

First Baptist Church of York

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Lent IS A TIME TO
GROW **W**
CLOSER TO JESUS

Lent starts this Wednesday.

Lent invites people of faith to make their hearts ready to remember Jesus' death, commemorate his sacrifice, and celebrate his resurrection.

February 23, 2020

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, if the temperature is cooler than you like, you are welcome to borrow one of the handmade shawls provided in the coat room.

Our worship leader is Vera K.
Our guest musician is Sue W.

Welcome

Prelude

Amazing Grace
Children's Bell choir

Call to Worship

In the beginning the Word already existed. The Word was with God, and the Word was God. He existed in the beginning with God. The Word became human and made his home among us. He was full of unfailing love and faithfulness. And we have seen his glory, the glory of the Father's one and only Son.

This one who is life itself was revealed to us, and we have seen him. And now we testify and proclaim that he is the one who is eternal life.

John 1:1-2, 14; 1 John 1:2, New Living Translation

Songs of Praise (CCLI # 428090)

Standing on the Promises

R. Kelso Carter

Standing on the promises of Christ my King,
Thru eternal ages let His praises ring;
Glory in the highest I will shout and sing,
Standing on the promises of God.

**Standing, standing,
Standing on the promises of God my Savior;
Standing, standing,
I'm standing on the promises of God.**

Standing on the promises that can not fail,
When the howling storms of doubt and fear assail,
By the living Word of God I shall prevail,
Standing on the promises of God.
(Chorus)

Standing on the promises of Christ the Lord,
Bound to Him eternally by love's strong cord,
Overcoming daily with the Spirit's sword,
Standing on the promises of God.
(Chorus)

Standing on the promises I cannot fall,
List'ning every moment to the Spirit's call,
Resting in my Savior as my all in all,
Standing on the promises of God.
(Chorus)

Thy Word

Hymn #664

Gathering and Presenting our Tithes and Gifts to God

Shepherd of My Heart

Sandi Patti

Sung by Tracy C.

(Before the Song of Worship, all children ages 4 through 2nd grade are dismissed to children's worship downstairs in the K-2 classroom & children grade 3 and up are dismissed to the youth room downstairs.)

Song of Worship

Stand up! Stand Up for Jesus!

Hymn #513

Message "Test the Spirits"

1 John 4:1-6

Song of Response and Invitation (You are extended the invitation to receive Jesus Christ as your Savior and Lord. By coming to the front of the sanctuary 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.)

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

Hymn #344

Benediction

Postlude

Stand Up! Stand Up for Jesus!

Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, for many false prophets have gone out into the world. By this you know the Spirit of God: every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God, and every spirit that does not confess Jesus is not from God. This is the spirit of the antichrist, which you heard was coming and now is in the world already. Little children, you are from God and have overcome them, for he who is in you is greater than he who is in the world. They are from the world; therefore they speak from the world, and the world listens to them. We are from God. Whoever knows God listens to us; whoever is not from God does not listen to us. By this we know the Spirit of truth and the spirit of error.

1 John 4:1-6



*In Our Thoughts
& Prayers*



REMEMBER IN PRAYERS THIS WEEK

John B., Pat C., Rich D.,
Jerry & Mary D., Bill D., Millie E.,
Cleo G., Leigh Ann & Charles G.,
George H., Kim L., Bill L., Gene M.,
Nicole M., Leslie M., Gloria N.,
Donna O., Adam R., Gail R., Julia R.,
Jeannette S., Rick S.,
Don & Diane S., Janet S.,
John S., Paul S., Grace & Jim W.,
Finance Ministry Team
American Baptist Churches of PA and Delaware (ABCOPAD)
Our church staff and leaders,
Our Military, President and other elected officials

Our VIP's

Lamar & Janet F., Janet H.,
Flo L., Marcus M., Etta M.,
Marilyn O., Betty T.



CHILDREN'S WORSHIP

4yrs.-2nd Grade:

Bev M.

3rd Grade & up:

Mercedes A.

NURSERY

Julie C.

Norma A.

Cherith C.

CHURCH FAMILY BIRTHDAYS

23 Esther D.

25 Janet C.

26 James W.

MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS

27 Becky Mann - Thailand

29 Barb Bolick - Chile

THE WIDOW'S LUNCH BUNCH: A group will gather at **Cheddar's** (across from Round the Clock, Rt. 30) for lunch **today** immediately following the morning service. Meet in the narthex if you are unsure of directions or would like to car pool.

LENT: The period of preparation for Easter starts this **Wednesday**. Free devotional booklets are available on the back table for anyone interested in a copy.

ALL CHURCH RETREAT: This coming weekend is the church retreat at Camp Hebron. Please pray for safe travels and that those attending may feel God's Joy.

BLOOD DRIVE: We will be hosting a Red Cross Blood Drive in the narthex on Wednesday, **March 4** from **2:00-7:00pm**. See Sue F. or Christine H. to sign up for a time slot.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY-ALTOONA ABC CONFERENCE: Anyone interested in attending this conference from May 15th to May 16th - a meeting will be held on **March 8th** following Sunday Service in the back of the sanctuary. Anyone interested in attending the conference is strongly encouraged to attend this March meeting. For more information please see the WM bulletin board or you can talk to Mary D.! Thank you!

LOOKING FOR A WAY TO PARTICIPATE? There will be an informational meeting following church on **March 15th** for anyone interested in helping with the sound and/or video equipment. No experience is necessary.

CAN YOU HELP? We need a backdrop painted for the youth musical. If you would be willing to help with this, see Stephanie or Linda C.

REMINDER: Please clean up any food or beverages containers you may take into the sanctuary. We all need to help take care of the building that we use to worship God.

A Lenten Commitment

Please check the items you feel you can commit to the next six weeks.

- _____ 1. To keep a daily time of devotions, including Bible study and prayer
- _____ 2. To live in an attitude of prayer, praying for others, self, and not forgetting to give thanks in every situation
- _____ 3. To express my Christian vocation in some specific way (visiting the sick, shut ins, etc.)
- _____ 4. To tithe consistently
- _____ 5. To be part of a Bible study group
- _____ 6. To offer grace at each meal
- _____ 7. To share worship daily with my family and weekly with my church family
- _____ 8. To fast _____ meals per week
- _____ 9. To read one Christian book
- _____ 10. _____

These I have checked, I will endeavor to do for a closer walk with Jesus.

Signed: _____





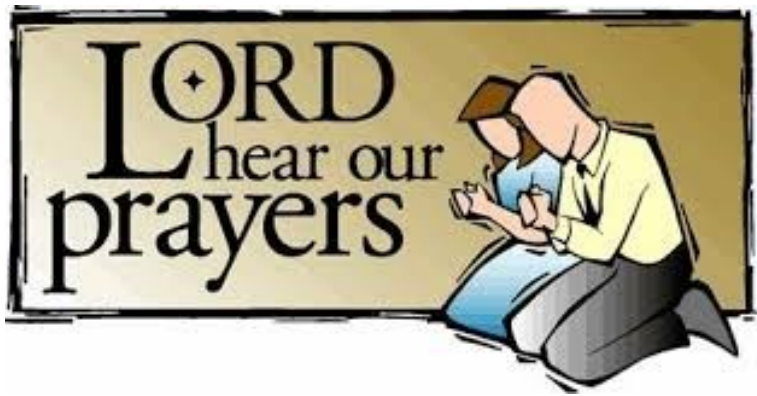
The Star Factor!

A Youth Musical

March 29th at 3:00pm

Here in our sanctuary.

Invite a friend!



Dear Lord Jesus,

Thank you for bringing hope to the world. Let that hope shine through our actions and tumble from our lips so that we can't help but bring it to the people around us.

We are channels only, blessed Master, for all of Your wondrous power flowing through us. Use us every day and every hour.

Amen

SCHEDULED TO SERVE NEXT WEEK:

WORSHIP LEADER: **Daryl H.**

NURSERY: **Jen & Dustin H.**

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP: **Esther D., Mercedes A.**

PARKING: **Rick T., Brian G.**

MARCH'S ALTAR CALL TEAM: **Bob & Bev M.**

Please inform the church office if there are any revisions or corrections.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

February 23-29th

Sunday	9:00am 10:30am	Sunday School Worship Service
Tuesday	6:00pm	Youth Soccer
Wednesday	10:00am 5:00pm 6:00pm 6:30pm 7:00pm 7:00pm	Philippians Bible Study Musical Practice Church Family Dinner Awana <u>Knowing God</u> Bible Study Women's Bible Study
Thursday	6:15pm 6:30pm 7:15pm	Jubilee Ringers Volleyball vs. Natalie's Team Choir Rehearsal
Friday	7:00pm	Church Retreat at Camp Hebron
Saturday		Church Retreat at Camp Hebron

TEST THE SPIRITS

1 John 4:1-6

February 23, 2020

The Spirit of Truth is from God.

Jesus Christ has come in the flesh from God. (4:2)

The followers of this truth are from God. (4:6)

Whoever knows God listens to this message. (4:6)

The spirit of falsehood is from antichrist.

They would say that Jesus is not from God. (3)

The followers of this lie are from the world. (5)

The world listens to this message. (6)

What is this about overcoming? (4:4)

Overcoming is possible because the Spirit of truth is greater. (4:4)

This sounds like Jesus. (John 16:33)

This is because of Jesus. (Romans 8:37)

This is living for Jesus. (Romans 12:21)

How does testing the spirits work out in real life?

Test the teachings that you hear or read.

Do not believe the lie that the world's people can live as they like without consequences. (Rom. 1:18; 2:5, 8)

Do not believe the lie that God's people can live as they like without consequences. (Phil. 2:12-18)

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