

Good News Letter

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Happy Summer! As promised, we are going to resume the last of the Covid era cancellations, which is the custom of summertime gatherings. This year the focus is stained glass. One of the distinctions among believers nowadays is between traditional and contemporary worship. My suspicion is that what most people think about when they hear those terms, regards style in general, and music in particular.

There are, however, other features, like building architecture and setting. Contemporary worshippers often choose rooms that can be used for multiple purposes and multi-functional; fellowship hall, theatre, gymnasium, and sanctuary all in one.

By contrast, the buildings of more traditional churches will likely be older and have different spaces for different activities. At least there will be a sanctuary used primarily, if not exclusively, for worship. There are more likely to be high ceilings, and on the outside, steeples or towers.

Our church is what I call middle-of-the-20th-century traditional. In addition to the late 19th century building with



a tower and high ceilings, we have a pipe organ and sing hymns. Our liturgy is typical of American Protestantism of the era. We have stained glass.

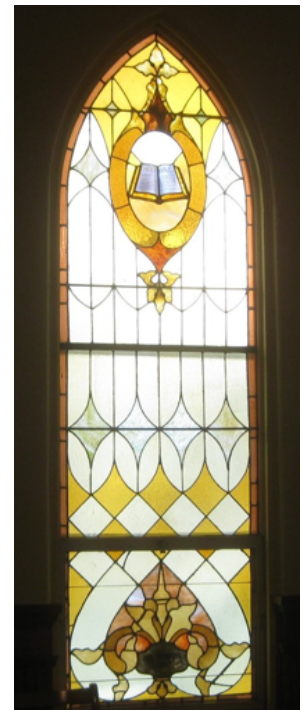
Stained glass has been a part of church art and architecture for more than one thousand years. Beginning in July, and with the goal of better understanding the meaning of our traditions, we will explore the stained-glass aspect of our building and heritage.

The first meeting will be at 5pm on Sunday, July the 9th. We will also meet on July 30 at the same time. There will be attention given to the symbolism of the images in our sanctuary, their biblical foundation, the way that life has changed since the building was built, and what the changes mean for how we understand ourselves. We will also learn about the history of stained-glass, and participate in an activity designing and putting together stained-glass crosses.

There is no attempt to make judgments regarding different traditions or worship styles, but only to be better acquainted with our own and how that reflects who we are as a church. I hope and encourage everyone to participate, and invite anyone else who might be interested to join us as well.

God bless all your summer activities,

Mark



July Panera Volunteers

July 6 - Turner
July 13 - Brown
July 20 - Faulk
July 27 - Lee

Thank you all for volunteering to carry out this important mission.

PERSONALS

- Kennedy Jane Turner was born on June 16. She weighed 7 lbs. 6 oz. and was 21 inches long. Congratulations Calvin and Taylor.

- Larry, Pam, and Erin Faulk took a cruise to Alaska in June.

- Dave and Mary Lou Lovell celebrated their anniversary at Lakeside.

Mission/Outreach News

Our church surpassed the goal for the One Great Hour of Sharing during the month of June. Thanks to all who reach out to others in the world.

On Father's Day we remembered men in our lives by pinning a donation with the name of the man we were honoring or remembering on the blanket hanging in the front of the sanctuary. This money is given to Church World Service to buy tools and other supplies for men around the world for repair due to weather or age of structures and for new building. Thanks for providing opportunities to those around the world.

Our Mission for July will be collecting school supplies for children in need of them for those attending Conger Elementary School. The school year begins in August. There will be a box in the sanctuary for collection.

Suggestions to give:

Pencils, pens, notebooks, erasers, glue sticks, folders, scissors, crayons and colored pencils.

We also will be accepting money for shoes for school children. The money is given to People In Need who purchases gift cards to give for the children. How exciting to provide a new pair of shoes and new supplies to get children off to a good start for the school year.

Thanks to all who continue to pick up Panera's unsold items to take to Andrews House for distribution to those in need.

Thanks to all who give to the People In Need food box on a regular basis, as there is an ongoing need in our community.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

Once again, our church fellowship was generous in their contributions to the One Great Hour of Sharing offering. We surpassed our goal of \$900 with a total of \$ 1,296. As natural disasters happen throughout the year, there is often a need for funds for rebuilding or for food and shelter. You can give to the One Great Hour of Sharing at any time. Just write a check to the church and make a notation that it should go to the OGHS offering. Thank you all for your generosity. Pam Faulk

ABW

ABW met on June 17th. We discussed possible outings and projects as a group. There was a discussion of some meetings being in members' homes. In the spirit of that and that our next meeting will be July 15th, which is National Horse Day, I am inviting you to my horse farm (no, you won't be eating in the barn). Meet at 11:30 rain or shine, and lunch will be provided. The address is 4620 Cackler Road (a long driveway). There is plenty of parking at the house. Call me if you have any questions at 740-815-8399.

- Laura Brown

Birthdays and Anniversaries



July

- 4 Dave & Patty Spear
- 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
Richard Brown
- 25 David Spear
- 26 Pat Lauver
- 27 Maxwell Showalter
Devin Allison

Please report any errors.

Lunch and Business

Everyone is invited to a Potluck Lunch after Worship on Sunday, July 23rd in the Fellowship Hall. Following lunch, there will be a brief Quarterly Business Meeting,

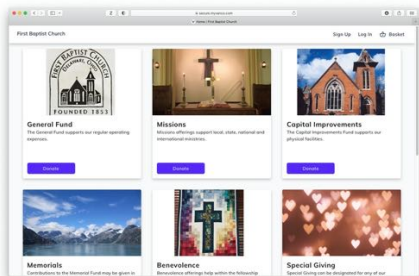


Stained Glass Workshop

Please join us for a workshop focused on stained glass on Sunday, July 9th at 5 pm and Sunday, July 30th at 5 pm. We will explore the history of stained glass in church art and history, as well as our stained glass and its heritage. A hands-on activity will include designing and creating stained glass crosses.

Consider Online Giving

If you would like to make an offering or donation to FBC, but cannot attend a worship service or would rather not have to write a check and mail it to FBC, you can now make an offering online. Visit our website at FBCDelaware.org and click on the "Donate" button.



Prayer List

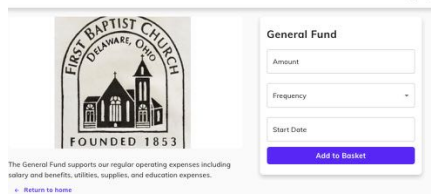
This list is prepared by the Deacons.
Please send changes to Larry Faulk (lfaulk01@aol.com).

Name	Reason for Prayer
Richard Lovell	Health Issues
Dr. Allison's sister	Health Issues
Ken Shears	Health Issues
Janet Lathrop	Health Issues
Jay & Caldwell Lovell	Health Issues
Pat Gosser	Health Issues

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

You are presented with separate boxes for each of the giving areas: General Fund, Missions, Capital Improvements, Memorials, Benevolence, and Special Giving as well as one of the ABC Special quarterly offerings.

When you click on "donate" in one of the areas, you can enter an amount, a frequency, and a starting date.



On the next screen, you can choose to give by credit or debit card, or electronically from a checking or savings account. After entering your name and address, you can process your giving and save your profile to simplify future online giving.

If you need assistance in the process, please contact me at lfaulk01@aol.com or 614-204-1098. Your gifts to FBC are appreciated.

-Larry Faulk, treasurer

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

Tools of Hope Dedications

6/18/2023

Given by:	In memory/honor of:
Mark Allison	In memory: Dr. Oscar Allison
Richard and Laura Brown	In memory: Charles Warner
Bob and Darlene Caulkins	In memory: Robert Caulkins Sr. John Rittenhouse
Jeanne Ekelberry	In memory: Hewlett Trogon
Erin and Pam Faulk	In honor: Larry Faulk Jeff Faulk
Larry and Pam Faulk	In memory: Ralph Cole Don Faulk Ron Rose Paul Stewart
Carol Grubbs	In honor: Jim Brown Don Brown
Brennan Howe	In memory: Charles Brown In honor: Chad Scott Phil Lee
Mary Lou Lovell:	In honor: Dave Lovell In memory: Robert J. Lovell Raymond Morby
Deb Lovell and Rolf Remlinger	In honor: Dave Lovell Vic Fogle Rolf Remlinger Ray Serviss In memory: Ben Geary Ray Morby Florian Remlinger
Jane Moore	In honor: Jim Snyder Calvin Turner Randy Turner Phil Mercer Ben Turner In memory: Jimmie R. Moore N. G. Corder
Genevieve Peterson	Remembering Fathers - Past and Present
Jay and Joyce Roberts	In memory: Allan J. Roberts Rossford Jones
Jim Snyder	In honor: Jeff Snyder Marc Snyder Randy Turner Calvin Turner Ben Turner In memory: Aldon Brooks Snyder
Randy and Jennifer Turner	In honor: Jim Snyder Phil Mercer Heryl Turner In memory: Jimmie Ray Moore

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Dr. Mark Allison, Pastor

Office Hours: by appointment

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
10:00 am Worship Service Holy Communion July newsletter available today 2	3	Independence Day  4	5	6 8:45 Panera Pickup - Turner	7	8
10:00 am Worship Service 5:00 Stained Glass Workshop  9	10	11	12	13 8:45 Panera Pickup - Brown	14	15 8am Men's Breakfast Bob Evans 11:30am ABW Lunch - Laura Brown's
16 10:00 am Worship Service	17	18	19	20 8:45 Panera Pickup - Faulk	21	22
Parents' Day 10:00 am Worship Service 11:15 Potluck Lunch Quarterly Business Meeting August newsletter deadline today 23	24	25	26	27 8:45 Panera Pickup - Lee	28	29
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