

First Baptist Church of York



December 31, 2017

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AND *praise* THY
glorious
name.

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**"Building passionate connections
between people and a life-changing God."**

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TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE

NURSERY CARE is available for infants through three years of age.

As a courtesy, cell phones are to be switched off during worship.

FOR YOUR COMFORT During the worship service, if the temperature is cooler than you like, you are welcome to borrow one of the knit shawls provided in the coat room. Please remember to leave the shawl behind after the service.

Worship Leader: Noel Alcántara

Prelude:

"Lo How a Rose E'er Blooming"

(arr. Hayes)

*Lo, how a Rose e'er blooming
From tender stem hath sprung!
Of Jesse's lineage coming
As men of old have sung.
It came, a flower bright,
Amid the cold of winter
When half-gone was the night.*

Call to Worship:

Oh, the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments and His ways past finding out!

For who has known the mind of the LORD?
Or who has become His counselor?

Or who has first given to Him
And it shall be repaid to him?

For of Him and through Him and to Him are all things, to whom be glory forever. Amen.

Songs of Praise: (CCLI # 428090)

“Joy to the World”

(Hymn #179)

“He Is Born”

(Hymn #201)

Pastoral Prayer

*(After the Prayer, all children ages 4 - 2nd grade are dismissed to children's worship.
Older children will remain in the worship service today.)*

Gathering and Presenting our Tithes and Gifts to God

Offertory:

“Rise Up, Shepherd, and Follow”

(arr. Schrader)

There's a star in the East on Christmas morn,

Rise up, shepherd, and follow.

It'll lead to the place where the Savior's born,

Rise up, shepherd, and follow.

Song of Worship:

“Shepherds Poor”

Scripture Reading: Luke 1:30-33

Message From God's Word

Song of Response & Invitation: (You are extended the invitation to receive Jesus Christ as your Savior and Lord. By coming to the front of the room as we sing, you will enable us to speak with you about this decision. Also, if you desire to join with this church as a member, you are invited to come forward.)

"Angels We Have Heard on High"

(Hymn #188)

Benediction

Postlude:

"Go Tell It On the Mountain"

(arr. Hayes)

PRAYER THOUGHT: For the mercy O Lord that You have for me, I approach Your throne of grace, to glorify Your Name and say Hallelujah God Almighty, Living King, for the opportunity to live until this day. I celebrate for one more day Your mercies and that the main expression of Your love became flesh and walked with us, so I could be saved. O Great Lord how big and unexplainable is Your love for me! It cannot be described in human words, so I can only adore You through my obedience. Help me O Christ to forget my ways and remember that You have a better plan for me, to understand that the air that I breathe is a gift from You and nothing that I deserve. O Dear Lord help me to live each day as if it were the last, to serve You and share Your word with others as You shared salvation through Your beloved son, Jesus. I pray O Lord that I can live to believe Your word, without hesitation, without fear, and be ready to see Your face when You decide to return. I pray in Jesus name, Amen!

(by Mercedes Alcántara)

Shepherds Poor

Words and Music by
Timothy Munson



Shep - herds in the field at night,
Shep - herds saw the glo - ry,
Shep - herds went to Da - vid's town,
Go to Beth - le - hem and see,



Watch - ing o - ver sheep. — An - gels came to
Shin - ing all a - round. — An - gels said to
found the King e - ter - nal. Ma - ry's child, as
what the shep - herds saw. — Seek the One from



shep - herds poor, break - ing dark - ness deep.
shep - herds poor, Get up off the ground.
an - gels sang, Hope of Is - ra - el.
heav - en sent, born to save us all.



Glo - ry to God in the high - est.



Peace on the earth to — all of us.



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

Rich D, Shirley D, Tina D, Esther D, Julian D, Charles G, Erik H,
Alice M, Dave M, Leslie M, Jean M, Gloria N, Tristan S,
Jeanette S, Dr. Bill S, Don & Diane S, Paul S, Buddy W,
Grace W, India Bible Literature, direction for our
Children and Youth program, our Military,
our President and other elected officials

VIPs:

Lamar & Janet F, Flo L, Marcus M,
Jean M, Ken & Etta* M, Dorothy R, Betty T
(*Caregiver)

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP:

4yrs.-2nd Grade: Bev M
3rd Grade & up: Remain in
the worship service today

NURSERY:

Jennifer H

BIRTHDAY

4 Kim L

COOKIE

VISITORS:

Clair & Kathy D

MISSIONARY

BIRTHDAYS

1 Pieter Kalkman -
Europe
5 Ingrid Roldán-
Román - Panama

ORDINATION CELEBRATION: *Colonial Park Community Baptist Church and co-sponsor First Baptist Church of Bethlehem, PA invite you to the ordination celebration of Mr. David Klock at **4:00pm on January 7, 2018** at Colonial Park Community Baptist Church, 700 South Houcks Road, Harrisburg, PA. Following the celebration there will be a time of light refreshments and fellowship. We hope you will be able to join us for this time of celebration.*

THANK YOU! *I would like to thank everyone that helped make the children's Christmas pageant a great success. It was all possible due to teamwork. Thanks again! - Jen H*

JANUARY TIDINGS: *If you receive a paper copy of the Tidings, **please pick up** the January 2018 edition, marked with your name, in the rear of the sanctuary. Extras are provided for visitors and those who aren't on the mailing list. You can begin receiving a paper copy or an electronic version via email contacting the church office at (717) 600-0077.*

RETIRED MINISTERS AND MISSIONARIES: During December we are taking our annual Retired Ministers and Missionaries Offering. Special envelopes are provided on the table in the rear of the sanctuary. You may also include a gift along with your regular tithes and offerings by writing "RMMO" and the amount you wish to designate on your envelope.

BLOOD DRIVE COORDINATOR: We at First Baptist have been blessed to be a part of this community outreach program for many years. We need one or two people who will take up the banner of this important ministry. Here are some of the duties that are required three times a year:

- Meet with the Red Cross Coordinator to schedule the drives
- Clear calendar dates with the church office
- Advertise through preprinted inserts in the bulletin and newsletter
- Be available the day of the drive (approximately 6 hours)
- Encourage members to sign up for time slots

If you, or you and a friend, feel a calling to take on this important ministry, please contact Bob Miller, Outreach Chair, or the church office.

SAVE THE DATES! The annual Church Retreat is scheduled for **March 2-4, 2018**, at beautiful Camp Hebron. Our leader will be Rev. Kevin Walden.

MINISTRY LEADERS: If you are responsible for scheduling group events or for coordinating Sunday morning volunteers, please remember to share your 2018 plans with the church office as soon as you have them. Thank you!

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS		
December 31 - January 6		
Sunday	9:00am	Sunday School
	10:10am	Prayer
	10:30am	Worship
Monday	Church office closed. Happy New Year!	
Wednesday	10:00am	Bible Study
Thursday	6:30pm	Jubilee Ringers Rehearsal
	7:45pm	Choir Rehearsal

JESUS THE STRANGER

Luke 1:30-33

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The people who thought they knew him did not really know him.

Jesus changed from friend to stranger to enemy. (Luke 4:16-30)

His own family did not know him. (Mark 3:21; Luke 8:19-20)

Even the people who really knew him did not know all of him.

Peter recognized who Jesus was. (Luke 9:18-20)

There was a whole lot more to Jesus. (Luke 9:28-36)

Your goal is to get to know him.

(Eph. 1:17; Phil. 3:10)

Even though you will know him better, there is much about him that will remain unknown.

Unless you know that you don't know him, you can't know him. (Luke 22:57)

Can you follow him even when you don't understand everything?

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