

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF DOVER, DE

Rev. William A. Guy

June 30, 2024

Prelude *Ever Faithful, Ever Near* ~ F. Ritter

Welcome and Announcements

Time of Prayer

***Call to Worship Based on Psalm 1**

King of all the earth,
Creator of the universe, Holy God,
From everlasting to everlasting, You are Lord.

Your word brings life, happy are we when we walk in Your ways,
**You are a rich stream of living waters, and today we
immerse ourselves in You.**

Blessed are we when we walk in Your ways, O Lord.
**You bring forth fruit in due season and establish the work
of our hands.**

Joyous are we when we walk in Your ways, O Lord.
Who is like our God, the One whose ways are full of life?

This is our God, the Holy One,
**We come before You with thanksgiving
and offer You the sacrifice of praise.**

***Opening Hymn *Praise to the Lord the Almighty* #20**

Giving of Tithes and offerings

Offertory *Aria on "Jewels"* ~ D. Wood

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

***Offertory Prayer**

First Baptist Church of Dover
2024 Student Recognition Ceremony

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

**Sermon A Greater Purpose Part II
I Samuel 17:31-57 NKJV
Reverend William A. Guy**

**Invitation
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* vv. 1 & 3 #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.

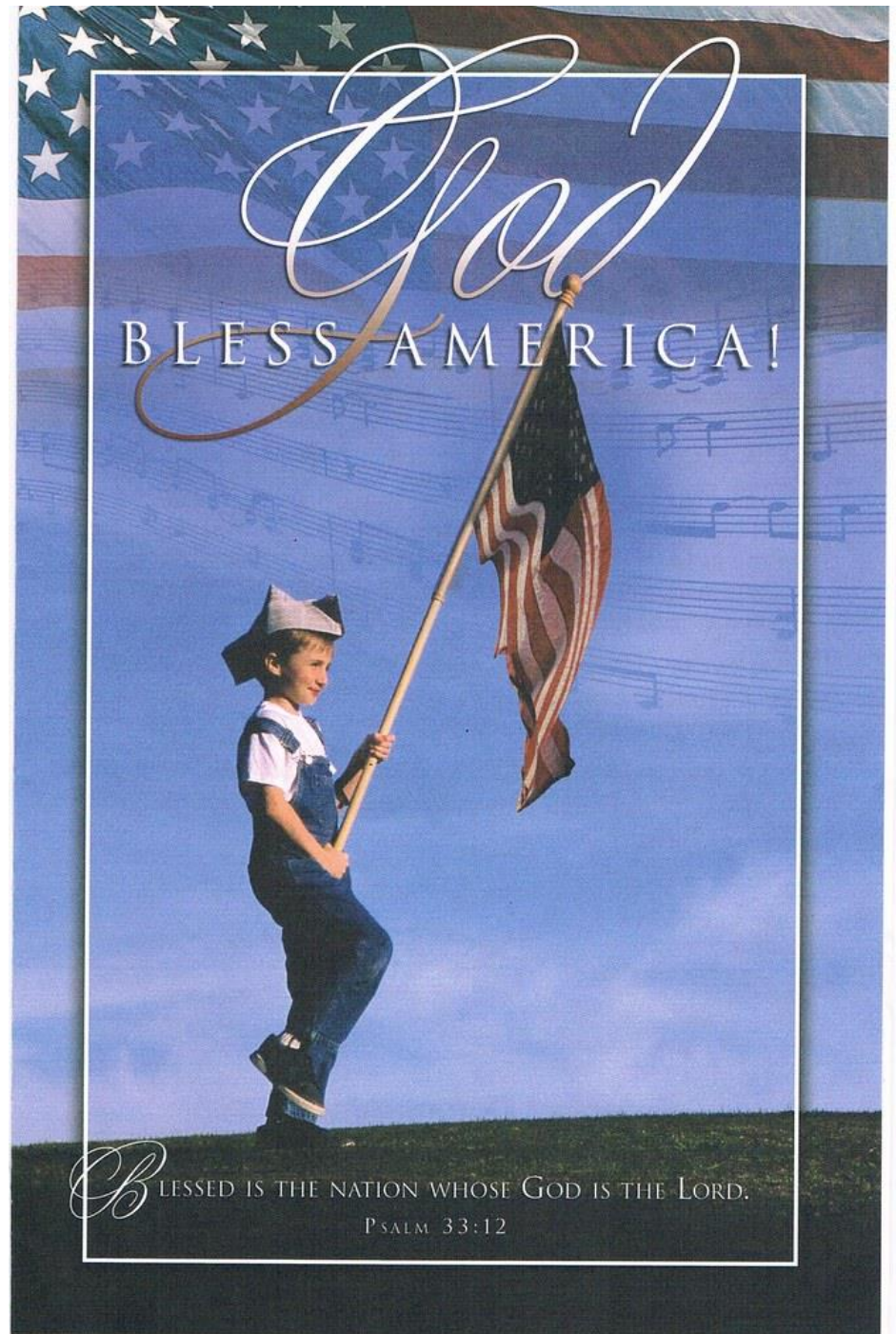
PROFESSION OF FAITH [BAPTISM]: If you receive Jesus Christ as your personal Savior and Lord and follow Him in baptism, you are outwardly expressing your faith in Him. We would be happy to schedule a time for your baptism.

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
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Dover, DE 19904
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This Week

TODAY – 6/30:

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

WEDNESDAY – 7/3:

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

THURSDAY – 7/4:

Holiday-Church Office Closed

SUNDAY – 7/7:

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

SUNDAY, June 23, 2024

Worship Attendance: 115
Offering: \$ 3,774
One Great Hour of Sharing \$ 245

Please help Blessings Box-

Donations needed. Any single serving food item, especially applesauce and fruit cups. Deposit in Blessings Box in the Narthex or place near the Food Pantry marked Blessings Box.

We are in need of coffee cans

(metal or plastic (9-10oz. size) to hold the Sanctuary flowers when they are taken home. Please leave them at the Welcome Center. Thank you!



FLOWERS TODAY are given to the Glory of God and in honor of all the graduates this year.

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).

October 6, November 3

Men's Shelter Meal-July 10th –

Thanks for everyone's help with meals at the Dover Interfaith Men's Shelter in June 2024! Our next scheduled meal contribution is Wednesday, July 10, 2024. The meal contribution sign-up sheet is located at the Welcome Center. July's menu includes: Sloppy Joes with hamburger rolls, potato salad, and fruit cocktail. Please deliver your contributed food item directly to the shelter at 1155 Walker Road, between 4:00pm and 5:00pm on Wednesday, July 10, 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: *Gene Moore*
Lay Leader: *Victoria Macklin*
Worship Leader: *Phil Steinhoff*
Sound Technician: *Chris Cottrell*
Aaron King
Charity King
Mark Moore
Bethel Chang
Danny Macklin
Trustee of the Day: *Ernie Alois*