



# First Baptist Church

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## TIES THAT BIND

127 Prince Street  
Bordentown, NJ 08505

January 2016

### ***A letter to the Pastor from a faithful member:***

Dear Pastor,

You often stress attendance at church as being very important but I think a fellow has the right to miss church now and then. I think every member should be excused for the following reasons and number of times:

Christmas (the Sunday before or after)	1
New Year's (because the party lasts too long)	1
Easter (need to get away for the holidays)	1
July 4 (national holiday)	1
Labor Day (rest up before everything starts again)	1
Memorial Day (visit hometown)	1
School closing (the kids need a break)	1
School opening (one last fling for the kids)	1
Family reunions (mine and my wife's)	2
Sleep late (Saturday night activities)	4
School activities ( prom, shows, special events)	3
Deaths in the family	4
Anniversary (2nd honeymoon)	1
Sickness ( 1 Sunday for each family member)	5
Business trips (unavoidable)	2
Vacations	3
Bad weather (snow, ice, hurricane, clouds)	4
Ball games	4
Unexpected company(just can't walk out)	3
Expected company	2
Time changes (Spring ahead-Fall back)	2
TV specials (Superbowl, US Open, etc.)	3

Pastor, I know that only leaves 2 Sundays per year, but you can count on us to be there on the 4th Sunday in February and the 3rd Sunday in August (unless providentially hindered). Keep sending the bulletins and the newsletters. We love hearing about our church.

Love,  
A Faithful member

**Join us for church this Sunday,**  
Sincerely,  
Pastor Nevin



## MISSION STATEMENT

“To be a caring, Christian fellowship -- learning, living and spreading the Word of God.”



### DIACONATE

The Diaconate would like to thank everyone who attended the “Hanging of the Greens” event on November 27th. The church was beautifully decorated during this time.

Our "Java for Jesus" (coffee and cookies) gatherings after church have been well attended. We plan on continuing these times of fellowship and encourage everyone to join us.

We received a total of \$1207 for the Retired Ministers and Missionaries Offering on December 6th. Thank you for your generous contributions. This offering will assist those retired servants of the Lord's work during this holiday season. January's offering will go to the Baptist Home (Riverview Estates). Thanks for your commitment of sharing.

The flower chart for 2016 will be posted on the bulletin board by January 3rd. Up to two arrangements can be provided each week. The cost of an arrangement is \$30.00. Please contact Bev Alustiza and let her know the date that you would like to have. Checks are made payable to the Deacon's Fund, First Baptist Church and given to Bev.

We would like to wish you all a very safe and happy New Year.



### BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Happy New Year from the Board of Christian Education. May God bless you and your family in 2016.

The Sunday School children presented their Christmas Program "Symbols of Christmas" on December 13. Sunday School classes continue to meet at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday mornings. Please join us.

The Youth Group for grades 7-12 will meet on January 10 and January 24 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. Meeting dates and special events will be posted on the bulletin board in the church foyer. Plans for attending Snow Camp this winter are underway.

A Family Game Night is scheduled for January 31 from 6:00-7:30 p.m. Bring your favorite board game, etc. for an evening of fun. Refreshments will be served.

The Nursery schedule for January is as follows. Many thanks to those who help in the nursery. If you are interested in volunteering, please see Melanie de la Cruz or Helen Bosma.

	<u>Adult</u>	<u>Helper</u>
Jan. 3	Janet Strusz	Kate McWhirk
Jan. 10	Holly Studzinski	Katie S.
Jan. 17	Robin Caruso	Arianna Erbes
Jan. 24	Thelma Carroll	Colleen Carroll
Jan. 31	Janet Strusz	Kate McWhirk

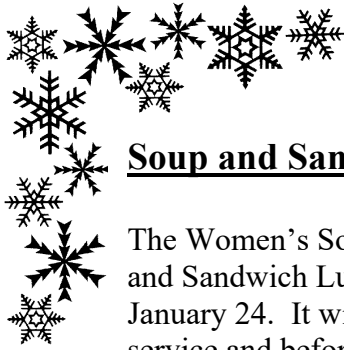
### ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Church Business Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 24, 2016 following the Soup and Sandwich Luncheon sponsored by the Women's Society.

All church officers, board members and church members are urged to attend. Church officials will be elected, the 2016 budget will be adopted and plans for the coming year will be discussed. Nursery services will be provided during the meeting.

**Annual meeting continued.**

Written reports are due Sunday, January 3rd and all Treasurers' reports are due on January 10. Please give your report to our Church Secretary, Terry Bell or send it to her by email  
btbrubylynn2@msn.com



### **Soup and Sandwich Luncheon**

The Women's Society is sponsoring a Soup and Sandwich Luncheon on Sunday, January 24. It will be held after the worship service and before the start of the Annual Business Meeting.

The menu will consist of various soups and sandwiches. Beverages and dessert will be provided also.

The cost for adults is \$5.00; children 5-12 is \$3.00; and children under 5 are free.

***Tickets will go on sale on January 3. Join us for this time of fellowship and then stay for the Annual Business Meeting.***

### **WOMEN'S SOCIETY**

Thank you to all who contributed to our "Little Red Stockings". Each of the 109 residents of the Baptist Home received a gift of \$5.00.

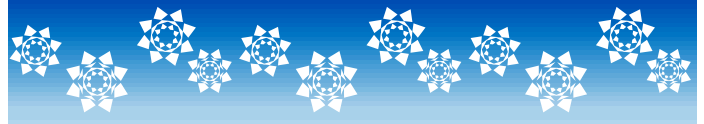
We thank everyone who came out on December 13 to see the musical cantata, "Christmas in His Presence". A Big Thank You to Janice and Paul Chapin and Dave Blew and church choirs for this wonderful inspiring presentation.

The Women's Society will be sponsoring a Soup and Sandwich Luncheon on Sunday, January 24 immediately following the worship service. Tickets will go on sale on Sunday, January 3.

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 26 at 7:00 p.m. Installation of new officers will be conducted by Sugar Huber. Hostesses will be Mary Johnson and Rose Zaiss.

We will also be rolling bandages for our White Cross Project. Please check the weekly bulletin for date, time and place.

All women of the church are invited to attend our meetings and activities.



### **Food Pantry**

Items for the Bordentown Food Pantry located at St. Mary's Catholic Church can be brought to church on any Sunday. Please place the non-perishable items on the upstairs kitchen counter. **Please check the expiration date on the items, as no outdated items will be accepted.**

### **Motel Ministry**

Churches in the Bordentown area continue to provide a bag of groceries to needy people in the area motels. Our church is responsible for providing **Cartons of Milk that require no refrigeration (i.e., Parmalat or Hershey brands), non-perishable Microwaveable Meals, Canned Meats with pop-up lids and Soup with pop-up lids.** These items continue to be needed due to the economy and the number of individuals staying in the motels. Please place these items on the upstairs kitchen counter. **If you have any questions, please contact Anne Kettner at 298-9258.**

### **Prayer List**

*We will list the name of an individual who is in need of our prayers in the Sunday bulletin for four consecutive weeks. A person with a long-term illness will be listed on our long-term list. **If someone has gotten better and can be removed from the list, please inform Tracey Benton (790-7361).***

### **Prayer Partners**

If you have a specific concern and would like a member of the Prayer Team to pray for you, please place your request in the prayer box located in the back of the sanctuary. A Prayer Team member will pray everyday for a week for each request. **In an emergency, you can call Tracey Benton at 790-7361 or Helen Magowan at 298-1401 and she will start a prayer chain.** The Prayer Team will be glad to pray for you or with you.

THANK YOU

Thank you for all your cards and prayers for Gert Tyler. Thank you to Rev. Werron for all his visits to Mom. Thank you to the Women’s Society for the wonderful luncheon.

The Family of Gert Tyler

THANK YOU

“Thank you to all who donated “holiday gifts” for the Trenton Area Soup kitchen. Your generosity is very much appreciated. The TASK clients will be very happy to receive your gifts.”



Long Term Prayer List



Jacob Andrew  
Mike Barley  
Adam Bengis  
John Brady  
Andrea Carson  
Ginny Corson  
Lisa Dunham  
Beatrice Furth  
Betty Goad  
Joseph Hayden  
Shirley Hauser  
Phil Heitzenroeder

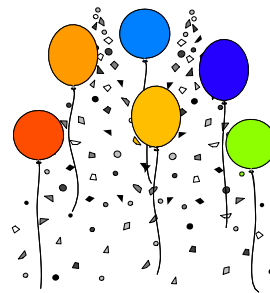
Mary Lou Hengeli  
Woody Hutson  
John Kellher  
Mike Immordino  
Rev. Bill LeConey  
Marion Letts  
Robert Letts  
Scott Magowan  
Mike McCormick  
Katherine Miller  
B.J. Morton  
Betty Nelson  
Veronica Noel

Rev. Erin Phillips  
Sally Radosti  
Greg Schetter  
Thomas Sedor  
Mae Smires  
Kristen Traver Smith  
Madeline Strusz  
Dorothy Wilbert  
Mary Wood  
Terry Zahorchak  
Rose Zaiss  
Truck Stop Ministry



JANUARY BIRTHDAY’S

Nicole Cavalier 2  
Betty Sue Barnes 5  
Becky Santiago 6  
Todd McGonigal 9  
Kaylee Dixon 10  
Kyle McGonigal 20  
Mike Carson 25  
Vicki Pavlovsky 26



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### NEWS AND REMINDERS

Written reports for the Annual Business Meeting are due January 3, 2016. Treasurers' reports are due on Sunday, January 10. Please give your report to our church Secretary, Terry Bell.

Friday, January 1     **HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

Monday, January 18     Soup Kitchen @ 9:30 a.m.

**Sunday, January 24     Soup & Sandwich Luncheon @ 11:30 a.m.  
Annual Church Business Meeting @ 12:30 p.m.**

Monday, January 25     Motel Ministry @ 3:00 p.m.

Please pick up your church envelopes for 2016 in Fellowship Hall. If you would like church envelopes, please contact Terry Zahorchak.

If you would like a statement of your financial giving for 2015, please contact Terry Zahorchak (291-9181).

Items for the Food Pantry (any Sunday) and for our Motel Ministry (2nd Sunday) can be placed on the appropriate counters in the upstairs kitchen.

Deadline for the February issue of TIES THAT BIND is January 15.



# JANUARY



# 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>Notes:</b> *Sunday, Jan. 24 9:00 a.m. S.S 10:15 a.m. Worship 11:15 a.m. Jr. Choir 11:15 a.m. Soup & Sandwich 12:00 p.m. Annual Meeting					1	2
*Sunday, Jan. 31 9:00 a.m. S.S. 10:15 a.m. Worship 6:00 p.m. Family Fun Night					HAPPY NEW YEAR!	
3 9:00 a.m. S.S. 10:15 a.m. Communion Service	4	5 BD. Chr. ED. 7:00 p.m.	6 Bible Study 7:15 p.m.	7 Bell Choir 6:00 p.m. Sr. Choir 7:30 p.m.	8	9
10 9:00 a.m. S.S. 10:15 a.m. <u>Worship</u> 6:00 p.m. Youth Group	11	12 Trustees 7:00 p.m.	13 Singles Dinner 6:00 p.m. Bible Study 7:15 p.m.	14 Bell Choir 6:00 p.m. Sr. Choir 7:30 p.m.	15	16
17 9:00 a.m. S.S. 10:15 a.m. <u>Worship</u> 11:15 a.m. Jr. Choir	18 Soup Kitchen 9:30 a.m.	19	20 Bible Study 7:15 p.m.	21 Bell Choir 6:00 p.m. Sr. Choir 7:30 p.m.	22	23
24 * * 31	25 Motel Ministry 3:00 p.m.	26 Women's Society 7:00 p.m.	27 Singles Dinner 6:00 p.m. Bible Study 7:15 p.m.	28 Bell Choir 6:00 p.m. Sr. Choir 7:30 p.m.	29	30