

June 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> 2026

# WELCOME

*"Restoring lives and developing committed disciples of Jesus Christ"*

Lead Pastor: Logan Ames  
Pastor of Evangelism & Visitation: Benny Sorbello

## WEEKLY SERVICES & KIDS CHURCH

SATURDAY SERVICE // 6 PM

SUNDAY SERVICES // 9 AM & 10:45 AM

CHILDREN BIRTH TO 3 YEARS

Nursery care during the entire service

CHILDREN PRE-K TO 6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE

Kids Church during the sermon

Children should be picked up in their classrooms following the service

TEENS GRADES 7<sup>TH</sup> TO 12<sup>TH</sup>

Stay in for the whole service

FRIENDSHIP COMMUNITY CHURCH

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

CHURCH RETREAT @ CAMP YOLIJWA

September 11<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>

Sign up at the Welcome Center, payment is now being accepted.

\$114/adult, \$59/child (ages 5-17)

Use envelopes provided.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

July 18<sup>th</sup> at 8 AM

Sign up at the Welcome Center.

LADIES LUNCH

July 19<sup>th</sup> after 2<sup>nd</sup> service

Ordering out for lunch

FAITHWEAVER FUN NIGHT

July 20<sup>th</sup> 6 PM – 8 PM

Ages 4 years old to 6<sup>th</sup> grade.

LADIES POOL PARTY

July 24<sup>th</sup> at 5 PM

At the home of Linda Crawford.

More information to come!

## WHEN WE PRAY

LADIES FELLOWSHIP GATHERING

Friday, June 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM

At the home of Pam Westerhold. Sign up at the Welcome Center. Bring your favorite finger food.

## EMBRACE LIFE

July 13<sup>th</sup> – September 21<sup>st</sup>

Help support moms and families throughout this 10-week program. Please sign up at the Welcome Center to provide a meal, serve in childcare, or assist with transportation.

## WAYS TO GIVE

Online at [FriendshipCommunity.org](http://FriendshipCommunity.org)

Text [FCCDOVER](https://www.fccdo.org) to 1-888-364-GIVE (4483)

During the service via the box located at back of the sanctuary

Or by mail 3380 Fox Run Road  
Dover, PA 17315

## Giving Update

### Weekly Expenses

Received Last Week: \$13,708

Received YTD: \$264,951

### Building Fund

Received Last Week: \$1,657

Received YTD: \$113,521

### Missions Fund

Received Last Week: \$290

Received YTD: \$4,801

### Attendance (combined services)

Last week: 308

Average Attendance: 315

Prayer lists and monthly birthday lists are available outside the church office.

## The Mysteries of God—The Father Knows

Pastor Logan Ames

Romans 8:38-39 (NIV) – "For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord".

Psalms 139:17-18 (NLT) – "How precious are your thoughts about me, O God. They cannot be numbered! I can't even count them; they outnumber the grains of sand! And when I wake up, you are still with me!"

Psalms 17:7-9 (NIV) – "Show me the wonders of your great love, you who save by your right hand those who take refuge in you from their foes. Keep me as the apple of your eye; hide me in the shadow of your wings from the wicked who are out to destroy me, from my mortal enemies who surround me".

*"Fears that have become prayers are already more than half conquered"*

– Alexander Maclaren

Matthew 6:5-8 (NIV) – "And when you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the street corners to be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full. But when you pray, go into your room, close the door, and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you. And when you pray, do not keep on babbling like pagans, for they think they will be heard because of their many words. Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask Him".

*"It's so unusual, it's frightening. You see right through the mess inside of me. And you call me out to pull me in; You tell me I can start again, and I don't need to keep on hiding. I'm fully known and loved by You; You won't let go no matter what I do. And it's not one or the other, it's hard truth and ridiculous grace to be known, fully known and loved by You.*

*I'm fully known and loved by You"*

– Tauren Wells, *Known*

Romans 8:26-27 (NIV) – "In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit Himself intercedes for us through wordless groans. And He who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for God's people in accordance with the will of God".

"groans" = Greek *stenagmos* – "groaning/sighing brought on by circumstances creating great pressure"

Psalms 51:16-17 (NIV) – "You do not delight in sacrifice, or I would bring it; you do not take pleasure in burnt offerings. My sacrifice, O God, is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart you, God, will not despise".

Matthew 6:9-13 (NKJV) – "In this manner, therefore, pray: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen".

Romans 8:14-17 (NIV) – "For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God. The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by Him we cry, "Abba, Father". The Spirit Himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children. Now if we are children, then we are heirs – heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in His sufferings in order that we may also share in His glory".

Romans 8:18-21 (NIV) – "I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us. For the creation waits in eager expectation for the children of God to be revealed. For the creation was subjected to frustration, not by its own choice, but by the will of the One who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be liberated from its bondage to decay and brought into the freedom and glory of the children of God".

Romans 8:22-25 (NIV) – "We know that the whole creation has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time. Not only so, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for our adoption to sonship, the redemption of our bodies. For in this hope we were saved. But hope that is seen is no hope at all. Who hopes for what they already have? But if we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently".

*"It is the attitude of the soldier who in the thick of battle is not dismayed but fights on stoutly whatever the difficulties"*

– Leon Morris

2 Chronicles 20:7-13 (NIV) – "Our God, did you not drive out the inhabitants of this land before your people Israel and give it forever to the descendants of Abraham your friend? They have lived in it and have built in it a sanctuary for your Name, saying, 'If calamity comes upon us, whether the sword of judgment, or plague or famine, we will stand in your presence before this temple that bears your Name and will cry out to you in our distress, and you will hear us and save us.' But now here are men from Ammon, Moab and Mount Seir, whose territory you would not allow Israel to invade when they came from Egypt; so they turned away from them and did not destroy them. See how they are repaying us by coming to drive us out of the possession you gave us as an inheritance. Our God, will you not judge them? For we have no power to face this vast army that is attacking us. We do not know what to do, but our eyes are on you". All the men of Judah, with their wives and children and little ones, stood there before the LORD.

### Bottom Line – Key Points

1. The Father knows all your thoughts, fears, temptations, insecurities, and battles, so you can trust Him.
2. Since the Father already knows, we need not focus on finding the right words in our prayers.
3. We must be willing to persevere through the temporary hardships in order to receive the eternal glory.