



The First Baptist Church of Dover

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October 2022 Newsletter



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The First Baptist Church of Dover

will gather in the sanctuary for
worship
on Sunday,
at 11 AM.

**Face Masks
are now optional.**

For more information check
our Facebook page and
the church website.

Church Office Hours
Monday 8:00 - 2:00
Tuesday - Friday 9:00 - 3:00



Communications



Fall is a great time of year to get outside and enjoy the colors of the trees and the fall items such as Fall Festivals in many different towns or areas. To see and taste

items of fall is very good. Spiced items, apples, apple pies and many other tastes of fall. When we see and know of a happening that someone might enjoy, it is good to share the information with them.

Paul writes in Ephesians 4:29; ***Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen.***

As we talk with each other, I am asking for you to be praying for each other also. Sometimes, people always don't express their need for prayer, and we need to dig a little deeper to find their real need for prayer. This is a two-way street, in being in need or prayer and asking for prayer. It's always good to communicate with another and express the real need on your heart even if it is for another person.

In this matter, your Deacon maybe in contact with you asking about your needs or your family needs. We have most of our congregants on our Deacon Shepherding lists. Some are shut-ins and can't make it to church, some of whom have not come back to church since Covid started. They are still on our hearts and minds, even though we do not physically see them each week.

Your Deacon may be making phone calls to check up on you. If not please let me know, as I can tell you and/or the Deacon covering you to reach out and make you feel part of our congregation. If needed, we can make a personal visit with or without Pastor Dan at your convenience.

Also, if you have a need, please contact your Deacon. Please realize your Deacon cannot know your needs unless you tell them. Your Deacon can let Pastor Dan know, if you want or not.

As we get back into doing 'church', since the pandemic started, many normal everyday ministry items had to be sidetracked. It is time we get back to the basics and communicate with each other. This is a basic ministry item, and we are refocusing to communicate with each other.

If you do not know who your Deacon is, please contact me and I will let you know.

Mike Metzger





By the time this reaches you, all three ladies circles will have met at least once for the new year, and we will have had our ABWM Sunday. This year's ABWM Sunday is different from other Sunday's we've presented previously as we were unable to obtain a missionary speaker this year. Therefore, we decided to showcase our special missionaries each circle has chosen to support this year, as well as share why our circles are so important to our ladies of our church family. We've had many new members join our family

since Covid started in 2020. We were unable to meet for many months. When we finally started meeting, we had to limit the meetings and places we met. Finally, we're able to have most of our regular meetings and projects that we've missed. I, personally, have missed our annual retreats and regional project fundraiser. I'm anxious to get started planning them so we can all gather as one large group and fellowship together to work for Christ.

In looking ahead, our Baptist Women's Day of Prayer comes first on November 7. On October 30th each lady will receive their individual packets to use on that day. During your Circle meeting, your program person will present the Baptist Women's Day of Prayer Program. In deciding what to put in the individual packets and what to give the program people, there was a Bible Study and many testimonials which were very interesting and moving.

Plan to come and help decorate our Chrismon Trees on November 22nd. It's a wonderful start to our blessed Advent time. We sing carols and decorate our church while we enjoy lots of fellowship, joy, and prayer.

We need to thank Margaret Steinhoff for again making sure we have our ABWM booklets. Your Circle leaders should have passed those out at your first meeting. Please see her if you missed that meeting. It has all the important dates you need to put on your calendar for the year. If any of our church family would like to attend any of our meetings, we welcome you. Please come and see what we are all about.

Sue Moore



Mary Bonar Circle

**Faye Yarbrough is a missionary
to South Africa**

Leader: Beryl Gerhard

**October 4, 10:00,
Meeting at the home of Rosemay Cosgrove-
Schuler's**



Joyce Reed Circle

**Joyce is a missionary to
IberoAmerica and the Caribbean
Leader: Margaret Steinhoff**

**October 1, 10:00,
Fellowship Hall**

Ann Clemmer Circle

**Ann is a missionary to Eastern
Congo & South Sudan
Leader: Thelma Schaller**

**October 6, 1:00,
Meeting in the Fellowship Hall**





LIGHT, HEARTED GIVING



November 6, 2022

**Directly after the Worship
Service in the Fellowship Hall**

A light lunch of subs, salad, and dessert will be provided. Singing, laughing, and joyfully serving presentations will kickoff our Stewardship

This is a free event.

Everyone is invited; just sign up at the
Welcome table in October so
we can provide enough food.



Please keep Nov. 20th, after the
Worship Service, open so that you
and your family can come and have a
Thanksgiving dinner.

We want to thank God for all He has
given us this year.





WHAT IS THE WORLD MISSION OFFERING?

Through International Ministries' World Mission Offering (WMO), every September and October thousands across the country celebrate and give financial support to ministries that God is using to transform the world.

For more than 200 years, International Ministries (also known as the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society), has combined resilience, adaptability, and creative approaches to cross-cultural ministry with faithfulness to Scripture. We serve together with and learn from our many local partners in ministry around the globe.

During the 2022 World Mission Offering, you will learn about the work of Global Servants Katherine & Wayne Niles and Kathy & Tim Rice do to provide health care, clean water, administration, and more in hospitals in the Democratic Republic of Congo. You'll also see the impact of the ministries of Global Servants J.D. & Rhonda Reed and Sarah Matos, as they work with local partners and fellow global servants to offer medical clinics in Bolivia and to lead the Master of Theological Studies program that is preparing Christian leaders throughout Iberoamerica.

These stories offer a glimpse into what God is doing through International Ministries' 120+ global servants, volunteers, home staff, and 250+ international partners in 70 countries. **Through your generous gifts to the World Mission Offering, you can help International Ministries work cross-culturally to invite people to become disciples of Jesus Christ and to proclaim, through word and deed, God's reign of justice, peace, and abundant life for all creation.**

We will receive the WMO each Sunday in October. Offering envelopes are available at the Welcome Table. Checks should be payable to FBC and marked WMO. Please give generously!

Board of Missions



Due to an increase in referrals to the Food Pantry in the last several weeks, the Pantry is in need of the following items:

Beef Stew 20 oz cans

Peanut Butter 16.3 oz jars

Applesauce 24 oz jars

Rice 16 oz bags

Cereal

Macaroni and Cheese

Instant Mashed Potatoes 4 oz bag or 15.3 oz box

When purchasing these items, please check to make sure the expiration date is in the distant future to provide for a longer shelf life in the Pantry. If you purchase any of the above items, you may place them in either the basket located in the Narthex or in the plastic tub located outside of the Food Pantry. Your support is greatly appreciated!

By Rennie Quible

Here we are together, the X and Y and Z.

All of us together, and silly as can be.

We enjoy the lunches as we all munch and eat.

Being all together makes it an extra special treat.

Yes, we're all together, a goofy fun-style group

Wishing someone would come and pay for all
our soup!

Come join us October 12th at 11:30 a.m. at
Grotto's for our next gathering.

UPDATE FROM THE DOVER INTERFAITH MISSION FOR HOUSING

Homelessness is changing! Women, children and Veterans are areas where the Mission is focused. The newest facility has been purchased from St. John 's Lutheran Church. It is located at 165 Walker Road. Plumbers and carpenters are involved in making it ready for women and children. Classrooms will become dorms. There are other rooms that will be used for cooking, showering, and doing wash. There will also be rooms for staff. There is an inside gym and a fenced in backyard with playground equipment.

The Walt Bagley Center is for men who have graduated from the men's shelter; they are either employed or receiving welfare so they pay rent. The Resource Center is a doublewide trailer that was given to the Mission. It is located near the men's shelter. The men are able to shower and do their wash. They have access to the telephones and computers. They have an address which is so important when seeking jobs.

The American Baptist Circles of our church will be asked to provide needed single sheets, bath towels, and wash cloths for the women and children's housing as it becomes available.

I am representing First Baptist on the Board of Directors of the Dover Interfaith Mission for Housing. I will have updates to keep you informed. I have been very impressed in what this ministry is doing in and for the community of Dover.

Thelma Schaller



Birthdays

Gerri Lee	10/2
Beryl Gerhard	10/9
Barbara McCarty	10/10
Dan Taylor	10/10
Michelle Rogers	10/11
Dorothy Kerr	10/12
Pat Roberts	10/15
Keni Zheng	10/20
Gladys Hutchins	10/27

Anniversaries

Matthew and Sarah Yanez	10/09	1 year
Danny and Victoria Macklin	10/15	11 years
Cliff and Violet Cannon	10/22	67 years

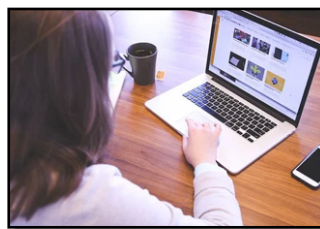
*Don't
forget to
Smile!*



Comfort Shawl Ministry



As we're about to start our new year of this wonderful ministry, some of us were honored by a surprise visitor, a lady named Sandra. She accompanied Diane Anthony and her daughter, Lisa, to our Circle Meeting on September 10th. As we enjoyed our lunch together and discussed our circle business, I reminded everyone of our upcoming prayer shawl meeting and that we could use some seamstresses as well as those that knitted and crocheted. Sandra's eyes lit up and she excitedly said that we were the ones! I looked at her strangely and then it dawned on me what she was talking about. Last year, Lisa accompanied her mother to a meeting where we were making bags for the prayer shawl group. As we chatted about them, she asked if she could take one to her friend who was awaiting a kidney transplant. The friend had been waiting for some time and her spirits were very low. We told her she definitely could. She picked out one she thought the friend would like. Later we found out the friend had her surgery. That friend was Sandra. Sandra was delighted to get the shawl and said it helped



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Services
Online***

YouTube.com at
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*Here's What's
Happening at
our Church!*



**About the church or one of our
programs? Stop by the Welcome
Center for the answers.**

ATTENTION

*Read all about it!
Don't forget the
deadline for
newsletter
submissions is the
15th of each month.*



Please email your articles to Vicky Smith at
secretary@fbcdover.org



If you are interested in directing or just volunteering for a particular event, please contact us. We have a lot of talented people throughout our church that can help in various aspects of our events from planning, publicity, purchasing, set-up and leading.

We welcome your involvement!




Sermons are now available on the church's website, fbcdover.org under the title "Sermons". Or, if you prefer, you may request a CD copy of a Sunday's sermon by contacting the church office.



Sanctuary Flower Arrangements

Would you like to honor someone or celebrate a special occasion by providing the worship service flower arrangements? If so, please contact the church office at 302-674-1980.

Here's what's happening in October

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 10:00 Joyce Reed Circle (Fellowship Hall)
2 9:30 Sunday School 11:00 Worship Kids Konnection	3	4 10:00 Bonar Circle (at Rosemary Cosgrove-Schuler's home)	5 8:30 Community Bible Study (Fellowship Hall) 7:15 Prayer Call	6 1:00 Ann Clemmer Circle (Fellowship Hall) 7:00 Sanctuary Choir	7	8 10:00 Missions (Library)
9 9:30 Sunday School 11:00 Worship Kids Konnection	10 Columbus Day Church Office Closed	11 3:30 Deacon's (Library)	12 8:30 Community Bible Study (Fellowship Hall) 11:30 XYZ - Grotto's Pizza, Dover 7:15 Prayer Call	13 8:00-4:30 Children's Choice (Fellowship Hall) 7:00 Sanctuary Choir	14 November Newsletter Articles Due 	15 9:00 Coordinating Committee (Library) 9:00 Landscaping Workday
16 9:30 Sunday School 11:00 Worship Kids Konnection 12:15 Quarterly Business Mtg.	17 1:00 Prayer Shawl (Fellowship Hall)	18 2:20 Christian Education (Library)	19 8:30 Community Bible Study (Fellowship Hall) 7:15 Prayer Call	20 7:00 Sanctuary Choir	21	22
23/30 9:30 Sunday School 11:00 Worship Kids Konnection	24/31	25	26 8:30 Community Bible Study (Fellowship Hall) 7:15 Prayer Call	27 7:00 Sanctuary Choir	28	29

How would you prefer to receive your newsletter?

In vivid color on the website (<http://www.fbcdover.org>) or black & white in the mail.

To respond, one may contact the office at 302-674-1980
if the preference is by mail.

Please be sure we have your current email address.