

# The Lamplighter

First Baptist Church of North East

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## Weekly Services & Group Meetings

### Sunday

8:30a: Worship Service

9:30a: Sunday School/Bible Study (classes available for Preschool through Adult)

10:30a: Worship Service & Children's Worship

5:30p-7:30p: Youth (grades 6 to 12)

### Wednesday

6:30p-7:30p: Kids' Klub (grades K to 5)

6:30p-7:30p: Youth (grades 6 to 12)

6:30p: Prayer Meeting/Bible Study (Monthly Business Meeting immediately to follow, 2nd Wed. of each month)

### Thursday

10a: Ladies' Prayer Circle

## From the Pastor's Desk...

Dear church family,

**G**reetings in the precious name of the Lord Jesus Christ. Many good things are going on at church these days. I wonder where to start. Well, first of all we have a number of people preparing to follow the Lord in baptism. They are all new Christians who are so excited to be a part of the family of God. God is at work!

Also, we have our two associate deacons, Ed Hobson and Andrew Norton, who are preparing for the final phase of their year of service among us. The deacon board will be making their recommendations to the church soon.



Work continues on the site preparation for the proposed building of our garage. Recently we have been bringing in fill dirt to raise the level of the site. So far over \$3,000.00 has come in towards this project.

Most recently our church voted to replace the shingles, on the roofs of all of our buildings. All of the existing shingles need to be cleared and the entire surface prepared before the new shingles can be put on. Even the steeple needs to be done. It is a big undertaking! We have engaged C and C Roofing to do the job. If all goes well this week the job may be complete by the time you get this Lamplighter.

Good things continue to be happening in our youth group and children's ministries. Thanks to all of you who are involved in these various outreach and discipleship ministries. Now we have a need to staff our nursery. If any of you are able and willing to help out one Sunday a month, please let me know. (Pastor's Letter, continued on page 2)

(Pastor's Letter cont. from page 1)

In a few short weeks Kathy Gray will be stepping down as our church treasurer. Her tenure as part of our church staff stretches back 41 years to November of 1980. She has served faithfully and diligently, first as my ministry assistant and our church secretary and then for the last 11 years as our church treasurer. She has served the Lord in many capacities in our church and children's ministries over the decades. Words fail me as I try to express the gratitude and personal pride and joy that I feel in my heart for all the years we have been able to work together. Thank you, Kathy. Your whole church family loves you.

If you will please write Kathy a note and say a word of appreciation to her or share a memory or short anecdote. I know she would treasure it.

In a few weeks our church will be celebrating 65 years of service to Christ and this community, as well as the mission outreach to the world. 65 years! Praise the Lord. Great things He has done! But let's be sure our focus continues to face forward—the best years are still ahead, I am sure.

Your fellow servant.

*Pastor Steve*

Pastor Steve Hokuf



**When: Saturday, October 30th (4-7pm)**  
**Sign up to decorate a trunk on the bulletin board in the education wing.**  
**Candy donations can be left in the Children's Worship room.**  
**A community partnership event by FBCNE & JLMCC.**

## CHURCH picnic

On Sunday, September 12th, we held our annual church picnic at the North East town park. Approximately 50 were in attendance & enjoyed much needed fellowship.



Jane Brandenburg and Carol Weaver enjoying some time of fellowship.



Dawson and Maurice spending some time fishing off the dock.



Thankful for the freedom to worship & fellowship, with church family.



# October



<b>sun</b>	<b>Mon</b>	<b>Tues</b>	<b>Wed</b>	<b>Thurs</b>	<b>Fri</b>	<b>Sat</b>
<b>26</b> 5:30p: Youth	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> 6:30p: Prayer/Bible Study 6:30p: Kids Klub 6:30p: Youth	<b>30</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> 8a-9:30a: Men's Breakfast & Bible Study followed by Deacon's Mtg in Education wing.
<b>3</b> 5:30p-7:30p: Youth bonfire @ Doug & Deanna Hokuf's house	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> 6:30p: Prayer/Bible Study 6:30p: Kids Klub 6:30p: Youth	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>10</b> Brian Musser will be preaching 5:30p: Youth	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> 6:30p: Prayer/Bible Study & Business Meeting 6:30p: Kids Klub 6:30p: Youth	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>17</b> James Area will be preaching. 5:30p: Youth	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> 6:30p: Prayer/Bible Study 6:30p: Kids Klub 6:30p: Youth	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b> 5:30p: Youth November 2021 Lamplighter articles due!	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> 6:30p: Prayer/Bible Study 6:30p: Kids Klub 6:30p: Youth	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> 3p: LBC Fall Choir Concert 4-7p: Trunk of Treat
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## OCTOBER Birthdays

	8	Fred Orr
	9	Haley Bibey
		Ski Sklodowski
1	10	Nancy Brasefield
2		Ralph Veasey, Jr.
	11	Paula Johnson
3	12	Addison Blades
5		Greg Walker
7	13	Gail Hook

		Jimmy Hall
		Doug Hokuf
		Nicole Shores
		Ryan Wagner
		Madison Area
		Sheena Buckland
		Jim Adkins
		Jackson Area

## OCTOBER Anniversaries

6	Ronald & Paula Johnson
9	Fred & Autumn Orr
19	Jordan & Sunny Grant
31	Tim & Kathy Glace





**Lancaster Bible College Fall Choir Concert**  
Saturday, October 30th at 3pm  
At The Trust Performing Arts Center  
(37 N. Market St., Lancaster, PA 17603)  
We have 20 tickets available. A sign-up sheet will be on the bulletin board in the education wing.  
For those that do not want to drive, you may choose to ride in the church van. (First come, first served.)



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SUBMIT  
**YOUR**  
ARTICLES



**November 2021**  
**Lamplighter articles and**  
**November church calendar**  
**submissions are due no**  
**later than Sunday, October**  
**24th. No late submissions**  
**will be accepted. Please**  
**email articles and calendar**  
**items to Jess Wagner @**  
**fbcne@verizon.net.**



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### **Budget Analysis**

Budget/General Fund Weekly

Average as of 9/19/2021

(38 weeks): **\$4,055**

New Needed Weekly: **\$4,065**

Budget Status: **-\$380**

Maintenance/Building Repairs  
Fund: **\$4,110**

Building Fund for New Garage:  
Received to date: **\$3,237**  
Church goal: **TBD**

BCM/D State Missions  
Received to date: **\$440**  
Church Goal: **\$1,100**

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