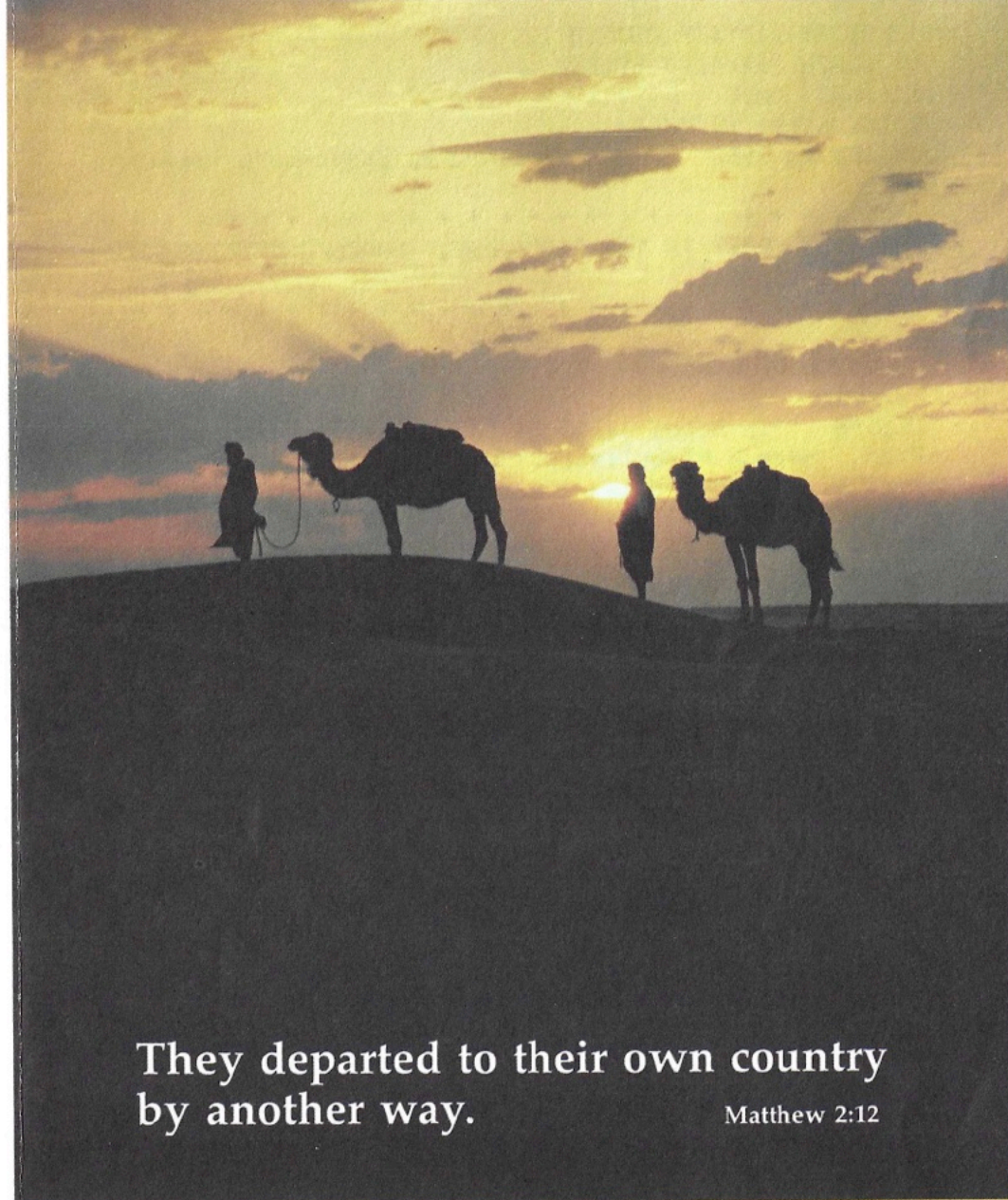




# First Baptist Church Bulletins and Order of Worship 1984

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They departed to their own country  
by another way.

Matthew 2:12



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
101 NORTH FRANKLIN STREET  
DELAWARE, OHIO  
SUNDAY after EPIPHANY  
JANUARY 8, 1984

James B. Stephenson, pastor

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PLEASE BE QUIET IN THE SANCTUARY. SOMEONE SITTING NEAR  
YOU CAME TO PRAY.  
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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

- PRELUDE "In Dulci Jubilo" (J. Pethel)  
\*HYMN, page 3 of bulletin "We Three Kings"  
\*INVOCATION unison  
O God, who by the leading of a star manifested your  
Son to the peoples of the earth; lead us, who know  
You now by faith, to Your presence; we ask in Jesus'  
Name, and praying as He taught us,  
\*LORD'S PRAYER  
\*GLORIA PATRI  
OLD TESTAMENT READING 614  
A NEW HYMN, #191 "Spirit of God" (Choir & Cong.)  
NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 2:1-12  
MORNING PRAYERS  
BLESSING OF CHILDREN  
OFFERTORY "Adoration" (Mueller)  
\*RESPONSE Doxology  
MESSAGE "Gifts Forever"  
\*HYMN, #114 "As with Gladness Men of Old"  
\*BENEDICTION and ALLELUIA  
POSTLUDE "March of the Wise Men" (Hosmer)  
\*CONGREGATION STANDS

Organist for Today, Mary Lou Lovell  
Choir Directors, James M. Stephenson, W.C. Wickum  
Candlelighter, Jarrod Triss  
Greeters, Will & Carol Fogle  
Ushers, Youth Fellowship

We welcome visitors to our worship. Please sign the  
guest book in the vestibule.

EVENTS . . .

TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group at parsonage.

WEDNESDAY 7:00 Choir Rehearsal.  
FRIDAY 12:00 till 2:00. Church Women United An-  
nual Meeting at Grace Methodist  
Church. Covered dish dinner. Bring  
own table service. Child care avail-  
able. Bring sack lunch for child.  
Call Evelyn Lee for information.

NEXT SUNDAY AFTER CHURCH - ANNUAL MEETING & ELECTION



1. We three kings of O - ri - ent are; Bear - ing gifts we trav - erse a - far
2. Born a King on Beth - le - hem's plain, Gold I bring to crown Him a - gain,
3. Frank - in - cense to of - fer have I; In - cense owns a De - i - ty nigh;
4. Myrrh mine: its bit - ter per - fume Breathes a life of gath - er - ing gloom:
5. Glo - rious now be - hold Him a - rise, King and God and Sac - ri - fice;



- Field and foun - tain, moor and moun - tain, Fol - low - ing yon - der star.  
King for ev - er, ceas - ing nev - er O - ver us all to reign.  
Prayer and prais - ing all men rais - ing, Wor - ship Him, God on high.  
Sor - rowing, sigh - ing, bleed - ing, dy - ing, Sealed in the stone - cold tomb.  
Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia! Sounds thro' the earth and skies.



REFRAIN



- O star of won - der, star of night, Star with roy - al beau - ty bright,



- West - ward lead - ing, still pro - ceed - ing, Guide us to Thy per - fect light. A - MEN.





**The LORD is the stronghold of my life.**

Psalm 27:1



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
101 NORTH FRANKLIN STREET  
DELAWARE, OHIO  
2nd SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY  
JANUARY 15, 1984

James B. Stephenson, pastor  
Jerry L. Palmer, assisting

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I hope the New Year finds you  
With at least one dream come true,  
And a better, clearer vision  
Of that good you hold in view.  
May your purpose never falter,  
May your ardor never wane,  
May you be and do what's best for you  
Till the New Year come again.  
-Russell A. Kemp

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE "Prelude on 'The Turtle Dove'" (Livingstone)  
CHORAL INTROIT  
\*HYMN, #28 "Come Thou Fount"  
\*INVOCATION unison  
Almighty God, whose Son is the light of the world;  
grant that your people, illumined by your Word and  
Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's  
glory, that he may be known, worshipped and obeyed,  
to the ends of the earth. Through Jesus Christ  
who taught us to pray, saying,  
\*LORD'S PRAYER  
\*GLORIA PATRI  
OLD TESTAMENT READING #606  
SOLO "Would You?" (Red) Janet Porter  
MORNING PRAYERS  
BLESSING OF CHILDREN  
OFFERTORY "The Bible Stands like a Rock" (Line)  
\*HYMN, #187 "Breathe on Me, Breath of God"  
NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 2:13-23  
MESSAGE "Secret Journey"  
\*HYMN, #323 "My Father Is Rich"  
\*BENEDICTION and ALLELUIA  
POSTLUDE "Postlude" Mendelssohn

Choir Directors, James M. Stephenson W.C. Wickum  
Organist for Today, Mary Lou Lovell  
Accompanist for solo, Betty J. Porter  
Greeter, Sophia Stephenson  
Candlelighter, Jeff Faulk  
Ushers, Youth Fellowship

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the vestibule?

#### OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINISTRY

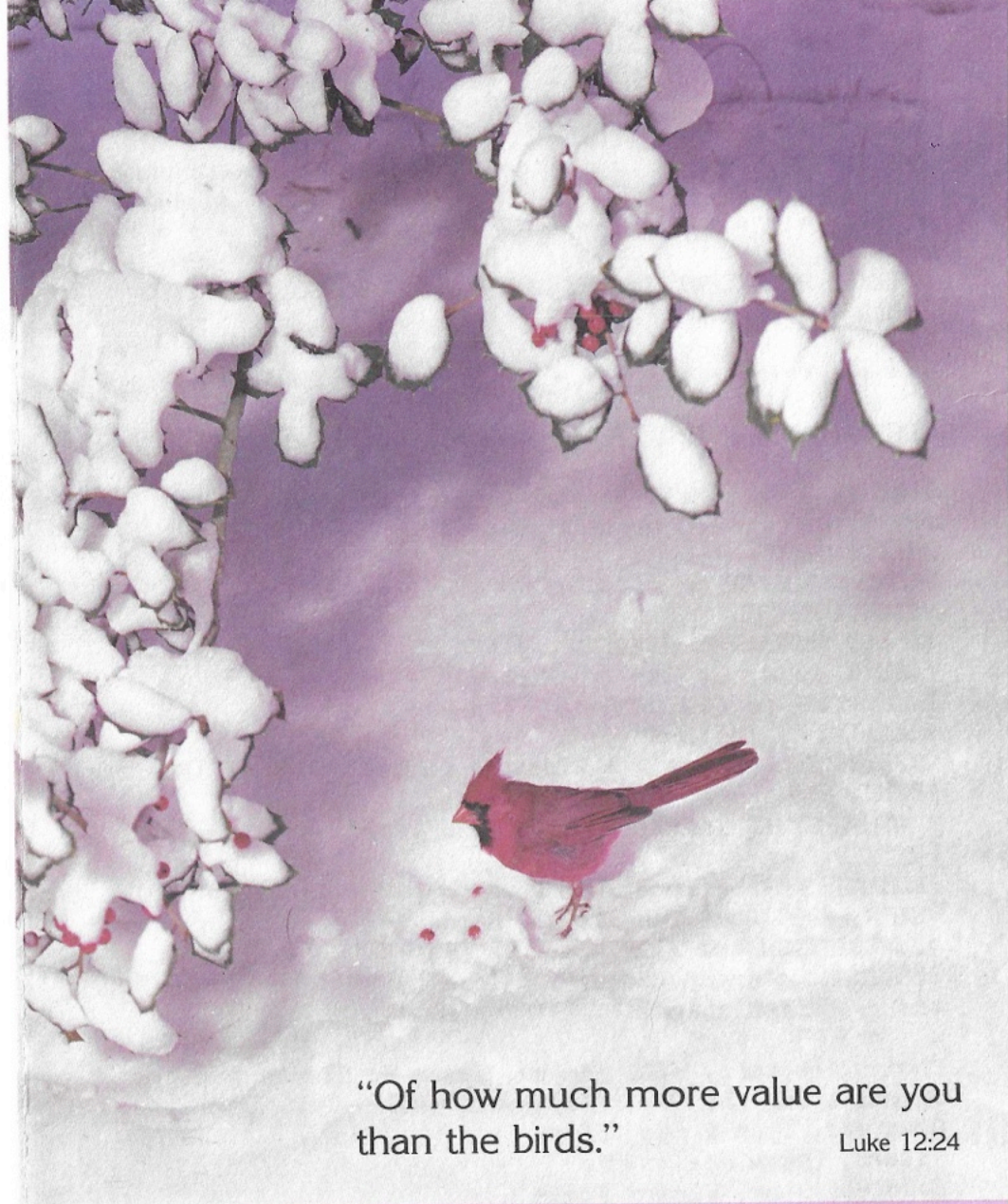
TODAY	11:45 Annual business meeting and election of officers.
TUESDAY	7:30 Healing Group at the parsonage.
WEDNESDAY	9:30 Sewing Day at the church. Bring sack lunch. We will roll bandages. 7:00 Choir Rehearsal.
NEXT SUNDAY	9:15 Church School Classes for all ages. 10:45 Morning Worship. "Power thru Forgiving and Being Forgiveness." 2:00 Women's Mission Society at the church. Will fill boxes for shut-ins. Bring cookies & fruit. 7:30 A Celebration of the Renovation of the Church at St. Mary Catholic Church. Speaker, Rector Clark Hyde. Reception follows.

Please note that the Mission Society Meeting will be held next week rather than today.

All are invited to remain for the Business Meeting.

Officers will be installed and dedicated next Sunday.

YOU WILL HAVE A GOOD WEEK!!! RELAX AND BE HAPPY!!!



“Of how much more value are you  
than the birds.”

Luke 12:24

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
101 NORTH FRANKLIN STREET  
DELAWARE, OHIO  
3rd SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY  
JANUARY 22, 1984

James B. Stephenson  
minister

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PLEASE BE SILENT IN THE SANCTUARY. SOMEONE SITTING  
NEAR YOU CAME TO PRAY.

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE "He Shall Sustain Thee" (Simone)  
\*HYMN, #32 "How Great Thou Art"  
\*INVOCATION  
\*LORD'S PRAYER  
\*GLORIA PATRI  
AN OLD TESTAMENT READING #605  
ANTHEM "Day by Day" (Hughes)  
DEDICATION OF OFFICERS  
BLESSING OF CHILDREN  
OFFERTORY "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy" (Medlock)  
\*HYMN, #191 "Spirit of God"  
A NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 18:21  
PRAYERS  
MESSAGE "Forgiveness as Power"  
\*HYMN, #398 "I Come to the Garden"  
\*BENEDICTION and ALLELUIA  
POSTLUDE "Grand Choeur" (Gigault)  
\*Congregation stands

Choir Directors, W.C. Wickum, James M. Stephenson  
Organist for the Day, Mary Lou Lovell  
Greeters, Lynn & Sue Elfner  
Ushers, Youth Fellowship  
Candlelighter, Victor Fogle

We are happy to welcome visitors to our worship.  
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book in the vestibule? If you do not have a  
church home in Delaware, we invite you to con-  
sider becoming a part of our fellowship.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINISTRY

TODAY 7:30 Celebration of the Renovation of  
St. Mary Catholic Church. Recep-  
tion follows.  
TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group at the parsonage.  
WEDNESDAY 7:00 Choir Rehearsal.  
NXT SUNDAY 3:00 Retirement Reception for Dr. and  
Mrs. Paul Warford at the Fite Mem-  
orial Baptist Church, Marion.

The Women's Society Meeting scheduled for this after-  
noon has been cancelled.

REMINDER: Valentine Day will be coming up soon.  
Why not let your secret advent friend know that you  
love them with a special valentine remembrance?

Copies of annual reports and lists of new officers  
are available in the vestibule.

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Father, do this day free me from

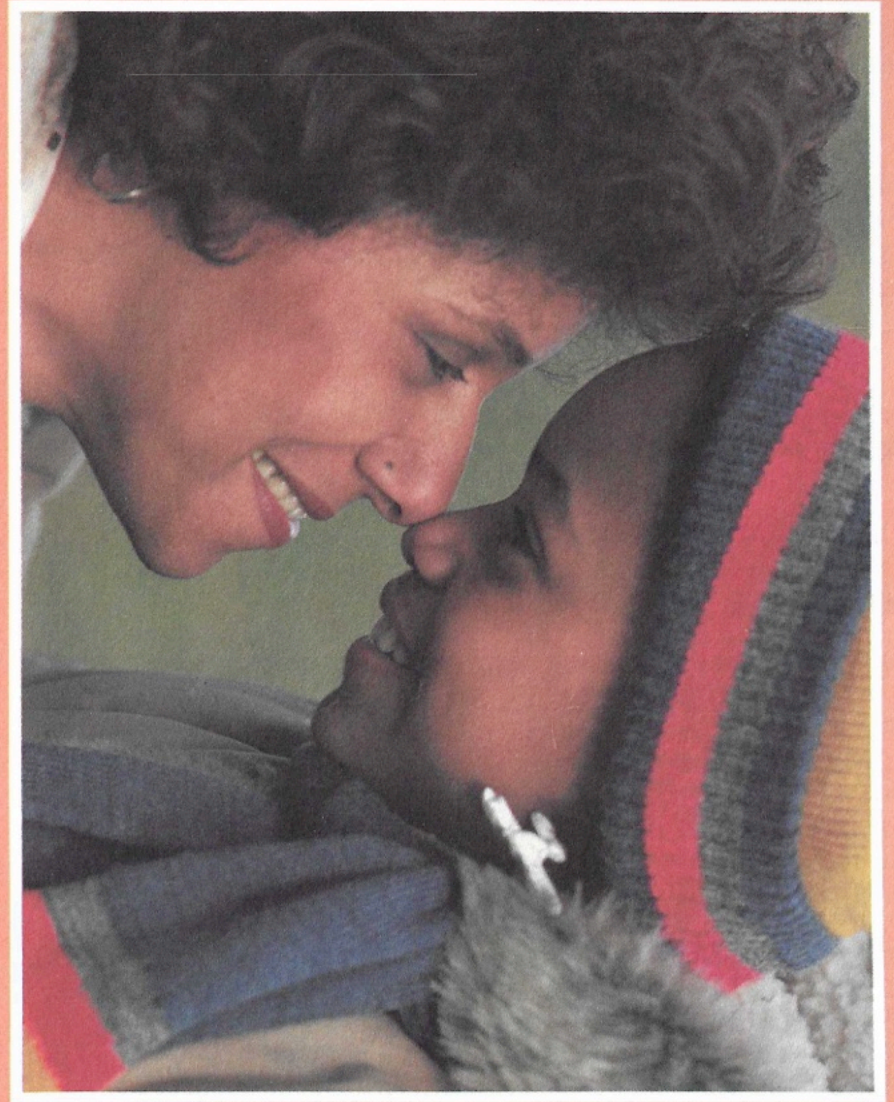
FEAR of the future;  
ANXIETY for tomorrow;  
BITTERNESS toward anyone;  
COWARDICE in danger;  
LAZINESS in work;  
FAILURE before opportunity;  
WEAKNESS when Thy power is at hand.

Fill me with

LOVE that knows no barriers;  
COURAGE that cannot be shaken;  
FAITH strong enough for the  
darkness;  
STRENGTH sufficient for my tasks;  
LOYALTY to Thy Kingdom's goal;  
WISDOM to meet life's complexities;  
GRACE to meet life's perplexities;  
POWER to lift persons unto Thee.

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Seek first the Kingdom of God and all else will be  
yours. (Jesus)



**Never forget what your mother taught you.**  
Proverbs 6:20 (TEV)



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
101 NORTH FRANKLIN STREET  
DELAWARE, OHIO  
JANUARY 29, 1981

James B. Stephenson, minister  
Robin Campbell, assisting

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PLEASE BE SILENT IN THE SANCTUARY. SOMEONE SITTING  
NEAR YOU CAME TO PRAY.

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In the midst of winter, I finally learned that there  
was in me an invincible summer.

Albert Camus

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE "Sarabande" (Handel)

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

\*HYMN, #200 "The Church's One Foundation"

\*INVOCATION unison

Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins,  
and give us the liberty of that abundant life,  
which you have made known to us in your Son, our  
Savior, Jesus Christ, who taught us to pray, say-  
ing,

\*LORD'S PRAYER

\*GLORIA PATRI

OLD TESTAMENT READING #606

ANTHEM "Jesus Came, the Heavens Adoring" (Denton)

DEDICATION OF A BABY

NEW TESTAMENT READING Luke 23:26-31

MORNING PRAYERS

BLESSING OF CHILDREN

OFFERTORY "Adagio Cantabile" (Tortini)

\*RESPONSE Doxology

MESSAGE "Forgiveness as Power"

\*HYMN, #321 "Savior Like a Shepherd"

\*BENEDICTION & Alleluia

POSTLUDE "Postlude in A minor" (Blake)

\*CONGREGATION STANDS

TODAY we dedicate Andrew William Linn to God.  
Andrew was born October 31, 1983, and is the son  
of Beth and Michael Linn. We offer our congrat-  
ulations to the happy family!

WE welcome visitors to our worship today. May we  
have your name and address in our guest book in the  
vestibule? If you do not have a church home in  
Delaware, we invite you to consider becoming a part  
of our Christian Fellowship.

### OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINISTRY

TODAY 3:00 Retirement reception for area  
minister Dr. Paul Warford and  
Mrs. Warford at the Fite Memor-  
ial Church in Marion.

TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group at the parsonage.

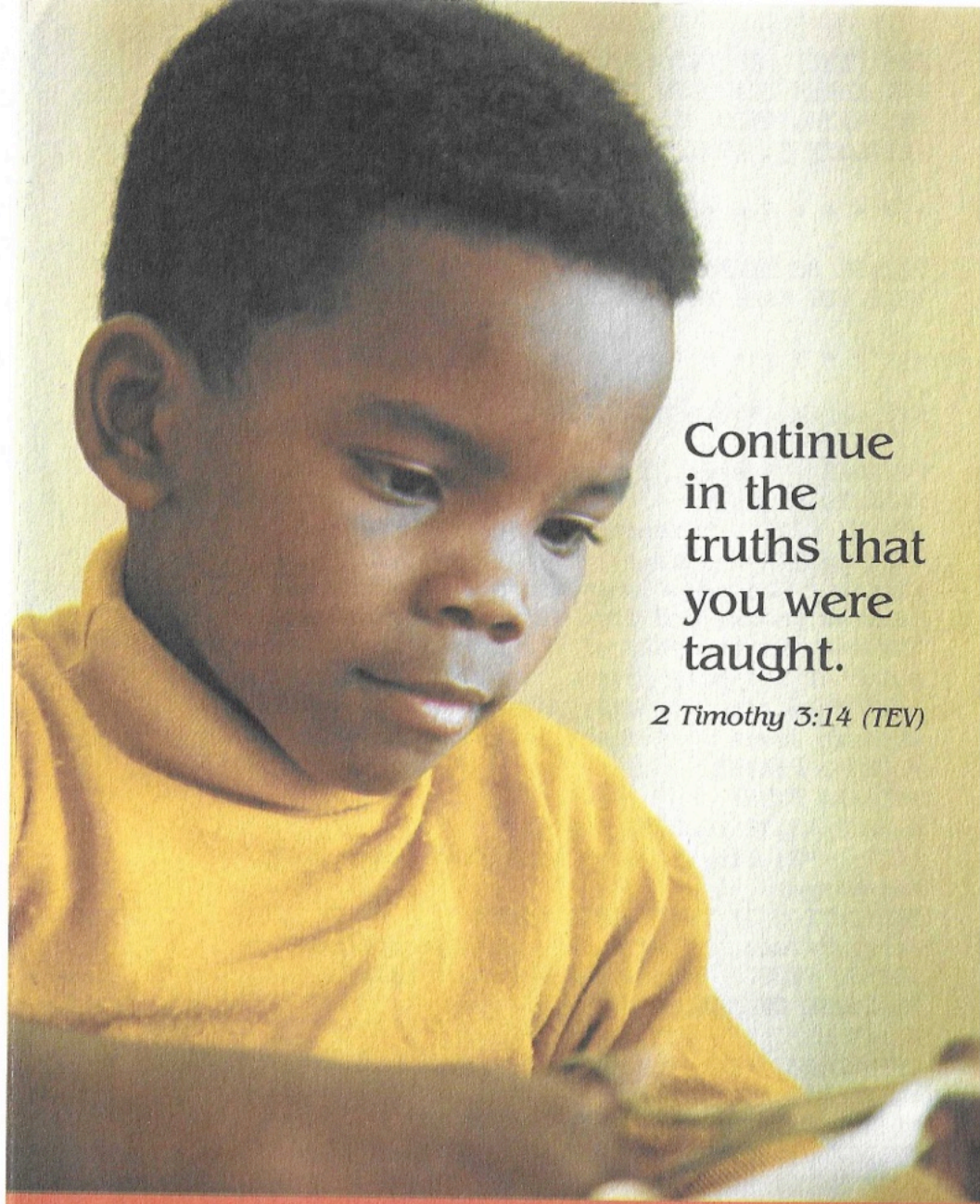
WEDNESDAY 9:30 until 2:00 Sewing at the church.  
We need old, worn out sheets, old  
towels, and old mattress pads.  
6:30 Choir rehearsal.

NEXT SUNDAY 9:15 Church School Classes for all ages.  
10:45 Morning Worship and Holy Communion.  
Rededication of pulpit Bible.

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Your children are not your children.  
They are the sons and daughters of Life's longing  
for itself.  
They come through you but not from you.  
You may give them your love but not your thoughts.  
You may house their bodies but not their souls.  
You may strive to be like them, but seek not to  
make them like you.  
You are the bows from which your children as  
living arrows are sent forth.  
Let your bending in the Archer's hand be for glad-  
ness. from Gibran's PROPHECY

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Continue  
in the  
truths that  
you were  
taught.

*2 Timothy 3:14 (TEV)*



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
101 NORTH FRANKLIN STREET  
DELAWARE, OHIO  
FEBRUARY 5, 1984

James B. Stephenson, pastor  
Beth Trigg, assisting

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NEAR YOU CAME TO PRAY.

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE "Jesus, I Come" (Smith)

CALL TO WORSHIP

\*HYMN, #225 "Standing on the Promises"

\*INVOCATION unison

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all  
desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid;  
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspir-  
ation of Thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly  
love Thee, and worthily magnify Thy holy name;

through Jesus Christ who taught us to pray,

\*LORD'S PRAYER

\*GLORIA PATRI

A RESPONSIVE READING #651

SOLO "Falling in Love with Him" Mary Ruth  
Mossbarger

DEDICATION OF THE PULPIT BIBLE

Jerry Palmer, Peter White, Carolyn Schneeberger

\*HYMN, #222 "Wonderful Words of Life"

BLESSING OF CHILDREN

PRAYERS

OFFERTORY "Take the Name of Jesus with You" (Landon)

\*RESPONSE Doxology

MESSAGE "How the Bible Helps"

FELLOWSHIP OFFERING "Trusting Thee" (Broughton)

\*COMMUNION HYMN, #220 "Bread of Life"

ANTHEM "According to Thy Word" (Mansfield)

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

\*HYMN, #339 "More about Jesus"

\*BENEDICTION and ALLELUIA

POSTLUDE "Lord Jesus" (Bohm)

\*CONGREGATION STANDS

Organist for Today, Mary Lou Lovell  
Choir Directors, James M. Stephenson, W.C. Wickum  
Greeter, Sophia Stephenson  
Candlelighter, Charity Piatt  
Ushers, Youth Fellowship

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OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINISTRY

MONDAY 7:00 Board of Christian Education with  
Lana Palmer.

TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group at the parsonage.

WEDNESDAY 9:30 - 2:00 Sewing Day at the church.  
We need old, worn out sheets,  
old towels, and old mattress  
pads.

7:00 Choir Rehearsal.

THURSDAY 7:00 Women's Mission Society at the  
church. Program on Love Gift.

NEXT SUNDAY 9:15 Church School Classes.  
10:45 Morning Worship.  
12:15 Father-son banquet for all men  
and boys of the church. Adopt  
a father or son for the day!  
No charge. Please sign up in  
the vestibule. Sponsored by  
Women's Society.

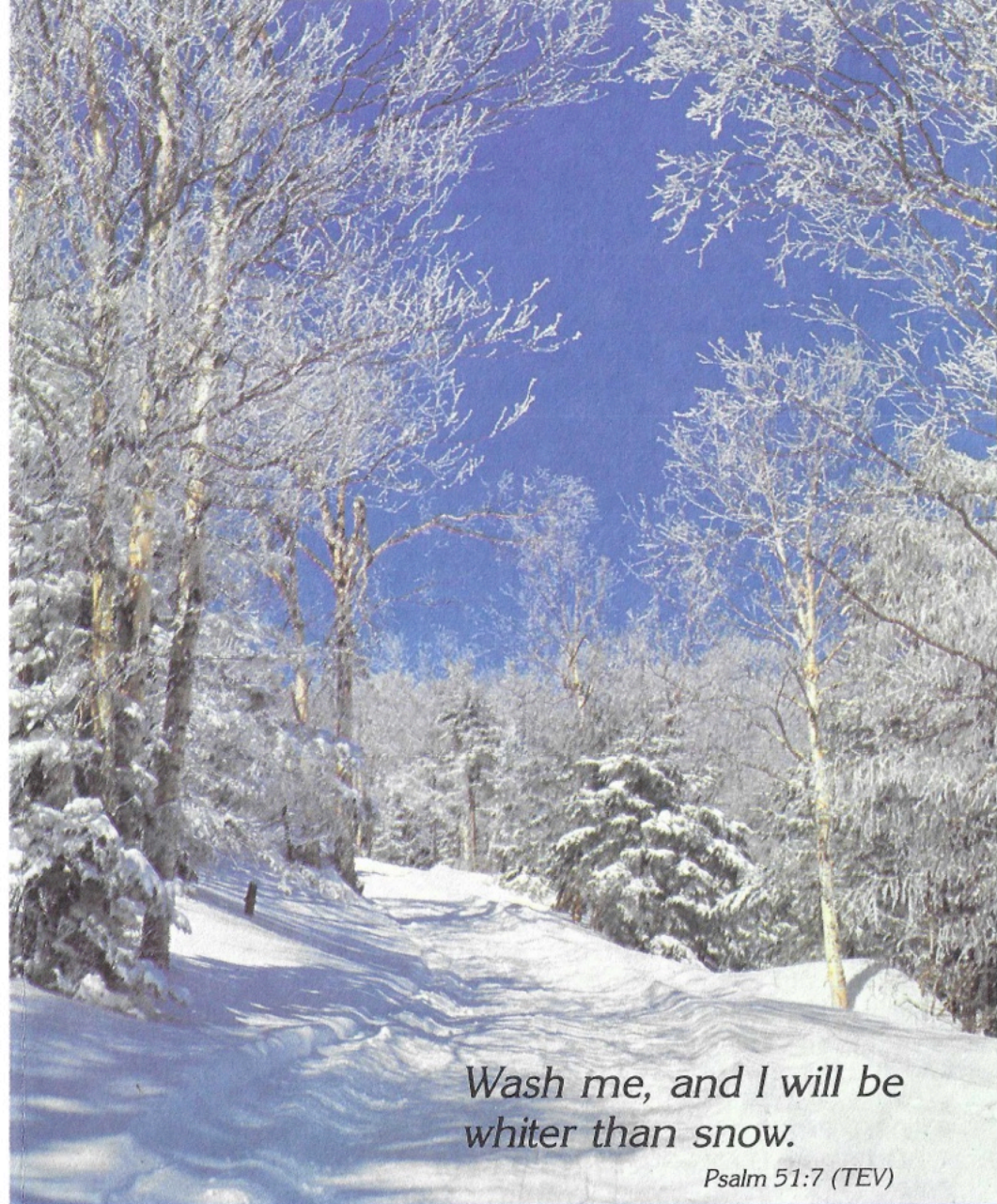
The Board of Deacons will meet briefly after wor-  
ship today.

Parish Council meets at 7:00pm, Monday, Feb. 20.

THE GOOD NEWS LETTER is available today. Take a  
copy for an absent friend.

We are happy to rededicate our Pulpit Bible this  
morning. Thanks to all who had a share in getting  
it and caring for it; those in 1953 and 1984!

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS TODAY. PLEASE SIGN THE  
GUEST BOOK IN THE VESTIBULE.



*Wash me, and I will be  
whiter than snow.*

*Psalm 51:7 (TEV)*



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
101 NORTH FRANKLIN STREET  
DELAWARE, OHIO  
FEBRUARY 12, 1984

James B. Stephenson, pastor  
James VanBrimmer, assisting

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We beg God, "Show us a sign  
That we may believe in you,"  
Then we carelessly brush off  
The six point stars of the snow.  
We trample under foot  
The miracle of the seed.  
We poison the streams and birds.  
What if God would demand of us,  
"Show me a sign  
That I may believe in men?"

- Dorothy P. Albaugh

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE "God Leads Us Along" (Hegarty)

CALL TO WORSHIP

\*HYMN, #350 "Open My Eyes"

\*INVOCATION unison

Almighty God, you open your hand to satisfy  
the needs of all creatures; make us always  
thankful for your loving providence, and  
lead us to be faithful stewards of your  
good gifts; through Jesus Christ our Lord  
who taught us to pray,

\*LORD'S PRAYER

\*GLORIA PATRI

A SCRIPTURE READING #642

SOLO "Christ of every Crisis" W.C. Wickum (Fisher)

MORNING PRAYERS

BLESSING OF CHILDREN

OFFERTORY "Melodie" (H. Livingston, Jr.)

\*RESPONSE Doxology

A SCRIPTURE READING Genesis 4:1-16

MESSAGE "Cain, My Brother"

\*HYMN, #281 "What a Wonderful Change"

\*BENEDICTION and ALLELUIA

POSTLUDE "Toccatina in C Major" (Howell)

Organist for Today, Mary Lou Lovell  
Choir Directors, W.C. Wickum, James M. Stephenson  
Candlelighter, Deborah Lovell  
Greeters, Ernestine Frost, Mary Seeley  
Ushers, Youth Fellowship

We welcome visitors to our worship. May we have your  
name and address in the guest book in the vestibule?  
If you do not have a church home in Delaware, we in-  
vite you to consider becoming a part of our fellow-  
ship.

#### OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

TODAY 12:15 Father-Son Banquet in the Fellow-  
ship Hall. Sponsored by the  
Women's Mission Society.

TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group at parsonage.

WEDNESDAY 9:30 - 2:00 Sewing Day at the church.  
Bring sack lunch.  
7:00 Choir Rehearsal.

LOOKING AHEAD - The Parish Council meets Monday,  
February 20, at 7:00pm.

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PRAYER is an acknowledgment of faith; worry is a  
denial of faith.

PRAYER is putting one's hand in God's, trusting in  
His loving guidance; worry is withdrawing our hand,  
denying His power to lead.

PRAYER leads through the door of faith into the  
presence of God; worry leads to the anxiety of  
loneliness and discouragement.

If PRAYER does not cancel worry . . . worry will  
cancel PRAYER.

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Give me wisdom, Lord, that I may see the hidden path  
Thou hast set for me!



**Because of what you have done,  
I sing for joy.**

**Psalm 92:4 (TEV)**



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
101 NORTH FRANKLIN STREET  
DELAWARE, OHIO  
FEBRUARY 19, 1984

James B. Stephenson, pastor  
Marjorie Smale, assisting

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And if we answer the call to discipleship, where will it lead us? What decisions will it demand? To answer this question we shall have to go to Him, for only He knows the answer. Only Jesus Christ, who bids us follow Him, knows the journey's end. But we do know that it will be a road of boundless mercy. Discipleship means joy. (Dietrich Bonhoeffer)

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE "We shall behold Him" (Rambo)  
CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: Let all persons know the wonder of our God!  
Sing from the highest mountain the praises of the Lord.

People: Let us praise His name with music. Let us praise His name with dancing.

Minister: For all the good things the Lord has done for us,

People: We rejoice in Him!

Minister: For all the birds in the trees and the sky,

People: We rejoice in Him!

Minister: For all nature. For all children. For all who follow in His Way,

People: We rejoice in Him!

Minister: Praise the name of the Lord!

People: Let all persons know the wonder of our God!

\*HYMN, #43 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

\*INVOCATION unison

Lord of Life and Love and Beauty, help us to worship Thee in the beauty of holiness, that some beauty of holiness may appear in us. Quiet our souls before Thee with the stillness of a wise trust, and a sense of being not in our hands, but in Thine. Lift us above dark moods and the shadows of sin, that we may begin today, from the height of a prayer, to live as becomes sons and daughters of the Most High. Through Jesus Christ who taught us to pray, saying,

\*LORD'S PRAYER

\*GLORIA PATRI  
OLD TESTAMENT READING #608  
TRIO "Gloria" (Schubert) W.C. Wickum, David Lovell, James M. Stephenson  
MORNING PRAYERS  
BLESSING OF CHILDREN  
OFFERTORY "Beside Still Waters" (Blake)  
\*HYMN, #117 "What a Fellowship, What a Joy"  
NEW TESTAMENT READING Mark 3:1-6; Matthew 4:23-25  
MESSAGE "Olympics of the Spirit"  
\*HYMN, #362 "More Like the Master"  
\*BENEDICTION and ALLELUIA  
POSTLUDE "Sonatina Selections" (Clement)  
\*CONGREGATION STANDS

Choir Directors, James M. Stephenson, W. C. Wickum  
Organist for Today, Mary Lou Lovell  
Pianist for Today, Allison Grubbs  
Greeters, Cap & Myrtle Gabriel  
Candlelighter, Cameron Piatt  
Ushers, Youth Fellowship

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OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINISTRY

MONDAY 7:00 Parish Council.

TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group at the parsonage.

WEDNESDAY 9:30 Sewing day with Evelyn Lee.

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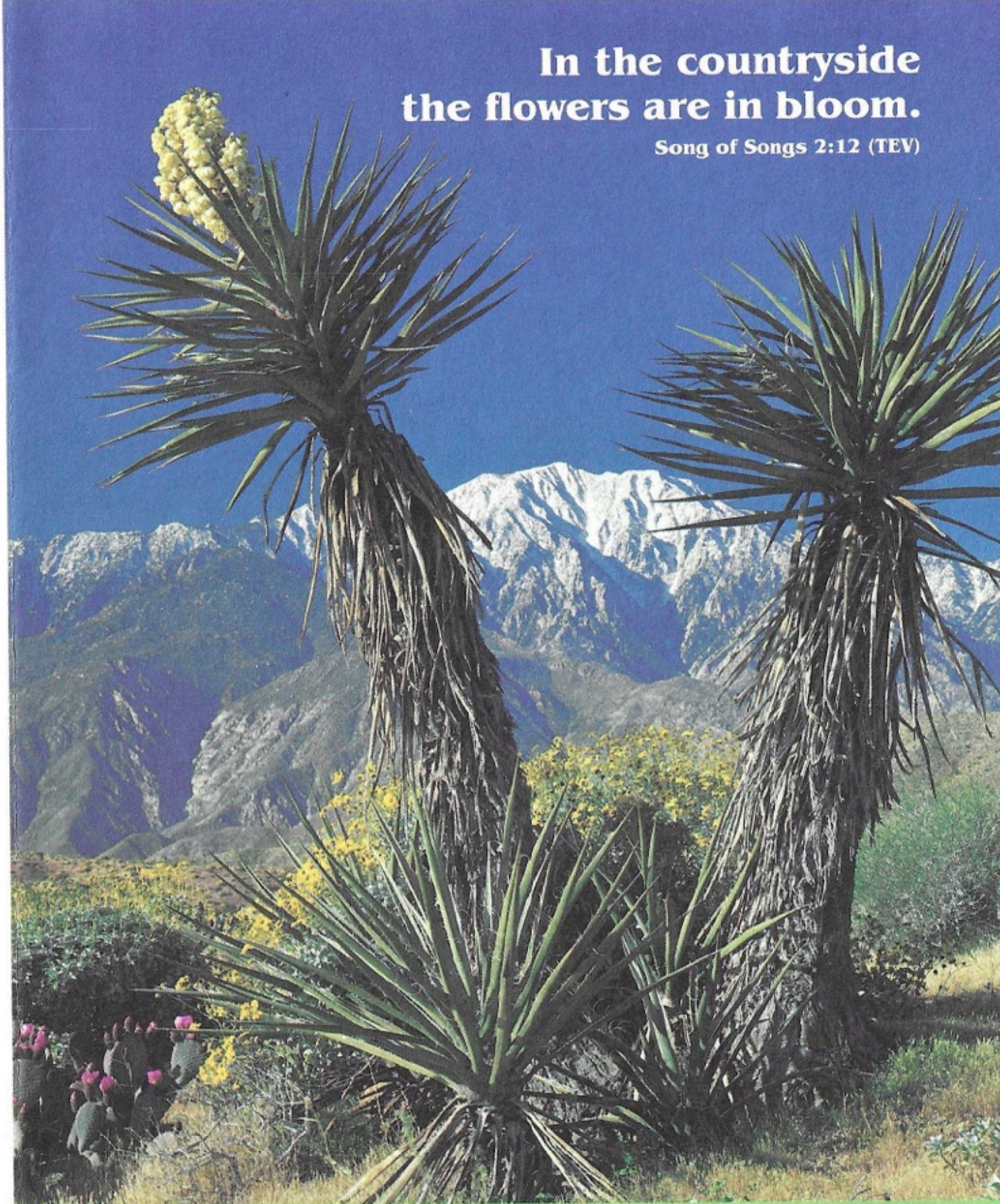
He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep to gain what he cannot lose. (Jim Elliot)

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GOD LOVES YOU . . .  
. . . GOD LOVES OUR WORLD

**In the countryside  
the flowers are in bloom.**

Song of Songs 2:12 (TEV)





THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
101 NORTH FRANKLIN STREET  
DELAWARE, OHIO  
FEBRUARY 26, 1984

James B. Stephenson, pastor  
Donald Brown, assisting

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PLEASE BE SILENT IN THE SANCTUARY. SOMEONE SITTING  
NEAR YOU CAME TO PRAY.

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Some of your hurts you have cured,  
And the sharpest you still have survived,  
But what torments of grief you endured  
From evils which never arrived!  
- Ralph Waldo Emerson

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE "In Humble Adoration" (G. Blake)  
CALL TO WORSHIP  
\*HYMN, #96 "Praise Him! Praise Him!"  
\*INVOCATION  
Almighty God, in whom we live and move and have our  
being. You have made us for yourself, so that our  
hearts are restless till they rest in you. Grant us  
purity of heart, and strength of purpose, that no  
selfish desire may hinder us from knowing your will,  
and no weakness prevent us from doing it; through  
Jesus Christ who taught us to pray, saying  
\*LORD'S PRAYER  
\*GLORIA PATRI  
AN OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 103 (read responsively)  
SOLO "My Prayer" W. C. Wickum (Humphreys)  
MORNING PRAYERS  
CHILDREN'S BLESSING  
FAMILY CONCERNS  
OFFERTORY "Offertory" (R. Schumann)  
\*HYMN, #187 "Breathe on Me, Breath of God"  
NEW TESTAMENT READING Mark 11:12-14;20-25  
MESSAGE "Seeing - Believing"

\*HYMN, #140 "To God Be the Glory"  
\*BENEDICTION  
\*ALLELUIA  
POSTLUDE "Praises!" (D. Eliot)  
\*CONGREGATION STANDS

Choir Directors, W.C. Wickum, James M. Stephenson  
Organist, Mary Lou Lovell  
Assistant Organist, Betty J. Porter  
Greeters, Alison and Michael Grubbs  
Candlelighter, Stefanie Stoner  
Ushers, Youth Fellowship

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The rose on the altar is in honor of Emily Anne  
Trigg, daughter of Beth and Archie Trigg. Emily  
was born Friday, February 24, at 7:30pm. She  
weighed six pounds, eleven ounces. Congratula-  
tions to the happy family!

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OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINISTRY

TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group at the parsonage.  
WEDNESDAY 9:30 Sewing day at the church. Bring  
sack lunch. Concludes at 2:00.  
7:00 Choir Rehearsal.  
NEXT SUNDAY 9:15 Church School.  
10:45 Morning Worship and Holy Commu-  
nion.

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED will sponsor World Day of  
Prayer, March 2, 9:30-11:30am, at the Asbury  
United Methodist Church. Everyone is invited to  
share in the service.

COMING EVENTS . . .

SHROVE TUESDAY, March 6, Pancake Supper and enter-  
tainment, 6:30pm, in the Fellowship Hall.  
ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE, March 7, at 7:00pm, in the  
church.

***"I am  
the living bread  
which came down  
from heaven."***

**John 6:51**



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
101 NORTH FRANKLIN STREET  
DELAWARE, OHIO  
MARCH 4, 1984

James B. Stephenson, minister  
Jerry L. Palmer, assisting

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From sense to Soul my pathway lies before me,  
From mist and shadow into Truth's clear day;  
The dawn of all things real is breaking o'er me,  
My heart is singing: I have found the way. (V.H.)

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE "My Redeemer" (McGranahan)  
CALL TO WORSHIP  
\*HYMN, #75 "Love Divine"  
\*INVOCATION unison  
Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all de-  
sires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse  
the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Thy  
Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love Thee, and  
worthily magnify Thy holy name; through Jesus Christ  
who taught us to pray, saying,  
\*LORD'S PRAYER  
\*GLORIA PATRI  
PRAYERS OF CONFESSION  
WORDS OF ASSURANCE  
OLD TESTAMENT READING #603  
\*HYMN, #323 "My Father Is Rich"  
BLESSING OF CHILDREN  
OFFERTORY "Incline Thy Ear" (Moore)  
\*RESPONSE Doxology  
NEW TESTAMENT READING Acts 9:1-19  
SOLO "The Lord Is My Shepherd" (Humphreys)  
W. C. Wickum  
MESSAGE A NEW NAME  
AMERICA FOR CHRIST OFFERING "A Quiet Blessing" (Weston)  
\*HYMN, #213 "Let Us Break Bread Together"  
SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION  
\*HYMN, #403 "Walking in Sunlight"  
\*BENEDICTION & ALLELUIA  
POSTLUDE "Praise to the Father" Southbridge)  
\*CONGREGATION STANDS

ORGANIST, Mary Lou Lovell  
ASSISTANT ORGANIST, Betty J. Porter  
CHOIR DIRECTORS, James M. Stephenson, W.C. Wickum  
GREETERS, Pam & Larry Faulk  
CANDLELIGHTER, Jarrod Trigg  
USHERS, Youth Fellowship

We welcome visitors to our worship today. May we  
have your name and address in our guest book in the  
vestibule? You are cordially invited to visit us  
again.

#### OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINISTRY

TODAY 11:45 Reception in the Assembly Room.  
Hostess: Carol Grubbs and daughters.  
MONDAY 7:30 Board of Christian Education.  
TUESDAY 6:30 Shrove Tuesday. Pancake supper in  
the Fellowship Hall.  
WEDNESDAY 7:00 Ash Wednesday. Service in the  
Sanctuary.  
7:45 Choir Rehearsal.  
NXT SUNDAY 9:15 Church School.  
10:45 Worship. First Sunday in Lent.

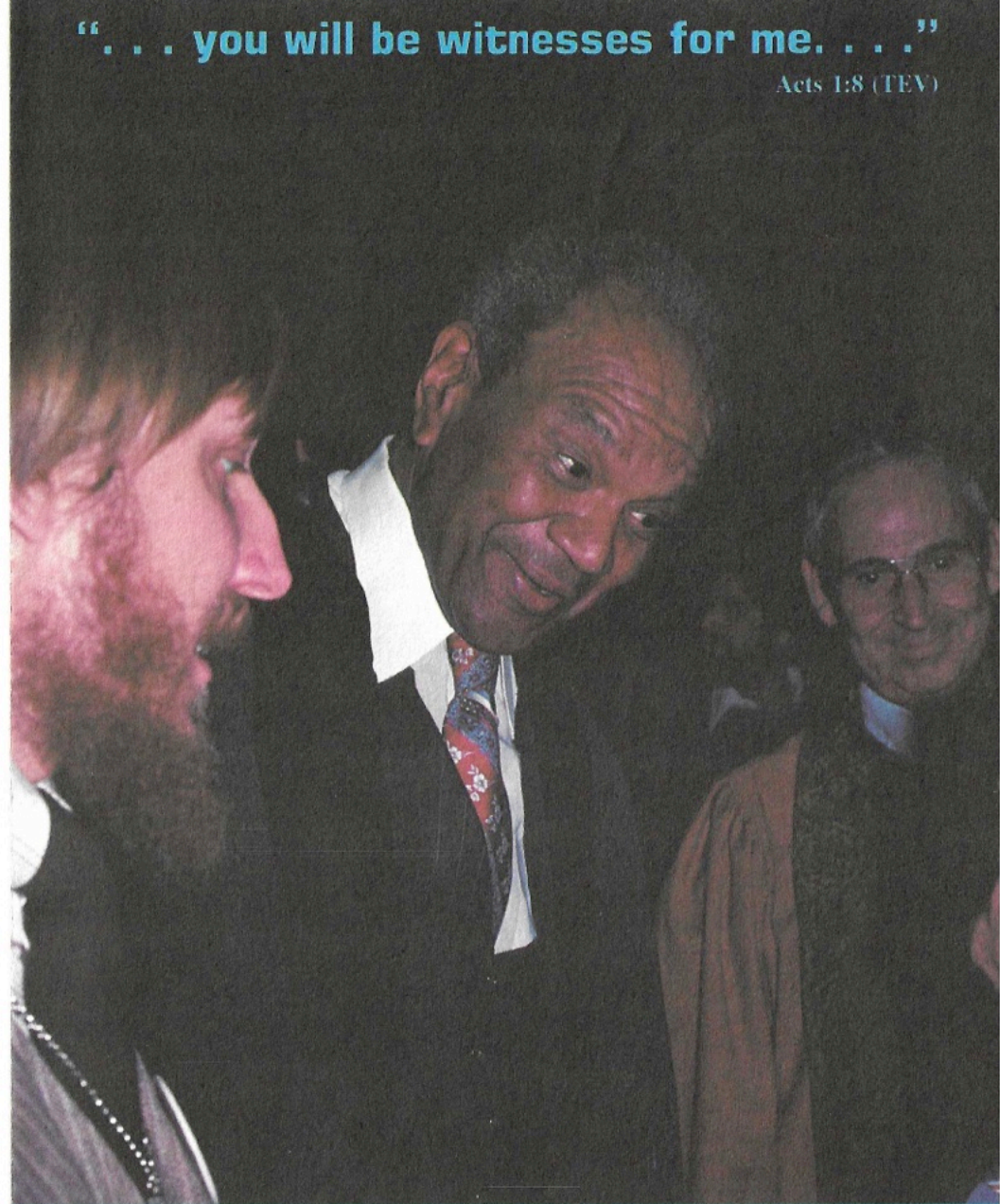
THE GOOD NEWS LETTER is available today. Take a copy  
home for an absent neighbor or friend.

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From Bethlehem to Calvary the Savior's journey lay;  
Doubt, unbelief, scorn, fear and hate beset Him day by  
by day,  
But in His heart He bore God's love that brightened  
all the way.  
O'er the Judean hills He walked, serene and brave of  
soul,  
Seeking the beaten paths of men, touching and making  
whole,  
Dying at last for love of man, on Calvary's  
darkened knoll. - Meredith Nicholson

**“ . . . you will be witnesses for me . . . ”**

Acts 1:8 (TEV)



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
101 NORTH FRANKLIN STREET  
DELAWARE, OHIO  
MARCH 11, 1984  
FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

James B. Stephenson, pastor  
R. David Lovell, assisting

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The word Lent is derived from an old Anglo-Saxon term  
for spring.

A heart can have as deep a need  
To split the husks as any seed.  
Before a spiritual thing,  
Before a miracle like spring  
The mind can only halt and grope,  
Only the heart can grow, can hope,  
Can burst its chrysalis of doubt  
And let the inward beauty out -  
The hidden crocus in the clod  
And in the heart the growing god!  
- James Dillet Freeman

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE "Andante Religioso" (Hailing)

CALL TO WORSHIP

\*HYMN, #151 "Beneath the Cross of Jesus"

\*INVOCATION unison

Almighty God, whose glory it is to always have  
mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray  
in their lives, and bring them to embrace and hold  
fast the Truth, the Word, that is Jesus Christ our  
Lord and Savior; we pray as He taught us, saying,

\*LORD'S PRAYER

\*GLORIA PATRI

OLD TESTAMENT READING #656

PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

SOLO Mary Ruth Mossbarger

BLESSING OF CHILDREN

OFFERTORY "Where Cross the Crowded Ways" (Wilson)

\*HYMN, #350 "Open My Eyes"

NEW TESTAMENT READING John 19:16-20

MESSAGE "Other Mother; Other Brother"

PRAYERS

\*HYMN, #318 "Trust and Obey"

\*BENEDICTION

\*ALLELUIA

POSTLUDE "Credo" (Haydn)

\*CONGREGATION STANDS

Choir Directors, James M. Stephenson, W.C. Wickum  
Organist, Mary Lou Lovell  
Asst. Organist, Betty J. Porter  
Candlelighter, Jarrod Trigg  
Ushers, Youth Fellowship

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We welcome visitors to our worship. May we have your  
name and address in the guest book in the vestibule?  
If you do not have a church home in Delaware, we invite  
you to consider becoming a part of our church family.

LENTEN THEME AND MESSAGES;

"MEMBERS OF THE FAMILY"

March 11 - "Other Mother; Other Brother" John 19:16-30  
" 18 - "Brother Mouth" Luke 5:1-11:22:24-34  
" 25 - "Outcast!" Matthew 8:1-4  
April 1 - "Silent Sister" Luke 10:38-42  
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" 22 - "First Witness" John 20:1-18

OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINISTRY

TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group.

7:30 Association Trustees here.

WEDNESDAY 9:30 - 2:00 Sewing. Bring sack lunch.

7:00 Choir Rehearsal.

THURSDAY 7:00 Women's Society at church. "Care  
and Share." Program - Karen Stoner.

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Why not remember your Secret Advent Friend with a  
St. Patrick's Day card this month? (Saturday, March  
17) They may not be Irish, but they will enjoy the  
thoughtfulness anyway!  
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Commit your way unto the Lord; trust also in Him, and  
He will bring it to pass. Psalm 37:5



*The Lord is my strength and my song.*

*Psalm 118:14*



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
101 NORTH FRANKLIN STREET  
DELAWARE, OHIO  
2nd SUNDAY IN LENT  
MARCH 18, 1984

James B. Stephenson, minister  
Robert E. Houston, assisting

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Please be silent in the Sanctuary. Someone sitting  
near you came to pray.

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Give me wisdom, Lord, that I may see the hidden path  
You have set for me. (E. Jacques)

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE "A Lenten Supplication" (Dittrich)  
CALL TO WORSHIP  
\*HYMN, #1 "Holy, Holy, Holy"  
\*INVOCATION unison  
Almighty God, you love all you have created; you  
forgive the sins of the penitent. Create in us new  
and contrite hearts, and lead us to be disciples of  
our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ; who taught us to  
pray saying,  
\*LORD'S PRAYER  
\*GLORIA PATRI  
TIME OF FELLOWSHIP  
OLD TESTAMENT READING #597  
PRAYERS OF CONFESSION  
ASSURANCE OF PARDON  
ANTHEM "God's Love Is Deep within Me" (Broughton)  
NEW TESTAMENT READING Luke 5:1-11  
MORNING PRAYERS  
BLESSING OF CHILDREN  
OFFERTORY  
\*RESPONSE Doxology  
MESSAGE "Brother Mouth"  
\*HYMN, #372 "Have Thine Own Way, Lord"  
\*BENEDICTION and ALLELUIA  
POSTLUDE Fantasia on "Sing Praise to God" (Hughes)  
\*CONGREGATION STANDS

Choir Directors, James M. Stephenson, W.C. Wickum  
Organist, Mary Lou Lovell  
Assistant Organist, Betty J. Porter  
Greeters, Lana & Jerry Palmer  
Candlelighter, Victor Fogle  
Ushers, Youth Fellowship

We welcome visitors to our worship. Your presence  
helps us experience the reality of God. May we have  
your name and address in the guest book in the vesti-  
bule? We cordially invite you to be with us again!

#### OPPORTUNITIES

TODAY 7:30 Special business meeting and program  
on FUNDING OUR FUTURE.  
MONDAY 7:00 Parish Council.  
TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group.  
WEDNESDAY 7:00 Choir Rehearsal.  
NEXT SUNDAY 9:15 Church School.  
10:45 Worship. Message: "Outcast!" Read  
Matthew 8:1-4.

#### LENTEN THEME & MESSAGES: MEMBERS OF THE FAMILY

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MARION ASSOCIATION'S FOURTH ANNUAL "CELEBRATION BANQUET"  
Saturday, March 24, 6:00pm. at Marion JVS, route 95.  
\$5.50 per ticket. Make reservation with Steve no later  
than tomorrow morning.

A PROGRESSIVE DINNER is planned for Saturday, April 7,  
at 6:00pm, sponsored by the Women's Mission Society.  
Proceeds for hunger.

I AM THE LORD, the God of all flesh; is there anything  
too hard for me? (Jer. 32:27)



**“With God all things are possible.”**

Matthew 19:26





THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
101 NORTH FRANKLIN STREET  
DELAWARE, OHIO  
3rd SUNDAY IN LENT  
MARCH 25, 1984

James B. Stephenson, minister

PLEASE BE SILENT IN THE SANCTUARY. SOMEONE SITTING  
NEAR YOU CAME TO PRAY.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45 am

PRELUDE "Panis Angelicus" (Franck)  
CALL TO WORSHIP

\*HYMN, #32 "How Great Thou Art"

\*INVOCATION (unison)

O God, author of eternal light, lead us in our  
worshiping this day; that our lives may bless Thee,  
that our lips may praise Thee, and our meditations  
may glorify Thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who  
taught us to pray, saying,

\*LORD'S PRAYER

\*GLORIA PATRI

OLD TESTAMENT READING #602

CONFESSION OF SINS

WORDS OF PARDON and BLESSING

SOLO "Sincerely Yours" (Chapman) Janet Porter

MORNING PRAYERS

BLESSING OF CHILDREN

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY "Presence Divine" (Smith)

\*HYMN #407 "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind"

NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 8:1-4

MESSAGE "Outcast!"

\*HYMN, #465 "Give of Your Best to the Master"

\*BENEDICTION

\*ALLELUIA

POSTLUDE "Tune for the Trumpet" (Bach)

\*CONGREGATION STANDS

Organist, Mary Lou Lovell

Assistant Organist, Betty J. Porter

Greeters, Ernestine Frost, Mary Seeley

Candlelighter, Amy Elfner

Ushers, Youth Fellowship

We are happy to welcome visitors to our worship today.  
May we have your name and address in the guest book in  
the vestibule.

#### OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINISTRY

TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group at the parsonage.

WEDNESDAY 9:30 - 2:00 Sewing at the church. Bring  
a sack lunch.  
7:00 Choir Rehearsal.

NEXT SUNDAY 9:15 Church School.  
10:45 Morning Worship. Message: "Silent  
Sister." Read Luke 10:38-42.  
Holy Communion.

#### MESSAGES ON THEME MEMBERS OF THE FAMILY

April 8 "Screamer in the Tombs." Mark 5:1-20.

April 15 "Naked Brother." Mark 14:32-52.

April 22 "First Witness." John 20:1-18.

NEST SUNDAY night will mark the beginning of our  
Lenten Sunday Services which will continue through  
Palm Sunday. Time will be 7:00 - 7:45 pm.

General Subject for the message will be, "The Keys  
of the Kingdom." Individual themes will be:

April 1 "The Key to Successful Prayer."

April 8 "The Key to Spiritual Healing."

April 15 "The Key to Eternal Life."

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All things work together for good to them that love  
God. Romans 8:28

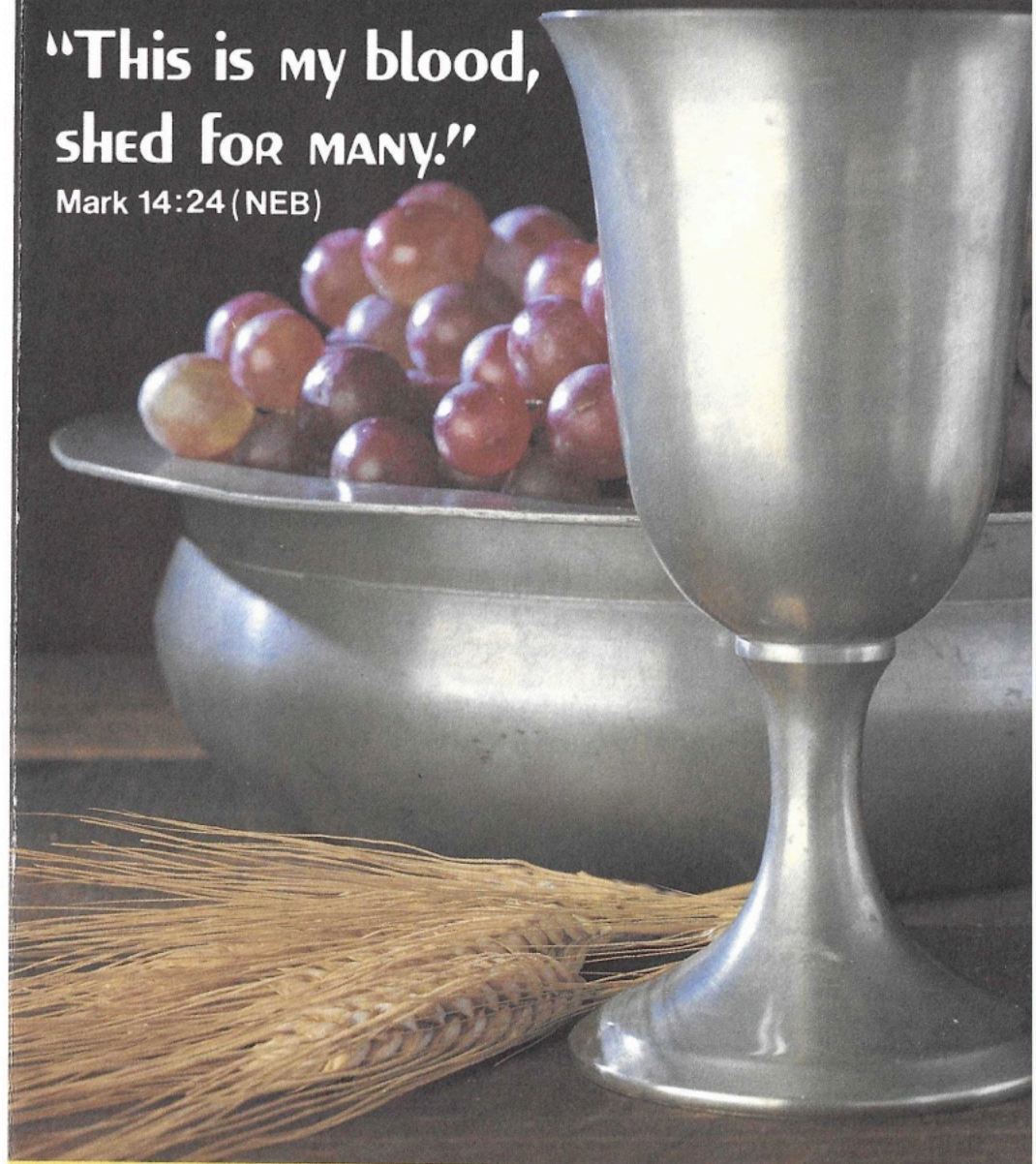
I can do all things through Christ who strengthens  
me. Phil. 4:13

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*Message letter not read*

**"This is my blood,  
shed for many."**

Mark 14:24 (NEB)



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
101 NORTH FRANKLIN STREET  
DELAWARE, OHIO

4th SUNDAY IN LENT  
APRIL 1, 1984

James B. Stephenson  
minister

Larry Faulk  
assisting

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE "Lenten Prelude" (Battishill)

CALL TO WORSHIP

\*HYMN, #1 "Holy, Holy, Holy"

\*INVOCATION (unison)

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid; cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love Thee, and worthily magnify Thy holy Name; through Jesus Christ who taught us to pray saying,

\*LORD'S PRAYER

\*GLORIA PATRI

PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

Most holy and merciful Father; we confess to you and to one another, and to the whole communion of saints in heaven and on earth, that we have sinned by our own fault, in thought, word, and deed; by what we have done, and by what we have left undone; Restore Thou those who are penitent, according to Thy promises in Christ Jesus our Lord; and grant, O most merciful Father, for His sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and loving life, to the glory of Thy holy Name.

WORDS OF PARDON

OLD TESTAMENT READING #607

SPECIAL MUSIC

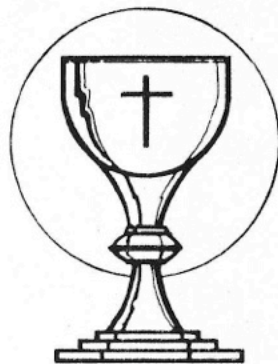
MORNING PRAYERS

BLESSING OF CHILDREN

FAMILY CONCERNS

OFFERTORY "A Faithful Shepherd" (Macklin)

\*RESPONSE Doxology



NEW TESTAMENT READING Luke 10:38-42

MESSAGE "Silent Sister"

FELLOWSHIP OFFERING "Peace Within" (Paxton)

\*HYMN, #213 "Let Us Break Bread Together"

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

\*HYMN, #435 "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

\*BENEDICTION & ALLELUIA

POSTLUDE "Postlude in D" (Rinck)

\*CONGREGATION STANDS

PLEASE REMAIN AFTER WORSHIP FOR THE COFFEE HOUR IN THE ASSEMBLY ROOM.

Choir Directors, James M. Stephenson, W.C. Wickum  
Organist, Mary Lou Lovell  
Candlelighter, Charity Piatt  
Ushers, Youth Fellowship

OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINISTRY

TONIGHT 7:00 Lenten Service. Theme: The Keys of the Kingdom. Tonight's subject: "The Key to Successful Prayer."

MONDAY 7:00 Board of Christian Education.

TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group. Place to be announced.

WEDNESDAY 7:00 Choir Rehearsal.

NEXT SUNDAY 9:00 Church School. "A Walk through Holy Week. An Intergenerational Experience."

10:45 Morning Worship. Message: "Screamer in the Tombs." Read Mark 5:1-20.

7:00 Evening Service. Theme: The Keys of the Kingdom. Tonight's subject: "The Key to Spiritual Healing."

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Come to me, all you who are weary and find life burdensome and I will refresh you. Matthew 11:28

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THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
101 NORTH FRANKLIN STREET  
DELAWARE, OHIO  
5th SUNDAY IN LENT  
APRIL 8, 1984

James B. Stephenson  
minister  
James VanBrimmer  
assisting

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PLEASE BE SILENT IN THE SANCTUARY. SOMEONE  
SITTING NEAR YOU CAME TO PRAY.

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PRELUDE "Meditation on Songs of the Cross"  
(Hughes)

CALL TO WORSHIP

\*HYMN, #43 "Praise to the Lord"

\*INVOCATION unison

Almighty God, Father and Lord of all, be with us  
this day in which we seek to follow your Son, even  
to the Cross. We praise You that the Cross has  
been transformed by Him, so that it is no longer a  
symbol of darkness, but the door to Peace and  
Light. We pray as He instructed us, saying,

\*LORD'S PRAYER

\*GLORIA PATRI

PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

Most holy and merciful Father; we confess to you  
and to one another, and to the whole communion of  
saints in heaven and on earth, that we have sinned  
by our own fault, in thought, word, and deed; by  
what we have done, and by what we have left undone;  
Restore Thou those who are penitent, according to  
Thy promises in Christ Jesus our Lord; and grant, O  
most merciful Father, for His sake, that we may  
hereafter live a godly, righteous, and loving life,  
to the glory of Thy holy Name.

WORDS OF PARDON

A RESPONSIVE SCRIPTURE READING #646

ANTHEM "At Calvary" (DeCou)

NEW TESTAMENT READING Mark 5:1-13

MORNING PRAYERS

DEDICATION OF OUTDOOR SIGN

BLESSING OF CHILDREN

OFFERTORY "Come, Ye Souls" (Harris)

\*RESPONSE Doxology

MESSAGE "Screamer in the Tombs"

\*HYMN, #267 "Out of My Bondage"

\*BENEDICTION

\*ALLELUIA

POSTLUDE "God of the Strong" (Sewell)

\*CONGREGATION STANDS

Choir Directors, James M. Stephenson, W. C. Wickum  
Organist, Mary Lou Lovell  
Candlelighter, Stefanie Stoner  
Greeters, Mary Seeley, Della Dove  
Ushers, Youth Fellowship

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we have your name and address in the guest book in  
the vestibule? We urge you to visit us again!

OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINISTRY

TODAY 7:00 Lenten Service. Bible study sub-  
ject: "The Key to Spiritual Heal-  
ing."

TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group at parsonage.

WEDNESDAY 9:30 Sewing Day at church until 2:00.

NEXT SUNDAY 9:15 Church School.  
10:45 Palm Sunday Worship. Distribution  
of palms. Message: "Naked  
Brother." Mark 14:32-52.  
7:00 Evening Service. Message: "Key  
to Eternal Life."

The rose on the altar is in honor of Allison Marie  
Richards, daughter of Jon and Kathy Richards, of  
Grand Junction, Colorado. She was born April 2, at  
7:00 a.m., and she weighed 7 pounds, 2 ounces. We  
extend our congratulations to her parents, and to  
grandparents John and Mary Helen Richards! We are  
proud to share in their joy.



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THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
101 NORTH FRANKLIN STREET  
DELAWARE, OHIO  
PALM SUNDAY  
APRIL 15, 1981

James B. Stephenson, pastor  
Pam Faulk, assisting

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PLEASE BE SILENT IN THE SANCTUARY. SOMEONE SITTING  
NEAR YOU CAME TO PRAY.

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE "Proclamation for Palm Sunday" (Branscombe)  
CALL TO WORSHIP

\*HYMN, #148 "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

\*INVOCATION unison

Our Father, as on this day we celebrate Jesus' entry  
into Jerusalem, so grant that He may ever triumph in  
our hearts. Let the King of Grace and Glory enter  
in, that we may praise and follow Him. We pray as He  
taught us, saying,

\*LORD'S PRAYER

\*GLORIA PATRI

A RESPONSIVE SCRIPTURE READING #625

CONFESSION OF SINS

Most Holy and Merciful Father; we confess to You and  
to one another, and to the whole communion of saints  
in heaven and on earth, that we have sinned by our  
own fault, in thought, word and deed; by what we have  
done, and by what we have left undone; forgive us  
through the Cross of Jesus Christ, and restore us to  
a right fellowship with one another, and with Thee.

WORDS OF PARDON

MEN'S TRIO

MORNING PRAYERS

CHILDREN'S CHOIR "Hosanna, Hallelujah!" (Avery)

BLESSING OF CHILDREN

NEW TESTAMENT READING Mark 11:32-52

ANTHEM "Ride on, O King, Ride on" (L. Smith)

FAMILY CONCERNS

OFFERTORY "Walking with the Master" (Landon)

\*RESPONSE Doxology

MESSAGE "Naked Brother"

\*HYMN, #354 "I Am Thine, O Lord"

\*BENEDICTION & ALLELUIA

POSTLUDE

\*CONGREGATION STANDS

Choir Directors, James M. Stephenson, W.C. Wickum  
Organist, Mary Lou Lovell  
Children's Choir Director, Mary Lou Lovell  
Greeters, Lana and Jerry Palmer  
Candlelighter, Cameron Piatt  
Ushers, Youth Fellowship

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Night falls, but daybreak  
Always follows after.  
Long winter storms at last  
Give way to spring.  
Sunshine and rain combine  
Like tears and laughter  
To make the rainbow  
Of God's promising.  
-Marion Holden

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MONDAY - 7:00 Parish Council

TUESDAY - Healing Group with VanBrimmers.

WEDNESDAY - 7:45 Lenten Breakfast at Holiday Inn.

- 9:30 - 2:00 Sewing Day at church.

- 7:00 Choir Rehearsal.

THURSDAY - 7:30 Maundy Thursday Communion in  
Fellowship Hall.

FRIDAY - 1:00 Community Service at St. Marys.

EASTER DAY

8:00 am Early Service in Sanctuary, followed by  
breakfast in Fellowship Hall.

9:30 Church School Classes.

10:45 Easter Worship. Special music. Message:  
"First Witness." Read John 1-18.

(Remember your secret advent friend!)

**“Not my will, but thine, be done.”**

**Luke 22:42**





THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
101 NORTH FRANKLIN STREET  
DELAWARE, OHIO  
MAY 6, 1984

James B. Stephenson  
minister  
Beth Trigg  
assisting

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am  
PRELUDE "Spring Song" (York)  
THE CALL TO WORSHIP  
\*HYMN, #331 "He's Got the Whole World"  
\*INVOCATION unison  
Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open and all  
desires known, cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by  
the inspiration of Thy Holy Spirit, that we may per-  
fectly love Thee, and worthily magnify Thy Holy Name;  
through Jesus Christ, who taught us to pray, saying,  
\*LORD'S PRAYER  
\*GLORIA PATRI  
AN OLD TESTAMENT READING #608  
ANTHEM "As Breathes the Wind" (Reese)  
MORNING PRAYERS  
BLESSING OF CHILDREN  
OFFERTORY "The King of Love" (Wilson)  
\*RESPONSE Doxology  
MESSAGE "Beginning Again"  
FUNDING OUR FUTURE & FELLOWSHIP OFFERING  
"The Lord Is Gracious" (Bell)  
\*COMMUNION HYMN, #213 "Let Us Break Bread Together"  
HOLY COMMUNION  
\*HYMN, #385 "Take My Life"  
\*BENEDICTION & ALLELUIA  
POSTLUDE "Toccata" (Dubois)  
\*CONGREGATION STANDS

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Organist, Mary Lou Lovell  
Greeters, Bob & Virginia Houston  
Candlelighter, Victor Fogle  
Ushers, Youth Fellowship

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On Sunday, May 6, at 2:00p.m. a walking tour of organs  
will be given. It will include organists and instru-  
mentalists from six local churches. A fifteen minute  
recital will be played by the organist of their own  
church. The tour will be at First Presbyterian Church  
at 2p.m., followed by St. Peter's Episcopal Church,  
William Street United Methodist Church, Zion United  
Church of Christ, First Baptist Church, and Asbury  
United Methodist Church. We are pleased that our church  
will be a part of the tour this year and hope that you  
will attend. The section of the recital at First Baptist  
is scheduled for 3:45p.m.

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We welcome visitors to our worship today. May we have  
your name and address in our guest book in the vesti-  
bule? And we cordially invite you to be with us again!

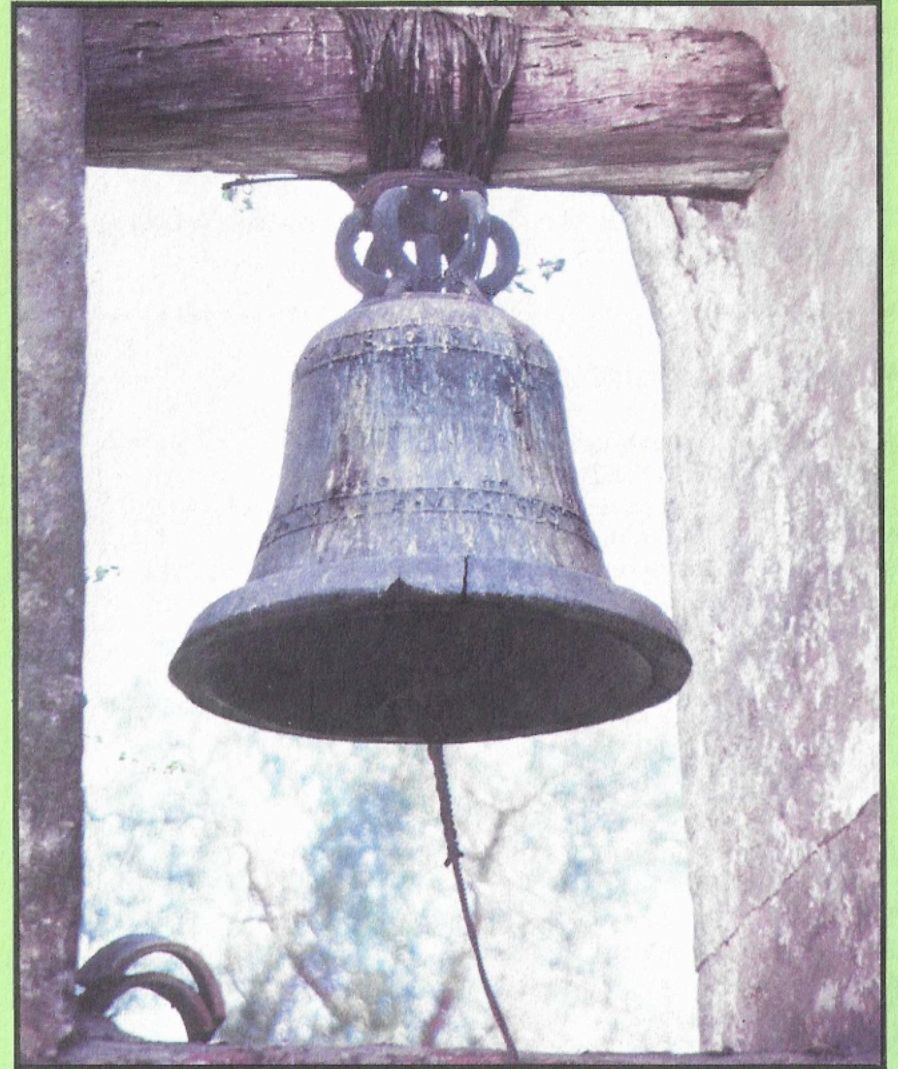
#### OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINISTRY

TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group.  
WEDNESDAY 9:30 Sewing Day at Church. Bring sack  
lunch. Finish at 2:00.  
7:00 Choir Rehearsal.  
NEXT SUNDAY 9:15 Church School Classes.  
10:45 American Baptist Women's Sunday.  
Message by Carrie Bell Brown,  
Director of Dayton Christian  
Center.  
11:45 Covered dish dinner for all in  
Fellowship Hall.

THE GOOD NEWS LETTER will publish next Sunday. All  
material must be at the church office no later than  
Wednesday night.

DO NOT FEAR, ONLY BELIEVE. (Luke 8:50)

ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE TO HIM WHO BELIEVES. (Mark 9:23)



***This word is the Good News  
that was proclaimed to you.***

***1 Peter 1:25 (TEV)***



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
101 NORTH FRANKLIN STREET  
DELAWARE, OHIO  
JUNE 3, 1984

James B. Stephenson, minister  
Larry Faulk, assisting

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Please be silent in the Sanctuary. Someone sitting  
near you came to pray.

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE "Adoration" (Simone)

A MOMENT OF MEDITATION

\*HYMN, #350 "Open My Eyes that I May See"

\*INVOCATION unison

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all  
desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid;  
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspir-  
ation of Thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly  
love Thee, and worthily magnify Thy Holy Name.

\*LORD'S PRAYER

\*GLORIA PATRI

OLD TESTAMENT READING #656

ANTHEM "O Could I Speak" (Perkins)

MORNING PRAYERS & BLESSING OF CHILDREN

A PRESENTATION

OFFERTORY "Litany" (Schubert)

\*RESPONSE Doxology

SOLO "Sincerely Yours" (Chapman) Janet Porter

MESSAGE "A New You"

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING "Like the Master" (Gabriel)

\*HYMN, #220 "Break Thou the Bread of Life"

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

\*HYMN, #321 "Savior like a Shepherd"

\*BENEDICTION

\*ALLELUIA

POSTLUDE "Voluntary in A" (Purcell)

\*CONGREGATION STANDS

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have your name and address in our guest book in the  
vestibule?

Choir Directors, James M. Stephenson, W.C. Wickum  
Organist, Mary Lou Lovell  
Accompanist for solo, Betty Porter  
Candlelighter, Cameron Piatt  
Ushers, Youth Fellowship

The rose in the chancel is in honor of Emily Ann  
Chaney, new daughter of Carey Beth and Donald Chaney.  
Emily was born May 26, 9:02pm, at Riverside Hospital.  
She weighed seven pounds, fourteen ounces. Will and  
Carol Fogle are grandparents. Congratulations to the  
happy family!

#### OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE

TODAY 4:00 Installation Service for Rev. Robert  
Rutbell as pastor of the Radnor  
Baptist Church.  
7:00 Bible Study and worship looking  
forward to Pentecost.  
7:45 Board of Christian Education.

TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group at the parsonage.

WEDNESDAY 9:30 - 2:00 Sewing Day at church. Sack  
lunch.  
6:30 Choir Rehearsal.

NXT SUNDAY 10:00 Summer Worship. No Church School.

Congratulations to Michael Grubbs upon his graduation  
from Hayes High School.

Cap and Myrtle Gabriel are celebrating their 60th  
wedding anniversary tomorrow. Our blessings and  
best wishes go out to them! God bless you both!

This is Janet Porter's last Sunday with us before  
going to Judson Hills for a summer of service with  
youth. Best wishes for a happy experience!



*We love because God first loved us.*

1 John 4:19 (TEV)



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
101 NORTH FRANKLIN STREET  
DELAWARE, OHIO  
CHILDREN'S DAY, June 10, '84  
PENTECOST

James B. Stephenson, minister  
Children of the Church, assisting

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:00a.m.

PRELUDE "I've Found a Friend" (Graham)  
CALL TO WORSHIP  
\*HYMN, #337 "I Would Be True"  
\*INVOCATION Deborah Lovell  
\*GLORIA PATRI  
\*LORD'S PRAYER  
OLD TESTAMENT READING #598 Stefanie Stoner  
ANTHEM "Where the Holy Spirit Dwells" (Hughes)  
PRESENTATION OF BIBLES  
PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES Linda White  
CHILDREN'S CHOIR "Come as a Child," (Yanti)  
CHILDREN'S SERMON Jean Wickum  
LITANY Cicily Judd  
PRAYER Sue Elfner  
OFFERTORY "Holy Spirit" (Hegarty)  
Charity Piatt  
\*DOXOLOGY  
NEW TESTAMENT READING Mark 10:13-16  
Jennifer Porter  
MESSAGE "The Child Self"  
\*HYMN, #391 "We Are Climbing"  
\*BENEDICTION  
\*ALLELUIA  
POSTLUDE "Austrian Hymn" (Haydn)  
\*CONGREGATION STANDS

Choir Directors, W.C. Wickum, James M. Stephenson  
Organist, Mary Lou Lovell  
Greeters, David & Matthew Lovell  
Archie & Jarrod Trigg  
Ushers, Will & Victor Fogle  
Lynn & Nathan Elfner

WELCOME to the First Baptist Church. We are strengthened by your presence and we trust that you feel the strengthening presence of God in our midst. If you do not have a church home, we invite you to prayerfully consider making our church your home.

#### OPPORTUNITIES

TODAY 7:00 Evening Worship and Bible Study.  
Subject is the Holy Spirit.  
TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group at parsonage.  
WEDNESDAY 9:30 Sewing at the church. Close at  
2:00. Bring sack lunch.  
NEXT SUNDAY 10:00 Father's Day. New Testament  
Baptism.

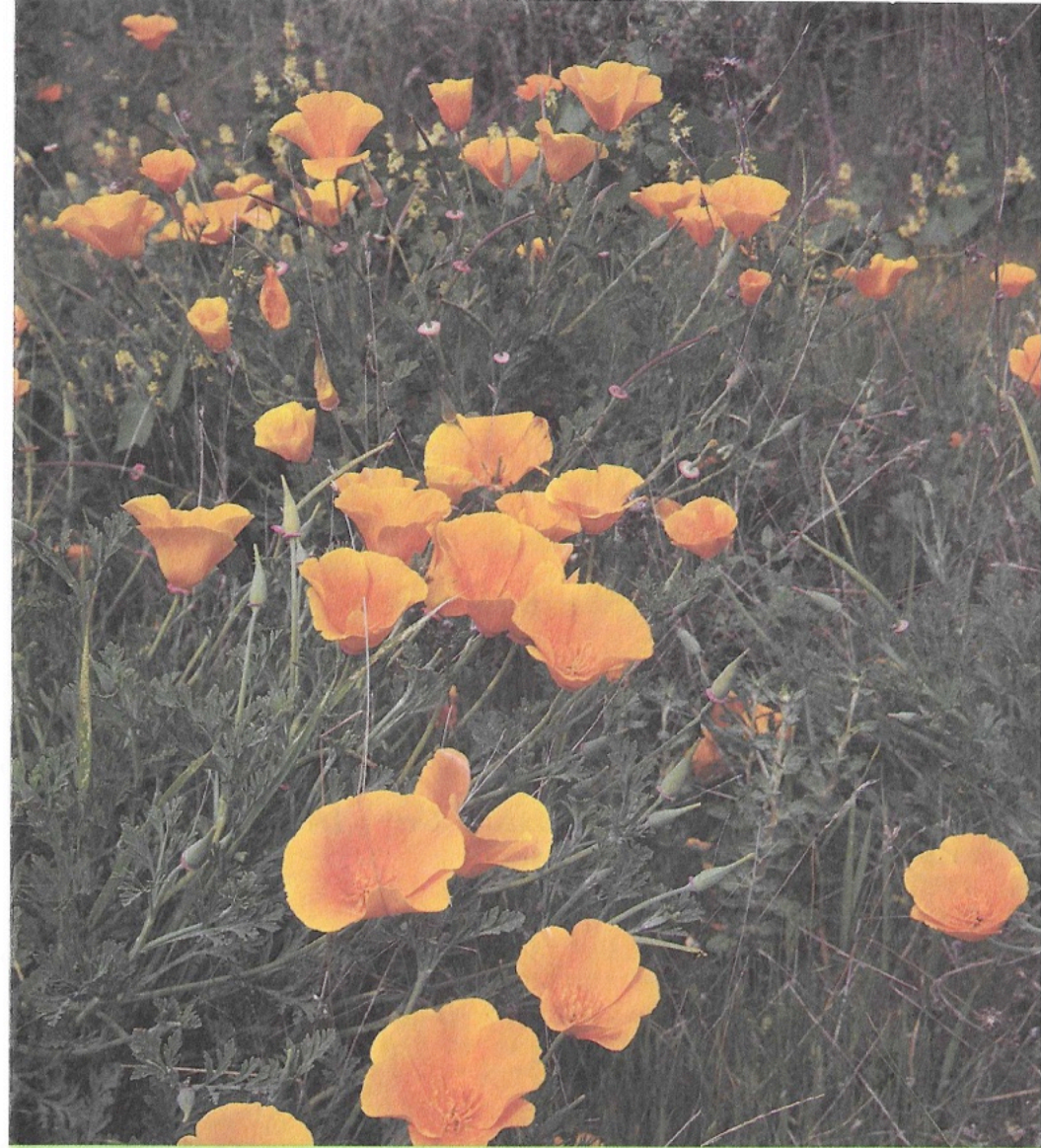
We are happy to have our worship led by the children of our congregation. We appreciate the efforts of our fine teachers.

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I am not sure what thoughts trees think,  
Since they don't put them down in ink,  
But clearly they are not the kind  
That jog and jostle in my mind;  
Trees live with such a gentle ease.  
I wish that I could think like trees;  
I wish that like a tree I might  
Grow always only toward the light,  
And had no need to run about  
The world to seek my meaning out -  
But if I could think like a tree,  
I wonder if I would not see  
My meaning comes from being me!  
James Dillet Freeman

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Receiving Bibles today are Nathan Elfner, Cameron Piatt, Jarrod Trigg, and Victor Fogle.



**Think about what God has done.**

Ecclesiastes 7:13 (TEV)



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
101 NORTH FRANKLIN STREET  
DELAWARE, OHIO  
FATHERS' DAY, JUNE 17, 1984

James B. Stephenson  
minister  
James VanBrimmer  
assisting

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Please be silent in the Sanctuary,  
someone sitting near you came to pray.

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:00a.m.

PRELUDE "Sonatina" (Clementi) Michael Ekelberry  
CALL TO WORSHIP  
\*HYMN, #58 "This Is My Father's World"  
\*INVOCATION  
\*LORD'S PRAYER  
\*GLORIA PATRI  
A FATHERS' DAY READING #630  
PIANO SOLO "Andante from Sonata One" (Mozart)  
Alison Grubbs  
MORNING PRAYERS  
BLESSING OF CHILDREN  
SOLO "Father Lift Me Up" (Honeytree) Karen Stoner  
MESSAGE "Children of the Universe"  
OFFERTORY "More Love to Thee" (Hegarty)  
\*HYMN, #165 "Give of Your Best to the Master"  
SERVICE OF NEW TESTAMENT BAPTISM  
\*HYMN, #323 "My Father Is Rich"  
\*BENEDICTION  
\*ALLELUIA  
POSTLUDE "Festival" (Price)  
\*CONGREGATION STANDS

WE INVITE EVERYONE to join in the fellowship hour  
in the Assembly Room immediately after the worship.

We welcome visitors to our worship this morning.  
May we have your name and address in the guest book  
in the vestibule? We invite you to consider making  
this your church home.

Organist, Mary Lou Lovell  
Choir Directors, W. C. Wickum, James M. Stephenson  
Candlelighter, Victor Fogle  
Ushers, Youth Fellowship

Receiving New Testament Baptism: Michael Ekelberry,  
Alison Grubbs, and Stefanie Stoner. You are invited  
to greet them in the Assembly Room during the fellow-  
ship hour.

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

- TODAY 11:00 Fellowship in the Assembly Room.
- TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group. Place to be announced.
- WEDNESDAY 9:30 a.m. Sewing at the church until 2:00. Bring sack lunch.
- THURSDAY 6:30 Women's Society picnic with the VanBrimmers. Covered dish. Bring lawn chair.

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I have a rendezvous with youth.  
My soul is ever young;  
I hear no evil with my ears,  
Or voice it with my tongue.  
I see no evil with my eyes;  
No evil thoughts assail.  
I have a rendezvous with youth,  
And love and joy prevail.  
And so with all the changing years  
My own shall come to me.  
I have a rendezvous with youth;  
"The best is yet to be."

- Wilmet L. Cummings

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BEST WISHES TO THE FATHERS WHO WORSHIP WITH US TODAY!!!



*We all are  
the work of  
thy hand.*  
Isaiah 64:8 (KJV)





THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
101 N. Franklin St.  
Delaware, Ohio

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June 24, 1984

James B. Stephenson - minister  
Ted D. Stephenson - guest speaker

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10am

PRELUDE "Holy Spirit, Faithful Guide" Hughes  
CALL TO WORSHIP  
\*HYMN #67 "Fairest Lord Jesus"  
\*INVOCATION  
\*LORD'S PRAYER  
OLD TESTAMENT READING #603  
MORNING PRAYERS  
BLESSING OF CHILDREN  
SOLO "In the Hollow of Your Hand" Schmidt  
          Jeanne Ekelberry  
OFFERTORY "A Prayer for the Home" Braughton  
\*RESPONSE Doxology  
NEW TESTAMENT READING Philippians 4:11-13  
MESSAGE "Learn From Your Weaknesses"  
\*HYMN #191 "Spirit of God"  
\*BENEDICTION  
\*ALLELUIA  
POSTLUDE "March Romaine" Gounod

(\*congregation stands)

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Organist for Today - Betty Porter  
Organist - Mary Lou Lovell  
Choir Directors - W.C. Wickum and Jim Stephenson  
Candlelighter - Deborah Lovell  
Ushers- Youth Fellowship

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in the vestibule? We invite you to consider making  
this your church home.

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Tuesday 7:30pm Healing Group. Place to be  
announced.  
Wednesday 9:30am Sewing at the church until 2:00.  
Bring a sack lunch.  
7:00pm Choir rehearsal

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We welcome Rev. Ted Stephenson to our worship service  
this morning. He is the minister of the Church of  
the Master in Indianapolis, Indiana.

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Lord may I live  
on tiptoe  
expecting blessings  
in childlike wonder,  
Seeing You everywhere  
in the commonplace.  
So I laugh  
for pure joy,  
approaching each day  
like a picnic  
so I feel good  
being near You,  
Seeking Your presence  
like a flower  
opening up  
to the sun.

Luther Cross

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Notes:



**"Peace I leave with you."** John 14:25

*Aug. 84*

*by Stefania  
Kaye Stover*



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
101 NORTH FRANKLIN STREET  
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JULY 8, 1984

James B. Stephenson  
minister  
Marjorie Smale  
assisting

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Use all your hidden forces. Do not miss  
The purpose of this life, and do not wait  
For circumstance to mould or change your fate.  
In your own self is destiny. Let this  
Vast truth cast out all fear, all prejudice,  
All hesitation. Know that you are great,  
Great with divinity. So dominate environment.  
Once let the spiritual laws be understood,  
Material things must answer and obey.

- Ella Wheeler Wilcox

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:00a.m.

PRELUDE "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind" (Blake)

CALL TO WORSHIP

\*HYMN, #48 "O God Our Help in Ages Past"

\*INVOCATION unison

Almighty God, our Father and Mother, we come to  
you in joy and thanksgiving. We praise you for  
your beautiful earth, for your children, for all  
the living creatures. Increase our love for you  
and for one another. Fill us with your Holy  
Spirit. We pray as your Son Jesus taught us,

\*LORD'S PRAYER

\*GLORIA PATRI

A SCRIPTURE READING #607

SOLO "What a Wonderful World" (Weese-Douglas)

W. C. Wickum

MORNING PRAYERS

Invitation to Prayer

Prayer Hymn, #312 (seated)

Prayers

Blessing of Children

OFFERTORY "With Peace in My Soul" (Paxyon)

\*RESPONSE Doxology

MESSAGE "The WAY to Prayer"

\*HYMN, #339 "More about Jesus"

\*BENEDICTION

\*ALLELUIA

POSTLUDE "A Tune for the Trumpets" (Bach)

\*CONGREGATION STANDS

Choir Directors, W.C. Wickum, James M. Stephenson  
Organist, Mary Lou Lovell  
Organist for Today, Betty J. Porter  
Ushers, Youth Fellowship  
Greeters, Lynn & Sue Elfner

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We are happy to have visitors with us in our worship.  
May we have your name and address in our guest book  
in the vestibule? If you do not have a church-home in  
Delaware, we invite you to consider becoming a part  
of our Christian fellowship. Here you will find the  
freedom to become the person you were meant to be.

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OPPORTUNITIES

TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group at the parsonage, 632  
Congress Court.

WEDNESDAY 9:30 Sewing Day at the Church until  
2:00p.m. Bring sack lunch.

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And whatever you ask in prayer, you will receive, if  
you have faith. (Matthew 21:22)

All things are possible to him who believes. (Mark 9:23)

Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask in prayer,  
believe that you have received it, and you will.

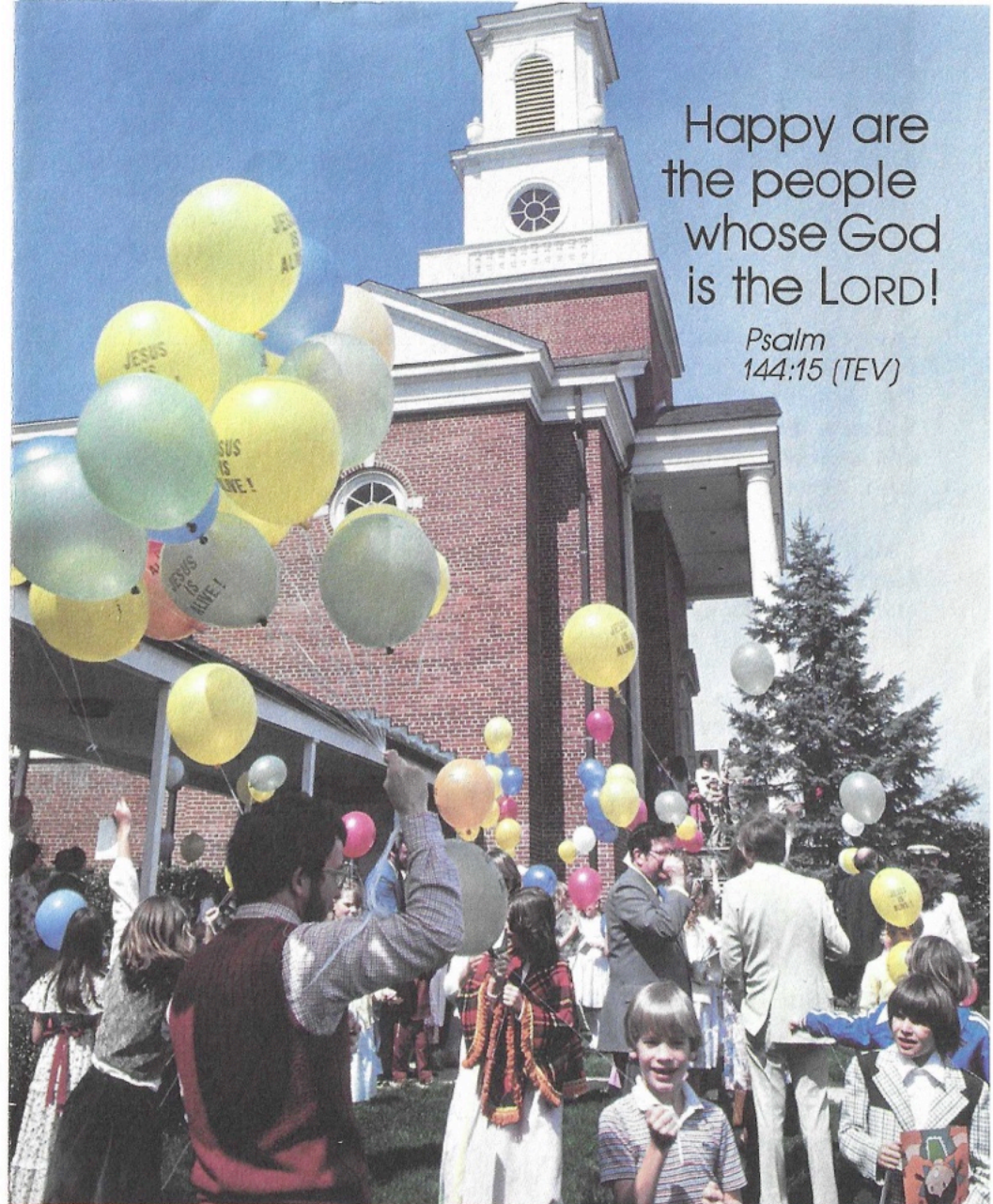
(Mark 11:14)

Do not fear, only believe. (Luke 8:58)

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Happy are  
the people  
whose God  
is the LORD!

*Psalm  
144:15 (TEV)*



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
101 N. FRANKLIN STREET  
DELAWARE, OHIO  
JULY 15, 1984

James M. Stephenson  
    assisting  
James B. Stephenson  
    minister

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Every day I can make the choice  
To take the happy outlook, the positive view,  
The judgment that is spiritually true.  
I don't have to look with worry-eyes,  
And voice concern and fear  
Over events as they appear.

I can consciously choose to see the good,  
To look for God in all I do,  
And know that God's at work in me,  
In you, and in and through every activity.

I can make the choice!  
The God of love designed it so,  
And in that freedom I can grow  
To trust Him, to choose His way,  
To work with Him throughout the day  
And joyously share  
In God's love and care for all creation.

Thank You, God, for Your trust in me  
That lets this miracle be -  
I can make the choice!

- Dorothy Pierson

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:00

PRELUDE "Let the Lower Lights Be Burning (Livingston)  
CALL TO WORSHIP  
\*HYMN, #43 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"  
\*INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER  
\*GLORIA PATRI  
A SCRIPTURE READING #660  
SOLO "Depend on Me" Suzanne Grubbs (Michaels)

MORNING PRAYERS  
BLESSING OF CHILDREN  
OFFERTORY "Gentle, Holy Savior" (Gounod)  
\*RESPONSE "Praise the Lord! Hymn #17  
SERMON "Model A Instruction Book"  
\*HYMN, #267 "Out of My Bondage"  
\*BENEDICTION  
\*ALLELUIA  
POSTLUDE "The Power and the Glory"

\* Congregation stands

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Choir Directors, W.C. Wickum, James M. Stephenson  
Organist, Mary Lou Lovell  
Organist for Today, Betty J. Porter  
Accompanist for Solo, Alison Grubbs  
Ushers, Youth Fellowship

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OPPORTUNITIES

MONDAY 7:00 Parish Council.  
8:00 Finance Committee.

TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group at the parsonage.

WEDNESDAY 9:30 (a.m.) Sewing day at the church.  
Conclude at 2:00.

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IDEAS TO TAKE HOME AND USE . . .



In everything you do, put God first.  
*Proverbs 3:6 (The Living Bible)*



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
101 NORTH FRANKLIN STREET  
DELAWARE, OHIO  
JULY 22, 1984

Suzanne Grubbs, assisting  
James B. Stephenson, pastor

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Please be silent in the Sanctuary. Someone sitting  
near you came to pray.

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:00am.

PRELUDE "Morning Supplication" (Connie Dexter)  
CALL TO WORSHIP  
\*HYMN, #187 "Breathe On Me, Breath of God"  
\*INVOCATION unison  
\*Almighty God, we thank You for this day; we thank  
you for each other as we worship you. Fill us with  
your Spirit, fill us with Your love. Guide us all  
week and teach us to follow Your Son, Jesus Christ  
our Lord. We pray as He taught us, saying,  
\*LORD'S PRAYER  
\*GLORIA PATRI  
\*TIME OF FELLOWSHIP  
OLD TESTAMENT READING #592  
\*HYMN, #288 "Amazing Grace"  
NEW TESTAMENT READING Mark 1:32-39  
MORNING PRAYERS  
BLESSING OF CHILDREN Carol Fogle  
OFFERTORY "Pastorale" (Cecile Chaminade)  
\*HYMN, #417 "What a Fellowship"  
SERMON "Sky-People"  
\*HYMN, #318 "Trust and Obey"  
\*BENEDICTION  
\*ALLELUIA  
POSTLUDE "Psalm of Glory" (Lani Smith)

\* CONGREGATION STANDS

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We welcome visitors to our worship today. Do you  
have a spiritual home in Delaware? If not, you may  
find our fellowship a place where you can grow in  
the life of the Spirit.

Choir Directors, James M. Stephenson, W. C. Wickum  
Organist, Mary Lou Lovell  
Candlelighter, Charity Piatt  
Ushers, Youth Fellowship

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TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group at parsonage.

WEDNESDAY 9:30 Sewing Day at the church until  
2:00. Bring sack lunch.

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God, as a stream must seek the sea  
I have to seek you constantly.  
I seem to take an aimless course,  
But I am driven by a force  
That will not let me rest or stray;  
I have to be upon your way,  
And am not halted by the shocks  
Of time or life's ten thousand rocks.  
Yet like a stream meandering  
I run, and while I run I sing,  
And pray that one or two along  
The way I take may like my song  
And one or two athirst may slake  
Their thirst in me; and so I make  
My way across eternity  
To you, O God, as to the sea

- James Dillet Freeman

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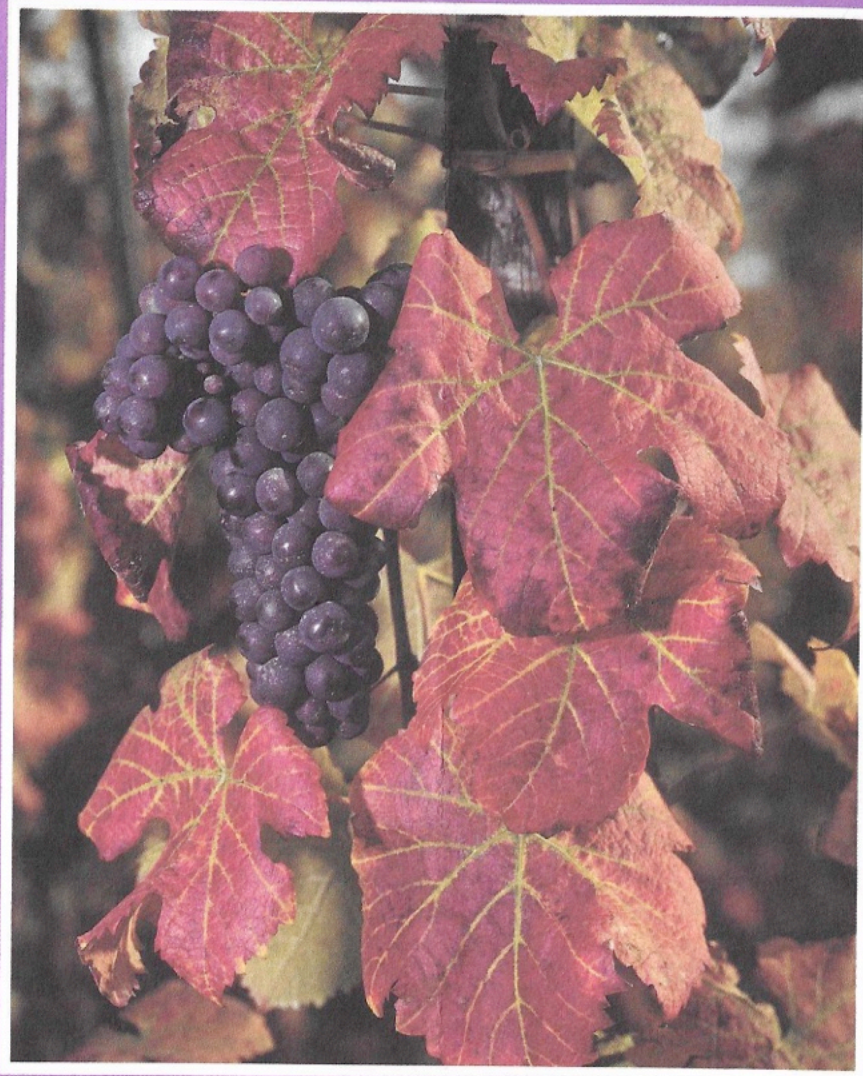
The midsummer business meeting will be held after  
worship next Sunday (11am.) Plan to remain for it!

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Have you signed up in the vestibule to help with the  
coffee hour two weeks from today?

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Have a happy, glorious, light-hearted, singing,  
praising week!



**“Drink of it, all of you.”**

**Matthew 26:27**



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
101 NORTH FRANKLIN STREET  
DELAWARE, OHIO  
AUGUST 5, 1984

James B. Stephenson  
minister  
Beth Trigg  
assisting

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Please be silent in the Sanctuary. Someone sitting  
near you came to pray.

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ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE TO HIM WHO BELIEVES!  
Mark 9:23

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:00am

PRELUDE "Prelude in C" (Haydn)  
CALL TO WORSHIP

\*HYMN, #1 "Holy, Holy, Holy"  
\*INVOCATION unison

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all  
desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid;  
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspir-  
ation of Thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly  
love Thee and worthily magnify Thy Holy Name;  
through Jesus Christ who taught us to pray saying,

\*LORD'S PRAYER  
\*GLORIA PATRI

A SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 7:21-27

ANTHEM "If I Have Wounded any Soul" (Roberts)

MORNING PRAYERS

BLESSING OF CHILDREN

OFFERTORY "Air and Variation" (Beethoven)

\*HYMN, #398 "I Come to the Garden"

SERMON "Permanent Principles that  
Always Work!"

FELLOWSHIP OFFERING "Peace" (Roberts)

\*COMMUNION HYMN, #213 "Let Us Break Bread"

HOLY COMMUNION

\*HYMN, #32 "How Great Thou Art"

\*BENEDICTION

\*ALLELUIA

POSTLUDE "Voluntary in A minor" (Purcell)

\*Congregation stands

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ORGANIST, Mary Lou Lovell

CHOIR DIRECTORS, W.C. Wickum, James M. Stephenson

GREETERS, Virginia & Robert Houston

CANDLELIGHTER, Deborah Lovell

USHERS, Youth Fellowship

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name and address in the guest book in the vestibule?  
If you do not have a church home in Delaware, we in-  
vite you to consider becoming part of our Fellowship.

We invite everyone to remain after worship for a social  
hour in the Assembly Room.

TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group at Parsonage.

WEDNESDAY 9:30 - 2:00 Sewing at the church.

You are invited to attend a baby shower for Mary  
Sealey next Sunday, 2-4pm, at the Elfners, 29  
Darlington.

The midsummer newsletter will be published next Sun-  
day. Deadline for submission of materials is Wed-  
nesday.

BIRTHDAYS - ANNIVERSARIES

August 7	Jennifer Porter
" 8	James VanBrimmer
" 9	Steve Stoner
" 11	Frances Belt
" 14	Rick & Barbara VanBrimmer

A complete list will be in the newsletter.



“Go therefore and make disciples  
of all nations.” Matthew 28:19

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
101 NORTH FRANKLIN STREET  
DELAWARE, OHIO  
AUGUST 19, 1984

James B. Stephenson  
minister

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Please be silent in the Sanctuary. Someone sitting  
near you came to pray.

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Faith, which may begin  
as tenuous filaments of hope  
connecting us to God,  
becomes a braided rope  
strengthened by each test  
until we know the bond cannot be broken;  
and each answered prayer  
is token  
of the union we all seek-  
the substance of our hope  
made manifest.

- Jean M. Langerman

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:00am

PRELUDE "Sonatina" (Bach) from 'God's Time is the  
Best'

CALL TO WORSHIP

\*HYMN, #200 "Church's One Foundation"

\*INVOCATION

\*LORD'S PRAYER

\*GLORIA PATRI

A TIME OF FELLOWSHIP

A SCRIPTURE READING #620

MORNING PRAYERS

BLESSING OF CHILDREN

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY "Offertory in E" (Dubois)

\*HYMN, #209 "Glorious Things"

SERMON "How to Go to Church"

\*HYMN, #203 "I Love Thy Kingdom"

\*BENEDICTION

\*ALLELUIA

POSTLUDE "With Trumpets and Horns" (Handel)

\* CONGREGATION STANDS

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Choir Directors, James M. Stephenson, W.C. Wickum

Greeters, Lynn & Sue Elfner

Ushers, Youth Fellowship

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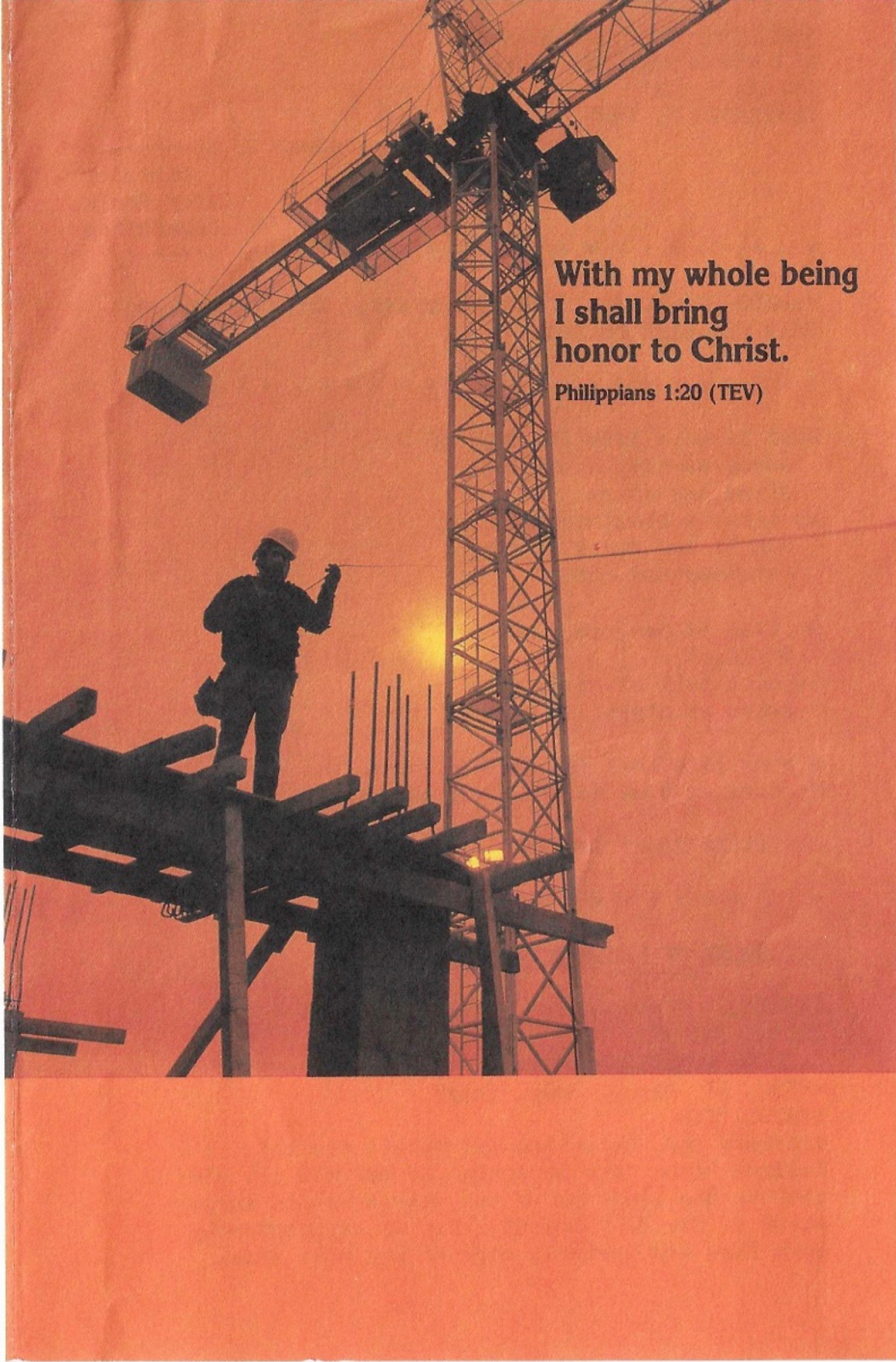
MONDAY 7:00 Finance Committee at the church.

TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group at the parsonage.

WEDNESDAY 9:30 Sewing at the church until 2:00.  
Bring sack lunch.

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NOTES TO TAKE HOME-



**With my whole being  
I shall bring  
honor to Christ.**

Philippians 1:20 (TEV)



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
101 NORTH FRANKLIN STREET  
DELAWARE, OHIO  
SEPTEMBER 2, 1984

James B. Stephenson  
minister  
Larry Faulk  
assisting

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PLEASE BE SILENT IN THE SANCTUARY. SOMEONE SITTING  
NEAR YOU CAME TO PRAY.

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What is this life if, full of  
care, we have no time to  
stand and stare.  
No time to stand beneath the  
boughs and stare as long  
as sheep and cows.

No time to see, in broad  
daylight,  
Streams full of stars like  
skies at night.

A poor life this if, full of care,  
We have no time to stand and stare.

- William Henry Davies

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:00a.m.

PRELUDE "Intermezzo" (P. Mascagni)  
CHORAL INTROIT  
CALL TO WORSHIP  
\*HYMN, #1 "Holy, Holy, Holy"  
\*INVOCATION

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all  
desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid;  
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspir-  
ation of Thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly  
love Thee and worthily magnify Thy holy name,

through Jesus Christ, who taught us to pray, saying,  
\*LORD'S PRAYER  
\*GLORIA PATRI  
A SCRIPTURE READING #663  
ANTHEM "Good Is So Good" (R. Hughes)  
MORNING PRAYERS  
BLESSING OF CHILDREN  
A SPECIAL MESSAGE  
OFFERTORY "'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus" (Rasley)  
\*RESPONSE Doxology  
SOLO "God Lives in My Heart" W.C. Wickum (O'Hara)  
MESSAGE "Words with/without Meaning"  
FELLOWSHIP OFFERING "At Rest with Thee" (Hesse)  
\*HYMN, #213 "Let Us Break Bread Together"  
THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION  
\*HYMN, #91 "Jesus Thou Joy"  
\*BENEDICTION  
\*ALLELUIA  
POSTLUDE "God Is Our Refuge" (B. Price)

\* Congregation stands

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Everyone is invited to the coffee hour following wor-  
ship in the Assembly Room.

The rose in the chancel is in honor of the new daughter  
of Mary and Steven Sealey. She was born August 30,  
at 7:47p.m., in Riverside Hospital. She weighed six  
pounds, 2 ounces, and is 19 $\frac{1}{2}$  inches long. We offer our  
congratulations and best wishes to the happy family!  
God is giving them his richest blessings!

TUESDAY - 7:30 Healing Group at parsonage.  
WEDNESDAY - 9:30 Sewing at church; Choir Rehearsal at  
6:30 p.m.  
FRIDAY - SUNDAY Retreat at Judson Hills. No service  
here.



***Let everything that you do be done in love.***  
***1 Corinthians 16:14 (Phillips)***



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
101 NORTH FRANKLIN STREET  
DELAWARE, OHIO  
SEPTEMBER 30, 1984

James B. Stephenson  
minister

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PLEASE BE SILENT IN THE SANCTUARY. SOMEONE SITTING  
NEAR YOU CAME TO PRAY.  
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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45a.m.

PRELUDE "We Walk by Faith" (Frick)  
CALL TO WORSHIP  
\*HYMN, #17 "Praise the Lord!"  
\*INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER  
\*GLORIA PATRI  
A SCRIPTURE READING #605  
ANTHEM "The Heavens Are Declaring" (Beethoven)  
PRAYERS OF CONFESSION & RENEWAL

Invitation to prayer  
Prayers of confession (unison)  
Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned  
against You in thought, word, and deed; by what we  
have done, and by what we have not done. We are  
truly sorry, and we humbly repent. For the sake  
of Your son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and  
forgive us; that we may delight in Your will, and  
walk in Your ways.

Assurance of pardon  
A NEW TESTAMENT READING Luke 19:1-10

MORNING PRAYERS  
BLESSING OF CHILDREN  
ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY "Andante" (Wely)  
\*RESPONSE The Doxology  
SERMON "Stress to Strength"  
\*HYMN, #372 "Have Thine Own Way, Lord"  
\*BENEDICTION  
\*ALLELUIA  
POSTLUDE "Postlude by Haydn"

\* CONGREGATION STANDS

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name and address in the guest book in the vestibule?  
If you do not have a church home in Delaware, we sug-  
gest you consider our fellowship.

OPPORTUNITIES

TODAY 5:30 Deacons at the church.  
7:00 "Mastering Fear, Stress, & Anxiety."  
First of three Sunday night sessions,  
ending at 9p.m.  
TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group at the parsonage.  
WEDNESDAY 9:30 Sewing Day at church. Ends at 2:00.  
Bring sack lunch.  
7:00 Choir Rehearsal.  
NXT SUNDAY 9:15 Church School Classes for all ages.  
10:45 Morning Worship. World Wide Communion.  
World Fellowship Offering.  
7:00 Stress Workshop continued.

The GOOD NEWS LETTER will be published next Sunday.  
All contributions must be turned in to Steve no later  
than Monday. Please do not ask for extension of time!

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Sometimes I think how little I know me.  
I am the unexplored, for the most part;  
I stand, as it were, on the edge of a wide sea,  
And the sea I gaze upon is my own heart.

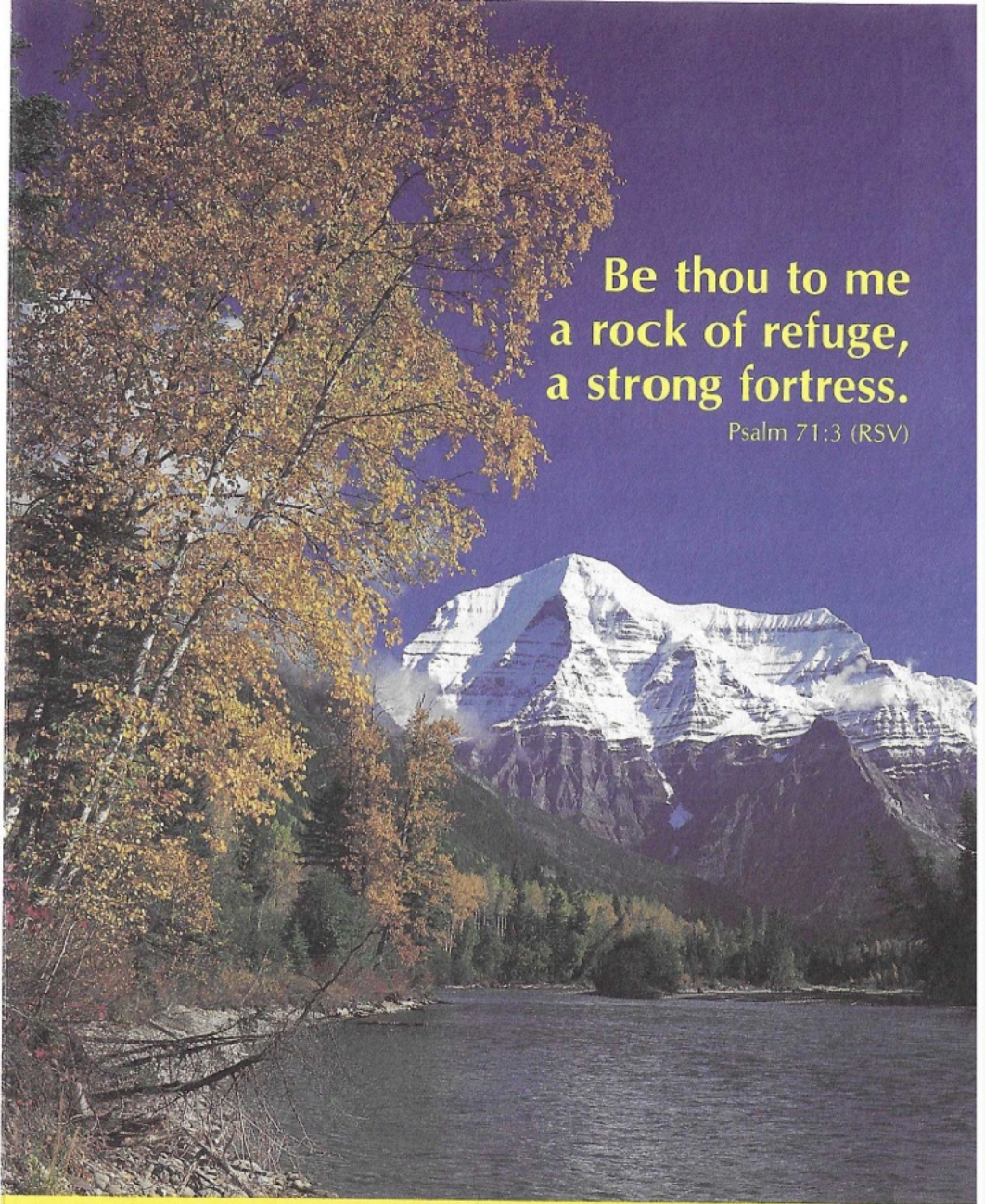
- James Dillet Freeman

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Choir Directors, James M. Stephenson, W.C. Wickum  
Organist, Mary Lou Lovell  
Organist for Today, Betty Porter  
Candlelighter, Jarrod Trigg  
Ushers, Youth Fellowship

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YOU will keep in perfect peace, him whose mind is  
stayed on You, because he trusts in You. (Isaiah 26:3)



**Be thou to me  
a rock of refuge,  
a strong fortress.**

Psalm 71:3 (RSV)





THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
101 NORTH FRANKLIN STREET  
DELAWARE, OHIO  
OCTOBER 14, 1981

James B. Stenhenson  
minister  
John W. Baird  
guest speaker

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Please be silent in the Sanctuary. Someone sitting  
near you came to pray.

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45a.m.

- PRELUDE "Appalachian Meditation" (Moore)
- CALL TO WORSHIP
- \*HYMN, #339 "More about Jesus"
- \*INVOCATION
- \*LORD'S PRAYER
- \*GLORIA PATRI
- OLD TESTAMENT READING #596
- ANTHEM "Come Sing a Song of Praise" (Mansfield)
- NEW TESTAMENT READING 2 Timothy 3:10-17
- MORNING PRAYERS
- BLESSING OF CHILDREN
- OFFERTORY "Air" (Giordani)
- \*HYMN, #222 "Sing them over Again"
- MESSAGE John W. Baird
- \*HYMN, #225 "Standing on the Promises"
- \*BENEDICTION
- \*ALLELUIA
- POSTLUDE "The Power and the Glory" (Nordman)
- \*CONGREGATION STANDS

Choir Directors, James M. Stephenson & W.C. Wickum  
Organist, Mary Lou Lovell  
Candlelighter, Jeff Faulk  
Ushers, Youth Fellowship

We welcome visitors. Please sign the guest book in  
the vestibule. If you do not have a church home in  
Delaware, we invite you to consider First Baptist.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR MISSION

- TODAY 7-9 Last session of our Workshop on  
Stress.
- MONDAY 7 Parish Council
- TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group at parsonage.
- WEDNESDAY 9:30 Sewing at the church. Ends at 2.  
6:30 Covered dish dinner followed by  
Quarterly business meeting.
- THURSDAY 7:30 Fall meeting of American Baptist  
Women at First Baptist Church,  
Mt. Gilead. Speaker: Eva Shepherd.  
Men are invited.
- FRIDAY 7:30 Oasis in Concert at Gray Chapel. Free  
admission. Offering to be received.

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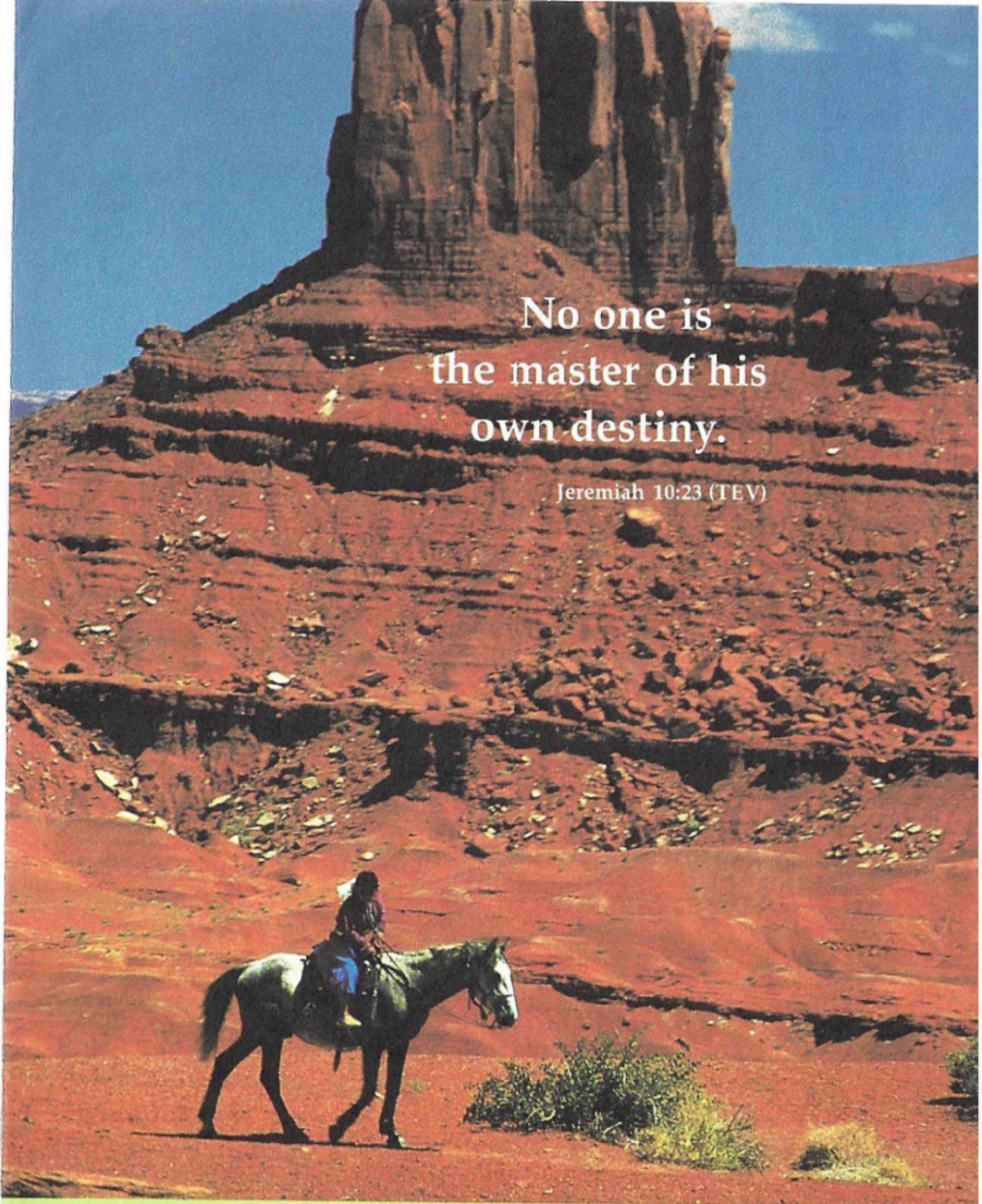
We are happy to welcome John W. Baird to our worship  
this morning. John comes as a Gideon and as our fel-  
low American Baptist. Many of us have had the plea-  
sure of working with him as members of the Marion  
Baptist Association.

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O, give me magic and swift words  
To set in poetry  
The holy beauty of these autumn days.  
I find God's pure identity  
In every place I look -  
Those painted hills,  
Those gold-and-tawny trees!  
This blue and hazy air fills  
Even me with awe, the sense  
That God is here, quite close  
Within my heart, my soul.

My heart has found Him near,  
Nearer than this autumn air!  
- Lorna Lisa Klein

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A photograph of a person riding a white horse across a red desert landscape. In the background, a large, layered rock formation rises against a clear blue sky. The ground is reddish-brown with some sparse green bushes.

No one is  
the master of his  
own destiny.

Jeremiah 10:23 (TEV)



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OCTOBER 28, 1984

James B. Stephenson  
minister

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near you came to pray.

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45a.m.

PRELUDE "The Lost Chord" (Sullivan)  
CALL TO WORSHIP  
\*HYMN, #476 "O Christian, Haste"  
\*INVOCATION  
\*LORD'S PRAYER  
\*GLORIA PATRI  
AN OLD TESTAMENT READING #619  
MORNING PRAYERS  
SOLO "I Come to the Garden" Jeanne Ekelberry  
A SPECIAL MESSAGE Helen Aleshire  
OFFERTORY "The Lord Is Mindful of His Own"  
(Mendelssohn)  
\*HYMN, #514 "Where Cross the Crowded Ways"  
MESSAGE Three Magic Words  
\*HYMN, #183 "We've a Story to Tell"  
\*BENEDICTION  
\*ALLELUIA  
POSTLUDE "The Heavens Declare His Glory" (Beethoven)

\*CONGREGATION STANDS

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Choir Directors, W. C. Wickum, James M. Stephenson  
Organist, Mary Lou Lovell  
Organist for Today, Betty Porter  
Candlelighter, Cameron Piatt  
Greeters, Jerry & Lana Palmer  
Ushers, Youth Fellowship

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We are happy to welcome visitors to our worship service. If you do not have a church home in Delaware, we invite you to consider becoming a part of our fellowship. Here you will find the freedom to become the person God means you to be! Please sign the guest book in the vestibule.

THE HEALING GROUP will not meet this week.

CHOIR REHEARSAL is held at 7:00p.m. Wednesday.

THE WORLD COMMUNITY DAY service is set for Friday, 9:30-11:30 a.m., at St. Peter's Church, 45 W Winter Street. Sponsored by Church Women. Child care available.

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This morning Helen Aleshire is bringing us a message from our Finance Committee concerning our world-wide responsibility as American Baptists. Next week Jean Wickum will speak for the Committee concerning our responsibility as Christian educators. Please listen with attention and care.

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Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God has prepared for them that love him. (I Cor. 2:9)

And as many as touched him were made whole. (Mark 6:56)

All things are possible to him that believes. (Mark 9:23)

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NOTES TO TAKE HOME -



**See how much the Father has loved us!**

1 John 3:1 (TEV)



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
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NOVEMBER 4, 1984

James B. Stephenson  
minister  
Jerry Palmer  
assisting

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sitting near you came to pray.

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE "Prelude" (Corelli)

CHORAL INTROIT

\*HYMN, #59 "all Creatures of Our God"

\*INVOCATION unison

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open,  
all desires known, and from whom no secrets are  
hid; cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the  
inspiration of Thy Holy Spirit, that we may  
perfectly love Thee, and worthily magnify Thy  
Holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who  
taught us to pray, saying,

\*LORD'S PRAYER

\*GLORIA PATRI

AN OLD TESTAMENT READING #613

QUARTET "Holy Art Thou" (Handel)

Karen Stoner, Linda White, Wilbur Wickum,  
Jim Stephenson

A SPECIAL MESSAGE Jean Wickum

BLESSING OF CHILDREN

OFFERTORY "Meditation" (Rasley)

\*RESPONSE Doxology

MESSAGE "Three Magic Words"

FELLOWSHIP OFFERING "With Peace in My Soul"

\*HYMN, #213 "Let Us Break Bread Together"

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

\*HYMN, #91 "Jesus Thou Joy"

\*BENEDICTION ALLELUIA

POSTLUDE "Andante Maestro" (Corelli)

\*congregation stands

Choir Directors: W.C. Wickum, James M. Stephenson  
Organist: Mary Lou Lovell  
Candlelighter: Stefanie Stoner  
Greeters: Pam & Larry Faulk  
Ushers: Youth Fellowship

All are invited to remain after worship for the  
fellowship hour in the Assembly Room. Hosting are  
Karen and Steve Stoner.

This morning Jean Wickum is bringing us a message  
from our Finance Committee concerning our educa-  
tional responsibility as American Baptists. Next  
week Larry Faulk will speak concerning our total  
church program. Please listen with attention and  
care.

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do not have a church home in Delaware, we invite  
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son God means you to be! Please sign the guest  
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#### OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

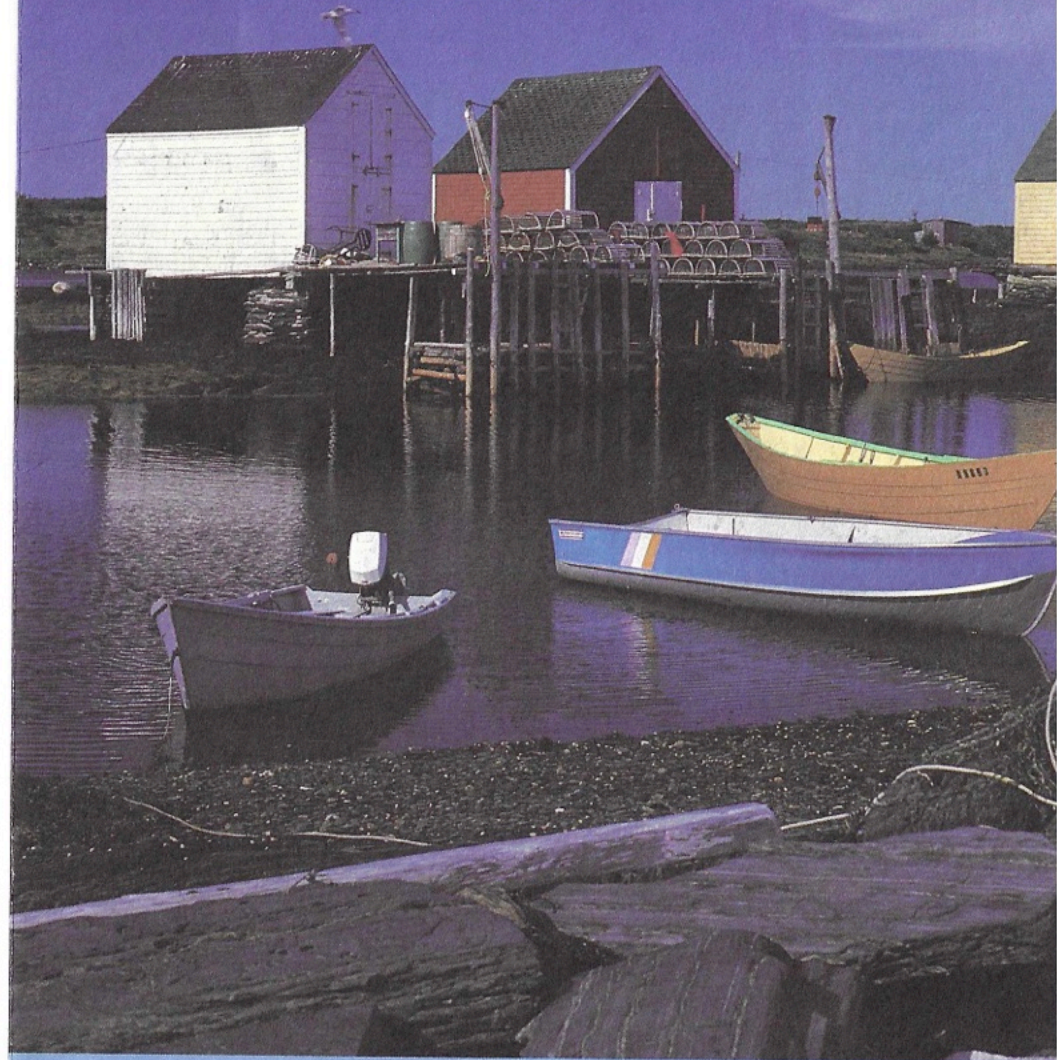
MONDAY 7:30 Board of Christian Education  
with Carol Grubbs.  
TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group with VanBrimmers.  
WEDNESDAY 9:30 Sewing Day at church finishing  
at 2:00. Bring sack lunch.  
NEXT SUNDAY 9:15 Church School classes for all  
ages.  
10:45 Morning Worship. "More Magic  
Words" is the sermon title.

THE GOOD NEWS LETTER will publish next Sunday. We  
need copy from the Board of Education, Deacons,  
Trustees, Finance Committee, women, and youth.  
Personal items are always wanted. Your material  
must be given to Steve no later than Wednesday  
morning at 9am. No time extensions available!

IF WE LOVE ONE ANOTHER, GOD DWELLS IN US. (John 4:12)

**Thou hast been a shelter  
from the storm.**

Isaiah 25:4 (RSV)



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
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NOVEMBER 11, 1984

James B. Stephenson  
minister  
W. C. Wickum  
assisting

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE "How Firm a Foundation" (Broughton)  
CHORAL INTROIT  
CALL TO WORSHIP  
\*HYMN, #206 "Faith of Our Fathers"  
\*INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER  
\*GLORIA PATRI  
A RESPONSIVE READING #646  
ANTHEM "We Gather Together" (Kremser)  
NEW TESTAMENT READING Acts 8:9-24  
DEDICATION OF A BABY  
MORNING PRAYERS  
BLESSING OF CHILDREN  
A SPECIAL MESSAGE Larry Faulk  
OFFERTORY "Cantilene" (Marchant)  
\*RESPONSE  
SERMON "Making Magic"  
\*HYMN, #392 "Take Time To Be Holy"  
\*BENEDICTION  
\*ALLELUIA  
POSTLUDE "God Is Our Refuge" Price  
\*congregation stands

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This morning Larry Faulk is bringing us a message from the Finance Committee concerning our church program. Next week will be dedication Sunday when we will bring our pledges to the altar.

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W. C. Wickum  
Organist Mary Lou Lovell  
Greeters, Karen and Steve Stoner  
Candlelighter, Victor Fogle  
Ushers, Youth Fellowship

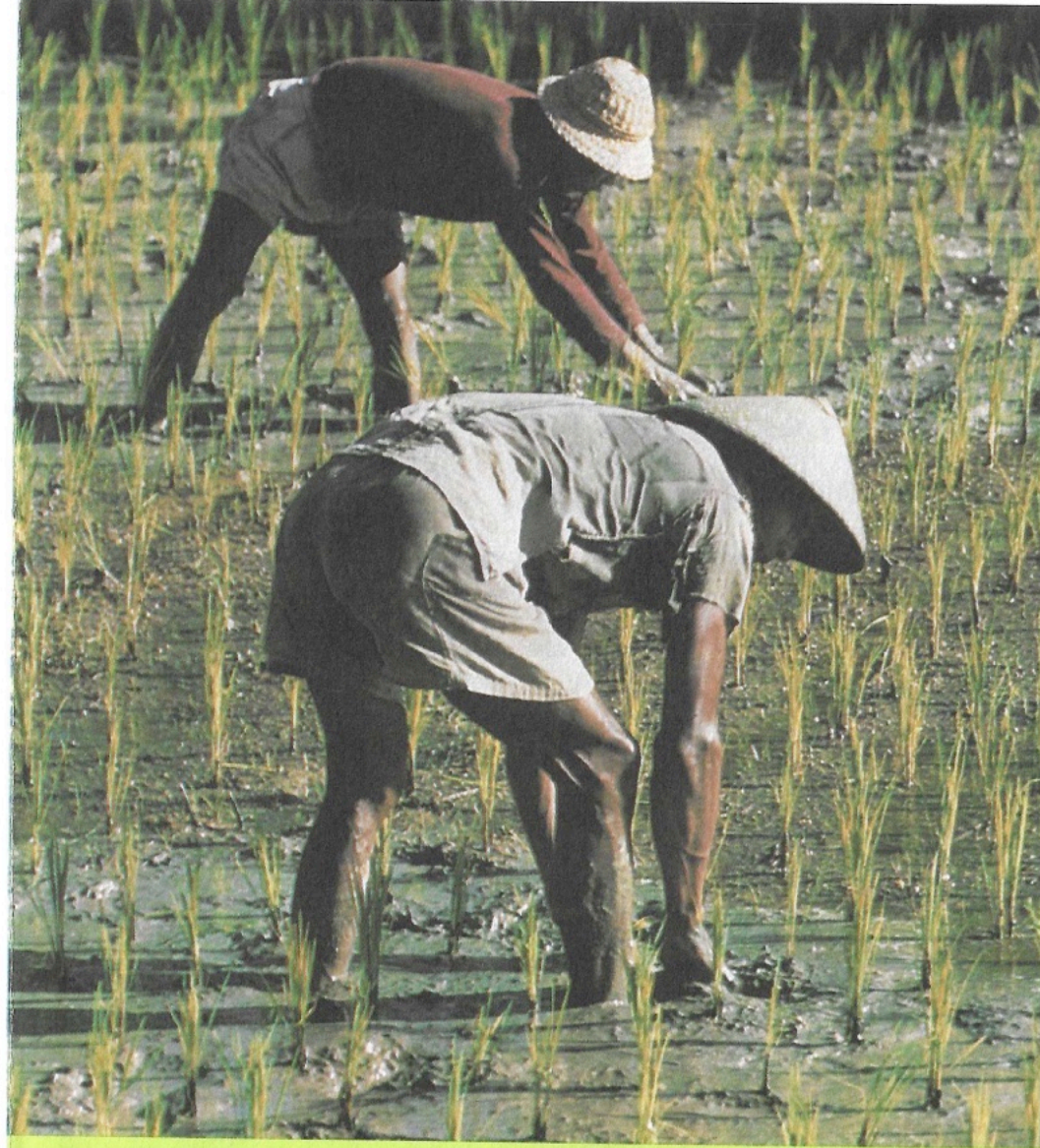
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Today we dedicate Stephanie Johanna Sealey to the Lord. She is the daughter of Steve and Mary Sealey. She was born August 30th at 7:47am. We offer our congratulations to the happy family.

OPPORTUNITIES

Tuesday 7:30 Healing Group at the parsonage  
Wednesday 9:30 Sewing Day at the church  
finishing at 2:00  
7:00 Choir Rehearsal  
Next Sun. 9:15 Church School classes for all ages  
10:45 Morning Worship. Pledge Sunday.  
5:30 Annual all-church Thanksgiving Dinner at the church.

NOTES:



“Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain.”

Matthew 13:8 (RSV)





THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
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NOVEMBER 25, 1984

James B. Stephenson  
minister

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you came to pray.

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

PRELUDE "A Prayer for the Home" (Broughton)

CHORAL INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

\*HYMN, #564 "Now Thank We All Our God"

\*INVOCATION

\*LORD'S PRAYER

\*GLORIA PATRI

A SCRIPTURE READING #636

ANTHEM "We Plow the Fields" (Schulz)

MORNING PRAYERS

BLESSING OF CHILDREN

OFFERTORY "Thanksgiving Prayer" (Bortniansky)

\*RESPONSE Doxology

NEW TESTAMENT READING Acts 9:1-7; Gal. 5:22,23

SERMON "Fruit"

WORLD HUNGER OFFERING

\*HYMN, #48 "O God Our Help"

\*BENEDICTION

\*ALLELUIA

POSTLUDE "Chorale" (Cruger)

(\*CONGREGATION STANDS)

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ship. Here you will find the freedom to become the  
person God means you to be.

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Organist for Today, Betty J. Porter  
Organist, Mary Lou Lovell  
Greeter, Sophia Stephenson  
Candlelighter, Jeffrey Faulk  
Ushers, Youth Fellowship

#### OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group at the parsonage  
WEDNESDAY 9:30 Sewing at the church. Close at  
2:00. Sack lunch.  
7:00 Choir Rehearsal.  
SATURDAY 9:30 Children's Choir (ages 3 to grade 3)  
10:00 Junior Choir (grades 4 to 8)  
NXT SUNDAY 9:00 Intergenerational Advent Activity  
10:45 First Sunday in Advent. Holy Com-  
munion. Sermon: "The Christmas  
Book."  
11:45 Social Hour in Assembly Room.

An Advent Breakfast will be held each Wednesday at the  
Holiday Inn at 7:30pm. Sponsored by Kiwanis.

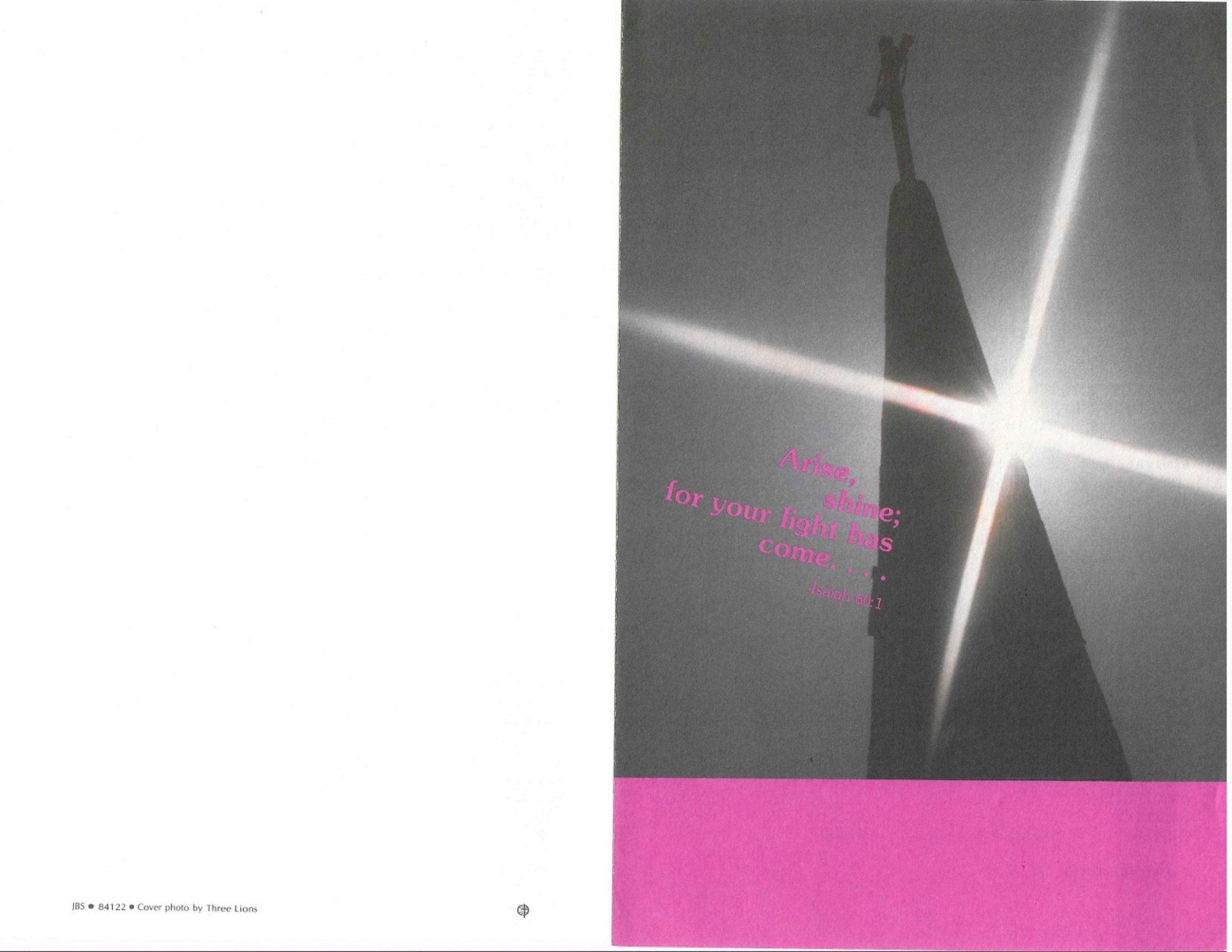
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The carpenter of Galilee  
Comes down the street again,  
In every land, in every age,  
He still is building men.  
On Christmas Eve we hear him knock;  
He goes from door to door;  
"Are any workmen out of work?  
The carpenter needs more."  
- Hilda W. Smith  
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I have come that they might have life, and have it  
more abundantly.

- Jesus

I am with you always, even to the end of the world.

- Jesus



*Arise,  
shine;  
for your light has  
come. . . .*

*Isaiah 60:1*



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
101 NORTH FRANKLIN STREET  
DELAWARE, OHIO  
DECEMBER 9, 1984  
2nd SUNDAY IN ADVENT

James B. Stephenson  
minister  
Donald Brown  
assisting

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Please be silent in the Sanctuary, someone sitting near  
you came to pray.

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45 a.m.

PRELUDE "Prepare Thyself, Zion" (Bach)

CHORAL INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

\*HYMN, #119 "While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks"

\*INVOCATION unison

Almighty God, who wonderfully created mankind in your  
own image, we pray for strength to cast away the works of  
darkness, and to put upon us the armor of light; that we,  
being ever mindful of our spiritual heritage, may hasten  
the coming of your Kingdom upon earth and within our-  
selves. Through Jesus Christ, who taught us to pray,

\*LORD'S PRAYER

\*GLORIA PATRI

OLD TESTAMENT READING #611

ANTHEM "Sing Glory Hallelujah" (Long)

NEW TESTAMENT READING Luke 1:38-55

MORNING PRAYERS

BLESSING OF CHILDREN

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY "He Shall Feed His Flock" (Handel)

\*HYMN, #104 "It Came upon the Midnight Clear"

SERMON "The Long Journey into Light"

\*HYMN, #110 "Angels from the Realms of Glory"

\*BENEDICTION

\*ALLELUIA

POSTLUDE "O Blessed Emmanuel" (Bach)

(\*CONGREGATION STANDS)

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the vestibule?

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Organist, Mary Lou Lovell

Greeters, Will & Carol Fogle

Candlelighter, Victor Fogle

Ushers, Youth Fellowship

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OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

TODAY 3 - 5 Perspectives on Peacemaking.  
A Workshop.

TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group at parsonage.

WEDNESDAY 7:30 Breakfast at Holiday Inn.  
7:00 Choir Rehearsal.

THURSDAY 7:30 Women's Society Christmas meeting  
at parsonage. Bring cookies or  
fruit to prepare gift packages for  
our shut-ins. Program by Della  
Dove.

FRIDAY 12:00 Church Women United Advent Worship  
at William St.Church. Sack lunch-  
drink provided. Childcare.

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The little birds praise you,

The wren and the sparrow,

The rabbits and squirrels

That run in the snow.

This house may be small

And this cradle be narrow.

You learned to be humble

A long time ago.

- Eleanor Slater

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*A new king  
will arise from  
among David's  
descendants.*

*Isaiah 11:1 (TEV)*



THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
101 NORTH FRANKLIN STREET  
DELAWARE, OHIO  
3rd SUNDAY IN ADVENT  
DECEMBER 16, 1981

James B. Stephenson  
minister  
Steven Palmer  
assisting

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Please be quiet in the Sanctuary. Someone sitting  
near you came to pray.

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45a.m.

PRELUDE "Advent Chorale" (Mendelssohn)

CHORAL INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

\*HYMN, #113 "Angels We Have Heard on High"

\*INVOCATION unison

Almighty God, who wonderfully created mankind in  
your image, we pray for strength to cast away the  
the works of darkness, and to put upon us the  
armor of light; that we, being ever mindful of  
our spiritual heritage, may hasten the coming of  
your Kingdom upon earth and within ourselves.

Through Jesus Christ who taught us to pray, saying,

\*LORD'S PRAYER

\*GLORIA PATRI

OLD TESTAMENT READING #614

ANTHEM "Now Is Come Salvation" (Thompson)

NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 1:18-21

MORNING PRAYERS

BLESSING OF CHILDREN

SOLO "Who Is This Boy?" W.C. Wickum (Wilson)

OFFERTORY "Joseph" (Mehal)

\*HYMN, #105 "What Child Is This?"

SERMON "Joseph"

\*HYMN, #106 "Hark the Herald Angels Sing"

\*BENEDICTION

\*ALLELUIA

POSTLUDE "Variations" (Prichard)

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ware, we invite you to consider our fellowship.

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Organist, Mary Lou Lovell  
Greeters, the Wickums  
Ushers, Youth Fellowship  
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#### OPPORTUNITIES

TODAY 11:45 Revealing of Advent Partners.  
Chili luncheon in Assembly  
Room.

MONDAY ~~7:30~~ Parish Council. 7:45

TUESDAY 7:30 Healing Group at parsonage.

WEDNESDAY 7:30 Breakfast at Holiday Inn.  
7:00 Choir Rehearsal.

FRIDAY 12:00 Church Women United Advent wor-  
ship at Wm. St. Church.

SATURDAY 9:30 Children Choir & Junior Choir.  
Please note time.

NXT SUNDAY 9:00 The Un-pageant.  
10:45 Morning Worship.  
11:45 Birthday party for Baby Jesus in  
Assembly Room.  
7:00 Meet at church to go caroling.

LOOKING FORWARD - Christmas Eve Service of Carols  
and Candles. Holy Communion. Plan now to attend!

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I will restore health unto you, and I will heal you  
of all your wounds. (Jer. 30:17)



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A SERVICE OF CANDLES, CAROLS, & COMMUNION

CHRISTMAS EVE, 1984

James B. Stephenson, minister  
Larry Faulk, assisting

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 7:30p.m.

PRELUDE "The Song of the Angels" (Hughes)

CHORAL INTROIT

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

\*HYMN, #121 "O Little Town"

- INVOCATION

SOLO "Mary's Little Boy Child" Jeanne Ekelberry  
(Hairston)

- SCRIPTURE Luke 2:1-7

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

"Away in a Manger" trad.

"Song of Christmas Morn" Maddux

JUNIOR CHOIR

"Glory to God" Willmington

"One Small Child" Meece

"While By My Sheep" German Carol

Solos by S. Stoner, J. Trigg

COMBINED CHOIRS

"Come on Ring those Bells" Culverwell

- SCRIPTURE Luke 2:8-20

ANTHEM "Mary Had a Baby" (Landon)

SERMON "Mary, Mother of Christ"

FELLOWSHIP OFFERING "Infant Holy" (Thygerson)

\*RESPONSE Doxology

SOLO "O Holy Night" W.C. Wickum (Adam) *1st cor 10:14-17*

- SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION *11:23-26*

\*HYMN, #117 "Silent Night"

(Parents may call for their children during  
this hymn)

- THE LIGHTING OF CANDLES

\*HYMN, #120 "Joy to the World"

- \*BENEDICTION & ALLELUIA

POSTLUDE "Postlude for Christmas" (Simone)

(\* CONGREGATION STANDS)

We are happy to welcome visitors to our Christmas  
Eve service. We suggest you visit us next Sunday.

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Candlelighter, Jarrod Trigg  
Ushers, Youth Fellowship  
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Nursery and child care are available during the ser-  
vice. Children may be called for during Silent Night  
and brought to the Sanctuary to share in the lighting  
of candles.

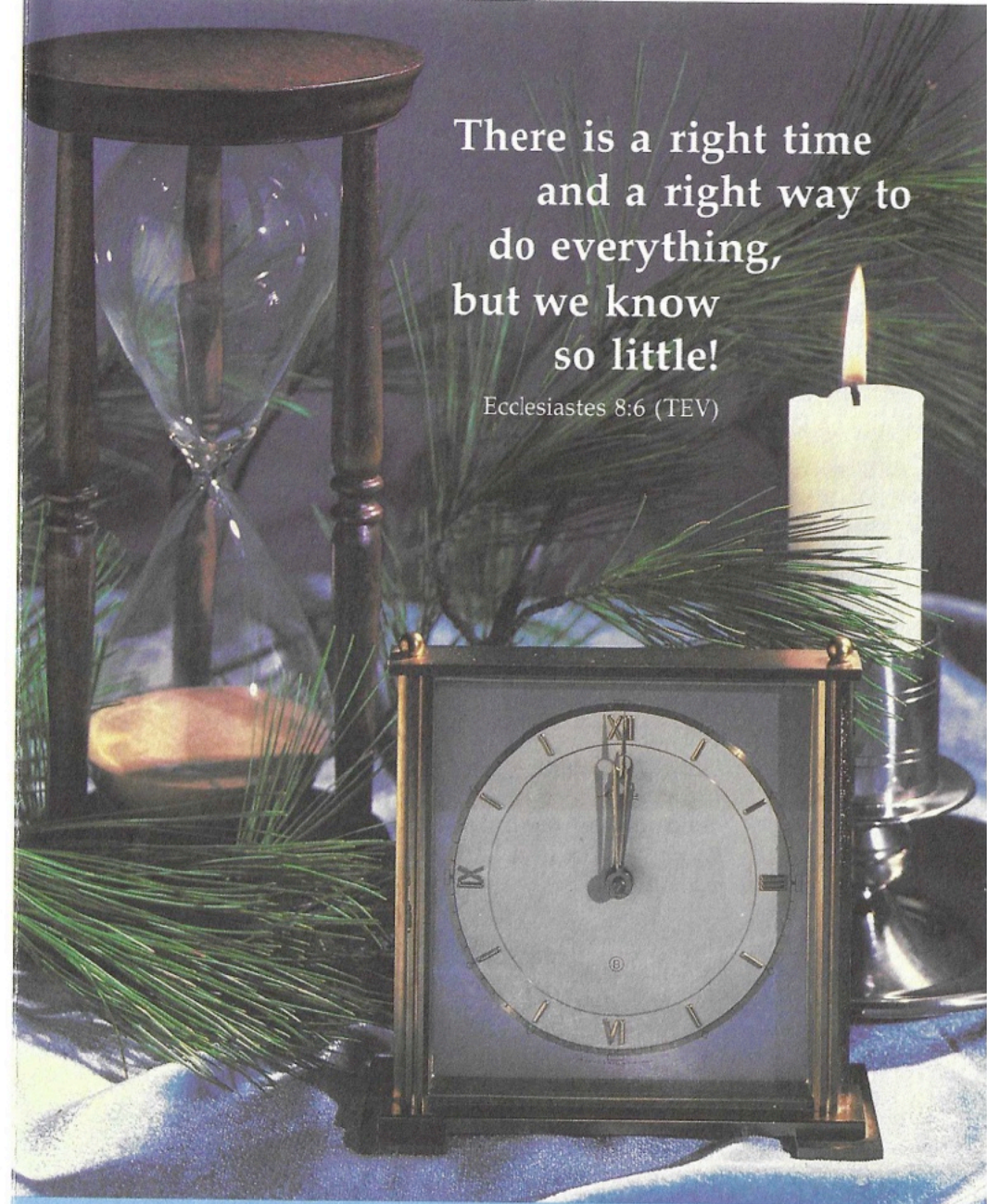
O little Lord Jesus,  
Your moment is breaking.  
The angels in heaven  
Have polished your star.  
Alone on their hill-sides  
The shepherds are waking  
The wise shall grow simple  
And find where you are.

- Eleanor Slater



There is a right time  
and a right way to  
do everything,  
but we know  
so little!

Ecclesiastes 8:6 (TEV)





THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
101 North Franklin Street  
Delaware, Ohio

December 30, 1984

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Ted D. Stephenson  
assisting

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:45am

*Innocence*  
PRELUDE "Gloria In Excelsis Deo" Wilson

CHORAL INTROIT

\*HYMN #103 "O Come All Ye Faithful"

-\*INVOCATION

-\*LORD'S PRAYER

\*GLORIA PATRI

- OLD TESTAMENT READING #614

ANTHEM "Let Our Gladness Know No End" Denton

-NEW TESTAMENT READING Matthew 9:9-13

MORNING PRAYERS

BLESSING OF CHILDREN

OFFERTORY "Cradle Song" Heller

\*RESPONSE Doxology

SERMON "Innocence by Association"

\*HYMN #120 "Joy To The World"

\*BENEDICTION

\*ALLELUIA

POSTLUDE "Nazareth" Gounod

(\*congregation stands)

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Choir Directors: Jim Stephenson, W.C. Wickum

Organist for Today: Betty Porter

Organist: Mary Lou Lovell

Ushers: Youth Fellowship

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We are happy to welcome visitors to our worship today.  
Please sign the guest book in the vestibule.

Our guest speaker today, Rev. Ted D. Stephenson,  
is minister of the Church of the Master in  
Indianapolis.

### Ten Rules for a Happy and Healthy New Year

1. Cultivate a calm temperament.
2. Don't dislike anyone.
3. Love life and thank God for it every day.
4. Persistently believe in the future.
5. Be a positive thinker.
6. Never take a second helping at the table.
7. Don't smoke.
8. Forget your age and live your life.
9. Think health and see yourself as healthy.
10. Love God and walk with Him daily.

Here Is A New Year  
by Justine Huntley Ulp

Here is a new year,  
Fresh and white,  
Write on its pages  
With living light.

Here is a doorway  
To joys unknown,  
Walk through with faith  
And claim you own!

Here is a bright dawn  
Of golden days,  
Lift up your eyes  
And shout His praise.

Here is a pathway  
To deeper prayer,  
Here is a new year  
To love and share!