

**Additional Notes:**

Nate Rybicki will be preaching on Sunday, May 3 while Pastor Ron is on vacation.



☆ Please take some time to reflect on the following proposed **Mission and Vision Statements** developed by the Leadership Team. These will be voted on at the Annual Business Meeting on May 17. Please see any of the Leadership Team or Pastor Ron with any thoughts or questions.

**~ Mission Statement ~**

**"To make Christ known, to follow Him and delight in His Love forever"**

**~ Vision Statement ~**

**"We seek to be a church for all ages, living out our faith together and trusting Christ to make us a beacon to the community."**

◆ **Church Deacons:**

Robert Gaskins      Scott Fessenden  
Justin Galvin        Hannah Galvin

◆ **Sunday School Teachers:**

Scott and Jenn Fessenden - Pre-school to age 12  
Justin and Hannah Galvin - Ages 12 - 17

☆ Please email any events or announcements to [JeffW6379@gmail.com](mailto:JeffW6379@gmail.com) by Wednesday.

Please visit [www.prayergarden.us](http://www.prayergarden.us) for updated news, calendar, announcements, our full Statement of Faith, and Church Covenant.

Also see Pastor Ron Sylvester's Statement of Faith, testimony, views on local church autonomy and the tasks of a church's interim journey.

# First Baptist Church

of West Townsend

Est. 1827



The amazing grace of the Master, Jesus Christ, the extravagant love of God, the intimate friendship of the Holy Spirit, be with all of you.

2 Corinthians 13: 14

**April 26, 2026**

**10:00 am Worship Service**



## First Baptist Church of West Townsend

**Welcome** - Justin

**Worship in Song** - Our God Is Greater  
Rescuer  
Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery

**Prayer and Sermon** - Pastor Bob Fenn

**Worship in Song** - Amazing Grace

**Announcements** - Justin

**Benediction** - Pastor Fenn

**Greeting Time**

### First Baptist Church of West Townsend

Organized in 1827

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## Upcoming Events and Announcements

**Prayer Meeting** on **Thursday** evenings at **6:30 pm** at the church.

**Adult Bible Study** on **Sunday** mornings at **9:45 am** downstairs.

**Sunday school** for all ages (4-17) at **9:45 am** every week downstairs.

**The Nursery** is open and staffed each week following the worship portion of the service.

**Community Supper** is held the last **Wednesday** of each month from **5-7 pm**. If you know somebody who would like a meal, please invite them to join us, never any cost. ☆ **APRIL 29** ☆

### Monthly Women' Prayer Meeting

All women are welcome to join us downstairs, for intentional prayer time. See Jamie Whelan or Jenn Fessenden with any questions.

**Missions Team** is seeking people interested in missions. Please contact either Jen Scirocco (978-621-8659) or Ginny Masters (918-804-1536).

Come join us for a **Life Group Session** starting **Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup> 6 – 8pm** at the home of Jeff and Jamie Whelan. It will be a time of deepening relationships through fellowship, prayer and scripture with Christ at the center. Light snacks and drinks will be provided. See enclosed flyer for more details on a Life Group.

**Annual Business Meeting Sunday, May 17** following the service with

**Fellowship Meal** to follow the meeting.



**Electronic Giving** - We now have 3 options for electronic giving: the link on our website, scan the QR code here, or download the **Tithe.ly** app

If anyone has a question or need he or she would like to discuss with **Pastor Ron**, please do not hesitate to call him for an appointment at **518-817-0382**.

### Questions, prayer requests or any other needs:

Email: [FirstBaptistChurchWT@gmail.com](mailto:FirstBaptistChurchWT@gmail.com)

Website: [www.prayergarden.us](http://www.prayergarden.us)



### ***What's a Life Group?***

Christians shouldn't simply just be meeting for Sunday worship, we should be doing life together. We believe we must have intentional, meaningful Christ-centered community with other believers. Life Groups are the environment where close relationships can develop as we get to know each other better. These are small, committed communities that meet regularly to build meaningful relationships and encourage one another to know, love, and follow Christ in everyday life. Encouraging one another, bearing each other's burdens, learning from one another, discipling each other, serving together, and enjoying food, fun and fellowship with one another. We see this model clearly laid out for us in the New Testament.

### ***If I come, am I committed?***

We see these groups as vital to spiritual growth, so if you think a group is a good fit, we encourage you to commit for the session. There should be intentionality to show up as much as possible throughout the session so that we can truly grow in our relationships with one another as we walk out our faith together, as Christ intended.

### ***What is the time commitment?***

We envision 3 sessions per year: September through mid-December, January through May, and June through August. As we get started this year, we'll do May through August. Groups would generally meet once a week or every other week ranging in time from 1.5 to 2 hours. Each group would determine their length and schedule. Frequency and times could be adjusted each session to fit the needs of the group.

### ***Is there more than one Life Group?***

At this time, there's only one. Our prayer and hope is that the interest in Life Groups will grow so large that there will be the need to start another group. Other Life Groups could be formed if someone is interested in hosting a group, either at their home or at the church. Please reach out to a deacon to discuss how to get started.

### ***Are kids allowed?***

Each Life Group would determine that, but for the Whelan Life Group it will be a family-friendly group. All ages welcome.

### ***Will there be food and drinks?***

Again, each Life Group would decide that, but for the Whelan Life Group, light snacks and drinks will be served.

### ***Who are Life Groups for?***

Those who want to deepen their walk with Christ with other believers. If you've never read the bible or if you've read it through multiple times, all are welcome to join.

### ***Will I have to pray out loud?***

No, only if you want to, but please bring all of your prayer requests, including all burdens, struggles and praises. We will pray for each other.

### ***What if I want to start my own life group?***

That would be great, please see a Deacon for further information.



**Whelan Life Group Details:**

8 Proctor Rd. Townsend, Ma



**Summer Session May through August**

Saturday May 16<sup>th</sup> 6-8pm

Saturday May 30<sup>th</sup> 6-8pm

Saturday June 13<sup>th</sup> 6-8pm

Saturday June 27<sup>th</sup> 6-8pm

Saturday July 18<sup>th</sup> 6-8pm

Saturday August 1<sup>st</sup> 6-8pm

Saturday August 15<sup>th</sup> 6-8pm

Saturday August 29<sup>th</sup> 6-8pm

*\*Subject to change*

Family Friendly – All ages welcome!

Light Snacks and drinks provided.

Please ask Jeff or Jamie if you have any questions,  
or email [jeffw6379@gmail.com](mailto:jeffw6379@gmail.com)

