

WELCOME TO FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

WE ARE GLAD YOU ARE HERE!



October 5, 2025

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

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
MORNING WORSHIP
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2025**

***GATHERING SONG** **LIFT UP YOUR HEADS**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS **LAURA HAWKINS**

OPENING PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

***GREETING TIME**

***PRAISE SONGS** **TRUST AND OBEY
MAKE ME A SERVANT**

CHILDREN'S PARABLE **JACKEE NEAL**
IF LEAVES COULD TALK
PSALM 19:1 (SM. 460, LG. 856 NLT)

MORNING OFFERING

PRAYER CONCERNS AND PRAISES

MORNING PRAYER

THE MESSAGE **PASTOR ANDREW SHIELDS**
PAUL'S TRIAL BEFORE FELIX
ACTS 24:1-27 (SM. 929, LG. 1721 NLT)

INVITATION AND PRAYER

COMMUNION SONG **GOD'S FAMILY**

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

***SENDING SONG** **FOREVER**

***BLESSING**

****PLEASE STAND IF ABLE***

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Our Church

Official Board Member At Large

Our World

International Ministries Global Servants
serving in Southeast Asia and Japan

Our Mission Outreach

First Baptist Fellowship Fund

Our Shut-in of the Week

Gene Gilbert
Wyngate Senior Living
1070 Gloria Ave, Apt 125
Lima, Ohio 45805

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7TH

Diaconate 5:00 pm

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8TH

Bible Study 6:15 pm

EPIC Youth and Kids 6:15 pm

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9TH

Primetimers 1:00 pm

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10TH

Ruth Whitney Ministry 10:00 am

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11TH

Day Care Suter's Event 1:00 pm

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12TH

Chili Dinner after church

Our Prayer Requests & Praises

Bruce Wells - Pray for granddaughter Sonia who had to have four molars removed that were damaged during her cancer removal surgery and is feeling disheartened. She is asking for prayer to stay strong through this setback. She begins radiation on 10/6.

Pray for the work of the nominating committee.

Bridget Kennedy - Praise she had a good week. Praise that her sister Sue is doing better. Pray for her sister Shirley's leg issue.

Mindy Alsept - Pray for daughter Tracy, who started rehab. Keep praying for her brother Tim Hittle who is having heart problems and also trying to complete a house purchase. Pray for Billy who has a foot infection.

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.

Please pray for Nancy VonAlmen as she recovers from knee replacement on 9/16.

Praise that Kailynn Stacey is improved and back to school.

Our Prayer Requests & Praises

Jackee Neal - Pray for a Daycare father who is in the ICU in Columbus after being hit while on his motorcycle.

Beth Sanders - Pray for an easy recovery after mohs procedure.

Kyle Kindle - Pray for people that are sick and need help.

Pray for Chris Vaske's grandson, Mason, who was bitten by a dog.

Morgan Noble - Pray for her cousin Leroy who is in ICU after back surgery following a car accident.

Praise for the work of the Lima Rescue Mission and CUP.

Don and Mindy Alsept - Praise for the Ruth Whitney crochet ministry and the joy of the recipients of their lap blankets.

Addie Gbadegeshin - Praise she doesn't need to have surgery!

Herb Lauer - Praise for all those who do work for the church and special thanks to Brandon, Bruce, and Tom for their work.

Tim Willoughby - Praise that sister-in-law Carolyn is in total remission. Pray for Sarah Fish who has stage 4 cancer.

Continued prayers for cancer and ongoing health concerns:

- Karol L., cancer
- Josh Vasquez, leukemia (Garcia)
- Kevin Clark (Mathewson)
- 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)
- 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)
- Wayne Gullett (J Hefner)

On the first Sunday of each month, we emphasize the Fellowship Fund. This benevolent offering is for requests and needs of church and community member as they arise. To contribute to this offering write Fellowship Fund on your envelope or put cash in the offering plate on the first Sunday of each month.



LOOKING AHEAD:

October 6th-18th: Call to Holiness Intl Ministry (6645 London Groveport Rd, Grove City OH) is hosting a full-scale replica of Moses' Tabernacle. Tickets and parking are free, but donations are accepted. Call the church office or check the website for more information: TheTabernacleMan.com

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.

October 11th: FBC Daycare and Preschool invites the congregation to join them for fall fun at Suter's Produce in Pandora, Ohio at 1pm. Pick a pumpkin and try the apple cider!

October 12th: FBC Chili Dinner after church!

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.

FBC Spotlight: Martha Warden

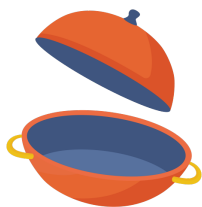
For over a decade, Martha has served as the foundation of the Prayer Chain for First Baptist. She is the kind, compassionate voice you hear on the phone when you initiate a prayer request for the church prayer chain, which is made up of over 25 people. Because of her dedication and organization the prayer chain continues to be a major outreach and spiritual support to all who pray, as well as those who request prayer.

Martha has served in many ways throughout her years of membership, the most memorable being her long time work in the baby and toddler rooms. Many children were rocked and cared for by Martha. Just imagine the extent of her love and influence on each of them and how it might be impacting the world today!

Thank you Martha, for sharing your gifts
and God's love with all of us!

First Baptist Chili Dinner

RSVP on the Get Connected slip to join us after church on Sunday, October 12th for a Chili Dinner, hosted by the Christian Education Board. Hot dogs, chips, dessert, and beverages will be provided. Sign up to bring chili and a big appetite!



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.

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Pastor Andrew Shields email: awshields1975@icloud.com

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 \$5,328

Missions \$315

Attendance: 67 (September 28, 2025)

