

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF DOVER

Rev. William A. Guy

November 19, 2023

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

Ephesians 3.17

Prelude *Morning Voluntary* ~ K. Peterson

Welcome and Announcements

Time of Prayer

*Call to Worship: Based on Psalm 113:1-3

Praise the Lord!

**Praise, O servants of the Lord,
praise the name of the Lord!**

Blessed be the name of the Lord
from this time forth and forevermore!

From the rising of the sun to its setting,
the name of the Lord is to be praised!

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*Opening Hymn *We Gather Together* #767

Special Music *Give Thanks* Smith/Arr. Wilson
Sanctuary Choir

Stewardship Message and Commitment Cards

*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 Joshua 1:1-9
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 *Count Your Blessings* #771

*Benediction

Postlude *Song of Thanksgiving* ~ S. Otis

**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.

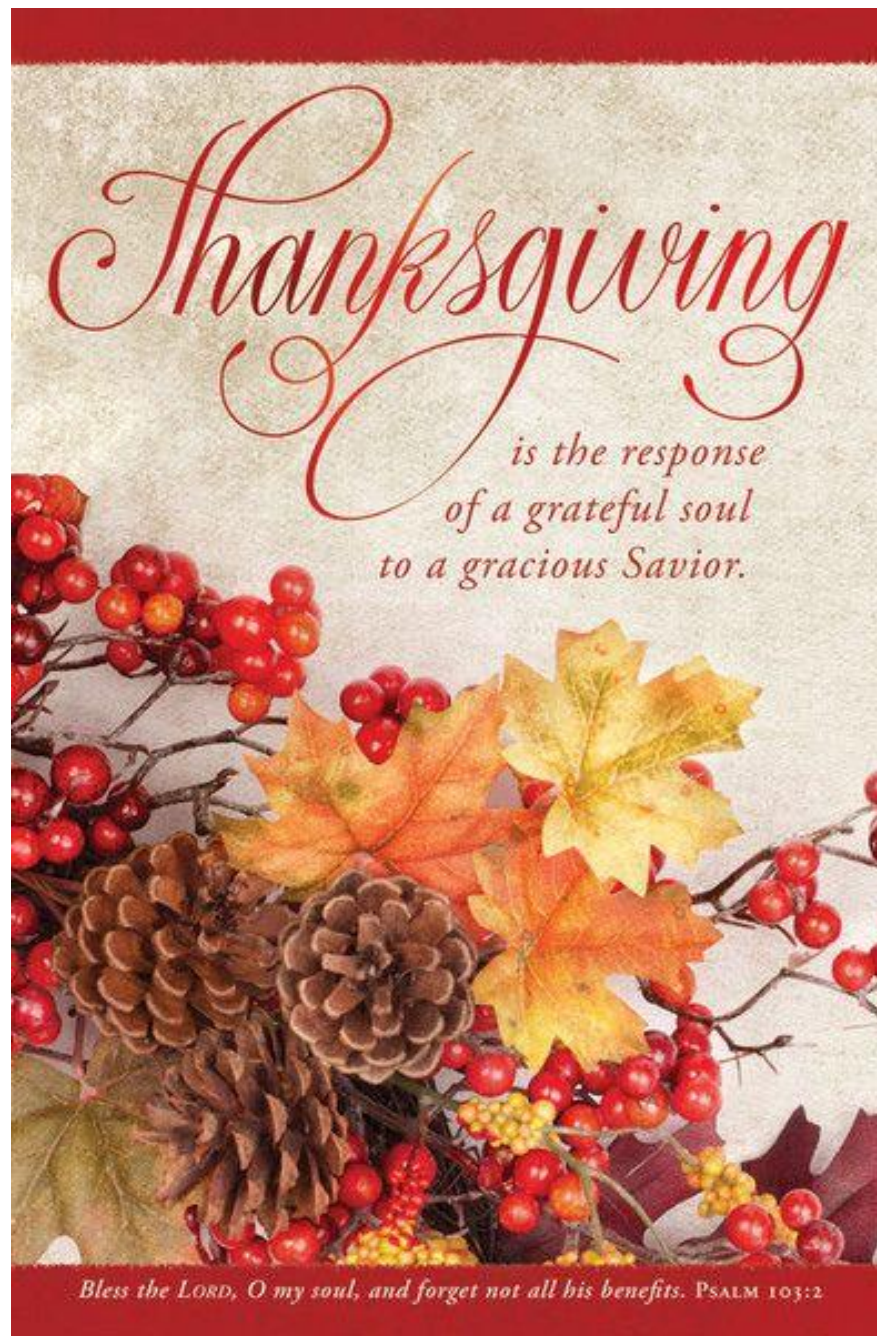
PROFESSION OF FAITH [BAPTISM]: If you receive Jesus Christ as your personal Savior and Lord and follow Him in baptism, you are outwardly expressing your faith in Him. We would be happy to schedule a time for your baptism.

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

First Baptist Church of Dover, DE
301 Walker Road
Dover, DE 19904
(302) 674-1980



This Week



TODAY – 11/19:

9:30am Children’s Baptism Class
 9:30am Ladies Sunday School Class
 9:30am Sunday School
 10:30am Fellowship Time
 11:00am Worship-Commitment
 Sunday

MONDAY – 11/20:

1:00pm Prayer Shawl-Fellowship Hall

WEDNESDAY – 11/22:

6:00pm Choir Rehearsal-Sanctuary
 7:15pm Devotion & Prayer
 Conference Call
 978-990-5083
 Access code 676527#

THURSDAY – 11/23:

Church Office Closed-Thanksgiving

FRIDAY – 11/24:

Church Office Closed

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9:30am Children’s Baptism Class
 9:30am Sunday School
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 10:30am Fellowship Time
 11:00am Worship

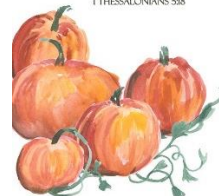


FLOWERS TODAY are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of my beloved husband, Charlie, by Agnes Robinson.

Each Year a Christmas Card is designed by a member of our church and is sent out to everyone. If you would like your name to appear on the card, it is suggested that you take the money you would use to send cards to those in the church and donate it to this project. A check can be made out to First Baptist Church, indicating in the memo “Christmas Card Project” and your envelope # and place it in the offering box. The money received is sent to our 5 Special Interest Missionaries, whose names will appear inside the card, as well. There will also be envelopes for this project available at the Welcome Center starting Nov. 19th. Please be sure to indicate how you would like your name to appear on the card when making your donation. The deadline for participating in this project is December 3rd.

The annual Christmas Tea is being held on December 10th at 4:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. There will be cookies, cheese balls, crackers, spiced tea and hot chocolate with Christmas carols and lots of fellowship! Plan to attend.

*In all things,
 GIVE THANKS.*
1 THESSALONIANS 5:18



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). If you want to know more about us, contact the church office at 302-674-1980 or check the website 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.

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.



SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS is offered for all adults and children each Sunday at 9:30am. All are welcome.



PRAYER CHAIN

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



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.

SERVING TODAY

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

SUNDAY, November 12, 2023

Worship Attendance: 92
 Offering: \$ 3607



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Christmas Poinsettias



If you would like to place poinsettias in the church for Christmas, please complete the information below and place the form in the designated box at the Welcome Center or mail to the church office. **The last day to order is Sunday, December 10th.**

Cost: \$12.50 for each plant. Make checks payable to "First Baptist Church", noting on the check "**for Poinsettias**".

For further information, please contact Margaret Steinhoff at 302-228-9301 or the church office at 302-674-1980.

Total No. of Plants: _____

Given in memory/honor of _____

Plant(s) are to be picked up by the donor after the Christmas Eve Service on December 24th.

Given by: _____

Phone #: _____

Email: _____