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## A DEACON'S PRAYER

BY MICHAEL GRADY

*Lord, help me be the kind of person  
that will set my pastor free  
To be the kind of person  
That You want him to be.*

*Help me be the kind of person  
That provides for harmony  
Within the church - a peacemaker  
Thus setting Your Spirit free.*

*To work, to lead, and guide  
In the way you'd have us go  
Help me be an example, so that  
Others in the church can grow.*

*Help me serve your people, Lord,  
"Through dust" I've been called to be  
A servant and a minister  
Like Paul and Timothy.*

*Fill me with your Spirit;  
Give me strength and wisdom, Lord.  
Help me meet the standards  
Set forth within Your Word.*

*Some say that I'll be honored  
And esteemed for what I do,  
But the greatest honor I already have -  
The privilege of serving You.*

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**LARRY GIPSON**  
PASTOR

**GARY MORGAN**  
WORSHIP PASTOR

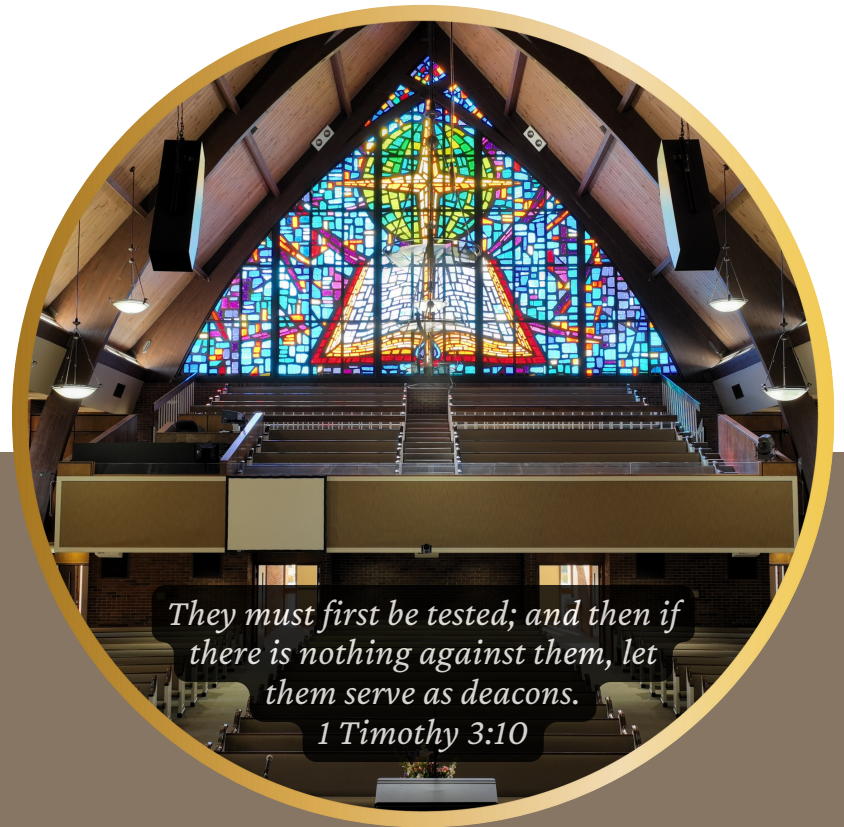
**PATRICK DALSTRA**  
STUDENTS & YOUNG  
ADULT PASTOR

**DAN SIMS**  
PASTOR EMERITUS

## DEACON ORDINATION SERVICE OF

MIKE GERMANA

BRADY WALKER



JANUARY 21, 2024

ONEONTA  
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

*Connecting People to Jesus by  
Evangelizing, Equipping, Gathering, Serving, and Sending*

## Deacon Ordination Service

MIKE GERMANA AND BRADY WALKER

**Pre-Service Music** Wayne Bailey

**Welcome** Larry Gipson

**Prayer** Jimmy Register

**PRAISE & WORSHIP** Gary Morgan

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty  
The Old Rugged Cross

### GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

Offertory Prayer Leto Curl

Offertory  
How Great Thou Art Jamie Germana and  
Wanda Gipson

### PROCLAMATION

Ordination Council

Report/Recommendation

Introduction of the Deacon  
Candidates Mark Towns

Deacon Candidates Testimony Mike Germana  
Brady Walker

### Scripture Reading

Old Testament - Exodus 18:13-24  
New Testament - 1 Timothy 3:8-13  
Daryl Wheeler  
Donny Tipton

**Message** Larry Gipson

### DEDICATION

Deacon Commitment

Laying on of Hands All Ordained Men  
Presentation of Certificate & Gift

### COMMISSION

**Benediction** Jim Carr

**Post Service Music** Wayne Bailey

## Introducing the Deacon Candidates

MIKE GERMANA



Mike and Cristyl were married on August 26, 2000. They have two daughters, Caitlin (22) & Jamie (18). Mike is the son of Wes and Karen Crim and son-in-law of church member, Tina Worthington. He graduated from Chelsea High School in 1997. Mike currently works for Goodgame as a construction superintendent. Mike and Cristyl joined the church on April 10, 2022. Both are active in church where Mike is part of the Building and Grounds Committee, on the Security Committee, and a dishwasher for one of the Wednesday night dinner teams.

BRADY WALKER

Brady and Angellina Walker were married on June 16, 2000. They have two girls, Cameran Nicole and Darci Lynn Walker. Brady is the son of Stan and Debbie Walker and the brother of Rebecca Dewald.

Brady graduated in 1997 from Oneonta Christian Academy. He attended Jefferson State Community College and Lawson State Community College where he became certified as a welder. He has worked for the Birmingham Water Works for the last 12 years and is currently a construction inspector where he oversees the installation of new mains and replacement of existing water mains. Brady and his family joined First Baptist Church on December 19, 2021. He is currently active in the church, operating the sound board for Sunday service as well as a bus driver. He is serving on the youth and transportation committees.



## Coming up at FBC

### TODAY AT FBC

- 8:00 AM Band & Worship Team Rehearsal
- 9:00 AM Sunday School
- 10:15 AM Worship Service
- 11:30 AM Abide Women's Conference Meeting
- 3:00 PM Alaska Mission Trip Meeting
- 5:00 PM Book Club Meeting (At Lynne Sargent's Home)

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT AT FBC

- 5:00 - Wednesday Night Dinner
- 6:00 - Pastor's Bible Study Fellowship Hall
- 6:00 - Celebration Band & Worship Team
- 6:00 - Preschool Choir (K4-K5) Room 130
- 6:00 - Children's Choir (Grades 1-6) Room 140
- 6:00 - Youth Worship & Bible Study
- 6:45 - Celebration Choir

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL

**JAN 24 | 5:00-6:00 PM | FELLOWSHIP HALL**

Make your reservation by Monday at 9:00 AM on the website or the church app or call the church office.

**Menu: Chicken & Dumplings, Pinto Beans, Turnip Greens, Corn Bread, Dessert.**

**Kids menu: Corn Dogs, Tater Tots.**

### VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION BANQUET

**JAN 25 | 6:00 PM | FELLOWSHIP HALL**

Join us for an evening of food, fun, and fellowship. We will celebrate the dedication and generosity of all our incredible volunteers who make a difference in our church every week. Along with a great meal, there will be special speakers, uplifting music, and some surprises along the way that you will not want to miss! Your presence is the perfect ingredient to make this evening truly special. If you are a volunteer in any capacity at First Baptist, **RSVP TODAY** on the event tab of the church app or website and be part of this very special evening! It is free for all FBCO Volunteers. Hope to see you there!

**FIRST STEPS NEW MEMBERS CLASS  
FEBRUARY 4 | 11:30 AM | FELLOWSHIP HALL**

*The flowers in today's service are in memory of  
Carolyn Mitchell placed by First Baptist Church.*

### WINTER SMALL GROUPS KICKOFF

**JAN 28 | 5:00 PM**

Winter Small Groups will Kick-off with a Soup & Chili Fellowship next Sunday in Fellowship Hall! Bring your favorite Soup, Chili, Fixing's, and Desserts! There will be a sign-up list for the new Small Groups that begin on Sunday, February 4.

### ABIDE WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

**FEB 22-24**

Calling all ladies! We will be taking a group to the Abide Women's Conference in New Orleans. If you are interested or have questions, please meet in Fellowship Hall TODAY, after the morning service. If you cannot attend the meeting, please contact Katie Dalstra as soon as possible. We hope you will join us for this impactful weekend!

### WINTER SMALL GROUPS BEGINS FEB 4 | 5:00 PM

Here are the Small Groups being offered.

### UNDERSTANDING DENOMINATIONS

Led by Larry Gipson

### 365 DAYS IN A 24/7 WORLD

Led by Gary Morgan

### LADIES BIBLE STUDY, JONAH: NAVIGATING A LIFE INTERRUPTED

(Also offered on Mondays at 10:00 AM)

By Priscilla Shirer

Sun: Led by Deanna Pesnell

Mon: Led by Jo Stewart

### MAN CHURCH

Led by Mark Towns

### SPANISH CLASS

Led by Jesús Navarro

### STUDENT BIBLE STUDY

Led by Patrick Dalstra

*Children's activities and  
Nursery will be provided.*

### OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S FAITHFULNESS

**Monthly Budget Needs**

**\$68,281.90**

**Monthly Budget Receipts through Jan 14**

**\$23,677.57**

**Light/Vision 23 (Goal: \$60,000)**

**\$37,753.73**

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