

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF DOVER

Rev. William A. Guy

May 5, 2024

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Prelude *"O Thou of God the Father"* ~ J. Walther

Welcome and Announcements

Time of Prayer

***Call to Worship: Based on Psalm 98**

Sing to the Lord a new song, a song of hope and rejoicing!
Praise God for wonderful acts of mercy and kindness!

God has remembered God's faithful ones.
God has poured blessing upon blessing upon us!

Praise the Lord, all the earth, shout your praise!
Rejoice, for God is truly with us. AMEN.

***Opening Hymn** *Victory in Jesus* E.M. Bartlett
FBC Praise Team

Presentation of Tithes and offerings

Offertory *"Communion"* ~ G. Young

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

***Offertory Prayer**

Special Music "Come to the Table of the Lord" Sanctuary Choir
S. Albrecht / J. Althouse

Communion

Kid's Korner

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

Sermon **My Vow**
1 Samuel 1:1-18
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** *I Must Tell Jesus* vv 1 & 4 #623

***Benediction**

Postlude *"Postlude on an Ascension Hymn"* ~ Sr. M. Florentine

**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.

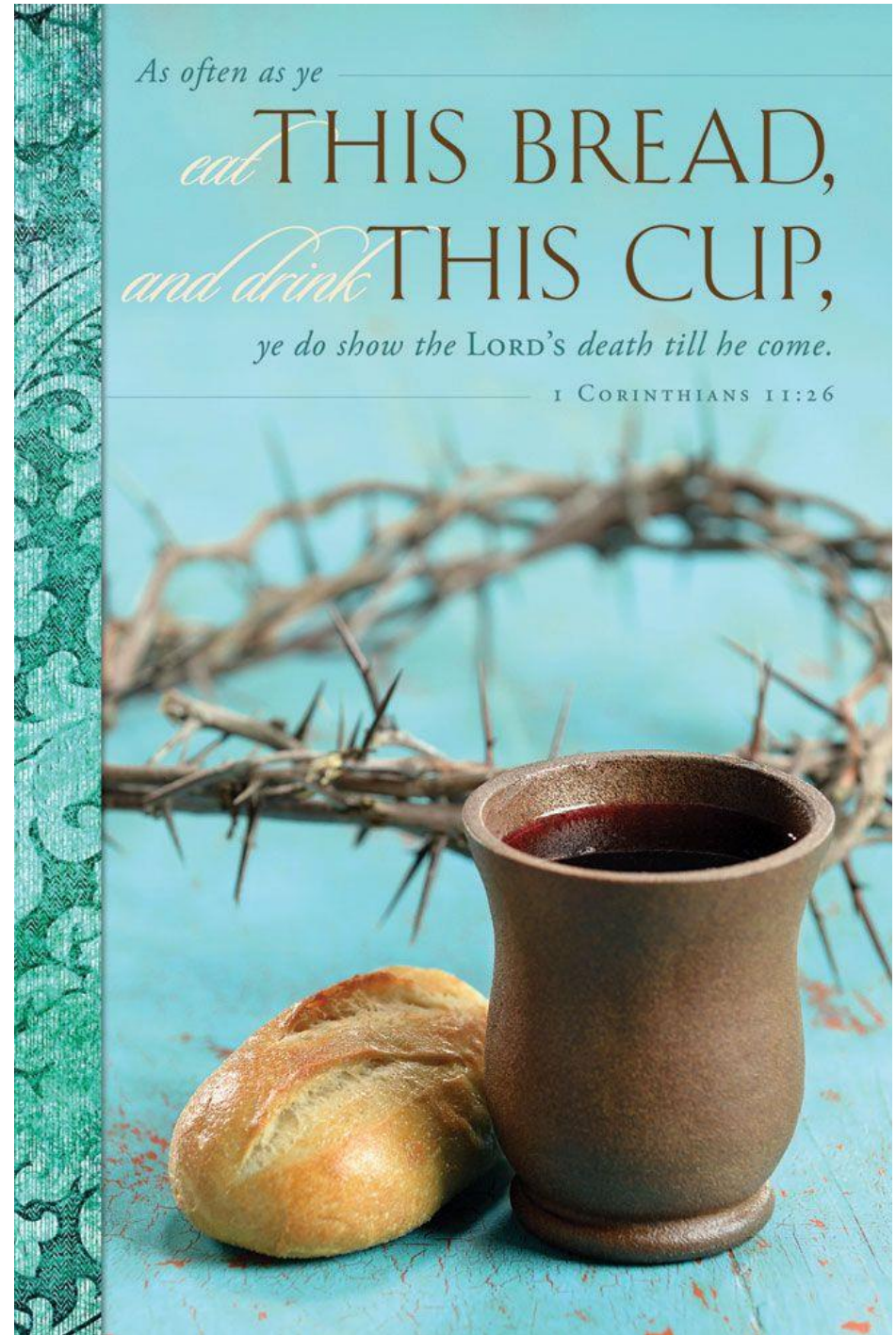
PROFESSION OF FAITH [BAPTISM]: If you receive Jesus Christ as your personal Savior and Lord and follow Him in baptism, you are outwardly expressing your faith in Him. We would be happy to schedule a time for your baptism.

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 – 5/5:

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

TUESDAY – 5/7:

11:00am Bonar Circle at Mike & Mel's

WEDNESDAY – 5/8:

11:30am XYZ at Outback Steakhouse
 4:00pm DIMH Dinner
 7:30pm Devotion & Prayer
 Conference Call
 978-990-5083
 Access code 676527#

THURSDAY – 5/9:

7:00pm Sanctuary Choir

SATURDAY 5/11:

9:00am Landscape Workday
 10:00am Missions - Library

SUNDAY – 5/12:

9:30am Sunday School Classes
 9:30am Adult Discipleship Class
 Salvation
 10:30am Fellowship Time
 11:00am Worship

SUNDAY, April 28, 2024

Worship Attendance: 92
 Offering: \$ 3,888



FLOWERS TODAY are given to the Glory of God and in honor of our 56th Wedding Anniversary on May 1st. Romeo and Milda Limson.

The following dates are open on the calendar for Sanctuary flowers. The cost for two vases is \$50.00. The forms are available at the Welcome Table. There is also a box to place your completed form. You will be contacted if the date you request is already taken. Your gift of flowers is a contribution to the church and greatly needed and appreciated. Some flowers are more expensive (i.e. Roses).

June 9, June 30,
 October 6, November 3,
 December 29

Men's Shelter Meal-May 8th –

Thanks for everyone's help with meals at the Dover Interfaith Men's Shelter in April 2024! Our next scheduled meal contribution is Wednesday, May 8, 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, May 8, 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). If you want to know more about us, 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 – If you have a request for the chain, please call or email the church office ([674-1980](tel: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> <i>Matthew King</i>
Trustee of the Day:	<i>Chris Cottrell</i>



We are in the process of updating the church directory. In order to do this, we need your help. Please stop by the Welcome Table to see if the address, phone, anniversary, and birthday information we have for you is correct. If not, please fill out one of the sheets provided with the correct information.

If you are not in the directory and would like to be included, please stop by the Welcome Center to fill out an information sheet.

STUFF THE PANTRY @ FIRST BAPTIST

Today pick up your grocery bag as you exit the Sanctuary following worship. The label on the bag suggests grocery items needed to stock the FBC Food Pantry. Return the bag next Sunday with some of the items and place it under the FOOD PANTRY sign in the Narthex. This is a mission outreach for our needy residents in the community.

Items needed for the Food Pantry:

Applesauce
Beef Stew
Canned fruit
Canned soup
Canned vegetables
Cereal
Fruit Cocktail
Instant Mashed Potatoes
Jelly
Peanut Butter
Macaroni and Cheese
Rice
Spam
Spaghetti Noodles/Sauce
Tuna Fish