

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.

The flowers adorning the sanctuary today are given by Roy Garcia in loving memory of Wava DeRosset Garcia.

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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 \$6,275

Missions \$31

Attendance: 75 (July 27, 2025)



WELCOME TO FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

Acts 10

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

August 3, 2025

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
MORNING WORSHIP
SUNDAY, AUGUST 3, 2025**

***GATHERING SONG** **BRING FORTH THE KINGDOM**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS **ADAM HAWKINS**

OPENING PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

***GREETING TIME**

***PRAISE SONGS** **SINCE JESUS CAME INTO MY LIFE**
HOLY, HOLY

CHILDREN'S PARABLE **PASTOR ANDREW SHIELDS**
BOWING IN RESPECT
ACTS 10:25-26
(SM. 915, LG. 1694 NLT)

MORNING OFFERING

PRAYER CONCERNS AND PRAISES

MORNING PRAYER

THE MESSAGE **PASTOR ANDREW SHIELDS**
CORNELIUS AND PETER MEET
ACTS 10:24-33
(SM. 915, LG. 1694 NLT)

INVITATION AND PRAYER

COMMUNION SONG **ONE BREAD, ONE BODY**

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

***SENDING SONG** **I'LL FLY AWAY**

***BLESSING**

****PLEASE STAND IF ABLE***

FBC SPOTLIGHT: Bridget Kennedy

Bridget Kennedy is an important member of our congregation. She is one of the first to contribute prayers, praises, and her testimony each week. She places the offering plates and makes sure the praise team has bulletins before each service. She also provides candy for the welcome center and breakfast. We love to see her smiling face and hear her singing her favorite hymns. We are blessed to have Bridget as a member of First Baptist.

After the worship service next week, we will gather by the front doors of West Middle School to pray for the students and staff and their school year.

**CHURCH PICNIC AND
BACK TO SCHOOL CELEBRATION**

Join the fun in the Fellowship Hall after worship on August 17th.

Grilled hamburgers, hot dogs, and beverages will be provided. Please bring a covered dish or dessert to share!

RSVP on the back of this week's Get Connected slip or call the church office.

This week we'll begin a new Bible Study entitled "Words of the Faith," examining five words that are frequent in Christian terminology.

Interested?

Join us Wednesday at 6:15 to learn more!

LOOKING AHEAD:

August 14th: Daycare will host a swim party at Wapakoneta Waterpark at 6pm. Be sure to bring drinks and a snack to share!

August 15th-23rd: The Allen County Fair is here! Youth day is the 18th and Senior Citizen's Day is the 19th. Be sure to check out the Gospel Tent!

August 17th: Back to School Celebration and Church Picnic. RSVP today!

October 7th-8th: ABC Ohio Annual Gathering at The Cherry Valley Hotel in Newark, Ohio. See Pastor Andrew or call the office for more information.

First Baptist Daycare and Preschool

Teacher of the month: Miss Brenda



Miss Brenda joined the First Baptist Daycare & Preschool team on May 22nd, 2025. She attended Allen East High School. She has also been a member of Lafayette Missionary Baptist Church since third grade. Miss Brenda is the Afternoon Assistant in the Infant and Wobbler classrooms. She enjoys cooking in her free time. Miss Brenda is a mother to three biological sons as well an adopted son and 2 daughters. She also has three dogs; Theo (16-year-old Pomeranian), Baron (5-year-old Bernese Mountain dog) and Molly (Cocker Spaniel puppy). She is also a grandmother to seven grandchildren and has one great grandchild. A few fun facts about Miss Brenda are that her favorite color is every color of the rainbow, her favorite treats are Reese's Peanut Butter Cups, and she also enjoys drinking lemon water and coffee.

Our Church

Financial Secretary

Our World

Pray for those dislocated from their homes.

Our Mission Outreach

Lima Rescue Mission and Camp Roberts

Shut-in of the Week

Janice Wooldridge
Primrose, 3500 W Elm St, Apt #134
Lima, Ohio 45807

FIRST BAPTIST WEEKLY SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, AUGUST 5TH

Diaconate Board	5:00 pm
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WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6TH

Office Closed

Bible Study	6:15 pm
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EPIC Youth and Kids	6:15 pm
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THURSDAY, AUGUST 7TH

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FRIDAY, AUGUST 8TH

Ruth Whitney Ministry	10:00 am
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SUNDAY, AUGUST 10TH

Prayer at West Middle School following Worship.

Our Prayer Requests & Praises

Jeanice Whitaker - Pray for her mother, Pat, who is having heart issues.

Tim Willoughby - Praise for traveling.

Andrew Shields - Praise for a good visit with family in Pennsylvania.

Pray for the Youth Group's trip to Kings Island next week. Thank you for supporting their car wash!

Mindy Alsept - Pray for Joy who has throat cancer and is undergoing treatment.

Laura Hawkins - Pray for Pastor Tracy Cross of St. Paul AME who buried his 30 year old son this week. Also pray for her friend Dana who is having neck surgery.

Kyle Kindle - Pray for his mom who was hurt in a crash.

Bridget Kennedy - Pray for her as she had another bad week. Her sister Shirley is having trouble with her legs and dementia. Her sister Sue is having shoulder and back issues.

Jane White - Pray for the people of Traverse City, MI after an attack at Walmart.

Jim and Marlene Hefner - Pray for the friends and family of Officer Phillip Wagner who died from gun shot wounds. Pray for two other officers recovering after being injured in the same incident in Lorain, Ohio last week.

Pray for the families of Steve Klaus and of Tommy Lucas.

Pray for travel mercies for many.

Prayers for Emily Kindle.

Dick Wahl - Praise for our church's support of the Gideons.

Nicholas Lombardo - Pray for Helena Winkler (his grandmother) to be well enough to return to church.

Dianne Sneary - Pray for the Sneary family. Pray for her brother who has late stage kidney failure. Also her sister Maryann who is living with Dianne and has dementia.

Pray for family caregivers.

Jim Hefner - Pray for Gary Miller who has been falling and had a cancer spot removed from his leg this week. Updates from our continued prayers list: His friend Jim Miller has been on hospice for almost a year and is failing some. His friend Dick is despondent and not doing well in his nursing home. Jim calls them everyday and sends cards and encouraged us to do the same.

Our Prayer Requests & Praises

Alex Pikos - (requested on website) Pray for protection, safety, and guidance for Alex; their children Alexander, Benjamin, and Mycah; and their brother Pete.

Bob Laman - Praise that everything was clear and he doesn't require more treatment.

Keith Bledsoe - Praise for the support and love of the congregation after his surgery.

Mallory (Campbell) Andrews - Pray for her and her family after the loss of her sister, Tonya Bearden.

Susan Pirtle - Pray for her as she deals with mobility limitations and falling.

Olivia Shields - Pray for her to feel at peace this summer.

Mindy Alsept - Praise that she's healing and praise that God is always in control and good all the time.

Tom Honegger - Pray for his cousin's baby who was born at 2 lbs.

Pray for Leslie, a friend from the Gideon's, who is dealing with severe depression and anxiety.

Pray for many people to join us at church.

Pray for Teresa who lost her mom.

Linda Neely - Pray for her daughter-in-law, Brandi Neely. She goes to Cleveland Clinic on August 14th to see a specialist in Functional Neurological Disorder.

Continued prayers for cancer and ongoing health concerns:

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| • Karol L., cancer | • Sean Sanderfer (Norma Benanzer) |
| • Josh Vasquez, leukemia (Garcia) | • Dick (Jim Hefner's friend) |
| • Kevin Clark (Mathewson) | • Jim Miller (Jim Hefner's friend) |
| • Carolyn (Tim's sister-in-law) | • Emily Hall (Tobi and Dara's teacher) |
| • Helena Winkler | • Tom and Beck Dickinson |
| • Stanley (Bridget's nephew) | • Cathy (Bridget's niece) |
| • Don Lohr (Marlene's bonus brother) | • Sarah Fish (Tim Willoughby) |
| • Kris and Lizzy Downey (Warden) | • Pat Wilson (Tim Willoughby) |
| • Lynda Rice (Nancy Davenport) | • Dana Gambrel |
| • Mark Coy (Brent Jones) | • Teresa (L Hawkins) |
| • Mary in Phila (C&J Gummel) | • Angel Music |
| • Virginia Kirtland (Warden) | • David Elwood (L. Hawkins) |
| • Brian Hollar, cancer (Fenton) | |