

1st Sunday of Lent

We Come Prepared to Worship

THOUGHT FOR MEDITATION

I am the Light of the World. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life. - John 8:12 NRSV

PRELUDE

WORDS OF WELCOME

[Please sign and pass the pew registration pad to those seated next to you. Prayer cards can be found in the pews. You may place these in the offering to share with the church staff.]

PRAISE SONGS

“Arise”

“Cornerstone”

{Children ages 4 through grade 6 are dismissed to downstairs learning in the Drama Room 101. Parents please come to room 101 to pick up your children following worship.}

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Cash

When the darkness surrounds us and we feel alone, let the Word of God illuminate our lives. When we are lost in grief or sadness seeking a way through the pain, remember that God is always with us showing us the way. When we doubt our ability to shine in a world dimmed by sin, and the way to God seems so far away, let us worship God and follow Jesus as he reveals Himself to us as the Light of the World.

OPENING PRAYER

***HYMN** “Morning Has Broken” #362

WORSHIP THROUGH OFFERINGS

Offering Prayer Larry Mayfield

Offertory The Witmer Family

***HYMN** “I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light” #539

SPECIAL MUSIC The Witmer Family

MESSAGE “Jesus – Our Light” Rev. Kyle Witmer
John 9:1-5

COMMUNION HYMN “Come Share the Lord” #782

COMMUNION AT THE LORD’S TABLE

Invitation to Communion

Prayers at the Table

Sharing the Bread “I Surrender All”

Sharing the Cup “Lover of my Soul”

***HYMN** “The Light of the World is Jesus” Screen

- During the hymn those who would like to profess their faith in Jesus Christ or transfer church membership to First Baptist are encouraged to come forward. The Pastor will meet you at the front of the sanctuary. -

*BENEDICTION

RESPONSE

POSTLUDE “Be Thou Exalted”

We Depart to Serve

*All who are able may stand

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**Please remember to turn off your cell phone.** All songs copied by permission CCLI # 167629  
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The Body of Christ Prays For...

- Homebound Members; Military Personnel & Families
- Heidi Putterill, Randy Wheeler, Donita Compton, Donna Tull, Alvin Arbuckle, Danny Burton, Cecil & Linda Workman, & Our Worship/Music Leader Search Team/Process

Happy Birthday: Marsha Daugherty (3/7); Randy Wheeler (3/7)

Emergency Responder – Judy Rhude

Cookie Ministry – Sue Hoffman

Pastoral Care Team for this week – Kerry & Alice Richmond

THIS WEEK AT FIRST BAPTIST

TODAY, March 1

9:30 am – Worship
10:45 am – 2nd Hour
2:00-4:00 pm – Youth Event-Escape Room

MONDAY, March 2

4:00 pm – Prayer Group

TUESDAY, March 3

9:00 am – BSF Leaders
11:30 am – Prayer Shawl Ministry
2:00 pm – Hannah Circle

WEDNESDAY, March 4

9:00 am – BSF
7:00 pm – Chancel Choir

FRIDAY, March 6

6:15 am – Men of Faith Bible Study
(at Four Seasons)

NEXT SUNDAY, March 8

9:30 am – Worship
10:45 am – 2nd Hour

LOOKING AHEAD

March 11 – Four Seasons Mending (9:00 am)
March 12 – Property Committee (6:30 pm)
March 12-14 – Emmaus Training
March 15 – Newsletter Deadline
March 17 – Church Council (7:00 pm)
March 24 – Abigail Circle (7:00 pm)
March 29 – Pitch-In coffee Fellowship
(Last names Q-Z invited to bring snacks)
March 31 – Life Line Screening

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**Welcome to First Baptist Church!**

**To Our Guests:** We are delighted to have you worship with us. Please take a moment to sign the registration pad located in the pews.

**Prayer Cards** in the pew rack may be used for prayer requests. You may place these in the offering to share with the church staff.

**Welcome Information:** Information about our congregation & ministry is available on the back ledge of the sanctuary or through one of the greeters.

**Child Care/Children's Ministries:** Child Care is provided for infants and toddlers. Children, ages 4 through grade 6, are dismissed early in worship to share a time of faith formation during the worship hour. Children's area is located on the lower level. **Parents remember to pick up your children in room 101 after worship.**

**Flowers/Decorations:** Please fill out a card located on the back ledge of the sanctuary if you would like to give flowers to honor someone or recognize a special day. Please place it in the offering plate along with \$25.

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Hearing assistance devices are available. Please see an usher.

Find us online at www.firstbaptistcolumbus.org and Like Us on Facebook.

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**Church Staff**

Rev. Dr. Daniel Cash, Senior Pastor;  
Laura Friedrich, Administrative Assistant  
Donna Tull, Organist; Carla Williams, Pianist; Dortha Anderson, Librarian  
Barry Ferrill, Custodian; Melissa Hernandez, Nursery Care Supervisor  
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**March 1, 2020**

***First Baptist Church***  
***3300 Fairlawn Drive***  
***Columbus, Indiana***

**“Connect . . Grow . . Serve”**

## MESSENGER EXTRA

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We welcome the Rev. Kyle and Mrs. Debby Witmer as our guests this morning. The Witmers serve with International Ministries (ABCUSA) as missionaries in Thailand. They are currently on home assignment visiting supporting churches, and they've also served as missionaries in residence at Campbellsville University. You are invited to learn even more about their ministry by sharing a 2nd Hour conversation with Kyle & Debby in the Chapel following worship.
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### 2<sup>nd</sup> HOUR CLASSES TODAY

**March 1 – ASF Sunday School in Fellowship Hall  
Information meeting only (Tim Huffman, a member of FBC  
Adult Education Team) will lead a discussion and  
insight for inviting others to Sunday School classes that exist**

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**YOUTH EVENT – THE GREAT ESCAPE ROOM EXPERIENCE!
TODAY ~ 2:00-4:00 PM**

Pizza and drinks will be provided. Come and bring a friend or two!
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### DO YOU LOVE FLOWERS?

Flower & Decorating Team is in need of help!! If you are creative & love flowers then we need you! If interested in becoming a member of our team we would be more than happy to have you join us! Please contact Adam Zimmerman or Deanna Glick.  
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SAVE THE DATE! – Ladies, it's time for a spiritual road trip!! Aug. 28-29, Beth Moore will be in Louisville, KY with her Living Proof Ministry. More information to follow.
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### SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

The First Baptist Church Foundation is accepting applications for two scholarships.

**The E. Don Tull Scholarship** is for a graduating high school senior planning to attend an institution of higher learning full-time next year and is in the amount of \$1,000.

**The Foundation Scholarship** is for any full-time undergraduate student and is also in the amount of \$1,000.

Applications may be obtained from the church office or the church website (Connect/FBC Foundation). They are due back to the church office or a Foundation board member by April 1, 2020 to be considered. Scholarship recipients will be announced in May.  
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PICTURES NEEDED

Deanna Glick needs pictures of church functions, past, present, & future. We would like to use those photos, especially pictures of mission/outreach work, by adding them to our monitor/TV feeds throughout the year. Please contact Deanna for more information.
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## LIFE LINE SCREENING

There is a simple, convenient way for you to get preventive health screenings and learn your risk for stroke, heart disease and other chronic conditions.

These painless screenings go beyond your regular checkup to identify dangerous plaque buildup or blockage, a major risk factor for stroke and heart disease. The screenings are accurate, affordable and will give you valuable information about your health that you can share with your doctor.

We are pleased to host Life Line Screening, who will be on site on 3/31/2020 at First Baptist Church to conduct these valuable screenings.

These 5 vital screenings are offered for only \$149 and take 60-90 minutes to complete. If you register today, you will receive a \$10 discount.

Register by calling toll free 1-888-653-6441, text the word "circle" to 797979, or visit [www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle](http://www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle).  
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THANK YOU

We want to extend a big "thank you" to all who helped us host the Judson University Choir. This includes all who helped support the concert by hosting students, providing meals and supporting the concert by serving or attending.
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## SPRING GROW GROUPS

Our Spring Grow group session will begin after Easter and run 6 weeks (April 19 – May 24). Would you consider hosting and leading a group? Speak with Pastor Dan.  
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