

# DEACON CANDIDATES 2020

## First Baptist Church Gainesville

### Brooke Brock



- Hometown: Brooksville, FL
- Years at FBCG: 3.5 years

I began attending FBCG in April 2017 shortly after moving to Gainesville from Keystone Heights. In November of that year my family and I became members of FBCG. During this time, I have volunteered for VBS, served on the welcome committee for Pastor Eric's arrival, the new website committee, and on the Children's and Youth Pastor search committee. I have enjoyed getting more involved at FBCG through the past few years and look forward to expanding upon my involvement of which God has lead me to with this nomination for deacon.

### Jason Brock



- Hometown: Palatka, FL
- Years at FBCG: 3.5 years

I received Christ in middle school while attending Peniel Baptist Church in Palatka, FL. Since joining FBCG in 2017, I have served on the Personnel Committee and have been a VBS volunteer. Over the past year, I have been praying as to how I could better serve the church. I feel as though this deacon nomination has been God's way of showing me that path.

### Chuck King



- Hometown: Gainesville
- Years at FBCG: 10+ years

I returned to FBCG after briefly living in Jacksonville, Florida with my daughter Olivia. We quickly became a part of the life of First Baptist again the summer of 2010. I have served on the deacon board before as Chair and several other committees within the church. I have volunteered with youth and children activities, and other leadership roles. I feel that God still has a plan for me to serve here at First.

### Carol Lavin



- Years at FBCG: 4.5 years
- Hometown: South Florida/Miami area

I grew up in south Florida and attended nursing school in Miami and later Nurse Practitioner school at University of Miami. Along with my husband we made our home in Homestead where we had our 2 children, Allison and Max. In 1989 we moved to Old Town. I was widowed in 1998 and thru supportive friends and local bible study class renewed my relationship with Christ and was baptized at Pine Grove Baptist Church in Trenton. I retired from practice in 2015 and sold my home and moved to Gainesville in 2016 and have been a member at First since.

**Continuing Members of the  
Deacon Board**

Bobby Bennet (2022)

Dick Brodbeck (2021)

Jeff Brooker (2021)

Josie Brooker (2022)

Randy Jarmon (2021)

Liz Piazza (2021)

Jon Samborski (2022)

Sandra Sharron (2022)

Bill Smith (2021)

**Rotating off December 31, 2020**

Eddie Baker

Frank Green

Ben Mather

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Dr. Eric Spivey, Senior Pastor

**INTRODUCTION  
OF OUR  
DEACON CANDIDATES**

Nominated to Serve  
January 2021 - December 2023