

# FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF DOVER

Rev. William A. Guy

March 3, 2024

Third Sunday in Lent

Prelude *In Thee, Lord, Have I Put My Trust* ~ F.W. Zachone

Welcome and Announcements

Time of Prayer

\*Call to Worship: *Bulletin Insert*

\*Opening Hymn *Your Presence is Heaven* FBC Praise Team  
Houghton / Massey

\*Presentation of Tithes and offerings

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

\*Offertory Prayer

Communion

Kid's Korner

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

Sermon Much Love  
Luke 7: 36-50  
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 *Precious Lord, Take My Hand* #102

\*Benediction

Postlude *Triumphal March* ~ G. F. Handel

*\*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.

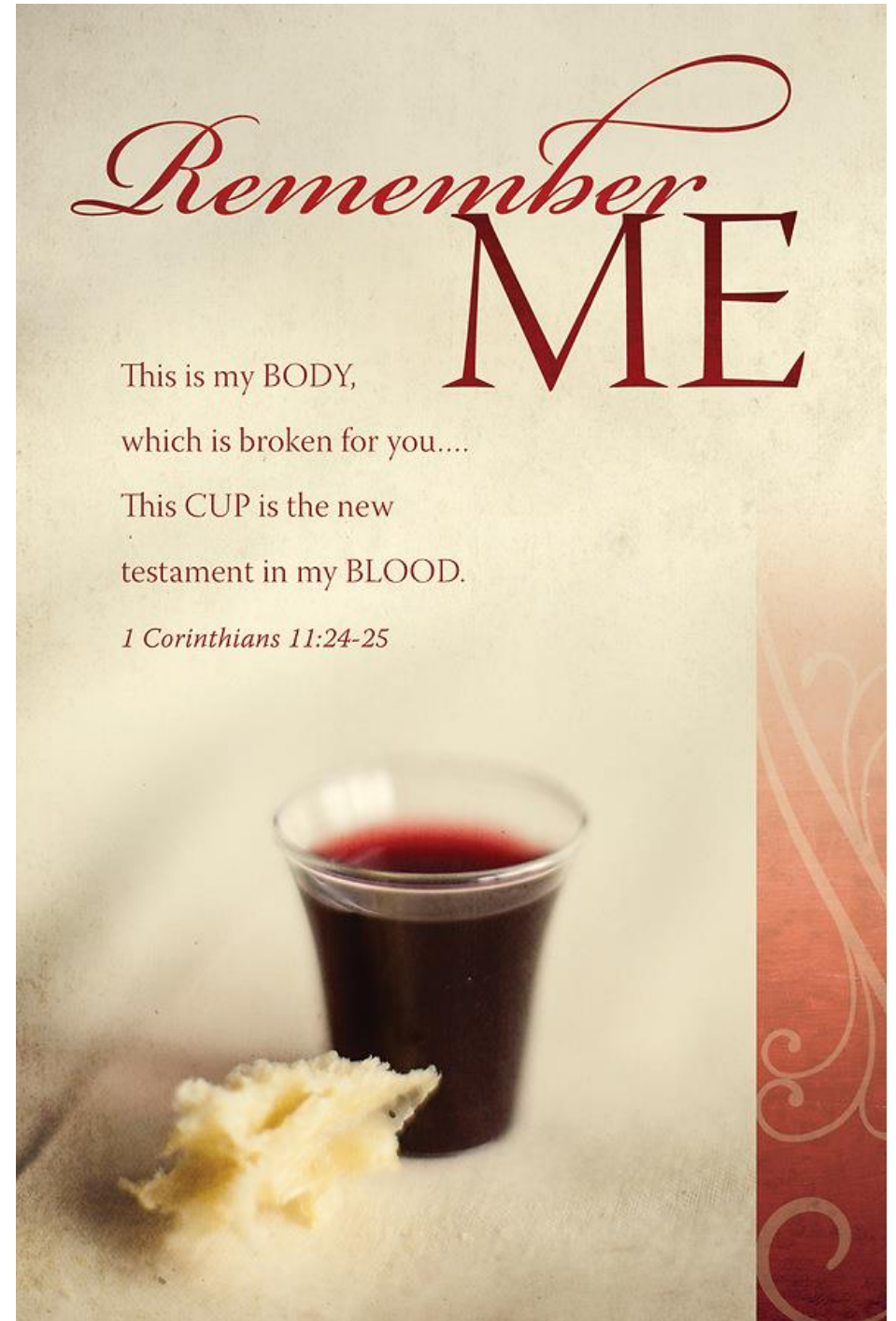
**PROFESSION OF FAITH [BAPTISM]:** If you receive Jesus Christ as your personal Savior and Lord and follow Him in baptism, you are outwardly expressing your faith in Him. We would be happy to schedule a time for your baptism.

**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.

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



# This Week



## **TODAY – 3/3:**

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

## **TUESDAY – 3/5:**

10:00am Bonar Circle at Agnes  
Robinson's home

## **WEDNESDAY – 3/6:**

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

## **THURSDAY – 3/7:**

1:00pm Clemmer Circle-Cox Parlor  
7:00pm Sanctuary Choir

## **FRIDAY – 3/8:**

10:00am Egg Making - Kitchen

## **SATURDAY – 3/9:**

10:00am Missions – Conference Room  
**Move Clock Forward at Bedtime**

## **SUNDAY – 3/10:**

### **Daylight Saving Time Begins**

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

## **SUNDAY, February 25, 2024**

Worship Attendance:		117
Offering:	\$	4,548
America for Christ	\$	100

**FLOWERS TODAY** are given to the Glory of God and in celebration of our 3rd Wedding Anniversary on March 5th by Ernie and Adelle Alo

## **Men's Shelter Meal-March 13<sup>th</sup> -**

Our next scheduled meal contribution is Wednesday, March 13, 2024. The meal contribution sign-up sheet is located at the Welcome Center. Please deliver your contributed food item directly to the shelter at 1155 Walker Road, Dover, between 4:00pm and 5:00pm on Wednesday, March 13, 2024. Everyone's help for this needed service is greatly appreciated!

## **Blessings Box**

Thank you to everyone who donated single serve items in the past for the Blessings Box. The month of March we are asking for 8 oz shelf milk. In addition, we need individual servings of applesauce, fruit cocktail, peaches and pears. Your help is appreciated! There is a box in the Narthex, or you may leave items near the Food Pantry door.

## **Food Pantry Needs:**

1Lb. bags of rice, Beef Stew  
Mac n Cheese, Spaghetti  
Fruit Cocktail Drop off food items in the Narthex or downstairs on the table by the door.

## **Looking Ahead:**

### **Wednesday, March 27<sup>th</sup>**

5:30-7:30pm  
Lenton Soup Supper and Bible Study

### **Saturday, March 30<sup>th</sup>**

10am-12:00pm  
Easter Egg Hunt



**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>

## Schedule for Holy Week

March 24 - Palm Sunday

9:30am Sunday School

11:00am Worship Service

March 28 - Maundy Thursday

7:00pm – Communion and Tenebrae Service  
in the Sanctuary

March 29 - Good Friday

7:00pm – Community Service at  
Faith Community Church  
2240 S Dupont Hwy, Dover, DE 19901

March 30 – Kids Event

10am – Noon in the Fellowship Hall  
Easter Egg Hunt, Games, Easter Story

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