

August 15th & 16th 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 6TH GRADE

Kids Church during the sermon

Children should be picked up in their classrooms following the service

TEENS GRADES 7TH TO 12TH

Stay in for the whole service

FRIENDSHIP COMMUNITY CHURCH

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UPCOMING EVENTS

BAPTISM

August 16th at 6 PM

Sign up at the Welcome Center to volunteer and/or to bring food.

NTS CAR SHOW/YARD SALE

September 5th 8 AM -2 PM

Bring your car (entry by donation), grab some food, or get a yard sale spot for \$20 - all to benefit Night to Shine.

CHURCH RETREAT AT CAMP YOLIJWA

September 11th -13th

Payment is due now. \$118/adult, \$59/child ages 5-17, children under 5 years of age is free.

CHURCH SERVICE & PICNIC

AT BROOKSIDE PARK

SUNDAY, AUGUST 23RD

Service at 10 AM with picnic following immediately afterward

Sign up at the Welcome Center to bring food and/or to volunteer!

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY & BILLIARDS

August 28th at 6:30 PM

New location!! At the home of Paul Kitzmiller. Sign up at the Welcome Center if you wish to attend.

WAYS TO GIVE

Online at 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: \$5,940

Received YTD: \$342,070

Building Fund

Received Last Week: \$250

Received YTD: \$134,361

Missions Fund

Received Last Week: \$205

Received YTD: \$7,084

Attendance (combined services)

Last week: 338

Average Attendance: 314

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

The Mysteries of God - When God Shuts the Door

Pastor Logan Ames

Genesis 6:13-14 (NIV) – So God said to Noah, "I am going to put an end to all people, for the earth is filled with violence because of them. I am surely going to destroy both them and the earth. So make yourself an ark of cypress wood; make rooms in it and coat it with pitch inside and out".

Genesis 6:15-16 (NIV) – "This is how you are to build it: The ark is to be three hundred cubits long, fifty cubits wide, and thirty cubits high. Make a roof for it, leaving below the roof an opening one-cubit high all around. Put a door in the side of the ark and make lower, middle, and upper decks".

Genesis 7:13-16 (NLT) – "That very day Noah had gone into the boat (because it was about to become a boat for the first time) with his wife and his sons – Shem, Ham, and Japheth – and their wives. With them in the boat were pairs of every kind of animal – domestic and wild, large and small – along with birds of every kind. Two by two they came into the boat, representing every living thing that breathes. A male and female of each kind entered, just as God had commanded Noah. Then the Lord closed the door behind them".

Hebrews 11:7 (NIV) – "By faith Noah, when warned about things not yet seen, in holy fear built an ark to save his family. By his faith he condemned the world and became heir of the righteousness that is in keeping with faith".

James 4:11-12 (NIV) – "Brothers and sisters, do not slander one another. Anyone who speaks against a brother or sister or judges them speaks against the law and judges it. When you judge the law, you are not keeping it, but sitting in judgment on it. There is only one Lawgiver and Judge, the One who is able to save and destroy. But you – who are you to judge your neighbor?"

John 3:16-18 (KJV) – "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through Him might be saved. He that believeth on Him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God".

John 14:6 (NIV) – Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me".

Acts 4:10b-12 (NIV) – "It is by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified but whom God raised from the dead, that this man stands before you healed. Jesus is, 'the stone you builders rejected, which has become the cornerstone'. Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved".

Revelation 3:7b-8 (NIV) – "These are the words of Him who is holy and true, who holds the key of David. What He opens no one can shut, and what He shuts no one can open. I know your deeds. See, I have placed before you an open door that no one can shut. I know that you have little strength, yet you have kept my word and have not denied my name".

"Nobody forced me to stop practicing homosexuality. I'm not doing this because of people. God is the One who told me to stop, so it has nothing to do with people. And even though it's clear in the Bible it's a sin, the reason I stopped has nothing to do with the Bible. It was a supernatural encounter that scared me so bad I chose to yield and submit to Jesus Christ and over time, I fell in love with Jesus Christ. It has nothing to do with people. I knew what the Bible said and still did me. It's God who made a believer out of me"

– Shanee Strickland

"If you don't believe what I'm saying, just do you. I'm not forcing you to do anything. God doesn't even force us; He tells us what it is and lets us choose, but that doesn't take away from the consequences of our choices or the fact that we will all have to give an account to God"

– Shanee Strickland

2 Peter 3:3-10 (NIV) – "Above all, you must understand that in the last days, scoffers will come, scoffing and following their own evil desires. They will say, 'Where is this "coming" he promised? Ever since our ancestors died, everything goes on as it has since the beginning of creation'. But they deliberately forget that long ago by God's word the heavens came into being and the earth was formed out of water and by water. By these waters also the world of that time was deluged and destroyed. By the same word the present heavens and earth are reserved for fire, being kept for the day of judgment and destruction of the ungodly. But do not forget this one thing, dear friends: With the Lord a day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like a day. The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. Instead he is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance. But the day of the Lord will come like a thief. The heavens will disappear with a roar; the elements will be destroyed by fire, and the earth and everything done in it will be laid bare".

2 Peter 3:14 (NIV) – "So then, dear friends, since you are looking forward to this, make every effort to be found spotless, blameless, and at peace with Him".

Bottom Line – Key Points

1. When God calls us to take steps toward a big calling, we must be certain to know and follow His exact word.
2. Since God is the only truly righteous Judge, it makes sense that only He can decide when the door is shut.
3. Jesus is the only way, the only door to salvation; unless we take it by believing in His name, we will perish.