

The Church has received a memorial donation from Skip & Freda Sproull in memory of Marie Butler.

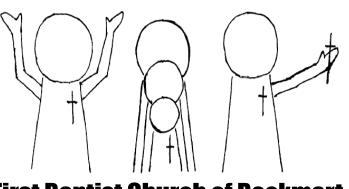
Church Promotional Wear is now on sale! Order forms are located on the table outside of the office. Questions or to turn in forms: Contact Janice Kinney, Kim Casey, Kim Wilson or see Edie in the office! Deadline to order is April 1st.



Remember your donation to Annie Armstrong!

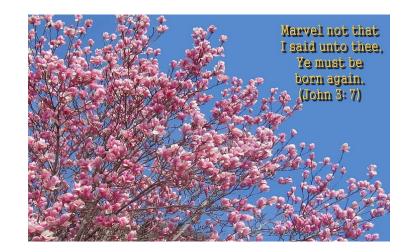
All Ladies are invited to see the movie "Someone Like You" on Friday, April 5th. The movie is showing in Cartersville for two nights only. The movie is based on a book by Christian author, Karen Kingsbury. Meet at the church at 4:30 pm to carpool to have dinner at the Pizza Farm beforehand. Movie is at 7:30 pm. Check with Kim Casey for available tickets.





First Baptist Church of Rockmart

Celebrating the Gospel Growing in the Gospel Spreading the Gospel



April 2024

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Rev. Jason Odom, Sr. Pastor Andrew Carter, Director Of Music Ministries

Back Pack- First Fruit Ministry We would like for you to consider giving to the Backpack Ministry once a month so we can continue to serve our community. Our number of bag that we are packing each week have doubled.

It is so sad to see so many children do not have enough to eat. The first week/Sunday will be set aside for this offering.

FBCR 🛎 LITTLE PRESCHOOL BIG HEART

The preschool welcomes any snack donations, such as cheese crackers. goldfish, cookies, fruit snacks, etc. and small bottles of water.

Registration for preschool Fall 2024 is now OPEN! Please see Edie for a registration form.

Our sweet preschoolers collected during chapel \$170.26 to be given to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering.





If you are a high school or college graduate (that has graduated since the last recognition), please send in a photo and short bio so that we can include you in our graduate brochure. Deadline will be April 20th. Graduate Recognition Sunday will be May 19th during the morning worship!

Church Council, Sunday, Apr 7th at 445 pm Deacons Meeting, Sunday, Apr 21st at 445 pm Business Meeting, Sunday, Apr 21st at 6 pm

Wednesday Night Meals are BACK!!!! Wednesday, April 10th at 5:30. ***** Deacon of the Week for April



Apr 7th Jimmy Norris Apr 14th Ronald Lovell Apr 21st Allen Wilson Apr 28th Newt Hendrix

Holy Manna Food Pantry currently has need of dry goods and canned goods. (You are welcome to donate other food items however they do not need egg cartons at this time.) You can drop them in the box located inside of the portico door. Volunteers are welcome to help at anytime during the week. Contact Nathan at (706)338-8233 to schedule that. The food pantry has recently moved to a warehouse on Industrial Blvd, in Rockmart where All-Star Motor was last. They will now distribute food to the public from the American Legion circular drive on Tuesdays 10 am—2 pm

Women's Tuesday Bible Study Tuesdays at 10-11:30 am We will be going through Dr. David Jeremiah's book "Encouraging Words for a Discouraging World"



Youth Girls Bible Study All youth girls are invited to participate in a weekly Bible study with Michaela Odom and Jennifer During on Sunday Nights 6-7:15 pm in the youth room.

Vacation Bible School June 17-19th Contact Michaela if you would like to volunteer to help!



Volunteer Opportunities for April

Meet & Greet Team #4 Linda Campbell & Melissa Register Apr 14th at 9:30 am

If you would like to volunteer for any ministry, please contact the church office.

> **Church Security** Jimmy Norris will be responsible for locking and unlocking the church during April.

> > Nursery

Sun Morning Worship 11 am

Apr 7th Jennifer During

Apr 14th Beth Lester

Apr 21st Stephanie Mears

Apr 28th Jolie Brown

Nursery Sun School 930-10:45 am Apr 7th Virginia Gurley Apr 14th Lisa Terry Apr 21st Stephanie Mears Apr 28th Marcia Lindsey

Children's Church

Apr 7th Stephanie Mears, Anna & Drew

Williams

Apr 14th Kay Hughes, Melissa & Todd

Mathis

Apr 21st Jolie Brown, Malin Evans,

Courtney Brown

Apr 28th Michaela Odom, Lori & Jimmy

Norris

Sound Techs

Apr 7th David Vest

Apr 14th Lane Mears

Apr 21st Jimmy Norris

Apr 28th Todd Mathis

Nursery Sun Evening Worship 545-7 pm Apr 7th Ginger Rayburn Apr 14th Kay Hughes Apr 21st Stephanie Mears Apr 28th Vickie Worsham

Nursery Wed Evenings 545-7:15 pm Apr 3rd Linda Beatty Apr 10th Amanda Loveless Apr 17th Melissa Mathis Apr 24th Kim Casey

Highschoolers & Older Teens

Lunch is being provided for high school students immediately following the worship service every other week and the next one will be April 21st. Come hang out, hear a devo, and talk about continuing to meet and grow in Christ together!

Please check the kitchen for any dishes that may be yours and also the lost and found rack at the portico door.

Regular Adult Weekly Schedule:

Sundays

Mondays:

9:45 am Small Groups/Bible Study 11:00 am Morning Worship 6:00 pm Evening Studies

7:00 am Men's Bible Study Sun Tue Thu Fri Sat Mon Wed 6:00 pm Celebrate Recovery Tuesdays: 2 3 5 6 4 10:00 am Women's Bible Study Men's Bible Study 7 am Middle School Discipleship 615 Wednesdays: Celebrate Recovery 6 pm -715 pm 6:30 pm Prayer Meeting Prayer meeting 6:30 pm 7:15 pm Adult Choir Practice Adult Choir 7:15 pm **Please check Youth and Children News for the schedule beginning 13 7 12 8 10 11 9 April 1st**** Bible Study 945 am Men's Bible Study 7 am Ladies Bible Study 10-1130 am Family Night Dinner 5:30 pm Middle School Discipleship 615 Worship 11 am Celebrate Recovery 6 pm Church Council 445 pm -715 pm Deadline for May 2024 Children's Discipleship 5-6 pm Prayer meeting 6:30 pm Is April 22, 2024 Youth Girl Bible Study 6-715 Adult Choir 7:15 pm **Church Website:** pm www.firstbaptistrockmart.org **Email:** 20 14 15 16 17 18 19 office@firstbaptistrockmart.org Praver Chain: Middle School Discipleship 615 Bible Study 945 am Men's Bible Study 7 am Ladies Bible Study 10-1130 am prayerchainfbcr@gmail.com Worship 11 am Celebrate Recovery 6 pm WMU Prayer Group 12 pm -715 pm Children Discipleship 5-6 pm Prayer meeting 6:30 pm **Church Office Hours:** Youth Girl Bible Study 6-715 Adult Choir 7:15 pm Mon-Thurs 8 am—4 pm pm Closed—Friday 27 21 Bible Study 945 am22 23 24 25 26 Worship 11 am Men's Bible Study 7 am Ladies Bible Study 10-1130 am Middle School Discipleship 615 Golden Age 10:30 am High Schoolers & Older Teen Celebrate Recovery 6 pm -715 pm Lunch 12pm Prayer meeting 6:30 pm Deacons Meeting 445 pm Adult Choir 7:15 pm Children's Discipleship 6-715 MENS MINISTRY pm Business Meeting 6 pm Sunday, Apr 28th 5-8th girls Bible Study 6-7 pm at 8 am 28 29 30 Ladies Bible Study 10-1130 am Brotherhood 8 am Men's Bible Study 7 am Bible Study 945 am Celebrate Recovery 6 pm WMU Worship 11 am Ladies Tea 2-4 pm missions for life™ Children's Discipleship 6-715 pm Meets at the church Evening Study 6 pm on the 3rd Tuesday of Youth girls Bible Study 6-7 each month at 12 pm (Notice time chg.)

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Youth and Children's News for April 2024

RENOVATED SPACE

Thanks to all who have helped prepare the youth and children's rooms for use again. With new HVAC, ceiling tiles, paint and appropriate supplies and furnishings, this investment is already deeply appreciated and will be well-used.

Recent events: PALM SUNDAY

We love this day when the children lead us in worship waving of palms and singing. Thanks to all families who brought them.

EGG HUNT

We welcomed new community members and friends to our church to hear the Easter story and have some fun hunting eggs! Thanks to all who helped stuff eggs and helped hide and monitor the event, and made visitors feel welcome and loved!

CHANGING CHILDREN's SCHEDULE in APRIL

In April we will begin the new evening schedule for pre-K through 5th grade children's activities. Instead of Wednesday nights 6-7:15, they will meet Sunday evenings 5-6PM for, Bible, missions and music training. We have had ample feedback from families that weekend and earlier meetings would help with family and school lives.

**If you would like to volunteer to help Laura in the nursery with Pre-K Mission Friends 5-6PM on Sundays, let me know.

See below for new master youth, children, and nursery schedule.

MIDDLE SCHOOLERS

We love that the 5th-8th grade girls want to meet together Sundays AND Wednesdays so we will continue that. (We will keep letting the boys join us for Wednesday nights.) Instead of meeting at the Odom house on Sunday nights, beginning in April the girls want to begin meeting in the new youth room that will have games like ping pong, etc. and a hang out space as well as a classroom and a place for little refrigerator and snacks. *We would like to find another volunteer or two to work with 5–8th grade boys and girls on Wednesday nights. Let me know if you are interested.

CHILDRENS CHURCH

There will be no children's church on Easter Sunday. We will have children's church on Mothers Day. We are grateful for the willingness of 27 people to volunteer for this ministry—some new to the children's ministry and several others who have been long-time faithful teachers. For volunteers: check the schedule for the year that I've recently given out to see if you have conflicts and let me know in the next 2 weeks if you have dates that need to be changed. We plan to schedule an orientation time and/or materials for our volunteers soon.

HIGH SCHOOL

We are thanking God for the efforts of many (I count 11 adults!) to rally several high schoolers and first/second year college students who have been involved in our worship services the last few months, and several more that have been brought by their friends! We've had 17 so far! In March we had lunches and devotional times on two Sundays after worship. We plan to continue these through at least May: April 21, May 5, May 19. We are working toward some of their other hopes for camp and events this summer.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Children's Sunday school continues to be one of the real strengths of our children's ministry. We are so grateful for the dedicated teachers who give to our children every week. Toddlers through 5th grade use The Gospel Project, a curriculum that systematically covers the whole range of scripture and beautifully uncovers the Christ connections through all of this redemptive history. We invite you to bring your children regularly to Sunday school. Through fun, age-appropriate activities and teaching, they will certainly gain biblical literacy. (Children's church also uses The Gospel Project curriculum, not to mirror Sunday school, but to reinforce it.)

SCHEDULE for children, youth and nursery, beginning in April

Sunday

9:45-10:45 AM Sunday school children (K-5th) and nursery (babies-4K) 11-12:15 children's church (K-5th leave worship before the sermon) and

worship care (babies-4K) (6-12th stay in worship)

12:15-1:30 Twice monthly high school lunch/older teens lunch and discipleship

5-6PM children's discipleship, missions and music, PreK/nursery mission friends

6-7:15PM 5-8th grade girls meeting in the youth room6-7PM child care in nursery (or playground) for birth through 5th grade kids whose parents are at adult Bible study

Wednesdays 5:30-6:30 Monthly family meals 6:15-7:15 Middle school (5th-8th graders, girls and boys) discipleship 6:15-7:15 adult prayer Mtg; Child care in nursery (B-5th)

We really can't thank you enough for accepting the Lord's call to make disciples of the youth and children here at FBC Rockmart. As you can see, this task does not depend on one person, but on the giftedness and willingness of the whole church! Please pray to the Lord for this ministry, and for the planning toward the coming summer months. I pray your service is a very valuable part of your own faith journey as well.

> With much love and gratitude, Michaela Odom

<u>Known Apríl Bírthdays</u>

01 — Bailey Tomlín 03 —Kathy Davís 04 —Gary Mears 08 —Emilee Register, Melíssa Register 09 —Fran Smíth, Ray Worsham 10 —Jeremy Smíth, Mary Walk 13 —Brandon Tracy 15 —Cassie McAlister 18 —Kristen Dean, Sondí Vest 21 —Martha Bell, Sadíe Webster 25 —Rhonda Turner 26 —Lorí Norrís, Davíd Walk

Golden Age Invites you to join the fun!!

For ages 55+ We meet once a month on the 4th Thursday at 10:30 am. We have a meal and entertainment and a wonderful time of fellowship. First Baptist is the host sponsor for this and we have people from all over the county and surrounding areas coming. We would love for more First Baptist people to join us. We meet again Thursday, April 25th at 10:30 am. If you would be interested, please call Jean Moon at (770) 684-9657 or Nancy Phillips at (770) 684-6841.

SMALL GROUP Bible Studies Find your place and enjoy the fellowship!

Men's Weekday Bible Study Bible study for men taught by Newt Hendrix. They meet on Mondays 7-7:45AM at the Rockmart Chick-Fil-A. (Gather at 7, Bible study at 7:15, end promptly at 745.) They will study the gospel of Mark, 16 chapters for 15 weeks. It begins January 22 and concludes the last Monday in April.

"Know the Word: An Overview of the Bible" is on Sundays at 6 pm in the Great Room.

Church Member Request Forms are now available outside the office. Please use these for prayer request, maintenance request, supply and literature ordering, change of personal information, etc. Fill it out and drop in box on office door.