



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF CRANFORD/ELIZABETH  
2025 CALENDAR YEAR AT A GLANCE

**THEME "THRIVE: LIVING A LIFE THAT IS PLEASING TO GOD"**

<b>1<sup>st</sup> Quarter</b>	<b>JAN. Faith</b> *Epiphany 6 *Churchwide Prayer Fast 6-10 *Deacon's Training 8 *Church Mtg after church 12 *Joint Board Mtg 8p (Dea & Trus) 15 *Service Sun (MLK/Ministries) 19 *MLK Day 20 *Corp. Prayer re-start 7p 21 *Bible Study re-start 7p 22 *Youth Mtg re-start 9:45a 26	<b>FEB. Bible Reading &amp; Study</b> *Black History Month *Souper Bowl Sunday (bring canned goods for the pantry.) 9	<b>MARCH Prayer &amp; Fasting</b> *Women's History Month *Transfiguration Sun. 2 *Lent begins with Ash Wednesday 12/7p 5 *Int'l Women's Day 8 *Daylight Savings Time Begins 9 *Pastor's 1 <sup>st</sup> Pastoral Anniversary 9 -1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent 9 -2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Lent 16 St. Patrick's Day 17 -3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent 23 -4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent/Laetare (Rose) 30
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter</b>	<b>APRIL Generosity</b> *National Gardening Month *Autism Awareness Month -5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent/Passion 6 *Passover Begins 12 -6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent/Palm Sunday 13 *Holy Week 14-19 *Easter Sunday 20 *Passover Ends 20 *Earth Day 22 *2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter 27	<b>MAY Fellowship</b> *Asian Pacific Heritage Month *Military Appreciation Month *3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter 4 *4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter 11 *Mother's Day/Women's Sunday 11 *ABW Retreat/Harvey Cedars 15-17 *5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter 18 *6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter 25 *Memorial Day Monday 26 *Ascension Thursday 29	<b>JUNE Celebration</b> *7 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter   Sp. Ch. Mtg. 1 *Pentecost Sunday 8 *Raritan Association Mtg 14 *Trinity Sunday 15 *Father's Day   Men's Sunday 15 *Juneteenth Thursday 19 *Church Mtg. after church 22 *Last Youth BB of school year 22 *Education & Grad Sun 22 *Last Tues Prayer/Wed Bible 24-25
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter</b>	<b>JULY Simplicity</b> *Fourth of July Friday 4 *Joint Churches VBS 31  Tues Prayer, Wed Bible Study and Youth/BB Meeting are off for Summer. Note there is still intercessory prayer on Sundays.	<b>AUG. Silence</b> *Joint Churches VBS 1&2 *Back to School Supply Drive 24  Tues Prayer, Wed Bible Study and Youth/BB Meeting are off for Summer. Note there is still intercessory prayer on Sundays.	<b>SEPT. Giving   Tithe</b> *National Friendship Month *Labor Day 1 *Praise & Worship Under the Stars Bring Your Lawn Chair & Picnic 6 *Combined CE and Deacon Mtg 7 *Churchwide Retreat & Cornerstone Celebration 12-14 *Hispanic Heritage starts 15 *Tuesday Prayer Zoom resumes 16 *Wed Night Bible Study resumes 17 *Youth/Bible Buddies resumes 21 *Rosh Hashanah 22-24 *Start to Plan Friends Family Fall Fest 28 *ABCNJ Webinars start 9/29 to 10/2
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Quarter</b>	<b>OCT. Giving   Spiritual Gifts</b> *Clergy Appreciation Month *Yom Kippur 1-2 *ABCNJ webinars end 2 *ABCNJ Annual Session 4 *Sukkot 6-13 *Fall Revival w/FRCH 10 *Vision Forward Conf. 11 *Hispanic Heritage ends 15 *Reformation Day Sun 26	<b>NOV. Giving   Time</b> *Native American Heritage Month *Daylight Savings ends (Fall) 2 *Stewardship Sunday/Veterans 9 *Veteran's Day 11 *Friends Family Fall Festival 22 *Friends & Family Day 23 *Thanksgiving (Thurs) 27 *Advent Begins -1 <sup>st</sup> Sun Adv   Hope Candle 30	<b>DEC. Worship</b> - 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sun Adv   Peace candle 7 Full Gospel Church Christmas Carols 13 - 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sun Adv   Joy candle 14 *Hanukkah starts 14 - 4 <sup>th</sup> Sun Adv. Love Dedications/Baptism 21 *Year-End Meeting 21 *Hanukkah ends 22 *Christmas Eve   Christ candle   Carols & Cookies 7p 24 *Christmas (Thurs) No Service 25 *Last Sunday of 2025 28 *NYE WNS (Wed) 31

**Monthly Meetings:** Deacons 1st Weds 8:05P Zoom; Trustees 4th Suns 12:30P In-person; Christian ed. 1st Suns 12:30P In-person