

Weekly Activities

Sunday

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Worship Service

6:00 p.m. Youth Group
(8th—12th grades)

6:00 p.m. Sunday Nite Alive
(last Sunday of June, July & August)



Wednesday

1:00 p.m. Grief Support Group
(Every other Wednesday of the month)

6:30 p.m. Kid's Club (Oct.—May)
(1st –7th grades)

6:30 p.m. Bible Study/Prayer Meeting

7:30 p.m. Choir Practice

Monthly

Women's Fellowship

Men's Fellowship

Our Mission—

*Reaching Out,
Welcoming Others
To Christ*

- Teaching the faith
- Living the Gospel
- Caring for each other



Welcome to



First Baptist
Church
of Painesville

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Leadership

Reverend Peter McCurdy has attended Evangel University, and Asbury and Houghton Colleges. While attending seminary, Reverend McCurdy pastored Bliss Baptist Church; and after ministering there for almost three years, he began to pursue ordination under ABC/NYS. On January 1, 2005, Pastor McCurdy was called to First Baptist Church of LeRoy, New York. On March 13, 2005, he was ordained an American Baptist Minister. Pastor is currently working towards his doctorate of Ministry. He and his wife, Sarah, have three children: Elisabeth, age 7, Nathaniel, age 3, and Samuel, age 2.

Missions

First Baptist is a church existing for missions. The church is home to a food pantry that is available to the needy people in the community. First Baptist provides meeting space for groups such as Al-Anon and Alcoholics Anonymous.

First Baptist supports the national and world-wide mission of American Baptists as well as Northern Seminary, Camp Koinonia, Bacone College, Murrow Indian Children's Home, and Green Lake Conference Center. First Baptist also sponsors special offerings for programs such as America for Christ, One Great Hour of Sharing, World Mission Offering, and Retired Ministers & Missionaries Offering.



Other ministries supported include Neighborhood Ministries, Overseas Ministries, Ohio Book Depository, Project Hope, nursing homes Forbes House, Lake County Church Network, Hannah's Home, and Salvation Army.

Dial-a-Devotion

Dial-a-Devotion is a telephone ministry affording inspirational messages, which are updated daily at 4:00 p.m. Call 354-4454 and stay on the line to hear the devotion!

Adult Ministries

Each Wednesday evening, persons interested in exploring the scriptures gather for a study directed by the minister.

Participating in the seasonal choir is a great way in which to share musical talents. The choir rehearses on Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m.

Hosanna Circle, a women's group, meets the first Monday of each month, at 7:00 p.m. September through June. A Men's Fellowship group meets every second Saturday at 9:00 a.m. throughout the year. Each meeting begins with a hearty breakfast.

A Grief Support Group meets every other Wednesday at 1:00 p.m. Each individual in this small group have experienced loss of a loved one, and through sharing are an encouragement to others.

Children's' Ministries

First Baptist values children and has several programs to minister to them in the name of Christ.

Children, grades K through 5 participate in the sanctuary worship during the summer. Beginning in the fall and continuing until spring, they are excused to Junior Church, a special program of exciting Christian learning opportunities.

Kids' Club is a special program for children in the 1st through 7th grade. The children meet on Wednesday evenings, October through May, from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. The program features Bible study, games, and Christian fellowship.

Vacation Bible School is held each summer for all ages!

Youth Ministries

The American Baptist Youth (ABY) program is for grades 8 through 12. ABY meets every Sunday from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. The program includes Bible study, games, drama, and fellowship. Other special ABY events, either service-oriented or socially-oriented, are held each month.

Sunday School

Sunday School meets at 9:30 a.m. every Sunday and offers classes for all ages. There are classes for all children from nursery age through the teen years. Adult classes vary in age and in their teaching approach.

Camp Koinonia



Along with Cleveland and Akron, the Ashtabula Association shares a ministry featuring summer youth camps and year around retreats for all ages! This is a place to experience "re-creation" as the camp

shares the salvation message and provides renewal through the grace and mercy of Jesus Christ.

History of First Baptist

First Baptist Church of Painesville was formed in 1836. Originally in Grand River, it served as an underground station for runaway slaves during the Civil War. The church purchased a new building in Painesville in 1896. In 1968, the church built a new facility here on the present site of 10801 Johnnycake Ridge Road.

First Baptist believes that its purpose is the advancement of the kingdom of Jesus Christ. The church encourages the worship of God, the preaching of the Gospel, Christian fellowship, Christian education, personal stewardship, missionary activity, hospitality, and community service.

The church accepts the supreme authority of the Bible and its sufficiency as our only rule of doctrine and practice.

Membership

Members are received at First Baptist Church by profession of faith in Jesus Christ as their Savior and Lord and baptism by immersion.