help is as necessary to this covenant  
as the faithfulness of R.T.'s parents.  
Will you covenant with them in prayer  
and support through the ministries of this church  
as they seek to raise their son in the way of Jesus Christ?

**Congregation: We will.**

The Prayer of Dedication

Greg Pope

God of grace, Perfect Parent of us all, we pray for these parents  
and for all parents. Help Slade and Neena to love R.T.  
with Your love and be faithful to the promises  
they have made today. Bless Rynlyn Tarver.

Guard him with your grace through injury and illness.

Hold him in Your arms of love. Guide him with Your presence.

And keep us with this child and all children ready to listen  
and to love, even as in Jesus Christ You have loved us,

Your grown up children. We pray in Christ's name. Amen.

The Words of Blessing

Greg Pope

The Presentation of Bible and Certificate

Kim Mason

**CHILDREN'S MOMENT**

Kim Mason

**MUSICAL WORSHIP**

*Jesus Loves the Little Children*

*Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the world.*

*Ev'ry color, ev'ry race, all are covered by His grace;*

*Jesus loves the little children of the world.*

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Annie Sutton

**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.**

**HYMN NO. 625**

*Standing on the Promises*

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

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

**MUSICAL OFFERTORY**

*Cry No More*

Melanie McCurdy

Johanna Anderson

*In the shadow where we linger, in this darkness we call home,  
where the sighs are deep and doubtful, and our aspirations groan,  
all is not in vain, beloved, our travail is not unknown.  
Christ within us, Christ among us, Christ the first and Christ the last;  
love incarnate, hold your children till the storm of life is past.  
Though we have not faith to seek Him, Christ himself will draw us near,  
deep, abiding rays of mercy cast their light on lonely fear.  
Cry no more, ye poor and weary, our redeeming lord is here.  
Christ within us, Christ among us, Christ the first and Christ the last;  
love incarnate, hold your children till the storm of life is past.  
Sure defender, never failing, radiant savior, holy friend,  
gift of glory, hope of heaven, call us now to faith again!  
Alleluia! Blest compassion, grace is shining without end!  
Christ within us, Christ among us, Christ the first and Christ the last;  
love incarnate, hold your children till the storm of life is past.*

**DOXOLOGY**

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

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above ye heavenly hosts;  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.  
Amen.*

**SERMON**

*The Shack - Part Three: The Good and Beautiful God*

Greg Pope

**SILENT REFLECTION**

**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 OF RESPONSE NO. 59**

*My Lord is Near Me All the Time*

**LIFE OF THE CHURCH**

**BENEDICTION**

FOR MORE OPPORTUNITIES, SEE WWW.FBCJASPER.COM

**Sunday, May 14**

**Deacons of the Week: Matthew Dunn & Leigh Ann Williams**

- 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 05/07 worship on ETC 3
- 11:00** Worship in Sanctuary (broadcast live on WYYZ)  
The Dedication of R.T. Lowe, parents Slade and Neena Lowe

**Wednesday, May 17**

- 5:15** Dinner in Walker Hall  
(reservations requested by noon Tues. 05/16)
- 6:00** Prayer - Walker Hall
- 6:00** FBI and Club 456
- 6:00** Youth and Middle School Small Group
- 6:15** Sermon Talkback on *The Shack*: How We Image God
- 6:15** Women's Bible Study Class
- 7:00** Choir Rehearsal

**Thursday, May 18**

- 6:00** PULSE High School
- 7:30** Band Rehearsal

**Friday, May 19:**

- 10:15** JOY Choir Trip to Cleveland, Georgia

**Sunday, May 21:** Youth Sunday

- 9:00** Prayer Group meets in the Gideon classroom
- 10:00** Sunday School Classes for all ages
- 10:30** Cable broadcast of 05/14 worship on ETC 3
- 11:00** One Service outdoors by Welcome Center
- 5:00** Churchwide picnic at Lee Newton Park

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**WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL 05/17/2017**

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

Menu: BBQ, baked beans, cole slaw, chips, buns, and dessert.

First and Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

No. Adults \_\_\_\_\_

No. Kids \_\_\_\_\_

To change or cancel: Deborah Gay (h) 770-479-4863 (e) deborahgay6@aol.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.**

# *Upcoming Worship*

May 21 - Easter 6: Youth Sunday

(No 9:00 Service)

11:00 Worship Outdoors

## Party in the Park

Sunday, May 21 at 5:00 p.m.

Churchwide Picnic at  
Lee Newton Park in Jasper

Hamburgers, hot dogs and drinks will be provided.  
Please bring a "potluck" side or dessert to share.

Join us in true Baptist fashion for  
fellowship, food and fun!

Bring your own chair and games.

### **The Baptistry Table Flowers**

Given in honor of all the mothers in my life:

Alice Pinson, Barbara Thomason,  
Judy Pinson, & Samantha Pinson

Given by Brian Pinson

### **The Communion Table Flowers**

Given in memory of

Mrs. W. T. Bradley  
& Doris Bradley Carver

Given by Angie Higgins  
& Miriam Hudgins



# 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...?*

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

*JUNE 5-8 FROM 9:00-12:00*

*FOR KIDS AGES 3 (BY 9/1/12) - 6TH GRADE*

*VBS KICKOFF PARTY*

*SUNDAY, JUNE 4 AT 5:00*

*CORNER PARKING LOT*

*FUN ACTIVITIES, HOT DOGS, AND VBS REGISTRATION!*



### *2017 Budget*

<i>Operating Budget</i>	<i>Building Fund Budget</i>	<i>Remaining Balance on Building Loan</i>
Required YTD \$198,348.74	Required YTD \$32,509.62	<i>As of 05/10/2017</i> \$267,520.55
Received YTD \$172,499.06	Received YTD \$25,825.00	
Spent YTD \$165,221.09		