

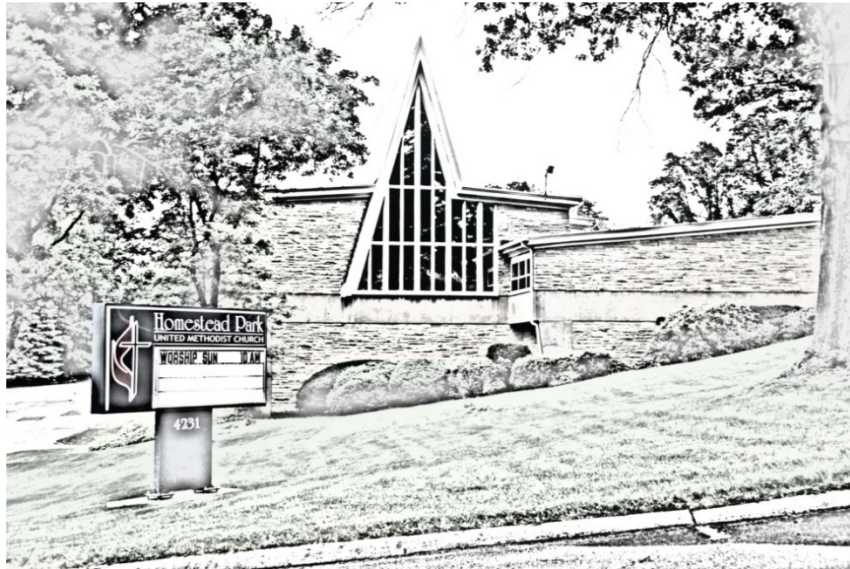


**March 7, 2021**

**Third Sunday of Lent**

**Message  
Check Yourself**

**Scripture:  
James 1: 19-27 NIV and  
1 John 4: 7-21 NIV**



*Our Mission*

*The mission of the church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ  
for the transformation of the world.*

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## **Third Sunday of Lent**

### **HOMESTEAD PARK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

March 7, 2021      10:00 am Worship

Pastor Don Kephart ~ Bo Collins, Music Director

#### **PRELUDE**

#### **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **\*OPENING PRAYER**

God, we know this past week, we haven't lived the way we should. We talked when we should have listened. We did nothing when we should have done something. We decided not to love, because we took the easier option. Forgive our laziness and complacency and create in us a new heart. A heart full of your amazing love. Let your love so shine through us today and every day. Amen.

#### **\*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)**

Elwood: God is good

People: All the time

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People: God is good

#### **SONGS OF PRAISE**

\* Please stand as you are able.



## **PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

Offertory  
Doxology  
Prayer of Dedication

## **OUR TIME OF PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

## **SONG OF PRAISE**

**SCRIPTURE**            James 1: 19-27 NIV *and* 1 John 4: 7-21

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**MESSAGE**            Check Yourself

Elwood Brant

## **HYMN OF DEDICATION**

#451 Be Thou My Vision

## **BENEDICTION**

*Worship for today is over, but your service to God for the week is just beginning.*

## *Our Scripture*

### **James 1: 19-27 NIV**

19 My dear brothers and sisters, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry, 20 because human anger does not produce the righteousness that God desires. 21 Therefore, get rid of all moral filth and the evil that is so prevalent and humbly accept the word planted in you, which can save you.

22 Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says. 23 Anyone who listens to the word but does not do what it says is like someone who looks at his face in a mirror 24 and, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like. 25 But whoever looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom, and continues in it—not forgetting what they have heard, but doing it—they will be blessed in what they do.

26 Those who consider themselves religious and yet do not keep a tight rein on their tongues deceive themselves, and their religion is worthless. 27 Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world.

### **1 John 4: 7-21 NIV**

7 Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. 8 Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love. 9 This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. 10 This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. 11 Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. 12 No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us.

13 This is how we know that we live in him and he in us: He has given us of his Spirit. 14 And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent his Son to be the Savior of the world. 15 If anyone acknowledges that Jesus is the Son of God, God lives in them and they in God. 16 And so we know and rely on the love God has for us.

God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in them. 17 This is how love is made complete among us so that we will have confidence on the day of judgment: In this world we are like Jesus. 18 There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who fears is not made perfect in love.

19 We love because he first loved us. 20 Whoever claims to love God yet hates a brother or sister is a liar. For whoever does not love their brother and sister, whom they have seen, cannot love God, whom they have not seen. 21 And he has given us this command: Anyone who loves God must also love their brother and sister.



## Calendar of Events

Today	10 am	Worship Service
Tuesday 03/09/2021	7 pm	<i>Tuesday In the "Word"</i> Bible Study (Sanctuary)
Saturday 03/13/2021	10 am	Homeless Lunch Prep



## and Important Dates

Sunday 03/14/2021      Homeless Lunch Delivery

**Please remember to wear a mask or some other kind of appropriate barrier when you are in the church building with other persons.**

### A Note from Pastor Don

Members and Friends, Please contact me directly by cell phone text or email if you need to speak with me. My contact information is located in the bulletin as well as on the business cards in the back of the Sanctuary. Thank you.

### Holy Communion Schedule

Holy Communion will be held on the first Sunday of February, June, August, October, and December, as well as on Maundy Thursday.



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