

**WELCOME TO FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**

**WE ARE GLAD YOU ARE HERE**



*Be* STRONG THROUGH  
THE GRACE THAT  
*God gives you*  
IN CHRIST JESUS

*2 Timothy 2:1*

**OUR FOCUS IS TO INCREASE OUR  
COMMITMENT TO JESUS CHRIST AND  
INTRODUCE HIM TO OTHERS.**

**May 31, 2026**

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
MORNING WORSHIP  
SUNDAY, MAY 31, 2026**

**\*GATHERING SONG** JOYFUL, JOYFUL

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS** LAURA HAWKINS

**OPENING PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**\*GREETING TIME**

**\*PRAISE SONGS** GOD'S FAMILY  
WE FALL DOWN

**CHILDREN'S PARABLE** PASTOR ANDREW SHIELDS  
PEOPLE LOVE GETTING CARDS  
2 TIMOTHY 1:3-4 (SM. 1001, LG. 1841)

**MORNING OFFERING**

**PRAYER CONCERNS AND PRAISES**

**MORNING PRAYER**

**MEDITATION SONG** SWEET HOUR OF PRAYER

**THE MESSAGE** PASTOR ANDREW SHIELDS  
ENCOURAGEMENTS TO FAITH,  
POWER, LOVE, AND SELF DISCIPLINE  
2 TIMOTHY 1:1-9 (SM. 1001, LG. 1841)

**INVITATION AND PRAYER**

**\*SENDING SONG** HALLELUJAH, YOUR LOVE IS AMAZING

**\*BLESSING**

***\*PLEASE STAND IF ABLE***

**P**

Our Church

Church Treasurer

**R**

Our Daycare and Preschool

Mr. Micah

**A**

Our World

**Y**

Those affected by war and conflict  
around the world

Our Mission Outreach

**F**

Buckeye Mission and Ministry Offering

**O**

Our Shut-In of the Week

Bridget Kennedy

1864 Brookhaven Ct 1

**R**

Lima OH 45805

## **WEEKLY SCHEDULE**

### **MONDAY, JUNE 1<sup>ST</sup>**

7:00pm "There's Hope for Your Church" Book Study

### **TUESDAY, JUNE 2<sup>ND</sup>**

5:00pm Deacons

### **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3<sup>RD</sup>**

6:15pm Adult Bible Study

6:15pm EPIC Youth and Kids – Bike Day!

### **THURSDAY, JUNE 4<sup>TH</sup>**

1:00pm Primetimers

### **FRIDAY, JUNE 5<sup>TH</sup>**

10:00am Ruth Whitney Ministry

## OUR PRAYER REQUESTS AND PRAISES

Pastor Andrew Shields – Pray for the 2026 graduates.

Tina Hittle – Pray for her friend who was accosted at a local event.

Bridget Kennedy – Pray for her discouragement.

Herb Lauer – Praise for the trustees who got the job done even in the rain.

Emily Kindle – Pray for forgiveness.

Chuck Murray – Praise for the prayers and actions of the church. Thanking the Good Lord and always seeking the Way, the Truth, and the Life.

Morgan Noble – Continue to pray for Tyler's hand to heal. Pray for travel mercies as they visit his family in Maine.

Jeanice Whitaker – Praise that baby Simon is over 9lb!

Josh Hittle – Pray for his needed medical tests.

Pray for Tim who has a cyst on his arm.

Pray for Teresa who will have an MRI of her leg June 1<sup>st</sup>.

Tom Holycross – Pray for his wife Carol who is in the ICU, being treated for heart valve issues.

Kevin Shaw – Pray for his mom, Marjorie, who is in The Springs after breaking her leg.

Pray for Caleb's mom, Deb, who is in the hospital with liver issues.

Alsepts – Pray for their friend who lost a little girl and a friend who fell in their driveway.

## OUR PRAYER REQUESTS AND PRAISES

Pray for our church!

Pray for Ron Shindler who is doing home dialysis.

Praise that school is out or will be soon. Pray for a safe summer!

Pray for VBS to go well and for all the kids and volunteers!

Herb Lauer – Praise for his health improving daily and for all those praying for him. Praise for the many children at our church and the parents who want their kids involved in church.

Ed Elchert – Praise for Tom Ahl and his work with the Gideons to spread the Gospel.

Keith Bledsoe – Continue to pray for his friend, Dave, who has bone marrow cancer and is seeing specialists.

Chris Fetzer – Pray for her cousin Pam Coffman who is transitioning to an assisted living facility after a medical event. Pray for her acceptance of this change.

Laura Hawkins – Pray for my brother-in-law Russ, sister-in-law Kim, and their families. Their mother Betty passed away 5/20/26. Her funeral will be 6/6/26.

Pray for all the graduates, especially Olivia and Brianna.

Bruce Wells – Praise that Sonia continues to recover.

Tobi and Dara Gbadegeshin – Pray for their teacher, Mr. Wayne, who has lung cancer.

Chuck Murray – Pray for wisdom, guidance, knowledge, and understanding of the Lord.

Please continue to pray for those on our prayer list with cancer and other ongoing health concerns:

- Karol L., cancer
- Josh Vasquez, leukemia (Garcia)
- Stanley Sanders (Bridget)
- Kris and Lizzy Downey (Warden)
- Lynda Rice (Nancy Davenport)
- Mary in Phila (C&J Gummel)
- Sheila and Ron Schindler, cancer (Honegger)
- Dick Kuzemchak (J. Hefner)
- Sean Sanderfer (Norma Benazer)
- Marjorie Shaw
- Jim Miller (J. Hefner)
- Emily Hall (Tobi and Dara's teacher)
- Tom and Beck Dickinson
- Cathy (Bridget's niece)
- Sarah Fish (Tim Willoughby)
- Pat Wilson (Tim Willoughby)
- Teresa, cancer (L Hawkins)
- Angel Music
- Nancy Von Almen
- David Trost, cancer (Shields) - out of isolation
- Carolyn Willoughby, leukemia



***LOOKING AHEAD:***

>June 1<sup>st</sup> at 7pm: Join us in the Fellowship Hall to discuss chapters 3-5 of "There's Hope for Your Church" by Gary L McIntosh. We're looking forward to hearing everyone's takeaways as we think about a vision and God's plan for our church over the next few years.

>June 14th: VBS Volunteer Meeting right after church!

>June 24th - 26th: Vacation Bible School! Come have fun and learn about David and Goliath. Register or sign up to volunteer today! See the bulletin inserts for more information.



## FBC Spotlight: Cecilia Ball

Today the FBC Spotlight shines on Cecilia Ball (also known as Cece)! She is the 3-year-old daughter of Jacob and Emily Ball and she attends First Baptist Daycare. Cece's favorite book is Mother Goose and her favorite color is pink. She loves playing hide and seek and learning about numbers and shapes. Her future plans are to ride the yellow school bus when she turns 5! When asked what makes her special, Cece said Jesus. Amen! We certainly agree.

Be sure to wave hello to Cece and her family today!

**The Daycare has started a Little Free Pantry for the Daycare families. If you would like to contribute nonperishable food and snacks, please bring them to the church office on Sunday or during office hours. Thank you for supporting our Daycare families!**

**BIBLE STUDY: Wednesdays at 6:15pm**

EPIC Youth and Kids are starting off their summer with a bike day celebration! They are encouraged to bring anything with wheels to participate! The Adult Bible Study will continue the series titled "Basics of the Faith" and it is not too late to join in! Please come and share your knowledge and understanding! We hope to see you there!

**The Churches United Pantry (CUP)  
focus for June is canned fruit!**



# FIRST BAPTIST VBS

JUNE 24<sup>TH</sup>, 25<sup>TH</sup>, & 26<sup>TH</sup>

TIME: 6PM TO 8 PM

PLEASE PLAN TO JOIN US FOR THREE NIGHTS OF GAMES, CRAFTS, BIBLE STORY, AND OF COURSE, **FUN** AS WE LEARN ABOUT KING DAVID!

SNACK IS PROVIDED!

AGES 4 TO 10 (OLDER KIDS CAN VOLUNTEER TO HELP!)

BRING **CAN GOODS, SOUPS, AND BOXED FOODS LIKE MACARONI AND CHEESE** TO DONATE FOR C.U.P.

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NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

AGE: \_\_\_\_\_

RSVP BY JUNE 14<sup>TH</sup>, 2026



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TIME: 6PM TO 8 PM

**We need volunteers for VBS!** Anyone 11 years old and up is eligible to join in the fun! Please complete this form and put it in the offering plate, then plan to attend the volunteer meeting on **Sunday, June 14<sup>th</sup>** in the Fellowship Hall right after church!

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I AM WILLING TO VOLUNTEER FOR VBS:

Group leader

Music

Registration

crafts

Story

snacks

Games

As Needed

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

# 2026 Buckeye Mission and Ministry Offering

200 Years

Celebrating

1826

2026

*Isaiah 46:9-10*

American  
Baptist Churches  
of Ohio

*People, Churches, Ministries --  
Impacting the World for Christ*

**2026 Goal: \$75,000**

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American Baptist Churches of Ohio

# People, Churches, Ministries Impacting the World for Christ



**Region Ministry Team:** The ABC/Ohio staff are experienced and prepared ministry leaders who serve clergy and churches as coaches and consultants in a variety of ministries including congregational transformation, placement, and ministry resources.



**Leadership Development:** The Ohio Leadership Academy provides a three-year structured learning opportunity to increase and sharpen leadership and ministry skills for the local church.



**Student-Youth Ministries:** With determination to raise up new generations of disciples and church leaders. ABC Ohio provides and supports a variety of opportunities including youth events, summer camps, workshops, support for youth workers and Next Generation Ministry Grants to local churches and associations.



**Congregational Development – Transformation:** With a commitment to congregational health, ABC/Ohio provides a number of resources to transform churches into ministries that will impact the world for Christ.



**Pastoral Placement:** The ABC/Ohio staff uses proven and effective resources as they consult with church search committees to discern new ministry direction and call new pastors.



**Ministry Gatherings:** Several times each year, ABC/Ohio offers ministry gatherings that provide fellowship, inspiration, learning from nationally-known experts, and opportunities to increase ministry capacity.



**Ministry Resources:** ABC/Ohio manages and awards ministry grants and scholarships for new ministries and outdoor ministries. The staff connects churches with cutting-edge ministry resources.

**ARMS:** ABC/Ohio commissioned a team of highly qualified Associate Regional Ministers who have agreed to make monthly contacts with solo and senior pastors throughout the region, offering encouragement and providing prayer support. A Youth Ministry ARM is also working with staff to coordinate student ministries in the region. Additional ARMs will be added to the ABC/Ohio team as needed.

For these and other ministry services provided by ABC/Ohio call the Region office at 740.587.0804, or check the website at

[www.abc-ohio.org](http://www.abc-ohio.org)

**WELCOME TO FIRST BAPTIST** - If you are a first-time visitor, we especially welcome you: we've been expecting you! When you see the offering plate in the middle of the service, we do not expect you to contribute; the financial support of the church is a responsibility we've taken on as a congregation. However, we do expect everyone (members, friends, and visitors) to place a Get Connected slip in the offering plate. Thank you for doing so!

**CHILDREN AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH** - Children are important to us. They are welcome to stay with their parents. The Cuddle Cove is available to infants and toddlers. **B.L.A.S.T.:** Ages 2-4 are in **The Big Room**. Ages 5-10 are in **Class Room #12**. Ages 11-14 are in the **Youth Room**. (They are taken to those locations after the Children's Parable). Not every BLAST class is available every week. See an usher if you have questions.

**AN INVITATION TO PRAYER AND COMMITMENT** - When the Holy Spirit stirs within you, we encourage you to listen and respond! If you have been moved spiritually and want to talk to the pastor or deacons, please let us know and we would be delighted to talk with you after the service.

**DISCLAIMER** - Services at First Baptist Church may be recorded or live streamed online. By entering these services or events you consent to the possibility of being recorded or live streamed.

**MISSIONS OFFERING** - If you would like to give to missions, please designate it on your envelope. This is the only way we receive funds for our missions budget.

**FLOWERS** - If you would like to sponsor flowers for the sanctuary, please contact the church office.

**Office hours:** Tuesday - Thursday 10am - 2pm

**Church Office:** 419-224-4921

**Email:** FirstBaptistLima@gmail.com

**Website:** FirstBaptistLima.org

**Pastor Andrew Shields' email:** awshields1975@icloud.com

### **WEEKLY OFFERING**

**Total Expense Budget for 2026 is \$246,181**

**Weekly General Fund Offering Needed\* is \$2,608**

**\*adjusted for advanced giving and Daycare**

**Last week's offering received:**

**General Fund \$1,366**

**Missions \$173**

**Last week's attendance: 83**

Our Website QR Code:

