

Jerry's Title & Text "The Good Shepherd"

Psalms 23

23 The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

³He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.

³He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

⁴Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

⁵Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

⁶Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.



SERVING GOD BY SERVING OTHERS **LAST WEEK TO TURN IN DONATIONS FOR** **OUR SCHOOL SUPPLY COLLECTION!**

Each year we collect school supplies for our kids and teachers that are returning to school. This year there is a BIG NEED for OUR HELP! We ask that as you are



shopping, please pick up to donate the regular school supplies needed for students BUT ALSO PICK UP **hand sanitizer and clorox wipes as they will also be needed.**

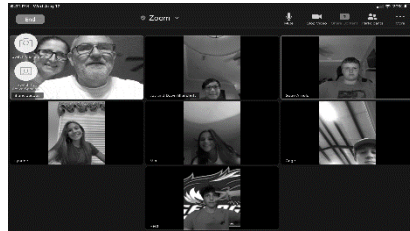
HERE IS HOW WE WILL COLLECT THIS YEAR: There will be a box located on the breezeway. Please drop off your donations on Sunday mornings or AT ANYTIME. We will collect the items each day and store them until they are delivered. **OUR DEADLINE TO DONATE IS THIS SUNDAY, AUGUST 23rd!** Please join us for our first of many church wide projects!



Thank You Susan Spivey for 25 Years as Church Pianist

The very best decision that has been made in the area of Music Ministry happened 25 years ago when the church called Susan (Roberts at that time) Spivey to be our church pianist. For a quarter of a century, Susan has served this church with an excellence in music that is beyond comparison. Her first Sunday with us was on August 27, 1995 and we hope and pray she will be pianist for another 25 years! Please drop a note or text to Susan to let her know how much you appreciate her willingness to share her gifts and talents with us each week!

FBC YOUTH NEWS



This past Wednesday night during our Youth Zoom WNL Hang out, the youth voted to make donations to three families who have children undergoing cancer treatments. We talked about the great opportunity we had to share some of the youth fund resources with those in need since we were not currently

needing them because of the COVID virus. I am so very proud of our young people and the way they are always willing to help others.



LAST WEEK FOR ONLINE KIDS LESSON **THANK YOU MS. NICOLE!!!**

This Sunday will be the last lesson available online for our kids. All the lessons previously recorded are still available on our FBC Kids Zone Facebook page in case you would like to catch up.

SO WHAT'S NEXT?? Beginning in September, we will be begin offering a resource to families called **"Right Here, Right Now!"** A link to each lesson will be emailed to your family every week or two. This resource provides a 7 minute video for viewing by the family along with a guide for each video. **IF YOU WANT TO RECEIVE THIS RESOURCE,** PLEASE CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE and leave your name and email address, OR TEXT BLANE your email address. **IN ADDITION,** we will continue to mail out **"Refrigerator Reminders"** every couple of weeks. If you didn't receive one LAST WEEK, please contact the church office if you want to be added to the list.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY UPDATE

The Women's Bible Study has begun a study on I Peter. Books will be available at the study which begins at 5pm on the church breezeway on Sunday afternoon. Everyone is welcome!

A Time to Celebrate . . . A Future to Anticipate

Rev. Gerald Thomas was called to become Associate Pastor. In May 1995, a Historical Marker for our church bell was erected on our campus and the Centennial Celebration began. A display cabinet, in which items would be placed and changed periodically, was placed in the narthex. David Malcom presented the church with a Bible which bore the copyright 1895-1896 and was discovered in an abandoned building by his father. David also located a stained-glass window that came from our 1912 church building, restored it, and today, it hangs in Burch Hall.



IN-PERSON WORSHIP THIS SUNDAY

"WORSHIP WILL BE ON THE BREEZEWAY!"

- 1) The service will take place on and around the breezeway.
- 2) **The service will begin at 9am.**

ALL ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS THAT HAVE BEEN LISTED EACH WEEK IN THIS SECTION FOR THE PAST FEW MONTHS CONTINUE TO BE IN PLACE UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE!

Bailey's Notes



Next Quarter of Sunday School Literature

Although we are not meeting together for Sunday School, the literature for each class is available to be picked up by members and teachers. If your class did not pick up your literature from last quarter, it has been placed in your Sunday School Classroom. Literature for our NEW QUARTER (September – November) can be picked up at the church office during regular office hours. Please wear a mask when you enter the office. If you have any questions, please give me a call or text.



OUR NEXT PROJECT OF "SERVING GOD BY SERVING OTHERS" BEGINS ON AUGUST 30th! PLEASE PLAN TO HELP!!

Beginning August 30th through the month of September, we will be collecting canned goods and monetary donations for the Christian Kitchen. Canned goods that are needed are canned fruits, canned meats and jelly. You can place them in the collection box on the breezeway at any time. **THE MOST URGENT NEED IS FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.** The Christian Kitchen now serves carry out lunches ONLY. In recent weeks, there has been a 55% increase in traffic for out the door meals for lunch each day. This is causing a financial strain. Please consider giving GENEROUSLY to the Christian Kitchen during our mission drive as they work hard to minister to the many in need in our community.

Opportunities for Worship and Ministry

SUNDAY, August 23

In-Person Worship Under and Around the Breezeway.....9:00am
Sunday School.....10:00am-WRDO
REPLAY of the 9am Worship Service.....11:00 am-WRDO
Ladies Bible Study Group Meets on the Breezeway.....5:00 pm

MONDAY, August 24 through THURSDAY August 27

***8:30am- Noon, 1pm-5pm– Church Office Open.**

FRIDAY, August 28

Office Closed but Church Phone will be monitored. (Also monitored on the weekend)
We recommend calling the church office instead of visiting if possible. Please practice social distancing and wear a mask when entering the office.

Sympathy

We extend our deepest sympathies to Janice Morris and her family at the death of her mother, Evelyn T. Morris, who passed away on Sunday, August 16 at Pruitt Health – Ocilla. Due to the Covid-19 Pandemic Janice had not seen her Mother in six months. Saturday afternoon due to the staff feeling that Ms. Evelyn was very weak they allowed Janice to visit. The two had a long visit and the next morning, God took Ms. Evelyn home.

Ushers for August 2020

Byron Smith, Lew Brinson, Bob Jones, Todd Cook
Kevin Phillips, Johnny Giddens, Jared Garner,
Tony Eckler, Justin Phillips

Members in Care Facilities

Magnolia Place (Ocilla): Betty Jean Dorminy, Sara Phillips
Harris House (Fitzgerald): Bob Chandler
Maple Court (Tifton): Virginia Hughes
At Home Sr. Living (Cochran): Marguerite Walker
The Suites at Station Exchange (Richmond Hill): Betty Sims

Homebound – Fitzgerald

June & Don Morris, Ruth Smith

Homebound – Out of Town & State

Lois Eppes – Middleburg, FL
Lois Freeman – Newnan, GA

Prayers for Our People

Becky Anderson, Barbara Ash, Cathey Braziel, Carolyn H. Brown, Jean Brown, Carolyn Paul Burns, Deannie Cleghorn, Jim Davis, Polly Davis, John Donahue, Betty Jean Dorminy, Jessica Duncan, Lois Eppes, Wiley Evans, Joanie W. Fox, Madelyn Futch, Susan Garcia, Johnny Giddens, Charles Golf, Carolyn Hackler, Kay Hannon, Peggy Hardin, Lori Hennesy, Lynn Herlovich, Virginia Hughes, Gail Jinright, Ashlynn Johnson, Judy Lowery, Wendy McFarland, Sue McGee, Christi and Baby Maddi McDonald, Mike McDonald, Kathy & Jim O’Neal, Steve O’Neal, Melba Ott, Sharice Parrot, Joe Petrie, Sara Phillips, Hugh Pike, Buddy Prescott, Gail Reynolds, John David Roberts, Angie & Mark Robinson, Beth Rodgers, David Sheffield, Betty Sims, Hunter Sims, Lisa Smith, Ruth Smith, Karen Spivey, Lisa Wiggins Stanfill, Gage Stubbs, Kelly Sumner, Margie Swanson, Hugh Turner, Tish Taylor, Roy Thomas, Darryl Vaughn, Brenda Wiggins, Donald Wiggins, Lavonda Walters Womack, Ken Woods, Tim Woods

Our Stewardship Review
August 9 through August 15

Weekly Budget Required	\$ 12,236.92
Weekly Budget Received	\$ 7,397.44
Designated Funds Received: (Capital Improvements).....	\$ 25.00
(Christian Kitchen).....	\$ 135.00
(CBF Georgia).....	\$ 500.00

“Her children arise and call her blessed”

Proverbs 31:28

Church Staff

Pastor.....Dr. Jerry Mahan
Minister of Music, Youth & ChildrenBlane Jacobs
Administrative Assistant..... Janice Morris
Special Assistant to the Pastor..... Bailey Miller
Housekeeping.....Antoinette Hill
Custodian.....Gene Mullinax
Church Organist.....Barbara Jacobs
Church Pianist..... Susan Spivey
Nursery Coordinator..... Amanda Renfroe

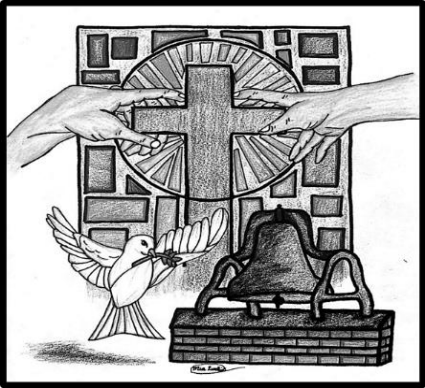
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You can also check out church information and activities.

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SUNDAY MORNING AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

9AM-IN-PERSON WORSHIP ON THE BREEZEWAY

****PLEASE SIT 6 FEET APART FROM OTHERS**

BRING YOUR CHAIRS AND ARRIVE EARLY

AUGUST 16TH SERVICE

“THE GOOD SHEPHERD”

PSALM 23

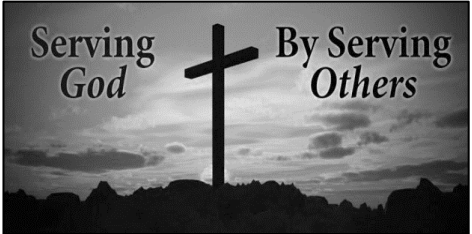
DR. JERRY MAHAN

***10AM-BARACCA SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS ON WRDO**

***PREVIOUS RECORDING FROM 2018**

11AM-REPLAY OF 9AM WORSHIP ON WRDO

5PM-LADIES BIBLE STUDY ON THE BREEZEWAY



FINAL WEEK TO COLLECT SCHOOL SUPPLIES

NEW BIBLE STUDY RESOURCE FOR FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN

CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE TODAY TO SIGN UP

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