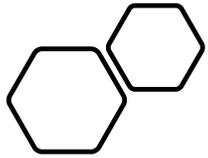


A photograph of the Bright Side Baptist Church at night. The church is a large, modern brick building with a prominent central steeple. The central window features a large cross. The building is illuminated from within, and the steeple is also lit. The sky is a deep blue. In the foreground, there is a parking lot with several cars parked. The text "BRIGHT SIDE BAPTIST CHURCH" is visible on the left side of the building.

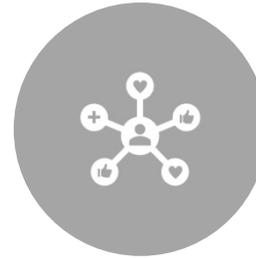
Bright Side Baptist Church New
Members Orientation
Class #2



History



Church began on July 6, 1980 at the persistence of Brother Robert Thomas.



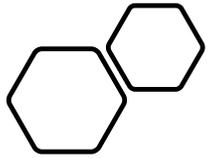
On July 10, 1980 the original congregation of 6 members elected Rev. Louis A. Butcher, Jr. as Pastor.



First location was the former St. Paul's COGIC, 15 East Farnum Street, Lancaster, PA.



August 22, 1980 moved to 15 S. Prince Street, Lancaster, PA.



History



October 11, 1980 the Central Baptist Association Council “set apart” the Church as a Missionary Baptist Church.



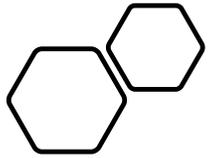
October 18, 1981, historic march from 15 South Prince Street to 215 South Prince Street, with more than 200 in attendance.



After 10 years, the mortgage for 215 S. Queen Street was liquidated and burned.



1996 Capital Campaign began for a new location and we purchased the property located at 515 Hershey Ave., Lancaster, PA.



History



The groundbreaking service was held in October of 2002.



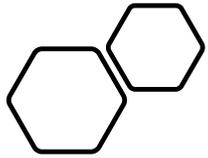
September 2004, historic march from 215 South Prince Street to 515 Hershey Ave., with approximately 400 people marching.



New Services 2014 SWAG – Saturday’s Worshiping an Awesome God. Service in the chapel at 6p - 7p.



June 30, 2017, Rev. Dr. Louis A. Butcher, Jr. retired as the founding pastor of the church..



History



September 2017 Pastoral Search Began



Election of new Pastor, May 18, 2019



July 7, 2019 - Rev. John A. Knight begins as the new Pastor



September 15, 2019 - Installation Service for Pastor John A. Knight



Baptist Ordinances

Christian ordinances may be defined as institutions of divine authority relating to worship of God under Christian rules.

1. Baptism- The immersion of the believe under water, in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, to show our faith in the crucified, buried and risen Savior, with its effect, on our death to sin and our resurrection to a new life.
 - We believe that it is a prerequisite to the privileges of a church relationship, and to the Lord's Super (Communion).



Ordinances of Baptist Churches

2. The Lords Super

- A provision of bread and wine as symbols of Christ's body and blood, taken by members of the church in commemoration of the suffering and death of our Lord, showing our faith and participation in the merits of His sacrifice, and our hope of eternal life through His resurrection from the dead. Its observance is to be preceded by faithful self-examination.



Policies

- Independent of any other church or Baptist Church.
- The “majority” of the congregation rules at church meetings.
- Generally church meetings are held twice per year.



15 Reasons Why I am Baptist

1. Baptists believe the whole Bible and accept nothing but the Bible as their guide in matters of faith and practices. (Matt. 28:18-20; Luke 6:46; II Tim. 3:15-17)
2. Baptist believe in one Lord. One faith, and one baptism. (Eph. 4:1-5)
3. Baptists believe that salvation is wholly of God (John 1:12,13); we are saved by grace and not works (Eph. 2:8,9), and that the two conditions of salvation are repentance and faith (Luke 13:3, John 3: 15, 16).



15 Reasons Why I am Baptist

4. Baptists believe in a regenerated, born again membership. (John 3:3; Acts 2:47)
5. The Baptist Church is a church that has a spiritual Head and Founder- Christ is its only Head and He founded only one church. (Matt. 16:18; Col. 1:18)
6. Christ, the Head of the Church, the only begotten Son of God, both accepted and requested baptism at the hands of John the Baptist (Matt 3:3-15), and was prepared in Heaven (Luke 1:44) for the sublime task, and sent from God (John 1:6).



15 Reasons Why I am Baptist

7. Baptists promote the rights of the individual: first we may seek God for ourselves (Acts 17:30); second, everyone must repent for himself (Acts: 17:30); third, everyone must confess for himself (Rom. 10:9); fourth, everyone must report God for himself (Rom. 14:11-12).
8. Baptists believe in the democracy of the Church, every member is equal. (Matt. 20:24-28; Matt. 23:5-8)
9. Baptists believe that the salvation of God is eternal. (John 3:14-18; 10:28-31)



15 Reasons Why I am Baptist

10. Baptist ministers (whether called Pastors or Bishops) are equal in rank and are never to exercise authority over one another (Mark 10:42-44), and are never to be called "Master" or "Father" (Matt. 23:8-12).
11. Baptists accept as church ordinances only those things ordered by Jesus Christ, which symbolized the death, burial, and resurrection of Christ, namely, Baptism and the Lord's Supper (Rom. 6:3-5; 1 Cor. 11:23-26). The quotation "Let a man examine himself and so let him eat" is a statement addressed to a church and has no reference to non-Christians and non-Church members (1 Cor. 11:28).



15 Reasons Why I am Baptist

12. Baptists believe in the second coming of Christ (Acts 1:11); the immortality of the human soul (Gen. 2:7; 1 Cor. 15:53-55); the resurrection of the body (1 Cor. 15:44), the final judgment of souls before a just God (Matt 25:41-46); and the never-ending punishment of sinners and the eternal bliss of the saints. (Matt. 25: 34-46)

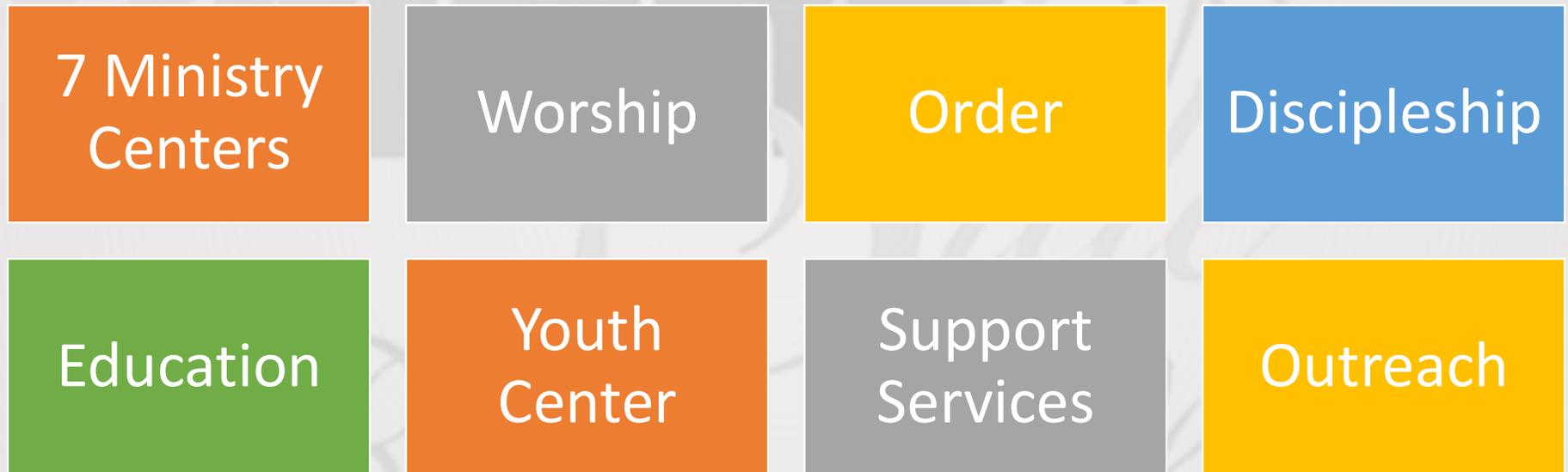
13. Baptists believe that Jesus called and invited little children, including infants, to be blessed. However, we do not believe in infant baptism since it is not mentioned in the Bible. (Mark 10:13-14)



15 Reasons Why I am Baptist

14. Baptists believe that Baptism should always precede, and follow, the Lord's Supper (Matt. 28:19-20)-outward confession before participation.
15. Baptists believe that the Lord's Supper is a memorial to the death of our Lord-(Luke 22:19).

Ministry Centers



General Info – Bright Side Baptist Church

- **Senior Pastor: Rev. John A. Knight**
- **Minister of Congregational Care: Open Position**
- **Church Secretary: Open Position**

General Info.

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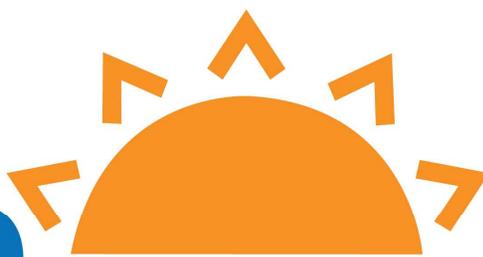
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Bright Side
OPPORTUNITIES CENTER



Value Proposition

We provide opportunities dedicated to individual achievement and to strengthening the community through collaboration and programs that are educational and inclusive.



Vision

Values

Empower, impact and influence our community for a positive purpose.

Diversity • Respect • Integrity • Servant Heart
Collaboration





Mission

- Act courageously
- Serve with Empathy
- Promote Teamwork
- Lean by Example





Serving with the following Partners:

- IU 13 – ESL Classes
 - Careerk Link – full-service office to assist community members with finding jobs.
 - LHS (Lancaster Health Services) – Full Service Medical Practice serving Infants to Seniors
 - The Academy – Wrap around services for youth
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Fitness Center

MEMBERSHIP

- \$17 Single
- \$37 – Family
- \$7 – Student Only

Fitness Center Equipment

- 3 Treadmills
- 2 Ellipticals
- 2 Adaptive Motion Trainers
- 2 Recumbent Bikes
- 1 Espresso Bike – virtual reality
- 1 Scifit Recumbent Bike
- 1 Rowing Machine
- 8 Strength Machines
- 1 Functional Trainer
- 1 Squat Rack
- 3 Incline Weight Benches
- 1 Decline Weight Bench
- Kettle Bells (8lbs. – 40 lbs.) – 9 sets





Silver Sneakers

Monday – Friday

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\$5 per class, non-member





Fitness Center Classes

REGULATION SIZE GYMNASIUM

- Pickle Ball
- Youth Basketball League

Other Fitness Classes

**SOME
INCLUDED
WITH
MEMBERSHIP**

- Youth Tae Kwon Do
- Piloxing
- Latin Funk/Remix
- Yoga and Chair Yoga



Outreach

In collaboration with
the church, V-
Connection
Tuesdays, Noon –
2p.

Senior Food
Program

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STEM Girls Leadership Academy – Middle School Girls, Tuesdays, 3:30p – 6:30p

STEM Boys Leadership Academy – Middle School Boys, Thursdays, 3:30p – 6:30p



Youth Programs

STEM ACTIVITIES

- STEM Camp
- Two 3 week sessions summer 2022
- Students entering grades 6th – 8th

RENTALS

Schedule your next event



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HEALTH & FITNESS FAIR Sat. March 26th 10am-3pm

- *Guest Speakers*
- *Vendors*
- *Free Health Screenings*
- *Door Prizes & Much More*



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