

**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. B.L.A.S.T. 2-4 year old's in the "The Big Room". Cuddle Cove is available to infants and toddlers. Elementary is in "The Class Room #12" and Jr High Classes is in the "Youth Room". (They are taken to those locations after children's moment) . **Please see dry erase board to see who is teaching and what student is helping for that Sunday.**

**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 were given in the glory of God by Gay MacDonell Williams, in loving memory of Jim & Ellen MacDonell, Tom & Ann Macdonell Gibson and Lee A. Williams, Jr.

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#### **WEEKLY OFFERING**

**Total Expense Budget for 2023 is \$270,778**

**Monthly Expense Budget for 2023 is \$22565 /month**

**Weekly Offering Needed is \$5207.00/week**

**Last week's offering received:**

**General Fund \$2213.00**

**Missions \$90.00**

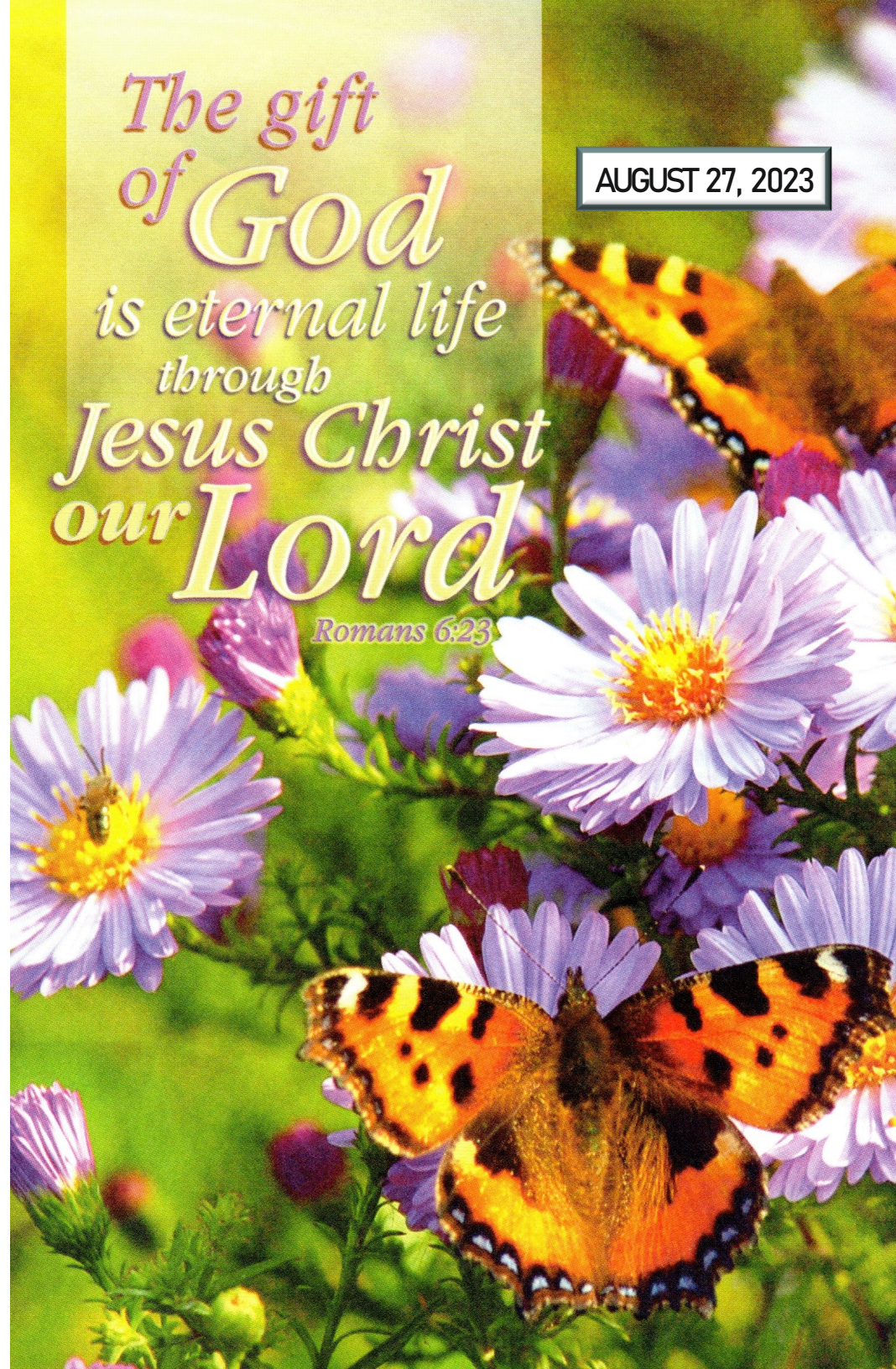
**Attendance: 78 (August 20, 2023)**



*The gift  
of God  
is eternal life  
through  
Jesus Christ  
our Lord*

*Romans 6:23*

**AUGUST 27, 2023**





**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
MORNING WORSHIP  
SUNDAY, AUGUST 27, 2023**

**\*GATHERING SONG** "There is Sunshine in My Soul Today"

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS** Keith Bledsoe

**OPENING PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER**

**\*GREETING TIME**

**\*PRAISE SONGS** "There is a Name I Love to Hear"  
"You Are My All in All"

**BACK TO SCHOOL RECOGNITION**

**MORNING OFFERING**

**PRAYER CONCERNS AND PRAISES**

**MORNING PRAYER**

**MEDITATION SONG** "As the Deer"

**THE MESSAGE** Pastor Andrew Shields

Nine Fruits of the Spirit #2:  
Patience, Kindness and Goodness  
Galatians 5: 19-23  
(sm. 975, lg. 1804)NLT

**INVITATION AND PRAYER**

**\*SENDING SONG** "I'll Fly Away"

**\*BLESSING**

*\*Please stand if able*

Our new back to School hours are: Monday - Friday

from 8:30 am -2:00 pm.

If you need immediate help after these hours please get a hold of

Pastor Andrew or Dana by phone. Thank you.

**Welcome Back to School Celebration:**

**Lucy Hawkins**, Grade Pre School - She is home Schooled and looks forward to going to the zoo.

**Andrew Johnson**, Grade 2- Heritage Elementary. He is looking forward to making new friends.

**Olivia Shields**, Grade 10 - Lima Senior High

**Emma Shields**, Grade 5 - Learning new things and making new friends.

**Tobi Gbadegeshin**, Grade 2 - Heir Force Community School

**Dara Gbadegeshin**, Grade 2 - Heir Force Community School.  
They both are praying for God's guidance, wisdom and understanding.

**Alex Patrick**, Grade 11 - Temple Christian

**Brianna Patrick**, Grade 10 - Temple Christian

**Christian Patrick**, Grade 8 - Temple Christian

**Evelyn Mathewson**, Grade 3 - Elida Schools. She is excited to meet her new teacher and see her friends.

**Enslee Mathewson**, Grade Pre School - Zion Lutheran

**Makenzie Gudakunst**, Grade Pre School - Elida Schools

**Alexis Gudakunst**, Grade 6 - Elida Middle School

**Gianna Gudakunst**, Grade 8 - Elida Middle School

**Austin Gudakunst**, Grade 9 - Elida High School

# Mission Spotlight: First Baptist Daycare Center

Brown paper lunch sacks	Colored pencils	Art supplies
Balls	Construction paper	Plain white paper plates (lg. & sm.)
Firetrucks	Water color paints	
Google eyes	Children's paint brushes for art	
Play Dough	Dry erase markers	
Puzzles (ages 3-5)	Pens	
Markers		



## August 2023 Teacher of the month:

### Miss Shaneka



Please welcome another one of our newest teachers who joined the First Baptist Daycare & Pre School team on June 26th, 2023. She graduated from Lima Senior High School. Miss Shaneka has started her adventure with us as a Long-term Sub. She helps to cover her coworkers during vacations and offers "work time" to them. Miss Shaneka is cheerful and jumps right in in any classroom and / or age group that we may need her! She

does not have any fur babies, but she is expecting a baby girl in November 2023! In her free time, she enjoys listening to podcasts. A few fun facts about Miss Shaneka are that her favorite color is blue, her favorite treats are Reese's White Chocolate Cups, and she also enjoys drinking orange juice. We are excited to have her on our team! Miss Shaneka is also a registered STNA. She loves helping people and taking care of them. She now enjoys helping and taking care of the children as well!

Thank you to all that sponsor flowers. A special thanks to those who also donate the flowers to our elderly or sick who are shut in and have limited mobility. Sponsoring flowers is such a special way to remember those we love. If you would like to sponsor flowers in memory or honor of a loved one please call the church office at 419-224-4921 or Marlene Hefner.

## Our Church

Church Clerk

## Our World

Pray for the end of human trafficking.

## Our Mission Outreach

First Baptist Day Care Mission

## Shut-in of the Week

Charlene Fazel, 2535 Sherwood Drive, Lima, Ohio 45805

## FIRST BAPTIST WEEKLY SCHEDULE

### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30<sup>TH</sup>

WORSHIP ARTS	5:15 PM
BIBLE STUDY	6:15 PM
EPIC SWIM NIGHT YOUTH	6:15 PM
EPIC SWIM NIGHT KIDS	6:15 PM

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 31<sup>ST</sup>

PRIMETIMERS	1:00 PM
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### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup>

RUTH WHITNEY CROCHET	10:00 AM
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OUR FOCUS IS TO INCREASE OUR COMMITMENT TO JESUS CHRIST AND INTRODUCE HIM TO OTHERS.