



31st NEWS SCOPE

"Year of Discipleship: Look Like, Love Like, Live Like JESUS"

31st Street Baptist Church
Rev. Dr. Joshua L. Mitchell, Senior Pastor

April 2026



Words From Our Pastor

He Is Alive! Welcome to the Resurrection Sunday edition of our 31st Street News Scope and I

am grateful to begin the month celebrating our risen Savior! As we conclude this Lenten season, I pray that much of the spiritual discipline that we have been intentional in cultivating will not go by the way side- but that we will continue to strengthen our spiritual muscle into the spring and summer months. To that end, I invite you to continue to join us for our 6:00 a.m. morning prayer calls on YOUTUBE (youtube.com/@JoshuaMitchellTV), our Wednesday night Zoom Bible Study experiences, and Sunday Church School offerings on Sunday morning. This month we will conclude our study of Pastor Tyra Bethea's WWJD book and I am incredibly excited for our annual Spring Revival, April 14-16, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. nightly. You do NOT want to miss our time in worship in the word with Dr. John Faison, Dr. Tisha Dixon-Williams, and Pastor Chris Wesley and I invite each of us to ask three friends or family members to come out with us. Finally, let me take a moment of personal privilege to THANK YOU 31st Street for your love, cards, and well wishes for my birthday this year. April 3rd is a BLESSED day (you hear me?) but I'm even more blessed to share another year of life with a great church family. I love you and there is nothing you can do about it!

Scripture of the Issue:

"Don't be alarmed," he said. "You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. He has risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid him.

Mark 16:6

7 PM NIGHTLY
APRIL 14-16

Spring REVIVAL

APRIL 14	APRIL 15	APRIL 16
REV. DR. JOHN R. FAISON, SR SENIOR PASTOR WATSON GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH (TN)	REV. DR. TISHA DIXON-WILLIAMS SENIOR PASTOR FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF BRIDGEHAMPTON (NY)	REV. CHRIS K. WESLEY SENIOR PASTOR ANTIOCH FELLOWSHIP MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH (TX)

31ST STREET BAPTIST CHURCH 825 N. 31ST ST RICHMOND, VA 23223
REV. DR. JOSHUA L. MITCHELL, SENIOR PASTOR
WWW.31SBC.ORG

SUMMER 2026 REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

Man Talk Summer Academy

To register a student, sponsor a student or join the team, visit www.mantalkrva.com

July 20 - 24, 2026

For Young Men Entering 6th - 11th Grade

31st Cares Inc. 823 N. 31st Street, Richmond VA 23223



The Progressive League
31st Street Baptist Church

JOSHUA

LIVE ON STAGE

Save the Date

Sight & Sound Theatres
Lancaster, PA

September 11-12, 2026

Bus Departs: 7:30 AM | From Target's - Parking lot South Laburnum (White Oak Shopping Center)

\$50 Non-Refundable Deposit Reserve Your Seat
Make Checks Payable to Progressive League
Deposit will be accepted starting March 15, 2026

Due Date	Single	Double	Triple	Quad
	\$475	\$380	\$360	\$345
April 26 th	\$106.25	\$82.50	\$77.50	\$72.50
May 31 st	\$106.25	\$82.50	\$77.50	\$72.50
June 28 th	\$106.25	\$82.50	\$77.50	\$72.50
July 26 th	\$106.25	\$82.50	\$77.50	\$72.50

Contact: Barbara Bailey - (804) 274-8044
If you want to cancel trip due to non-emergency, you will have to find a replacement in order to get your money back.

SHARE Saturday
Community Outreach Giveaway Event

The next date for our SHARE Saturday is

April 11, 2026

11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Volunteers are always welcomed and appreciated and are asked to arrive by 10:00 a.m.

31SBC CHILDREN'S CHURCH PRESENTS

EASTER CELEBRATION & FELLOWSHIP

"He is not here; He has risen!" Luke 24:6

Join us for STORY TIME, GAMES, CRAFTS, EGG HUNT, and more

All children up to high school are welcome

Sunday, April 5, 2026
10:30 AM to 12:00 PM

Children's Church Fellowship Hall

31st Street Baptist Church, 823 N. 31st Street, Richmond, VA 23223

NOW HIRING

Facilities/Campus Manager

31ST STREET BAPTIST CHURCH IS SEEKING A FACILITIES & CAMPUS MANAGER TO JOIN OUR DYNAMIC TEAM. THE FACILITIES & CAMPUS MANAGER ENSURES A WELCOMING AND WELL-MAINTAINED ENVIRONMENT FOR WORSHIP, EVENTS, AND DAILY OPERATIONS.

INTERESTED? CONTACT A TRUSTEE OR EMAIL: info@31sbc.org

SAVE THE DATE!

Vacation Bible School

6/1/26 - 6/4/26

Classes for all ages. Needed: Teachers, Teacher Aides, Arts & Crafts Support. If you are interested in volunteering or have questions, please contact Lay Leader Ramon Moore, Deacon Sandra Hansboro, Deacon Jacqueline Johnson, Deacon Beverly Wynn, or leave your name and contact information in the church office / via email to info@31sbc.org. Background checks are required.

Important Dates

- Apr 5: RESURRECTION (EASTER) Sunday
- Apr 9 & 23: PROGRESSIVE LEAGUE MEETING
1 PM Fellowship Hall
- Apr 11: SHARE Saturday
(Community Outreach Giveaway Event)
11 AM to 1 PM Fellowship Hall
- Apr 11 & 18: Kingdom Kidz Dance Practice
10:30 AM Fellowship Hall
- Apr 14 - 16: SPRING REVIVAL
7 PM Sanctuary

Share your ministry's activities in the
31st News Scope!

Go to 31sbc.org → Requests → Newsletter to
submit your request today!

Weekly Happenings

Sunday Church School 9:00 AM 2nd FLR CONF RM

Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 AM Sanctuary

*Nursery available every Sunday (Fellowship Hall)

*Children's Church on 1st, 3rd, and 4th Sundays (Fellowship Hall)

Tuesday: Girl Scouts 5:30 PM Fellowship Hall

Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 PM Virtual Sanctuary
(Zoom link available at www.31sbc.org)

Wednesday: Cub Scouts 6:00 PM Fellowship Hall

Thursday Noon Prayer 12 Noon Virtual Sanctuary
(Zoom link available at www.31sbc.org)

Check out our digital
platforms!

