

WELCOME TO FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
WE ARE GLAD YOU ARE HERE



“Do you

still not

understand?”

Mark 8:21

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

FEBRUARY 15, 2026

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
MORNING WORSHIP
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2026**

***GATHERING SONG OPEN MY EYES THAT I MAY SEE**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS KARLYN LAUER

OPENING PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

***GREETING TIME**

***PRAISE SONGS JESUS SAVES
HE TOUCHED ME**

**CHILDREN'S PARABLE TIM WILLOUGHBY
LOVE**

**LUKE 6:31, COLOSSIANS 3:14, MATTHEW 5:44
(SM. 857, 989, 803 LG. 1587, 1823, 1485)**

MORNING OFFERING

PRAYER CONCERNS AND PRAISES

MORNING PRAYER

MEDITATION SONG

JESUS, WHAT A FRIEND FOR SINNERS

THE MESSAGE PASTOR ANDREW SHIELDS

**WANTING AND SEEING #2: DISCIPLES AND JESUS
MARK 8:14-21 (SM. 837; LG. 1550)**

INVITATION AND PRAYER

***SENDING SONG MY REDEEMER LIVES**

***BLESSING**

****PLEASE STAND IF ABLE***

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Our Church

Diaconate Board

Our Daycare and Preschool

Miss Sandra

Our World

Wisdom for World Leaders

Our Mission Outreach

Our International Ministries Global Servants

Our Shut-in of the Week

Marlene Mullenhour

736 S Adam Street

Delphos OH 45833

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16TH

Office Closed

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17TH

5:30pm Official Board

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18TH

4:30pm Rescue Mission Meal

6:15pm Adult Bible Study

6:15pm EPIC Youth and Kids

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19TH

1:00pm Primetimers

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20TH

10:00am Ruth Whitney Ministry

Our Prayer Requests & Praises

Mindy Alsept - Pray for her brother Billy who has been having health issues and may move to a nursing home. Also pray for Mindy who is advocating for him and his care. Pray for Erin who had a rough delivery and for her new baby. Pray for her niece Helen who has water around her heart and lungs. Praise daughter Tracy is doing well and sticking to her recovery.

Bruce Wells - Praise that Sonia is doing well though she has more treatments ahead. She is thankful for our prayers.

Herb Lauer - Praise brother John is moving to a nursing home in Cridersville. Pray for Bella.

Jeanice Whitaker - Praise that baby Simon is continuing to grow and do well.

Pastor Andrew Shields - Pray for those needing more maneuverability and flexibility in the cold. Pray for jailed Christians in India, wrongly accused of forced conversions.

Praise for and thanks to Don and Mindy Alsept for their continued care of Mindy's brother, Billy.

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

Emily Kindle - Pray for Emily's husband to find a good job here soon.

Bridget Kennedy - Continue to pray for Bridget. Pray for her staff and Bridget's relationships with them. Pray for the husband of her niece Cathy, who had some heart issues. Pray for her sister Shirley's knee pain and her niece Heather.

Marlene Hefner - Pray for Jim who had a procedure Tuesday to deaden a nerve in his back to help manage pain.

Keith Bledsoe - Pray for his ex-wife, Linda Meredith, who has a recurring cancer diagnosis possible. Pray for her guidance and comfort.

Don Alsept - Praise for the Ruth Whitney Ministry and the lapghans distributed to Kindred at St Rita's this month. Please pray for one patient, Adam, who is in a poor health situation.

Phyllis Hines (Online) - Pray for her health conditions to be healed.

Our Prayer Requests & Praises

Anonymous (Online) - Pray for someone's salvation.

Josh and Tina Hittle - Pray for their two year old daughter Kinsley who they took to Dayton Children's Hospital after being seen locally for a persistent fever. Praise she is improving.

Rueben (Online Request) - Pray for the Lord to protect and provide for him in his time of need.

Stephanie Shields - Pray for her cousin P.W. in Wisconsin who has health concerns and an unclear diagnosis. Pray for her friend Pam and her husband.

Luke Wyrick - Pray for the friends and family of Andrew Walters who lost his battle with cancer. He was a role model, teacher, and friend to Luke.

Emma Shields - Pray for her friend's dad who was in a car accident.

Kate Zimmerly - Praise that Kay Moeller is home and well.

Pray for those with mobility issues as they deal with the weather.

Pray for Miss Candy, a longtime daycare teacher, and her family.

Dan Whitaker - Praise for granddaughter Kailynn Stacey who had minor eye surgery last week and is doing well.

Laura Hawkins - Pray for friends who are beginning the adoption process.

Pray for her brother Matt Mawhorr who is recovering from a successful surgery to repair tendon and nerve damage to his wrist.

Marlene Hefner - Pray for Nancy Miller who has been unwell.

Pray for Barb and Ralph Stelzer who have moved to Primrose, apartment #116. Pray for strength and health for both.

Praise that Richie's gall bladder surgery was successful.

Steve (Online) - Pray that he would follow God's direction.

Don Alsept - Praise for Ruth Whitney Ministry afghans and the excitement they brought to people at the Kessler Estates.

Rick Gleason - Pray for Jean and for her foot to heal.

Kristen Knott - Praise that her aunt has moved to rehab and doing well.

Please continue to pray for those on our prayer list with cancer or other ongoing concerns:

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

If you have any updates about anyone listed above, please write them on your Get Connected slip, contact Pastor Andrew, or call the office.

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: This Wednesday, the Adult Bible Study will turn toward :
: the cross as we slow down our study of the book of :
: Luke and focus on the Death and Resurrection of Jesus :
: for the Lenten season. EPIC Youth (5th-12th grade) will :
: be discussing God's love, while EPIC Kids (4th grade :
: and younger) are continuing to work through the stories :
: of Genesis. :
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: We hope everyone will join us this Wednesday at 6:15! :
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FBC Spotlight: **Michelle and Johnny Elchert**

Johnny and Michelle Elchert have been members of our First Baptist family for many years. Johnny has served as a trustee and security team member as well as in other roles. Michelle is currently our assistant financial secretary.

Michelle is retired from working as an aide to individuals with disabilities at Marimor and Johnny is semi-retired from the Lima Police Department. Family is important to both Michelle and Johnny and they love spending time with their grandkids and kids.

Thank you Johnny and Michelle for sharing your time and talents with your First Baptist family!

Each Sunday at 9:30, the Adult Bible Review meets in the Parlor to discuss the previous week's sermon and scripture. It is another chance to reflect on the Word of God and apply it to our lives. We hope you will join us next week!

The Daycare has started a Little Free Pantry for the Daycare families. If you would like to contribute any nonperishable food and snacks, please bring them to the church office on Sunday or during office hours.

**The Church United Pantry (CUP)
focus for February is deodorant.**

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 TO THE GLORY OF GOD BY THE WILLOUGHBY FAMILY IN LOVING MEMORY OF THEIR FATHER, JACK WILLOUGHBY.

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WEEKLY OFFERING

Total Expense Budget for 2026 is \$246,181

Weekly General Fund Offering Needed* is \$2,608

***adjusted for advanced giving and Daycare**

Last week's offering received:

General Fund \$2,258

Missions \$95

Last week's attendance: 77

