

# FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF DOVER

Rev. William A. Guy

July 30, 2023

That Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith,  
as you are being rooted and grounded in love.

Ephesians 3.17

Prelude "Prayer of the Morning" G. Peterson

Welcome and Announcements

**\*Call to Worship**

*Sing praises to our Lord:*  
who heals us and makes us whole.

*Sing praises to our Lord, faithful children of God:*  
whose joy rises in our lives each and every day.

*Sing praises to our Lord, faithful children of God;*  
*give thanks to God's holy name:*  
God's Kingdom is near to us;  
God's peace resides in our hearts.

**\* Invocation and Time of Prayer**

**\*Congregational Hymn "Praise to the Lord the Almighty" #20**

**Special Music**

"O Come to the Altar"

Chris Brown | Mack Brock | Steven Furtick | Wade Joye

Michelle Rogers – Vocal Norm Clendaniel - Guitar

**\*Presentation of Tithes and offerings**

**\*Doxology "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" #7**

**\*Offertory Prayer**

**Kid's Korner**

**Kid's Konnection**

Children, ages 3 through grade 3,  
may leave for Kid's Konnection at this time.

**Sermon**

"Love is" Part IV  
(1 Corinthians 13:1-13)  
Reverend William A. Guy

**Altar Call**

**ARE YOU BEING CALLED TO FOLLOW JESUS?  
OR DO YOU WANT TO JOIN THIS CONGREGATION?**  
Come and share your decision with the Pastor  
during the Hymn of Invitation.

**\*Hymn of Invitation "Sing Praise to God" #52**

**\*Benediction**

**Postlude "Praising the Almighty" E. Broughton**

*\*Please stand as you are able*

### ***Visit Our Welcome Table!***

Our congregation offers a variety of opportunities for worship, fellowship, growth, and service. We have programs designed for children and adults. We want you to know that you are welcome here. Stop by our Welcome Table in the church entrance and a friendly greeter will be glad to help you.

### ***About the Message***

Today's message is not just someone delivering God's Word to an audience of people. In a worship service, each person is a participant and God is the audience. Although the Pastor has prepared a message for all of us, please don't just sit back and listen ... hear it and try and determine what God might have for you today and will give you in the days to come.

### ***About The Offering***

Those of us who have committed our lives to Christ give to support God's work here in this place. If you are visiting, don't feel pressured to give. Our members and regular attenders support our ministry out of gratitude to God. This is an act of worship and thanksgiving.

### ***How May I Join First Baptist?***

The First Baptist Church of Dover has a time of invitation during each worship service. This time is provided for anyone wishing to make a commitment to accept Jesus as Lord and to follow His teachings. Others may want to serve Christ as a part of this congregation. During the invitation hymn, come to the front of the Sanctuary and share your decision with the pastor. The following are the ways in which you may join First Baptist Church of Dover.

PROFESSION OF FAITH [BAPTISM]: If you receive Jesus Christ as your personal Savior and Lord and follow Him in baptism, you are outwardly expressing your faith in Him. We would be happy to schedule a time for your baptism.

TRANSFER OF MEMBERSHIP: As a Baptist, whose church membership is elsewhere, you are most welcome to join our fellowship. We will send for your church letter.

STATEMENT: By statement from another denomination. This is a statement of faith in Christ and that you have been baptized by immersion.

We stream our Worship Service each Sunday. It can be found on YouTube. Our YouTube channel is – First Baptist Church of Dover DE

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# This Week

## TODAY – 7/30:

9:30am Sunday School  
10:30am Fellowship Time  
11:00am Worship

## MONDAY -7/31:

5:30pm Vacation Bible School

## TUESDAY – 8/1:

5:30pm Vacation Bible School

## WEDNESDAY – 8/2:

5:30pm Vacation Bible School  
7:15pm Devotion & Prayer  
Conference Call  
978-990-5083  
Access code 676527#

## THURSDAY – 8/3:

5:30pm Vacation Bible School

## FRIDAY – 8/4:

5:30pm Vacation Bible School

## SUNDAY – 8/6:

9:30am New Members Orientation  
Class in the Library  
9:30am Sunday School  
10:30am Fellowship Time  
11:00am Worship

## SUNDAY, July 23 2023

Worship Attendance: 104  
Offering: \$ 4,034



**FLOWERS TODAY** are given to the Glory of God and with love for Mike and Deb Metzger by Rennie Quible. May God Bless you.

**We are in need of empty shoe boxes and Christmas wrapping paper** for Operation Christmas Child. Materials can be dropped off in the Narthex any Sunday this month.

**Food Pantry:** The following are needed by the Food Pantry. They may be placed in the basket in the Narthex or on the table outside of the Food Pantry. **Applesauce and Spaghetti**



**Vacation Bible School- Stellar-Shine Jesus' Light** will be held July 31<sup>st</sup> to August 4<sup>th</sup> from 5:30pm to 8:00pm.

**The New Member Orientation Class** on August 6 will meet in the Library at 9:30 am.

**DEVOTION AND PRAYER CONFERENCE CALL** is held each Wednesday evening at 7:15pm. Dial **978-990-5083** and enter the **access code – 676527 #** to participate.



**WELCOME to First Baptist Church of Dover.** We are glad that you wanted to share in worship with us this morning. A very special welcome is given to guests and new residents of the community. If you are seeking a church home, please consider joining us. We are an American Baptist congregation ([abcusa.org](http://abcusa.org)). If you want to know more about us, contact the church office at 302-674-1980 or check the website [www.fbcdover.org](http://www.fbcdover.org).



**LULLABY LOUNGE** is offered to parents with restless children. It's located at the back of our sanctuary where you can continue to watch and listen to our worship service.

**KIDS KONNECTION** is a kid-friendly worship experience for children Preschool–Grade 3. Children may leave the sanctuary at the time designated in the service.

**FELLOWSHIP TIME** between Sunday School and morning Worship from 10:30am to 10:50am in the Narthex. Coffee, Tea and goodies will be available. Please **do not** take food/drink into the Sanctuary. Thank you.



**SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS** is offered for all ADULTS each Sunday at 9:30am. All are welcome.

**PRAYER CHAIN** – If you have a request for the chain, please call or email the church office (674-1980) ([secretary@fbcdover.org](mailto:secretary@fbcdover.org)).

For we know in part and we prophesy in part. But when that which is perfect has come, then that which is in part will be done away. When I was a child, I spoke as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child; but when I became a man, I put away childish things. For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part, but then I shall know just as I also am known.

**I Corinthians 13:9-12**

## SERVING TODAY

Organist:	Gene Moore
Worship Leader	Phil Steinhoff
Sound Technician:	Chris Cottrell
	Aaron King
Projection:	Charity King
Streaming:	Mark Moore
	Bethel Chang
Trustee of the Day:	Chris Cottrell

### **New Members Orientation Class**

Looking to become a member of FBC Dover or learn more about our church? Join us on Sunday, August 6<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am for our New Members Orientation Class!

You will learn about our history, our beliefs and our identity.

\*\*\*Please visit the Welcome Table to sign up.\*\*\*

### **Adult Discipleship Classes**

Beginning in August, we will offer three Discipleship Classes for anyone interested. The following classes will be offered on Sundays at 9:30am:

- August 13<sup>th</sup> – Salvation
- August 20<sup>th</sup> – Baptism and Communion
- August 27<sup>th</sup> – Evangelism and Discipleship

\*\*\*Please visit the Welcome Table to sign up.\*\*\*

### **VBS - Stellar**

Good morning FBC Dover. The Board of Christian Ed is looking to make this year VBS Stellar a very exciting event. We ask the Church members to help us to look around your home and see if you have anything on the list below to share with us. We will have a box in the lobby.

Small flashlights (6) , Rock from your yard, Tape or string, Candles, Lighter  
2 lemons, empty water bottles, baking soda, funnel, vinegar, confetti in color,  
4 tall glass vases, food coloring, vegetable oil, Alka seltzer, back pack, tonic  
water with quinine, salt, small packets of salt, bucket, PVC pipes, pool  
noodles, 20 or 23.7 oz water bottle, measuring cup, leaf blower, extension  
cord, yellow crepe paper (2 rolls), 1/2 dowel.

### **Sunday School Volunteers Needed**

Good Morning First Baptist Church, the Board of Christine Ed is looking for Sunday School Volunteers. We hope to start Sunday School on Sept 10<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to inspire the youth of the church please call the Church office 302 674 1980 or Veronica Manno 302 678 2098 for more information.