

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 are given in the glory of God by Ralph and Barb Stelzer, in loving memory of Harold and Grace Stelzer, Harold and Irene Meredith and Ron Harper.

Church Staff Info

Dana Smith Administrative Assistant Church Office: 419-224-4921

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Parsonage Phone: 567-712-6592 (for use during non-office hours)

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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 \$6269.00

Missions = \$130.00

Attendance: 87 (April 16, 2023)

Scan this to pay tithes online



April 23, 2023

Don't let evil conquer
you, but conquer evil by
doing good.

~ROMANS 12:21



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

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
MORNING WORSHIP
SUNDAY, APRIL 23, 2023

*GATHERING SONG "All Creatures of Our God and King"

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Laura Hawkins

OPENING PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

*GREETING TIME

*PRAISE SONGS "You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore"
"In Christ Alone"

CHILDREN'S PARABLE Pastor Andrew Shields
"Tell The Truth About Jesus"
Matthew 28:13 & 15a
(sm. 828, lg. 1533 NLT)

MORNING OFFERING

PRAYER CONCERNS AND PRAISES

MORNING PRAYER

MEDITATION SONG "How Deep the Father's Love for Us"

THE MESSAGE Pastor Andrew Shields
Elders & Guards Lie about Resurrected Jesus
Matthew 27: 62-66 & Matthew 28:11-15
(sm. 828, lg. 1533 NLT)

INVITATION AND PRAYER

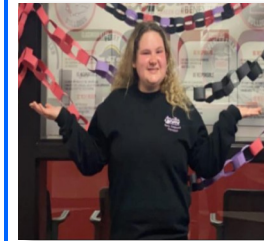
*SENDING SONG "The Wonderful Cross"

*BLESSING

**Please stand if able*

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

We have openings throughout the year.



April 2023 Teacher of the month : Miss Lauren

Miss Lauren joined the First Baptist Daycare & Pre-school team on September 6th, 2022. She will graduate from Bath High School/ Apollo Career Center, majoring in Early Childhood Education later this spring. Miss Lauren started her adventure with us as an Afternoon Pre-school Aide. She plans to babysit and work part-time in the summer. She is looking forward to a full-time position beginning our fall session! Miss Lauren is funny, punctual, and creative! Miss Lauren does not have any human children of her own, but she does have some animal babies; Buddy, a 7-year-old Yorkie Poo, Petals, a 7-year-old Shih Poo, Milo, a 2-year-old cat, and 18 chickens! When she's not working, babysitting, or feeding all of her chickens, she enjoys reading. A few fun facts about Miss Lauren are that her favorite color is pink, her favorite treats are Sour Straws, and she also enjoys drinking Mountain Dew!

The annual workday will take place on May, 13, 2023 @ 9 AM. This will take place of the Saturday, Men's Breakfast.



WORKDAY AT THE CHURCH

VOTE

2023 PRIMARY/
SPECIAL ELECTION

MAY 2ND



Summer Bible Camp Scholarships



Church Camp

**\$250.00 scholarships available for
Bible Camp.**

See Christian Ed for more information.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO VOLUNTEER FOR VBS THIS YEAR? VBS RUNS FROM JUNE 19-22 (MON-THURS) IN THE EVENINGS. ANYONE INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THESE YOUNGSTERS LIVES SHOULD CONTACT JACKEE NEAL OR WATCH FOR THE SIGN UP SHEET COMING SOON.

GRADUATION RECOGNITION IS MAY 21ST, IF YOU ARE GRADUATING FROM HIGH SCHOOL OR COLLEGE. PLEASE SEE JACKEE NEAL OR CONTACT THE OFFICE AT 419-224-4921.



**SARAH MCCURDY OUR SPEAKER FOR
MISSION OF THE MONTH WILL BE HERE
ON APRIL 30, 2023.**

Come listen to her speak and enjoy food and fellowship afterwards. We decided on providing a meat tray and we ask that you bring a salad or dessert.

Please RSVP, no later than Sunday. April 23, 2023.

You can register on the back of our get connected sheet. Simply fill this out and on the back, and drop it the offering plate.

Our Church

Diaconate Board

Our World

Pray for Israel

Our Mission Outreach

Sarah McCurdy

Shut-in of the Week

Clyde Ditto - 3915 Poling Road, Elida, Ohio 45805

FIRST BAPTIST WEEKLY SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26TH

BIBLE STUDY	6:15 PM
YOUTH BIBLE STUDY	6:15 PM
KIDS BIBLE STUDY	6:15 PM

THURSDAY, APRIL 27TH

PRIMETIMERS	1:00 PM
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FRIDAY, APRIL 28TH

RUTH WHITNEY CROCHET	10:00 AM
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We would like to wish the following a Happy Birthday this week:

Emily Ball 4-23

Jane Ashenfelter 4-25

Herb Lauer 4-27

Dianne Sneary 4-28

Kyran Bergdall 4-30

