



*Sunday, March 8, 2020*  
*10:00 a.m.*



Thematic Focus: 2020-2023  
Ministry Mentoring – Hebrews 10:24 (NIV)  
Healthy Church, Healthy Disciples - Hebrews 10:24 (NIV)  
Stewardship As Legacy - 1 Chronicles 22:2-5

Rev. Dr. Darrell K. White, Pastor  
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## **Order of Worship**

*\*Congregation Please Stand  
(Lighting the candles signals the beginning of worship unto God)*

**Lighting of Worship Candles: Sisters Ada Johnson and Nadine Bryson**

### **Leadership Processional**

**Worship Leader** *Pastor Darrell K. White*

**\*Scripture** *Deacon Kenneth King*

**\*Morning Hymn #387** *I Am Thine O' Lord"* *Congregation*

*(Worshippers May Enter)*

**Reading of Litany (pg. 4)** *Pastor Darrell K. White*

**Welcoming of Guest** *Sister Nia White*

**Announcements** *Children's Ministry  
Health Ministry*

*(Worshippers May Enter)*

**Musical Selection** *VOB Mass Choir*

**Introduction of Preacher** *Pastor Darrell K. White*

**Pre-Sermonic Selection** *VOB Mass Choir*

*(Worshippers May Enter)*

**Sermon** *Rev. Kevin L. Sykes  
Pastor, St. James Baptist Church  
(Richmond) Varina, VA*

**Invitation to Become a Disciple of Jesus Christ**

**Invitational Hymn**

**\*Giving Of God's Tithes and Offerings** *Deacon Ministry*

### **DOXOLOGY**

**"All Things Come of Thee, O Lord,  
And of Thine own hath we given Thee." Amen**

**Remarks**

**\*Altar Prayer**

**\*Benediction**

**\*Congregation please stand**

**Biography of Reverend Kevin L. Sykes**  
**Pastor, St. James Baptist Church, (Richmond) Varina, VA**



Reverend Sykes is a native of Virginia Beach, Virginia, and is the youngest of four children born to Mrs. Jean Sykes in Salon, France. At the age of 19, after relocating to the Richmond area, he was employed in several management positions which helped to further develop his leadership skills. With his interest in Marketing and Business, he enrolled and attended Virginia State University. After about two years on this academic track, God intervened and redirected his path. Acknowledging God's call to the ministry, Reverend Sykes returned to Virginia Beach and under the leadership of his Pastor, the late Bishop William D. Scott, Sr. of the Pleasant Grove Baptist Church was licensed to preach the gospel in June 1990.

In 2009, Reverend Sykes was acknowledged by the Supreme Court of Virginia and served as Magistrate for the 13<sup>th</sup> District of the Sixth Magisterial Region. He is affiliated with the Baptist Ministers' Conference of Richmond and Vicinity, Henrico Ministers' Conference, Area Ministers' Fellowship (Varina), and Virginia Union University's Chapel Advisory Board. He has also served on the Board of "Home Again" an organization which provides emergency shelter and transitional housing for Richmond's men, women, children and veterans who have no place to live. In October 2015, he was appointed by Governor McAuliffe to serve on the State Board of Corrections, and with the new administration of Governor Ralph Northam, has been reappointed to serve an additional four years.

Reverend Sykes currently serves as the Senior Pastor of the St. James Baptist Church (Varina) and faithfully served as the former pastor of the Ebenezer Baptist Church (Supply, Virginia) for seven years. He earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in Philosophy of Religion from Virginia Union University, holds a Master of Divinity degree from the Samuel Dewitt Proctor School of Theology at Virginia Union University, and was privileged to receive an Honorary Doctorate from the Virginia Triumphant College and Seminary located in Richmond, Virginia in March of 2007. While pursuing his Masters, he was also employed in the corporate arena with SunTrust Bank as an Officer and Operations Manager for the Investigations and Fraud Unit for eight years. Today, as he continues his educational studies, he is enrolled as a Doctoral Candidate at the United Theological Seminary in Dayton, Ohio, pursuing his professional Doctor of Ministry degree.

Reverend Sykes is deeply committed to his calling with a passion and love for people and ministry and proclaiming the good news of Jesus Christ. Under his leadership at St. James, through the divine leading of the Holy Spirit, he has introduced and revitalized several ministries of the church. One of the most remarkable accomplishments occurred in 2012 when the church became a debt free congregation after \$650,000 in capital debt was completely eliminated. As he leads the people to a higher dimension in ministry, God has favored him and his ministry to also continue growing the church with committed and devoted leaders and disciples. With goals of working on other Boards and Committees that assist the community, his vision is to greatly expand the ministry to include the further development of disciples for ministry and to embrace the community.

A dedicated family man, Pastor Sykes is grateful for the support and encouragement of his lovely wife and helpmate, Gwanetta Flanagan-Sykes, along with their twin daughters, Korryn Jolié and Kaelyn Jombré, who are the joy of their lives. "Let Go and Let God" is one of his prevalent expressions. He believes that you must step out on faith and you must believe that God is true to His word, that He will never leave you nor forsake you!

## **Litany for Servant Leaders**

- Pastor: When we become servants of Christ, we open our lives to God's will and direction as HE calls us to be His co-workers in the church and in the world.
- Servant Leaders:** **As God's chosen ones for this season we vow to clothe ourselves with compassion, humility, kindness, meekness, patience, and love in and beyond this sanctuary.**
- Pastor: "There are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord.
- Servant Leaders:** **With the help of the Lord, we will accept each task with every intention to use our gifts and abilities to lead God's people according to our discernment of God's will and the vision of the Church.**
- Pastor: We encourage you to allow the Holy Spirit to guide you as you rejoice with the joyful, encourage the despondent, and minister with love to this community of faith.
- Servant Leaders:** **Lord, as You have so freely given to us and lovingly made us what we are, we now freely give back to You the substance of our lives.**
- Pastor: Today, we commend each of you for utilizing your gifts and passions in serving the Lord in the stewardship of families, facilities, and finance.
- Servant Leaders:** **With the help of Lord, we pledge to do our best to present ourselves to God as one approved by God, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the Word of truth.**
- Pastor: We challenge you to model true servanthood by observing the greatest commandment to love the Lord with all your heart, mind and soul; and love your neighbor as yourself.
- Servant Leaders:** **O Lord, please strengthen us for this journey.**
- All:** **Dear God, please stir up the gifts in each of us so that we may carry out the work assigned to us. May all of our service and worship, as well as our affirmation and support of one another be done in the spirit of Christ and to His glory. Amen.**

## **The Season of Lent**

**Lent** is the Christian season of preparation before Easter. **Lent** comes from the Anglo Saxon word Lenten, which means "spring."

When the early church was established in the 4th century the Lenten season was for forty (40) days (not counting Sundays, the Sabbath) because Sundays celebrate the resurrection of Jesus. The Lenten season begins on Ash Wednesday and ends on Holy Saturday. The number forty (40) is connected to the forty (40) days Jesus spent in the wilderness, enduring the temptation of Satan and preparing to begin his ministry.

In the early church, **Lent** was a time to prepare new converts for baptism, a time of concentrated study and prayer before their baptism on Easter and the celebration of the Resurrection of the Lord early on Easter Sunday morning. Today, Christians focus on their relationship with God, often choosing to give up something or to volunteer and give of themselves for others.

**Lent** is a period of self-examination, fasting, repentance, and spiritual discipline. The purpose of Lent is to set aside time for reflection on Jesus Christ - his suffering and his sacrifice, his life, death, burial and resurrection.

**The color used in the sanctuary for Lent is purple.** This color symbolizes both the pain and suffering leading up to the crucifixion of Jesus, as well as the suffering of humanity and the world under sin. Purple is also the color of royalty, and so anticipates through the suffering and death of Jesus the coming resurrection and hope of newness that will be celebrated in the resurrection on Easter Sunday.



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Benjamin Warren**

**Sinclair Dennery, Sr.  
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**DEACONESSES**

**Elizabeth Battle  
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\*Doris King  
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Crystal Foxx  
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**ASSISTANTS TO THE PASTOR**

**Rev. Dr. Darrell King  
Rev. Carver D. Pace, Jr.**

**ASSOCIATE MINISTERS**

**L.T. Carson  
Marilyn Lamar Collins  
Herman Greenhill  
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Randy Story, Sr.  
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Regina Taylor  
Phyllis Wright**

**MINISTER SPOUSES**

**Brandi Carter  
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**Donna Ferguson  
Teresa Johnson  
Audrey Story**

**Edora Greenhill  
Cynthia Morris  
Deborah Wallace**

**Lenten Worship Schedule:**  
**Wednesday, March 11, 2020**  
12:00-12:30 p.m. ~ Abbreviated Bible Study

**12:30 p.m. ~ Lenten Meditation**  
Minister Marilyn Collins  
“Where Is Your Faith In God?”  
**Scriptures:**

Romans 12:3; Mark 11:22-24; and Matthew 17:20.

## 2020 SPRING REVIVAL

Guest Preacher  
Rev. Dr. Wallace Charles Smith  
Shiloh Baptist church  
Washington, DC



*Spring*  
**REVIVAL**

**March 9 -11, 2020**  
**7:00 PM NIGHTLY**

*Bethlehem Baptist Church*

7836 Fordson Rd | Alexandria, Va 22306



### Announcements

**Saturday, March 14, 2020 ~ 9:00 a.m. ~ Mental Health First-Aid Class-Youth.** ~ This class is for all Agents (i.e. leadership, teachers, parents, youth and children workers) working with youths. Please email: Stephanie @bethlehemofalexandria.org.

**Saturday, March 14, 2020 ~ 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.** ~ 2020 North Star Women's Conference. Please join the Women's Ministry at First Baptist Church of Woodbridge with Jennifer Rothschild and Friends "Titled Fresh Grounded Faith". Please email Rev. Mary King at: mary.e.king87@gmail.com or Sister Michelle Johnson at semonej@verizon.net. Cost \$43.00 per person.

**Sunday, March 15, 2020** ~ Mid-South Kinfolk Ministry Fellowship in the Jaffee Ferree White Fellowship Hall (JFWFH).

**Thursday, March 19, 2020 ~ 7:00 p.m.**~ 5-Fold Director's Meeting.

**Saturday, March 21, 2020 ~ 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.** ~ Child Risk, Emergency Evacuation, CPR and AED Training in the Jaffee Ferree White Fellowship Hall.

**Sunday, March 22, 2020** ~ 9:00 a.m. ~ BBC Oratorical Ministry Showcase in the Sanctuary.

**Sunday, March 22, 2020** ~ 22306 Kinfolk Ministry Fellowship in the Jaffee Ferree White Fellowship Hall immediately following Worship Service.

### Outreach Opportunities

**Every Tuesday at 3:00 p.m.** ~ A Bible Study is held at Mt. Vernon House, 8199 Tiswell Dr., Alexandria, VA 22306.

**2nd Saturday of each month ~ 10:00 a.m.** ~ You are invited to join the Deaconess Ministry at Mt. Vernon Nursing and Rehab. Center, 8111 Tiswell Dr., Alexandria, VA 22306.. We meet at BBC at 9:30 a.m. for prayer and preparation. (For the month of March due to other BBC activities scheduled, we will be meeting on Saturday, March 28, 2020 at 9:30 a.m. for prayer and then proceeding to the nursing home.)

**4th Sunday of each month ~ March 22, 2020~ 2:00 p.m.** ~ Nursing Home visit at Manor Care, Rehabilitation Center, 1510 Collingwood Road, Alexandria, VA 22308. We meet immediately following worship in classroom 2 & 3 for prayer and preparation. All are welcome to join us.

### Scholarships

The Trustee Fellowship of Metropolitan Washington is awarding two \$1,200 **Alma Cooper Hawkins Scholarships** to encourage and motivate students to academic achievements and Christian excellence. Bethlehem high school seniors are encouraged to apply. The application form and guidelines may be downloaded from the Bethlehem website under "quick links". **Applications are due to Trustee Deborah Allen no later than Saturday, March 21, 2020.** Bethlehem will submit one chosen application, with the required supporting documentation, to the Trustee Fellowship for consideration by April 1, 2020. For additional information, please contact Trustee Allen at: [deborah@bethlehemofalexandria.org](mailto:deborah@bethlehemofalexandria.org).

### Attention Teens

**Teen Summit on April 4, 2020 from 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.** ~ The NoVAC Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority would like to invite the teens from Bethlehem Baptist Church to the Summit. Copies of this letter from our President inviting the teens and more detailed information about the Summit can be picked up in the office. Flyers are on the bulletin boards.

### Help Needed

The Hypothermia Program is in need of overnight chaperones on **Tuesday, March 17, 24 and 31, 2020 and Saturday, March 21, 2020 from 6:00 p.m.-7:00 a.m.** Individuals interested in participating should call or email Sherry Edelkamp at 703-966-1270 or email: [VICHOPSHELTER@gmail.com](mailto:VICHOPSHELTER@gmail.com).



**BETHLEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH (BBC) DEMOGRAPHIC SURVEY  
HELP BBC HELP YOU!**

To increase our reach to you and your family, BBC requests all members to participate in our 2020 Demographic Survey. The information you provide for your household will help BBC to:

- Shape our ministries to serve those who worship with us.
  - Communicate ministry events and updates.
  - Send mailings to correct addresses for Christmas cards, condolences, records of contributions, etc.
- Reach out to you and your family in the event of an emergency.

Steps have been taken to ensure the security of your information. This is a secure, encrypted database accessed via the BBC membership portal.

**Beginning Sunday, March 22, 2020 and ending on June 30, 2020 there will be kiosks and Survey Facilitators in the Jaffee Ferree White Fellowship Hall (JFWFH) to help you complete the survey.**

**The schedule is provided below:**

- Immediately after Sunday morning service
- Before Wednesday noon day and evening bible studies
- During office hours Monday thru Friday from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- All surveys should be completed **no later than June 30, 2020.**

For questions see any of the following committee members: Deaconess Cassandra McClerklin, Deacon Kisha Dyson, Sister Lisa Daniels, Deacon Terry Blockett, Sister Linda Henderson, or Deacon Sinclair Dennery. Thank You

## **ATTENTION: PARENTS & GUARDIANS**

Immediately following **Sunday March 8<sup>th</sup>** Worship Service

The CHILDREN'S MINISTRY conducting a

### **Casting Call Registration**

for children and youth

**ages 6 to 16**

in Classrooms 2 & 3

All parts for the Cantata are being assigned during this registration.





**Pray for our sick and shut-in during your prayer time**



**Home:**

Ms. Edith Aultmon	7403 Ben Drive, Oxon Hill, MD 20745
Mr. Dexter Basnight	Norfolk, VA (Brother of Polly Hargrove)
Mr. James Boyd	261 Evans Lane, Alexandria, VA 22305
Mr. Edward Brooks	7510 Moores Rd., Brandywine, MD 20613 (Brother-in-Law of Sister Doris Dickerson)
Ms. Mary Butler	806 Glendora Drive, District Heights, MD 207
Mrs. Carolyn Carey	Indianapolis, IN (Sister of Claudette Lewis)
Min. L.T. Carson	5532 Sacramento Mews Place, Alexandria, VA 22309
Ms. Jane Dillard	Omar, WV (Sister of Teresa Johnson)
Mrs. Glorene Driver	Charlotte, NC (Cousin of Denise & Keith Scott)
Mrs. Lora Edwards	Lake Charles, LA (Aunt of Pastor White)
Mr. Marcus D. Ferguson	7414 Republic Court, Apt. 202, Alexandria, VA 22306
Mrs. Marian Ferguson	Gaithersburg, MD
Mrs. Betty Fleming	5358 DeVoe Court, Dale City, VA 22193
Min. Vann Fleming	5358 DeVoe Court, Dale City, VA 22193
Mrs. Julia Freeman	3000 Sherwood Hall Lane, Alexandria, VA 22306
Mrs. Mary C. Gardner	9212 Marovelle Fort Drive, Lorton, VA 22079 (Mother of Cynthia Snyder & Robbie Crite)
Mr. Charles Gordon	7502 Calderon Court, U-C, Alexandria, VA 22306
Mr. Freddie Herrington	Augusta, GA (Father of Nicholas Herrington)
Mrs. Ida Mae Hunter	2808 Hackle Street, Augusta, GA 30909 (Mother of Dorothy Saules Wilson)
Ms. Terrie Jackson	8106 Lake Park Drive, Alexandria, VA 22309
Mr. Ronnie Johnson	Little Rock, AR (Brother of Shirley Porter)
Ms. Bernadette Kamara	Alexandria, VA
Ms. Toba Leverett	(Friend of Deaconess Julia Gaskins)
Mrs. Creable McGilvery	(Mother of Deacon Michael McCormick & Mother-in-Law Deaconess Venisa McCormick)
Mr. William (Billy) Pannell	Warrensville Heights, OH (Brother of Deaconess Doris Houston)
Mrs. Betty Parks	(Mother of Cyd Parks)
Mrs. Jerlene Payne	(Cousin of Tina Speight)
Mr. Anthony Perry	Bowie, MD (Nephew of Carla Page)
Ms. Josephine Pryor	Clinton, MD (Cousin of Leroy Jones)
Ms. Addie Thompson	(Mother of Gail Clarke)
Mr. Vernell Triggs	Parker, TX (Cousin of Leroy Jones)
Ms. Louise Ward	8199 Tiswell Dr., #208, Alexandria, VA 22308
Ms. Joanne Wimbush	(Sister of Mavis Traynham and Aunt of Michele Traynham)



**Pray for our sick and shut-in during your prayer time**



**Nursing Home:**

Ms. Helen Blagman	Envoy Health of Alexandria 900 Virginia Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22302
Ms. Helen G. Carter	1700 21st Avenue, Room 26B West Brandon, FL 34205
Mr. Lucius Collins, Sr.	Thomson, GA (Father and Father-in-Law of Deacon Lucius Collins, Jr. & Minister Marilyn Collins)
Mrs. Isabelle Feggins	Cherry Lane Nursing Center, Laurel, MD (Mother of Donna Plater)
Ms. Jean King	Sunrise Assisted Living 6541 Franconia Road, Springfield, VA 22150
Mr. Oscar King	Mt. Vernon Nursing & Rehab. Center 8111 Tiswell Drive, Alexandria, VA 22306
Ms. LaMonica Lewis	Manor Care Rehab. Center 1510 Collingwood Road, Alexandria, VA 22308
Mr. Clinton Massenburg	(Brother of Phenories Massenburg)
Mr. John Moore	River Crest Nursing Home, New Bern, NC (Step-Father of Brenda Martin)
Mrs. Mary Reed	Manor Care Rehab. Center 1510 Collingwood Road, Alexandria, VA 22308

**Hospital**

Mr. Percy Warren	ICU Fairfax Hospital
Mr. Bert LaMaison	ICU, Dallas, TX (Father/ Grandfather of Sister Denise LaMaison Bell and Kayla LaMaison)

**Attention**

**Worship Bulletins are now on our website.**

**To download Bulletins:** Go to the church website <https://www.bbc-nva.org>, then go to the main menu bar and click on the tab "Sunday Bulletin."



**Quick Link  
Sunday's Bulletin  
Online**

### **Worship Services**

9:00 a.m. ~ Church School & New Disciples Class  
10:00 a.m. ~ Worship Service

### **1<sup>st</sup> Sundays Only in the Parsonage**

9:00 a.m. ~ Engaged & Married Couples Sunday School Class

### **Leadership Team**

Deacon of the week: Sonya Green  
Trustee of the week: Marcus England

### **Activities for the week of March 9-14, 2020**

#### **Monday, March 9-Wednesday, March 11, 2020**

7:00 p.m. ~ Spring Revival  
Guest Evangelist: Rev. Dr. Wallace Charles Smith  
Shiloh Baptist Church, Washington, DC

#### **Wednesday, March 11**

12:00 p.m.	Bible Study	Sanctuary
12:30 p.m.	Lenten Meditation Service	Sanctuary
6:45 p.m.	Baptism	Sanctuary

#### **Thursday, March 12**

6:00 p.m.	Deaconess Empowerment Meeting	CR 5
7:00 p.m.	Women's Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary

#### **Friday, March 13**

10:00 a.m.	Diabetes Self-Management Class	JFWFH
6:00 p.m.	New Members Class (Youth)	CR 5
6:30 p.m.	Heaven Angels Rehearsal	Sanctuary
7:30 p.m.	Shabach Dance Rehearsal	Sanctuary

#### **Saturday, March 14**

9:00 a.m.	Junior Usher's Practice	Sanctuary
9:00 a.m.	Mental Health First-Aid for Youth	JFWFH
10:00 a.m.	Shawl Ministry	Parsonage
10:00 a.m.	New Disciples Class	CR 6
10:30 a.m.	Communion Set-up	Sanctuary
1:00 p.m.	Oratorical Workshop	CR 2 & 3

*\*CR ~ Classroom*

*\*JFWFH ~ Jaffee Free White Fellowship Hall formerly Multi-Purpose Room*