

#### Sunday, April 11, 2021

#### 9:45 a.m. Moments of Centering: That we all may be aware of His Presence

#### Enter to Worship -Let's Have Church!-

THE PRELUDE

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

THE INTROIT "Surely the Presence of the Lord"

THE PROCESSIONAL "Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God Almighty"

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THE INVOCATION

THE RESPONSE "Holy Ground"

\*THE HYMN OF PRAISE "The Old Rugged Cross" #157

THE RESPONSIVE READING

THE GLORIA PATRI

THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (PRINTED ON THE LAST PAGE OF THE BULLETIN)

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THE SCRIPTURE LESSON

\*THE PRAYER HYMN

THE PASTORAL PRAYER

THE CHORAL RESPONSE

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THE ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF VISITORS

THE CHORAL SELECTION

THE SERMON Dr. Dwayne A. Walker, Pastor

THE INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

THE PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY "All Things Come of Thee"

THE RECESSIONAL

THE BENEDICTION

THE POSTLUDE

- Depart to Serve—Let's Be The Church! -

\* Worshippers may enter.



## The banners displayed emphasize

#### The Season of EASTERTIDE

Eastertide covers a fifty day period (6 Sundays) that challenges persons to reflect on the resurrection of Jesus. Ascension Day is celebrated the sixth Thursday after Easter and commemorates the last manifestation of Jesus to his followers after the resurrection. Ascension Sunday is the Sunday following Ascension Day. The season ends with the day of Pentecost. White is the appropriate color for the season, with gold as an accent color.

There are many symbols for this significant celebration. They hold meanings that enhance the celebration and express the root of Christian belief that believers will eventually be raised from the dead and enjoy eternal life. The symbol for Lent and Easter are different. Whereas the major symbols for Lent represent the agony, suffering, and pain that Jesus endured; the symbols of Easter represent new birth and renewal. Most of the symbols represent something that was dead or dormant but births forth into new life and growth.

## THE HYMN OF PRAISE

### "The Old Rugged Cross" #157

On a hill far a-way, stood an old rug-ged Cross, The em-blem of suf-fering and shame; And I love that old Cross where the dearest and best for a world of lost sin-ners was slain.

(Refrain)

O, that old rug-ged Cross, so de-spised by the world, has a wondrous at-trac -tion for me; for the dear Lamb of God left his Glory a-bove to bear it to dark Cal-va-ry.

(Refrain)

In that old rug-ged Cross, stained with blood so di-vine, a won-drous beau-ty I see, for t'was on that old cross Je-sus suf-fered and died, to par-don and sanc-ti-fy me.

(Refrain)

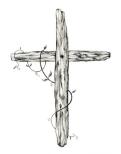
To the old rug-ged Cross, I will ev-er be true, its shame and reproach glad-ly bear; then He'll call me some day to my home far a-way, where his glo-ry for-ev-er I'll share.

(Refrain)

#### Refrain

So I'll cher-ish the old rug-ged Cross, till my tro-phies at last I lay down; I will cling to the old rug-ged Cross, and ex-change it some day for a crown.

A-men.





Second Sunday Morning in Eastertide (1 Corinthians 15: 12-22)

Now if Christ is preached that He has been raised from the dead, how do some among you say that there is no resurrection of the dead?

But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ is not risen. And if Christ is not risen, then our preaching is vain and your faith is also vain.

Yes, and we are found false witnesses of God, because we have testified of God that He raised up Christ, whom He did not raise up—if in fact the dead do not rise.

For if the dead do not rise, then Christ is not risen. And if Christ is not risen, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins!

Then also those who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men the most pitiable.

But now Christ is risen from the dead, and has become the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.

For since by man came death, by Man also came the resurrection of the dead.

For as in Adam all die even so in Christ all shall be made alive.



## **The Little Rock Church Weekly Calendar**

#### "Building Healthy Christians for a Healthy Church"

Acts 2:46-47

#### **Sunday, April 11, 2021**

- 9:00am Adult Sunday School via Livestream on the Website
- 10:00am Morning Worship via Livestream Website www.littlerockamezion.org
- ◆ 4:00pm Teens Bible Study via Zoom contact Mrs. Robinson at (704) 698-0280 for information

#### **Monday, April 12, 2021**

- ♦ Limited Office Hours
- 6:00pm Little Rock Board of Stewards Meeting via Conference Call
- 7:00pm Little Rock Board of Trustees Meeting via Conference Call

#### Wednesday, Aprils 14, 2021

- 9:30am Limited Office Hours
- ◆ 12:00 noon Mid-Day Little Rock Bible Study via Livestream Website www.littlerockamezion.org
- 12:15pm Hot Meal in the Little Rock Kitchen, open to all
- 1:00pm Intercessory Prayer call 1 602 580 9382 code 2217017#
- 6:00pm Intercessory Prayer call 1 602-580-9382 code 221701#
- ◆ 6:30pm Tots/Children Bible Study via Zoom, contact Mrs. Jada Goodwin at (704) 846-7527 for information
- 6:30pm Tweens Bible Study via Zoom (ages 9-12)
- ◆ 7:00pm Members Check-In via Zoom
- 7:00pm Evening Bible Study via Livestream

#### Thursday, April 15, 2021

• 8:00am - Covid 19 Vaccinations (2nd Moderna Shot and appointment only)

#### **Friday, April 16, 2021**

Limited Office Hours

#### Saturday, April 17, 2021

• 10:00am - Little Rock Bread of Life Ministry in the Fellowship Hall

#### **Sunday, April 18, 2021**

- 9:00am Adult Sunday School via Livestream on the Website
- 10:00am Morning Worship via Livestream www.littlerockamezion.org
- ♦ 4:00pm Teens Bible Study via Zoom contact Mrs. Robinson at (704) 698-0280







# THE RESURRECTION BRINGS ests HOPF

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**Prayer Requests**We Want to Pray with YOU!

**Damie Warren** 

4219 Maureen St Charlotte, NC 28205

**TaNique Ames** 

2211 Prestigious Lane Charlotte, NC 28269

Jean Polk Cherry

2415 Impatien Dr Charlotte, NC 28215

Maxine Foard

2445 LaSalle St Charlotte, NC 28216

**James Saunders** 

1328 Moretz Avenue Charlotte, NC 28206

**Shirley Moser** 

1813 Wilmore Dr Charlotte, NC 28227

**Ruth King** 

2502 Waters Vista Circle Charlotte, NC 28213

**Audra Galloway** 

810 Pond Meadow Ct. #308 Charlotte, NC 28213

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Maxine Shankle

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**Carolyn Pratt** 

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Coretta Shipman

1736 Woodland Dr Charlotte, NC 28205

Dianna Davis

6832 Silverwood Lane Charlotte, NC 28215

Geneva Thompson

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2400 Summer Meadow Court

Charlotte, NC 28216

Robert & Dorothy Cousar

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3105-E Baroda Lane
Charlotte, NC 28269

Joe Scott

312 Mossburn Road Apt 207 Charlotte, NC 28262 Members in the hospital or assisted living facilities

Rashonda Wallace

Atrium Healthcare CMC 1000 Blythe Blvd. Charlotte, NC 28203

Jesse Foster

Saturn Nursing Home 1930 W. Sugar Creek Charlotte, NC 28262 **Donna Outten** 

Hillcrest Rehabilitation Center 3830 Blue Ridge Road Raleigh, NC 27612

**Robert Cousar** 

Novant Healthcare Center 200 Hawthorne Lane Charlotte, NC 28204

Little Rock A.M.E. Zion Church Radio Ministry

http://praisecharlotte.com

**WPZS 100.9FM** 

Sunday Morning 7:30am







## Tape/Audio Ministry

Tapes &DVD's are available after Sunday Morning Worship Service in the Audio/ Visual Room. **CD's: \$7.00; Tapes: \$5.00;** DVD's: \$15.00.

Morning Worship Live Streaming at: http://new.livestream.com/

#### YOU MAY USE PAYPAL, GIVELI-FY, DEBIT CARD OR CASH APP!!

Come to the Multi Purpose Room at the Church on Sundays between 10:00am until 12:30pm and use your debit card.

Use the Givelify mobile giving Givelify app to conveniently give from your Smartphone. The app removes the frustration of passwords, text-to-give codes, and endless electronic forms. Learn more at http://www.givelify.com. To install the Givelify App type in http://www.givelify.com

The easiest way to use paypal is through the Little Rock website. GO to lit-

tlerockamezion.org

AT the bottom of the page go to ONLINE GIVING, on the next page click on TO GIVE SECURELY ONLINE PAYPAL on the right side of the page.

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# Little Rock Day

Sunday, May 23, 2021

"Celebrating Excellence in Ministry"

This year every member is asked to contribute to the Little Rock Day Celebration—\$200.00 (adults); \$25.00 (children under 18) years of age and college students). You are encouraged to raise your \$200.00 by soliciting patrons, pay in installments and/or all at one time. Our goal is \$50,000.00 We realize that these are tough times, so we ask that you do the very best you can. Patron Lists are available in the office.

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#### Thank you to the following persons for blessing their church with \$200 toward our \$50,000 goal.

Dr Dwayne A. Walker Gina Frierson Robert Horsley Dr. Mary-Frances Winters **ALIYAH POTTS** SHAMIYAH CROWDER Greg Goodwin Rev. James Lenoir Shirley Mack **CHANDLER COLCLOUGH** Gloria Joyner Johnson Angela Caldwell GREYLYN GOODWIN Rove Buck Patricia Prince JAYLEN MOSLEY Chris Caldwell Willette Crowder Demetrius Rainer JEREMY HARRISON Sandra J. Lee Ann Young Jada Goodwin Stafford Mackey DEBORAH WAL Dr. Frances McClain Carolyn Powell & MARLON MARTIN Joe Powell \* Cheryl Colclough LAUREN COLCLOUGH Gardenia Watts Randy Freeman John Moore, Jr. HARPER HORSLEY Frank Brown Carletta Freeman Bro. Brandon Smith **Ernest McClain** Payton Colclough Wanda Cherry John Gilbert McRae Lesline Quashie **Elouise Cummings** Yolanda Riley Erica Bridges Christy Bryant Vangela Witherspoon Gloria Armstrong Robbie Thompson Glain H. Lewis NV2/ Selita Weathers Dr. Angelia Fryer Dr. William Crowder **Kenitra Horsley** Doris McDonald I. Danielle Davis JoAnn Thompson Mark Bridges DeAndra Frierson Marva Saunders Melvin Weathers Ruby Tarver Robert Foster Rev. Anthony Redfearn Rev. Belinda Austin Narcissus Lowery Elaine Redfearn Shirley Morrissette Antoinette Cody Larry Austin Renwick Quashie Valencia Timms Ledger Morrissette Rockell Scott Bishop George E. Battle, Jr.

Members in school or college names are in small capital letters and burgundy.

<sup>\*</sup> Indicates a deceased member, Memorial \$200



#### Little Rock Sunday School /Bible Study

With a strong desire to continue studying God's word and maintaining our Christian fellowship, the following format for Church School Lessons have been developed:

#### Adult Sunday School Study...Leader: Rev. James Lenoir

Sunday School on Sunday mornings at 9:00am via Livestream Website www.littlerockamzion.org

## Teens Bible Study....Leaders: Dr. Sonya Campbell and Mrs. Anika Robinson

The teens Bible Study meets on Sundays at 4:00pm via Zoom. All teens are invited to join. Please contact Mrs. Robinson at (704) 698-0280 for addition information.

Please join the Youth Band Group for connection information. Join with link: <a href="https://band.us/n/aaa34adaBbkbP">https://band.us/n/aaa34adaBbkbP</a>



### Sunday, April 18 , 2021

Lesson: 7



Nehemiah: The Captive Cupbearer Rebuilds a Nation

#### **Devotional Reading:**

Daniel 9:4-6, 15-19

#### **Background Scripture:**

Nehemiah 2:11-20;13:1-22

#### Affirmation:

We will strive to identify ways to restore worn parts of the faith community and revive traditions that honor God.

#### Children's Bible Study.... Leader: Mrs. Jada Goodwin

The Children Bible Study will be on Wednesdays, 6:30-7:00 p.m. via Zoom All Children are invited to participate. You may contact Mrs. Jada Goodwin at (704) 846-7527 for addition information and to be included in the sessions.

## Tweens Bible Study ... Leaders: Mrs. Tressa Blake and Mrs. Antoinette McCain

This Bible Study Class is for ages 9-12. This class will be held virtually on Wednesdays from 6:30 - 7:00 PM. The following Zoom link can be used to access the class. Join Zoom Class at:

https://zoom.us/j/93049850132? pwd=SytPdTc2WjhUeHVLVkl2VmlpTkJzUT09

Meeting ID: 930 4985 0132

Passcode: Bere0u

Please contact Tressa Morrissette Blake at (704) 936-9380 or Antoinette McCain at (704) 577-7187 if you have any issues connecting to the class.

Education



#### Reverend Celesta Shropshire-Miller Scholarship

High school students graduating this year as well as undergraduate students returning to college in the fall may apply for the Reverend Celesta Shropshire-Miller Scholarship which is given through the WNCC Department of Christian Education. The application dead-

line with an official transcript and three letters of recommendation is due May 18, 2021. You may pick up an application from the Education Wing or from Mrs. Antoinette D. Cody, Christian Education Director. Applications can be emailed by forwarding a request to <a href="mailto:acody13@yahoo.com">acody13@yahoo.com</a>.

All completed application packets should be sent to: Mrs. Joyce A. Zimmerman 801 East 8<sup>th</sup> Street Charlotte, NC 28202



#### **Graduation Information for the Class of 2021**

All high school and college graduates are asked to please submit requested information by email to the Christian Education Director, Mrs. Antoinette Cody, by Sunday, April 18th. The email address is acody13@yahoo.com. The Local Director needs:

- The Graduate's Name (as you want it printed),
- Home/ cell number and email address
- The Graduate's Parents or/Spouse Name

#### For High School Graduates:

- the High School you are Graduating from,
- your future plans, (example: college or military)
- and Honors/Awards/Recognitions/Scholarships received

#### For College Graduates:

- The college you are graduating from
- the degree bestowed
- and Honors/Awards/Recognitions/Scholarships received.



#### **Technology Ministry**

Ministries, Class Leaders or Boards desiring to use the Church Zoom Line may set -up and schedule times via the Website. On the Webpage please click Ministries. The Virtual Ministry Meeting Webpage will appear. Follow the directions to set up

your meeting time. Please set up meetings at least 24 hours prior to start time. If you have any issues, please contact the Minister of Technology, Brother Brandon Smith at (704)995-9753.

#### Little Rock AME Zion Church Fourth Quarterly Conference

Our next quarterly conference will be held on Monday, May 3, 2021 at 6:30pm via Zoom. Per the Presiding Elder's request, all churches are asked to send their Quarterly Conference Reports electronically one week prior to their Quarterly Conference date. The office must submit all reports to the Elder by April 26th. In order to compile reports, the Church Office is asking ministry heads to please submit reports by Wednesday, April 21st. Thank you.

#### Class Meetings

<u>Class #11</u> will meet via Zoom on Tuesday, April 20th, 7:00pm. Please mark your calendars. Your group leaders will send the Zoom link. Ms. Glain Haynes Lewis, Class Leader

<u>Class #12</u> will meet via Conference Call on Tuesday, April 20th, 7:00pm. Please mark your calendars. The Conference Call Number will be sent to Class Members. Dr. Angelia Fryer, Class Leader



#### Moderna Vaccinations

Please mark your calendars. If you received your Moderna Vaccination at Little Rock, please return on Thursday, April 15th for your second vaccine. Please check your appointment cards for



#### **Little Rock Hoodies for Sale**

your designated time.

Would you like to order a Little Rock Hoodie? They are still on sale. The price of a hoodie is \$25; colors gray or burgundy. Youth and adult sizes are available. If interested please contact Anika Robinson at 704-517-6728. Payments by cashapp to \$AnikaBRob



#### Members Check In With the Pastor

Wednesday, April 14th, 7:00pm

Join Zoom Meeting

https://zoom.us/j/96069087178

Meeting ID: 960 6908 7178

One tap mobile

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- +13017158592,,96069087178# US (Washington DC)

#### COVID-19 Vaccine Now Open to All Adults

Is it just us, or is the future looking even brighter today? That's because the state of North Carolina has opened COVID-19 vaccination to everyone age 16 and older. Many are already vaccinated (maybe you are, too!). And this is a huge step to getting back to the lives we miss.

If you haven't gotten the vaccine yet, follow the steps below to schedule it at a location, mass vaccination

#### Schedule your vaccine online.

*FYI:* People age 18 and up can schedule any COVID-19 vaccine (Pfizer, Moderna or Johnson & Johnson). People ages 16 and 17 can only schedule the Pfizer vaccine at this time.

- Step 1 Sign in to MyAtriumHealth, or make an account.
- Step 2 Click Schedule COVID-19 Vaccination.\*
- Step 3 Click COVID-19 Vaccination.
- Step 4 Answer a few quick questions, then schedule your vaccine!

If you don't see an open appointment, check back later. New appointments are added as more doses are available.

# COVID-19 Vaccinations are SAFE and EFFECTIVE

## You Can Help STOP THE PANDEMIC

- Tell your friends and family that you received the vaccine. Let them know that if they are eligible, they should get the COVID-19 vaccine when it is available.
- 2 Share our website with anyone who wants to learn more about the vaccine, eligibility and appointments: MeckNC.gov/COVID-19.
- **3** Continue to Practice the 3Ws



Share this flyer with a friend so they can be a Vaccine Champion too!



## Little Rock A.M.E. Zion Church

Dr. Dwayne A. Walker, Pastor



## The Twelve Classes of Little Rock

Gilbert McRae, Leader of Leaders 704-567-7588

Class #13—New Members

Class Number	er <u>Class Leader</u>	Contact Number
Class #1	Dr. Sonya Campbell	704-858-4601
Class #2	Tyteen Humes	770 548-6255
Class #3	Keith Powe	704 968-7353
Class #4	Sharbara Ellis	704 535-9516
Class #5	Rev. James H. Lenoir	704 806-2591
Class #6	Shirley Mack	910 233-8758
Class #7	Michael & Tracie Gregory	704 587-3904
Class #8	Stafford Mackey	704 898-3890
Class #9	Rev. Michelle Rambert	704 281-1661
Class #10	Ralph Burt	704 243-7152
Class #11	Glain Haynes Lewis	704-399-0581
Class #12	Dr. Angelia Fryer	704 572-8517

#### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship Little Rock Choir Rehearsal Tuesdays @ 7:00 p.m. Wednesdays @ 12:00 noon & 7:00 p.m. Bible Study Thursdays @ 7: 00 p.m. Liturgical Dance Rehearsal 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays @ 12: 00 p.m. Youth | Young Adult Choir Rehearsal 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays @11:00 a.m. Children's Choir Rehearsal Bread of Life Ministry Saturdays @ 11:00 a.m.

#### WHAT WE BELIEVE THE APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, the Maker of Heaven and Earth; and in Jesus Christ His only son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost; born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified dead and buried: The third day He rose from the dead: He ascended into Heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Holy Catholic Church\*, the Communion of saints; the Forgiveness of sins, the Resurrection of the body; And Life everlasting. Amen.

\* Universal Body of Christ

#### MINISTERIAL STAFF

Rev. Belinda Austin Rev. James H. Lenoir Rev. Michelle Rambert Dr. Sonya Campbell Rev Anthony Redfearn Brother Brandon Smith

**Sister Diane Commander** 

Minister of Evangelism
Minister of Christian Education
Minister of Counseling
Minister of Counseling
Minister of Counseling
Minister of Youth and Young Adults
Minister of Technology
Assistant Minister of Evangelism

#### DIRECTORY OF LEADERS

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Mrs. Roye Buck
Mrs. Antoinette Cody
Mr. Sidney Oliver
Ms. Glain Haynes-Lewis
Ms. Gayle Tabron

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Comptroller
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Leader of Leaders
President, Lay Council
President, W. H. & O. M. S.
Director of Christian Education
Minister of Music
Administrative Assistant
Office Assistant

It is our prayer that this service has inspired you on your journey.

Please feel free to contact our Pastor following morning worship.

If you do not have a church home, **WELCOME HOME!** 

PLEASE COME AGAIN -