

WELCOME TO FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

WE ARE GLAD YOU ARE HERE!



October 19, 2025

**OUR FOCUS IS TO INCREASE OUR COMMITMENT TO
JESUS CHRIST AND INTRODUCE HIM TO OTHERS.**

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
MORNING WORSHIP
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2025**

***GATHERING SONG FOR THE BEAUTY OF THE EARTH**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS KARLYN LAUER

OPENING PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

***GREETING TIME**

***PRAISE SONGS FAITH OF OUR FATHERS
I WANT JESUS TO WALK WITH ME**

**CHILDREN'S PARABLE MINDY ALSEPT
DO OUR FRIENDS THINK WE'RE CRAZY?
ACTS 26:24 (SM. 931, LG. 1724 NLT)**

MORNING OFFERING

PRAYER CONCERNS AND PRAISES

MORNING PRAYER

MEDITATION SONG KNOWING YOU JESUS

**THE MESSAGE PASTOR ANDREW SHIELDS
PAUL BEFORE KING AGRIPPA
ACTS 25:23 - 26:32 (SM. 930, LG. 1723 NLT)**

INVITATION AND PRAYER

***SENDING SONG MIGHTY TO SAVE**

***BLESSING**

****PLEASE STAND IF ABLE***

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Our Church

Financial Secretary

Our World

Missionary Kids of our International
Ministries Global Servants

Our Mission Outreach

Operation Christmas Child

Our Shut-in of the Week

Ron Hawkins

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WEEKLY SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21ST

Official Board 5:30 pm

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22ND

Bible Study 6:15 pm

EPIC Youth and Kids 6:15 pm

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23RD

Primetimers 1:00 pm

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24TH

Ruth Whitney Ministry 10:00 am

Our Prayer Requests & Praises

Pray for the friends and family of Wayne Gullett who passed away from cancer at the age of 39.

Mindy Alsept - Pray for her nephew Josh's diabetes tests and for their daughter Tracy.

Karlyn Lauer - Praise for Herb's brother John's successful surgery.

Pray for Jerry Siesel who was hospitalized for heart issues, but is home now.

Keith Bledsoe - Pray for his brother and nephew to come to church.

Anonymous Online Request: Pray for God to restore vision and give their eyes new life and perfect sight after glaucoma.

Continue to pray for Nancy VonAlmen who is recovering from knee replacement on 9/16.

Bridget Kennedy - Praise that she had a good week, her sister Sue is improved, and she heard from her nephew Bill.

Laura Hawkins - Please pray for her chronic pain to ease.

Jeanice Whitaker - Pray for a diagnosis and good treatment plan for her granddaughter Kailynn Stacey, who is improving.

Pastor Andrew - Praise for improvement in the health of Rev. Mark Click, ABC of Ohio Executive Minister. Praise for a successful 199th Annual Gathering of ABC of Ohio and the beautiful new venue.

Johnny Elchert - Kevin Clark passed away on 10/3, surrounded by his family. Thank you for your continued prayers.

Tim Miller - Pray for his friend Paul Lee who was in hit in the parking lot of Happy Daz. He was life-flighted to Columbus to treat his head injury.

Pray for the work of the nominating committee.

Our Prayer Requests & Praises

Brent Jones - Pray for his brother, Chad Jones, who will be deployed to Jordan until March.

Bruce Wells - Pray for granddaughter Sonia who had to have four molars removed that were damaged during her cancer removal surgery, which delayed the start of radiation. She is asking for prayer to stay strong and keep her spirits high. Pray for Dan Whitaker who is home after being hospitalized with chest pain. Praise that he didn't need stents.

Judy Fenton - Pray for the family and friends of Brian Hollar, who has passed away.

John Music - Pray for his wife Tammy's continued healing after surgery.

Roy Garcia - Pray for his sister, Mary Thorpe, who requires more treatment for her heart. Praise that Paul Michael is recovering.

Jane White - Pray for Robert H., father of her daughter-in-law, who was hospitalized with kidney failure and a possible stroke.

Praise that Stephanie Shields is having less pain.

Continued prayers for cancer and ongoing health concerns:

- Karol L., cancer
- Josh Vasquez, leukemia (Garcia)
- Helena Winkler
- Stanley (Bridget's nephew)
- Don Lohr (Marlene's bonus brother)
- Kris and Lizzy Downey (Warden)
- Lynda Rice (Nancy Davenport)
- Mark Coy (Brent Jones)
- Mary in Phila (C&J Gummel)
- Virginia Kirtland (Warden)
- David Elwood (L. Hawkins)
- Sheila and Ron Schindler, cancer (Honegger)
- Dick (Jim Hefner's friend)
- Sean Sanderfer (Norma Benanzer)
- Jim Miller (Jim Hefner's friend)
- Emily Hall (Tobi and Dara's teacher)
- Tom and Beck Dickinson
- Cathy (Bridget's niece)
- Sarah Fish (Tim Willoughby)
- Pat Wilson (Tim Willoughby)
- Dana Gambrel
- Teresa, cancer (L Hawkins)
- Angel Music
- Brandi Neely
- Sonia, cancer (Wells)
- Adam Rentz (Daycare)

On October 15th, we began a new Bible study titled "The Coming of Jesus." This study will help us prepare for Advent and Christmas, as we look at Old Testament prophecies and the stories in the Gospels leading up to the birth of the Savior. We hope you'll join us each Wednesday at 6:15 in the Fellowship Hall!



Thanks!

The Board of Christian Education would like to thank everyone who participated in the Chili Dinner, especially those who brought chili and those who stayed to assist during cleanup!

LOOKING AHEAD:

October 30th: Trunk or Treat from 6-7:30! Please donate candy to be given away as we line up our cars on the drive in front of the church and welcome our costumed visitors.

November 1st: Koinonia Camp (6810 Cork Cold Springs Rd, Geneva OH) is hosting a Women's Day of gourmet food, relaxation, worship, and more fun. Register at www.ChristianCampOhio.org

November 16th: First Baptist Church Family Thanksgiving Dinner after church! The turkey and main sides are provided. You are asked to bring your favorite side or dessert to add to our thanksgiving feast!

**November 25th: Daycare's Thanksgiving Dinner!
December 2nd at 5pm: Hanging of the Greens**

FBC Spotlight: Don and Mindy Alsept

Don and Mindy Alsept have been attending our church for about 10 years and previously attended other churches in Lima. After recently selling the business they ran together, they now spend even more time with family and ministry. Currently, they are active in hospitality, visitation, and being prayer warriors for our church. Mindy serves as a Sunday School and Children's Parable teacher. Don, as a longtime Christian businessman, continues to be an active member of the Gideons and is one of our worship leaders. Don and Mindy bless all who know them with their prayers and personality.

Thank you Don and Mindy for all you do!



It's time to pick up your supplies for Operation Christmas Child! Fill a cardboard shoebox with a "Wow" item and other gifts such as toys, personal care items, school supplies, and accessories. More suggestions can be found on the back of the label card. Be sure to pray for the child who will receive your gift. A donation of \$10 covers shipping and other project costs. The shoeboxes and labels can be found in the narthex. We'll be collecting and praying over the shoeboxes next month.

WELCOME TO FIRST BAPTIST - If you are a first-time visitor, we especially welcome you: we've been expecting you! When you see the offering plate in the middle of the service, we do not expect you to contribute; the financial support of the church is a responsibility we've taken on as a congregation. However, we do expect everyone (members, friends, and visitors) to place a Get Connected slip in the offering plate. Thanks for doing so!

CHILDREN AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH - Children are important to us. They are welcome to stay with their parents. The Cuddle Cove is available to infants and toddlers. **B.L.A.S.T.:** Ages 2-4 are in **The Big Room**. Ages 5-10 are in **Class Room #12**. Ages 11-14 are in the **Youth Room**. (They are taken to those locations after the Children's Parable) . Please see dry erase board to see who is teaching and what student is helping for that Sunday. Not every BLAST class is available every week.

AN INVITATION TO PRAYER AND COMMITMENT - When the Holy Spirit stirs within you, we encourage you to listen and respond! If you have been moved spiritually and want to talk to the pastor or deacons, please let us know and we would be delighted to talk with you after the service.

DISCLAIMER - Services at First Baptist Church may be recorded or live streamed online. By entering these services or events you consent to the possibility of being recorded or live streamed.

MISSIONS OFFERING - If you would like to give to missions, please designate it on your envelope. This is the only way we receive funds for our missions budget.

FLOWERS - If you would like to sponsor flowers for the sanctuary, please contact the church office.

Map courtesy of biblemapper.com

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Office hours: Monday - Thursday 10am - 1pm

WEEKLY OFFERING

Total Expense Budget for 2025 is \$251,402

Monthly Expense Budget for 2025 is \$20,950 /month

Weekly Offering Needed is \$3,719.00/week

Last week's offering received:

General Fund \$2,811.73

Missions \$125

Attendance: 69 (October 12, 2025)

