

Organizational Handbook 2026



**Current as of Aug 10, 2026*

*Please note: any names in pink are from the previous year
and need to be updated for the current year.*

First Baptist Church

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CHURCH COMMITTEES, COUNCILS, AND BOARDS 2026

GENERAL OFFICERS

Church Moderator	Vice Moderator	Church Treasurer	Ass't Treasurer
John Shell	Jessica Helms	Ryan Willis	Wes Fulk
Church Clerk Teresa Teague		Assistant Clerk Charles Gale	

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Matt Bullard, chair

2026	2027	2028
Matt Bullard	Jason Gardner	Jess Helms
Margaret Clary	Beth Jones	Mary Nash Rusher
Ryan Willis	Eddie Sasser	Hollis Yelverton

DEACONS

John Shell, chair Jessica Helms, vice chair
Brenda Mullins, secretary

2026	2027	2028
Crystal Bacon	Marianna Burnette	Anna Anderson
Tom Childrey	Jay Carothers	Sterling Brickell
Ann Cobb	Tonya Carter	Matt Bullard
Stan Crocker	Jerry Dudeck	Mike Dare
Nancye Gaj	Marchelle Flowers	Mary Lou Dodd
Tyson Graves	Jen Foster	Anita Jackson
Jeff Hobart	Wes Fulk	David Kelley
Sheila Jordan	Jessica Helms	Bill Loomis
Brenda Mullins	Holly Ivel	Rhonda Lowe
Chuck Nichols	Bob Kimball	Becky Mercer
Caleb Petty	John Liverman	Nancy Phillips
Elizabeth Riley	Pam Powell	Will Poteat
Ann Rollins	Sarah Catherine Rhodes	Bob Rhodes
Lee Smith	John Shell	Mary Nash Rusher
Kimberly Taylor	Royce Willmschen	Elizabeth Santana
Ryan Willis	Wyatt Yelverton	Dean Webster

I. COMMITTEES

CHURCH NOMINATING

Karen Poteat, chair
Chris Chapman, minister

2026	2027	2028
Jay Carothers	Mary Burnette	Mike Dare
Mary Lou Dodd	Wes Fulk	Diane Ellis
John Hobson	Bob Kimball	Caleb Petty
Karen Poteat	Elizabeth Riley	Cara Lynn Vogel

WORSHIP

Myra Brickell, chair & council rep
Chris Chapman, minister

2026	2027	2028
Libby Barnes	Myra Brickell	Catherine Dudeck
Holly Cook	Elizabeth Santana	Rebecca Sasser
Barry Jones	Victor Santana	Anne Tunstall

HOSPITALITY

Nancye Gaj, chair, and Jay Carothers, council rep
Leah Reed, minister

2026	2027	2028
Lauren Bradley	Margaret Bartolotto	Bob Bailey
Nancye Gaj	Elizabeth Riley	Jay Carothers
Anita Jackson	Dawn Wade	Wade Sasser

DENOMINATIONAL RELATIONS

Teresa Teague, chair
Lynn Lingafelt, minister

2026	2027	2028
Susan Kimball	Derek Foster	Carolyn Dickens
Teresa Teague	Shirley Hobson	Nancy Phillips

SOCIAL

Sheila Jordan, chair & council rep
Michael Hood, minister

2026	2027	2028
Jay Foster	Jess Helms	Mary Burnette
Sheila Jordan	Karen Poteat	Janie Carothers
Lynn Loomis	Hollis Yelverton	Jane Kelley

COMMUNITY MINISTRIES

Carol Blanchard and Sabrina Tyndall, co-chairs
Shirley Hobson, council rep
Leah Reed, minister

2026	2027	2028
Cindy DeFoor	Carol Blanchard	Derek Foster
Shirley Hobson	Mary Powell Rhodes	Holly Ivel
Ebby Phillips	Sabrina Tyndall	Elizabeth Riley

PERSONNEL

Beth Jones, chair
Beth Jones, council rep
Chris Chapman, minister

2026	2027	2028
Dolores Bailey	Ann Rollins	Jeff Hobart
Eddie Sasser	Wyatt Yelverton	Beth Jones

FINANCE

Tom Rollins, chair and council rep
Chris Chapman, minister

2026	2027	2028
Myra Brickell	Zach Poteat	Emily Johnson
Noah Huffstetler	Tom Rollins	Will Poteat
Charles Petty	Beth Yerxa	Matt Strickland

PROPERTIES

John Hobson, chair and council rep
Wayne Hager, liaison

2026	2027	2028
Brantley Blanchard, Jr.	John Hobson	John Baldwin
Hayden James	Karen Poteat	Sterling Brickell
Ron Maness	Wyatt Yelverton	Sheila Jordan

II. COUNCILS

CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS

Ministerial Staff	Dr. Christopher Chapman, Rev. Michael Hood, Rev. Warren Howell, Rev. Lynn Lingafelt, Rev. Leah Reed	
Committee Reps	Myra Brickell, Jay Carothers, John Hobson, Shirley Hobson, Sheila Jordan, Tom Rollins, Beth Jones	
Organizational Leader	W.M.U. director	Nancy Moore Phillips
General Officers	Deacon chair	Kimberly Taylor
	Deacon vice-chair	John Shell
	Finance chair	Tom Rollins

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY COUNCIL (Sept-Aug)

Lynn Lingafelt, minister

Linda Carothers	Diane Ellis	Derek Foster
Rhonda Lowe	Daniel Rohrbaugh	Elizabeth Riley
Kimberly Taylor	Robin Willis	

STUDENT MINISTRIES COUNCIL (Sept-Aug)

Michael Hood, minister

Addie Bacon	Janie Carothers	Chloe Fulk
Charles Gale	Tyler Jones	Lacey Pegram
Caleb Petty		

ADULT MINISTRIES COUNCIL (Sept-Aug)

Leah Reed, minister

Anna Anderson and Jen Foster, co-chairs

Anna Anderson	Bob Bailey	Jen Foster
Rebecca Sasser	Teresa Teague	Jamie Vogel

Sunday School director: Ginger Graves

Sunday School assistant director: Lin Carter

MUSIC MINISTRIES COUNCIL (Sept-Aug)

Warren Howell, minister

Alan Taylor, chair

Anna Anderson	Carolyn Dickens	Amy Galvan
Art Jackson	Jeff Mercer	Alan Taylor

WEEKDAY PRESCHOOL COUNCIL (Sept-Aug)

Ex-officio: FBC Weekday Preschool director Crystal Bacon
Minister to Children Lynn Lingafelt

Linda Carothers
Karen Poteat

Sarah Collins

FBP Parents:

Ali Batouli
Kristen Buonocore

Nore Burni

III. Boards

FOOD TRAILER BOARD

Beth Jones, chair
Leah Reed, minister
David With, food trailer proprietor

Amber Davis	Jason Gardner	Anne Cooke
Beth Jones	Nancy Moore Phillips	Karen Poteat
Harold Pittman		Elizabeth Riley

INFANT-TODDLER BOARD (SEPT–AUG)

Ex-officio: Lynn Lingafelt
Lauren Bradley, chair

2027	2028	2029
Diane Ellis	Lauren Bradley	Carolyn Dickens
Karen Poteat	Leah Filomena	Robert Ponton
Robin Willis	Elizabeth Riley	John Rusher

ITC parents on one-year cycle:

Ashley Ingram
Chris Morse
Katie Radinovic
William White

SUNDAY SCHOOL LEADERSHIP

GENERAL OFFICERS

Director

Ginger Graves

Assistant director

Lin Carter

ADULT DIVISION

Connections

Lin Carter, John Liverman, Chuck Nichols
Kat Snyder

Everette Miller Friendship

Steve Austin, Bob Bailey,
Laura Maness

Formations

Steve Brown, Rebecca Sasser,
Chuck Underwood

Grains of Sand

Leah Filomena, Jeff Mercer,
Hollis Yelverton, Wyatt Yelverton

John Hiott Fellowship

Bob Bailey

Pathfinders

Matt Bullard, Sam Carothers, Nancye Gaj,
Hayden James, Chuck Nichols, Mary Powell Rhodes

Scriptural Serendipity

John Shell

Sharing Thoughts

Class Members

The Journey

Anne Bullard, Stan Crocker, Sue Crocker
Amy Galvan, Robert Ponton, Teresa Teague

The Wilderness

Jessica Helms

Unity

David Guzman

Japanese

Jun Matsuzaki, Tomoko Chubachi

YOUTH DIVISION

Middle school (Grades 6–8)

Grade 6

Grades 7–8

Margaret Barham, Dennis Ellis

Kati Gardner, Jeff Hobart,

Kimberly Taylor

Senior high (Grades 9–12)

Holly Cook, Allison Strickland,

Matt Strickland

CHILDREN’S DIVISION

Preschool Directors:

Hope Phillips

Elementary School Director:

Robin Willis

Grades 1–3

Charles Gale, Holly Ivel

Grades 4–5

Derek Foster, Ryan Willis

PRESCHOOL DIVISION

Directors	Myra Brickell, Shirley Hobson
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New baby visitor	Myra Brickell
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Babies–Twos	Valerie Moore, Melanie Stahmer
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Threes – Kindergarteners	Diane Ellis, Marchelle Flowers
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SUNDAY SCHOOL ROOM NUMBERS

Adult Division

Room 108	John Hiott Fellowship
Room 110	Pathfinders
Room 219	Scriptural Serendipity
Room 220	Everette Miller Friendship
Room 224	Connections
Room 227	Japanese
Room 301	Grains of Sand
Room 302	Unity
Room 318	The Wilderness
Room 319	Sharing Thoughts
Room 320	The Journey
Parlor	Formations
Conf. Room	Community Table

Youth Division

Middle School (Grades 6-8)

Room 330	Grade 6
Room 329	Grade 7–8

Senior High (Grades 9-12)

Room 324	Grades 9–10
Room 322	Grades 11–12

Children's Division

Room 232	Grade 1–3
Room 229	Grade 4–5

Preschool Division

Room 121	Babies & Crawlers
Room 122	Toddlers & Twos
Room 131	Threes–Kindergarten

**THIRTY-NINERS
2025–2026**

President	Carolyn Dickens
Secretary	Anne Cooke
Asst. secretary	Suzanne Sanford
Treasurer	Myra Brickell
Song leader	Lawson Smith
Program committee	Nancy Moore Phillips (chair) Myra Brickell, Anne Cooke, Carolyn Dickens, Anne Hunter
Greeters	Anne Cooke, Mike Cooke
Room set-up:	Bobby Phillips, Nancy Moore Phillips
Telephone committee	Rose Dammann, Betty Lewis, Frances Shell

MUSIC MINISTRY LEADERSHIP 2025–2026

CHILDREN'S DIVISION

Music and Movement (3-year-olds)

Leader

Lynn Loomis

Assistant

Elaine Holley

Combined Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten Music Group

Co-Leaders

Amy Galvan, Kimberly Taylor,

Hollis Yelverton

Elementary Division

Orff Instruments

Leader

Becky Mercer

Assistant

Ginger Graves

Grades 1–2

Leader

Rhonda Lowe

Accompanist

Maria Childrey

Assistant

Diane Ellis

Grades 3–5

Director

Warren Howell

Accompanist

Maureen Howell

Assistants

Sarah Catherine Rhodes

YOUTH DIVISION

Youth Choir (Grades 6–12)

Director

Warren Howell

Accompanist

Maureen Howell

Assistant

Rhonda Lowe, Wyatt Yelverton

ADULT DIVISION

Sanctuary Choir

Director

Warren Howell

Accompanist

Maureen Howell

Evening Handbells

Director

Anna Anderson

HOMEBOUND MINISTRY VISITORS

Jessica Helms, Coordinator

Myra Brickell

Margaret Clary

Meg Dare

Dorothy Holley

Janet Kinsey

Lynn Loomis

Lacey Pegram

Berti Stevens

W.M.U.

W.M.U. director	Nancy Moore Phillips
Assistant director	Margaret Clary
Baptist Women president	Sonia Moore
Baptist Men president	Dennis Ellis
Secretary	Suzanne Sanford
Treasurer	Emily Johnson
Enlistment chairman	Jamie Petty
Funeral Committee	Nancy Moore Phillips, Brenda Snead
Mission Action	Cara Lynn Vogel
Meals on Wheels	Margaret Clary
Mission Support coordinator	
Nominating	
Prayer ministry	
Social/fellowship	

Elementary Age Missions director	
Mission Friends leaders	
Threes–Kindergarten	Anza Harker, Elizabeth Riley
Girls in Action leaders	
Grades 1–5	Dorothy Holley, Hope Phillips,
Dawn Wade	
Royal Ambassadors	
Grades 1–5	Daniel Rohrbaugh, Wade Sasser

Baptist Women Interest Group Leaders

Springmoor WMU Group 2	Sonia Moore
Prayer Circle via Email Group 3	Anne Cooke
	Mary Powell Rhodes
Prayer Shawl Ministry Group 4	Marie Berry
	Margaret Clary
Mission Information via Email Group 5	Blair Jackson
Current Missions Roundtable Group 6	Dawn Dillon
The Mabel Claire Maddrey Group 7	Robbie Puckett

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