

# FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF DOVER

Rev. Mike Renz  
February 4, 2024

Prelude *Adagio* ~ A. Corelli

Welcome and Announcements

Time of Prayer

**\*Call to Worship:** Based on Psalm 30

I will extol you, O Lord, for you have drawn me up  
and have not let my foes rejoice over me.

**O Lord my God, I cried to you for help,  
and you have healed me.**

Sing praises to the Lord, O you his saints,  
and give thanks to his holy name.

**Weeping may tarry for the night,  
but joy comes with the morning.**

You have turned for me my mourning into dancing;  
that my glory may sing your praise and not be silent.

**O Lord my God, I will give thanks to you forever!**

**\*Opening Hymn** *Open the Eyes of My Heart* – M. W. Smith  
FBC Praise Team

Special Music *Praise Him, All Ye Little Children*  
Kidz Choir

**\*Presentation of Tithes and offerings**

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

**\*Offertory Prayer**

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

**Sermon** Title: **When God turns his back on you**  
Text: **Psalm 77: 11-20**  
Reverend Mike Renz

**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** *The Solid Rock* #436

**\*Benediction**

Postlude *Praise Be to Thee, Lord Jesus Christ* ~ S. Scheidt

*\*Please stand as you are able*

### ***Visit Our Welcome Center!***

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.

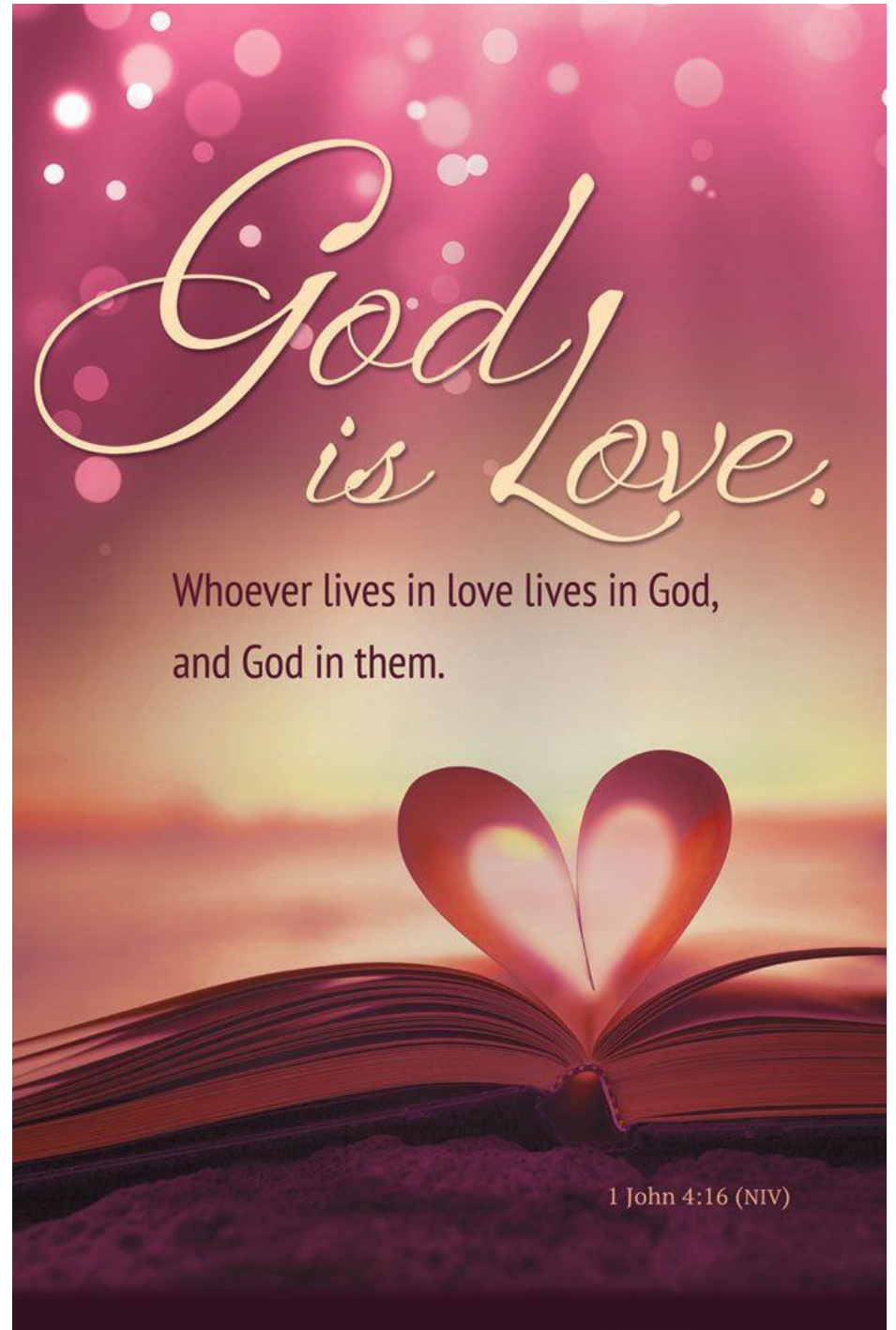
**PROFESSION OF FAITH [BAPTISM]:** If you receive Jesus Christ as your personal Savior and Lord and follow Him in baptism, you are outwardly expressing your faith in Him. We would be happy to schedule a time for your baptism.

**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 We are also on our Facebook Page – First Baptist Church of Dover, Delaware.

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Dover, DE 19904  
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# This Week

## **TODAY – 2/4:**

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

## **TUESDAY – 2/6:**

10:30am Bonar Circle--Fellowship Hall

## **WEDNESDAY – 2/7:**

4:00pm Deacons - Library  
 7:15pm Devotion & Prayer  
 Conference Call  
 978-990-5083  
 Access code 676527#

## **THURSDAY – 2/8:**

7:00pm Sanctuary Choir

## **SATURDAY – 2/10:**

10:00am Missions – Conference Room

## **SUNDAY – 2/11:**

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

### **SUNDAY, January 28, 2024**

Worship Attendance: 115  
 Offering: \$ 4,101



**FLOWERS TODAY** are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Denise Engelson's father, Rev. Joe Mack, on his birthday, January 28th with love, his daughters & sons.

### **Sanctuary Flower Order Forms:**

If you would like to order flowers for the sanctuary, the order forms may be picked up at the Welcome Table.

### **Men's Shelter Meal-February 14<sup>th</sup>**

-Our next scheduled meal contribution is Wednesday, February 14, 2024. The meal contribution sign-up sheet is located at the Welcome Center. February's menu includes: Slppy Joes, hamburger rolls, potato salad and fruit cocktail. Please deliver your contributed food item directly to the shelater at 1155 Walker Road, Dover, between 4:00pm and 5:00pm on Wednesday, February 14, 2024. Everyone's help for this needed service is greatly appreciated!



**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.

**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** – If you have a request for the chain, please call or email the church office ([674-1980](tel:674-1980)) ([secretary@fbcdover.org](mailto: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>
	<i>Matthew King</i>
Trustee of the Day:	<i>Chris Cottrell</i>