

SUNDAY CLASSES AVAILABLE

December 31, 2023

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL <u>The Believers' Amazing Future</u> <i>Mr. Sandy Whetherholt</i> <i>Room 407 (Navigators)</i> <u>A Name Like No Other</u> <i>Mr. Phil Green & Mr. Wayne Voltz</i> <i>Room 203</i> <u>The Attributes of God</u> <i>Mrs. Barbara Grainger</i> <i>Room 103</i> <u>The Life of David</u> <i>Rev. Mike Melone</i> <i>Room 109 (Family Builders)</i> <u>One³</u> <i>Rev. Jim Farr</i> <i>Room 107 (Couples)</i> <u>College and Career</u> <i>Josh & Lora Irish</i> <i>Room 108 (Ages 18-24)</i>	Nursery & Preschool 9:30 am & 10:30 am Preschool Building
	Dig In K5 - 3 rd Grade 9:30 am - Room 106
	Dig Deeper 4 th - 6 th Grade 9:30 am - Room 107
	Jr. Worship K5- 6 th Grade 10:30 am - Room 406
	TEENS "THE EDGE" Grades 7 th -12 th 9:30 am - Room 406
WEDNESDAY NIGHT CHILDREN'S MINISTRY NURSERY & PRE-SCHOOL AGE- Preschool building AWANA Clubs (K-5 thru 5 th grade) L.I.F.T. (6 th -8 th grade) Room 423 "THE EDGE" (Grades 9 th -12) Room 406	
MINISTRY STAFF Dr. Barry V. Rumsey Senior Pastor Rev. Jim Farr Assistant Pastor Vicki Rumsey Children's Ministry Bro. Josh Cortez Youth Pastor Robert O'Neill Music Director Rev. Mike Melone RCS Administrator	

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☐ I would like more information
about the church.

WELCOME

We are happy to see you!

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____
 State: _____ Zip: _____
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 Email: _____

December 31, 2023

Church Office Hours:
MONDAY-THURSDAY 9:00AM-4:00PM
FRIDAY 9:00AM-1:00PM



OUR MISSION | Many of today's churches always seem to be following the current trends. At First Baptist Church of Ruskin, we believe that God wants us to present ageless truth, not the latest trends. We don't want to be old -fashioned but rather we want to present the ageless story of God's love and grace to us through His son, Jesus Christ. We are so glad you have joined us today as we study God's precious Word.

SERVICE SCHEDULE

Sunday

7:30 am - Men's Prayer Meeting

9:30 am - Bible Classes

10:30 am - Worship

5:00 pm - Worship

Wednesday - 7 PM

Adult Bible Study

Teen Bible Studies

Awana (Sept-May)

Kid's Quest (May-Aug)

Nursery Provided for ALL Services



Important AWANA Dates

There are no AWANA clubs this Wednesday night, but there will be **Jr. Church services** for all the kids.

1.3

The 2024 AWANA year begins on this date, and it is going to be another great year. Fun starts at 7 PM!

1.10

This night is **WILD WEST NIGHT** in AWANA. Get the boots and cowboy hats ready for a fun time on this date!

1.24

Prayer Request

How can we adequately say “Thank You” from the depths of our hearts for our church’s Christmas gift to us? The desire to see our family is always on the top of our “want list.” We were dreaming someday we would be able to go to England to see our military kids, and now First Baptist Church has made our dream a reality!

We are thrilled, humbled, and so grateful for the trip to see our family in England and to share in Josh's promotion ceremony. A simple thank you seems inadequate for the love you have shown us. We truly appreciate your goodness to us.

Pastor and Vicki (and Josh, Kati, Julia, Jillian & James)



December 31st, 2023
PRAYER REQUESTS

ALICE TAYLOR- Zack and Alice Taylor were long-time members of First Baptist before moving to be near family in Georgia. She was scheduled to have a very serious vein bypass surgery for a blood clot this week, but the doctor cancelled it without explanation saying he would reschedule in mid-January. They don't know if they should seek a second opinion or even have the surgery. Pray for them as they seek God's wisdom for a decision.

CINDY SLAVEN- This is a winter neighbor of DeLyte Delong. Cindy has breast cancer and just had surgery. She had complications and is still hospitalized. She has a 40-year-old non-verbal extremely handicapped daughter who lives with Cindy and her husband. This family needs our prayers.

NANCY BYRNES- (member) She had surgery last week and is at home recuperating and doing well. Pray for her to completely heal and be back with us soon.

BUTCH LEWIS- Butch is a former member of our church who has been diagnosed with MDS, a blood disease which can become leukemia. There are MDS specialists at Moffitt, and he is scheduled to see them. He is very sick, and he and his wife Kathey really need our prayers.

MICHAEL BYRNES- This is Peter and Nancy Byrnes' son who fell from a ladder. He severely injured his spine requiring surgery for the insertion of 2 rods, 2 plates, and 8 pins. He is home now, but the road to recovery is long. Pray for that recovery. Praise the Lord Michael was not paralyzed.

DORIS BUZBEE-(member) In 1939 at the age of 9, Doris became a member of FBC! She has some balance problems and is getting weak and somewhat discouraged. Send her a card of encouragement to 506 3rd Avenue SE, Ruskin, FL. 33570 and let her know we miss her.

Members with Health Concerns

Jim & Betty Ballard	Shirley Ruthven
Sharon Davis	Allen Scheffler
Dreama Hager	Jim & Amella Short
Paul Harget	Jerry & Jane Smith
Helen Holstein	Les Taylor
Gail Letzring	Betty Wears
Larry & Linda Mostello	Ron & Donna Welsh

Members Battling Cancer

Terry Horton Tim Way Ron Welsh David Zurlinden

SERVING THE USA

Bob Bryant	Max Lipford	Garrett Rushing
<i>C.J. Cartwright</i>	Michael Lipford	Jonathan
Charles Clerc	Andy Meyrahn	Schweinshaupt
Jen DuBois	Christ Oliver	Nathan Thomas
Elijah Gulotta	Audrey Penny	Wesley Tucker
Zachary Kennedy	Remiah Reza	Amanda Unruh
Riley Kennedy	Andrew	Mike Williams
Amber Kennedy	Richardson	<i>Levi Wynn</i>
	<i>Josh Rumsey</i>	

*FBC Members are in blue italics.

People are saved by what they do
with the Son of God, the Lord Jesus
Christ. It's not a matter of race, face,
or place; it's a matter of GRACE!!!

Chris and Lucinda Radebaugh
Missionaries to the Deaf of South Africa

Dear Friends in Christ,

This year we have seen a dramatic increase in witch doctors using our property for their incantations and rituals. On our annual church workday, I noticed them there again. Then I saw a fire burning on our property. One of our deaf men and I got water and ran to extinguish the fire. The witch doctors jumped in their cars and drove off. The police told us we needed a fence around our property. Will you pray God will provide the funds for this fence?

We were in one of the hardware shops we frequent. After placing our order with the man helping us, we gave him a tract and asked him to read it. He said he would. Later, on a return visit, we asked him if he read it. He said he did. We asked, "What did you do after reading it? Walter answered, "I asked Jesus to save me!" Praise the Lord. We brought him a Bible and invited him to church. Now other staff have asked for Bibles. We pray more souls come to Christ.

We praise the Lord for providing for our Deaf Camp next year. A dear friend contacted us and asked if we had any special needs. We explained our goal for 2024 of reaching more young people with the Gospel. The government has blocked all religious instruction in schools, and the principals are bearing the brunt of the results of that decision: 12,500 school-age girls having babies in 2023, drugs, lack of discipline, and a decline in education. Many are now interested in having someone come and help their young people. We asked our friend if he could help by providing a camp for 50 young people next year (March 2024). Praise the Lord, He agreed and provided enough funds so that 25 can come free, and 25 will pay half price.

Thank you for your prayers and support throughout this year.

Chris and Lucinda Radebaugh