

# Good News Letter

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At the time of this writing, it was only a few days after the summer solstice, when in the northern hemisphere there is the most daylight. Today was an astonishingly beautiful day, and as I sat and looked out my window at it all, I thought that for some people, these scenes of wonder may not be as common as they have been for me. A sense of gratitude welled up within me.

I thought of all the summer blessings:

Warmth, although some might think it too warm at times, I am refreshed by the experience of going outside at night without a jacket; and the aforementioned light, which for a few days stretches into the twenty-second hour of the day; the color green, barbecues and ice cream, vacations, just the memory of school being out, fireflies.

I am sure there are more summer blessings to name, and each have their own list. Some are a matter of taste

## JULY



and opinion, but what they all have in common is that they are gratuitous, that is, they are sheer gift. They can't be manufactured or earned, only seen, and they are not necessary. They just are, and are for anyone who takes the time to notice.

God's love is like that, and so is forgiveness, the cross, resurrection, friendship, family, meaningful work, praise and thanksgiving, salvation, as well as the beauty of summer.

For us at First Baptist Church there is not as much going on in the summer; there is no Sunday School, and fellowships and get

togethers are fewer and farther between as people take time for vacations and other summer activities. There will be some events toward the end of July, a Sunday potluck meal, and on August the 1st an organ concert. Also, in August we look forward to Claire Turner's wedding.

In the meantime, wherever you are, and whatever you are doing, I hope for you all many summer blessings. They are God's grace to you along the way.

Blessings,  
**Mark**

### Potluck Lunch

After worship  
Sunday, July 24th  
in the Fellowship Hall  
All are invited

Missionary information  
will be shared

## Panera Volunteers for July

July 7 Grubbs  
July 14 Volunteer Needed  
July 21 Fogle  
July 28 Shears

Thank you all for volunteering. If you would like to help with Panera, please contact Pastor Mark to set up a "training session..

## THANK YOU

Thanks to all who brought items for the teacher appreciation bags for Conger Elementary. There are 3 thank you notes from them on the bulletin board in the Gathering Place.

## WOMEN'S LUNCH

Our July women's lunch will be on Saturday, July 16 at 11:30. We will gather in the Fellowship Hall at church. Everyone should bring her own lunch and beverage. Feel free to bring a guest..

## MEN'S BREAKFAST

Our July men's breakfast will be on Saturday, July 16 at 8am at Bob Evans. All men are invited.

## MISSIONS LUNCH

On Sunday, July 24, after church, we will have a potluck lunch. At that time we will learn more about our commitment to our missionaries.

## PERSONALS

-Brennan Howe will have bone graft surgery on July 6. Please keep him in your prayers.  
-Our area minister, Jane Gibbons will be retiring at the end of this year.

-Brennan Howe made the Hayes Honor Roll for the last quarter of the year. Congratulations Brennan!

## AND LOVE REMAINS

Thank you all so much for your very generous donations to the One Great Hour of Sharing. We surpassed our goal of \$900.  
Pam Faulk

## Mission/Outreach News

On June 19, 2022 we celebrated Father's Day by having our Tools of Hope dedication. On that day we thought of fathers and other men that have influenced our lives. We wrote the names of those men we wanted to remember or those we wanted to honor on a slip of paper and pinned it to the blanket in the front or the sanctuary with a donation. The donations were sent to Church World Service to help those in need. Thanks you for your generous giving for others!

## One Great Hour of Sharing Offering

June was the month we collect the offering for One Great Hour of Sharing. Thank you to Randy Turner for singing the solo, One Great Hour to Share by Lee and Gretz, on June 12, 2022, to remind us of the need others are experiencing.

Thank you for your generous giving for this offering.

## Panera Pick Up Continues

Thanks to all who are picking up the unsold items from Panera on Thurs. evening, rebagging the items to make it easier for distribution, and delivering it to Andrews House on Friday morning.

If you would like to know more about this or take a turn to help with it, please call Mary Lou Lovell at 740-369-6041.

### Birthdays and Anniversaries



#### July

- 1 Bob & Pat Foor
- 12 Pam Shears
- 14 Chad & Christina Kilhefner  
Lucas Smith
- 15 Sandy VanBrimmer
- 17 Nichelle Trigg
- 18 Chad Kilhefner  
Peter & Linda White
- 19 Jarrod Trigg
- 21 Dan Chambers
- 27 Maxwell Showalter

*Please report any errors.*

## School Supplies Needed

School begins in August. In order to help children get off to a great start for the year, we donate school supplies and head phones those in need at Conger Elementary School. We also give money to purchase gift cards for them to buy shoes for school. There will be envelopes in the pew racks for donations.

Needed items include:  
 notebooks (wide ruled)  
 pencils  
 crayons  
 erasers  
 markers  
 folders  
 glue sticks  
 money to buy gift cards to be given to buy shoes

## People In Need Box

Thanks to all who bring food items for the PIN (People In Need) box. There is always a need to provide food for others in Delaware. Thank you for thinking of others as you do your grocery shopping by purchasing something for someone in need.

## Missionary Support

With the retirement of Emerson and Ivy Wu, our fellowship has been considering which missionaries to receive the financial support that we had previously directed to the Wu's. Parish Council has decided to support both Peter and Sarah McCurdy, and Bill and Ann Clemmer with a monthly contribution of \$100 per family.

We will share more information about the McCurdy and Clemmer missions (as well as Jeni Pedzinski) during our Potluck Lunch after worship July 24th.

## Prayer List

This list is prepared by the Deacons.  
 Please send changes to Larry Faulk ([lfaulk01@aol.com](mailto:lfaulk01@aol.com)).

Name	Reason for Prayer
Richard Lovell	Health Issues
Dr. Allison's sister	Health Issues
Ken Shears	Health Issues
Candy Lee's family	Health Issues
Brennan Howe	Upcoming Surgery

Remember daily all the men and women in the military — Those stationed in the USA and those deployed throughout the world. GOD BLESS AMERICA!

## Recorded Services Delayed

The video recordings of our worship services on July 3, 10, and 17th will not be available on our website: [fbcdelaware.org](http://fbcdelaware.org) in a timely fashion. I will be returning from out of town on July 19th and will post them as soon as possible after that.

In the meantime, feel free to visit our website and view any of our previous services from the past two years. They are available on our "Previous Services" pages or on our "Videos" pages.

## Thanks Blanket Sunday Tools of Hope

Thanks for your contributions on Mothers and Fathers Day to Blanket Sunday and Tools of Hope. You honored and remembered men and women in your lives as well as made significant contributions. Your donations totaled \$580 to CWS (Church World Service) to support their mission.

## Financial Update

General fund expenses for January - May have exceeded income by \$5,575. The shortfall is due primarily to the winter utility bills and the semi-annual tax bill. Mission giving continues to be on target to meet or exceed our goals. Your dedicated giving to operations and missions is appreciated.

## Maintenance and Repairs Congress Ct

Over the past few months, a number of repairs have been made to our rental property on Congress Ct. The hot water tank has been replaced. The ceiling has been replaced in one bathroom and caulk and molding replacement has been done in the other bathroom. A sheet of drywall was replaced in the garage as well as an access panel was repaired. Your contributions to our Capital Improvements Fund allows us to maintain our property.

## Interested in Membership?

There are several ways in which you can join our fellowship:

1 - By profession of faith and baptism

2 - By a transfer from a sister Baptist congregation

3 - By a statement of faith from other Christian faith traditions

We are mindful that some who wish to be a part of the FBC family life may not be interested in formal membership. Please don't feel any pressure. For those who are interested, mention it to Dr. Allison, and he will be happy to answer any questions you may have. Then in a worship service where there can be a formal affirmation, we will present your decision to join.

- Larry Faulk, deacon chairperson

### Tools of Hope Sunday 6/19/2022 Dedications

Given by:

In memory/honor of:

Mark Allison  
Jeanne Ekelberry

In memory: Oscar Hugh Allison  
In memory: Michael Ekelberry  
Dick Ekelberry Jr.  
In honor: Charles Ekelberry  
John Ekelberry  
Bill, Jack Allen,  
Mark Trogdon

Erin and Pam Faulk  
Larry and Pam Faulk

In honor: Larry Faulk  
In memory: Ralph Cole  
Don Faulk  
Wilbur Wickum  
Bill Faulk

Deb, Will, Gabe Fogle and  
Rolf Remlinger

In honor: Jeff Faulk  
Cullen Faulk  
In memory: Furian Remlinger  
Raymond Morby  
Dr. Robert Lovell  
Willard G. Fogle  
In Honor: Dave Lovell  
Rolf Remlinger  
Vic Fogle

Carol Grubbs

In memory: Charles Brown  
In honor: Jim Brown  
Don Brown  
Ted Stephenson  
Raymond Morby  
Dr. Robert Jay Lovell  
In honor: Dave Lovell  
Kip Smith  
Vic Fogle  
Rolf Remlinger

Mary Lou Lovell

In memory: Raymond Morby  
Dr. Robert Jay Lovell  
In honor: Dave Lovell  
Kip Smith  
Vic Fogle  
Rolf Remlinger  
Allan Roberts  
Rossford Jones

Pam Shears  
Randy and Jennifer Turner

In memory: Gene Lathrop  
In memory: Jimmie Ray Moore  
In honor: Ben Turner  
Heryl Turner  
Jim Snyder

Anonymous

In honor: Mark Allison

# First Baptist Church


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# July

2022

Dr. Mark Allison, Pastor

Office Hours: by appointment

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
10:00 am Worship Service Holy Communion <b>3</b>	<b>Independence Day 4</b> 	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> 8:45 Panera Pickup - Grubbs	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>
10:00 am Worship Service <b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> 8:45 Panera Pickup - volunteer needed	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> 8am Men's Breakfast Bob Evans 11:30 Women's Lunch Fellowship Hall
10:00 am Worship Service <b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> 8:45 Panera Pickup - Fogle	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
10:00 am Worship Service 11:15 Potluck Lunch Fellowship Hall Aug newsletter deadline today  <b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> 8:45 Panera Pickup - Shears	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>
10:00 am Worship Service <b>31</b> Aug newsletter available today	<b>August 1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> 8:45 Panera Pickup - Shears	<b>July Mission Focus:</b> • School Supplies • School Shoes (PIN)	