



LITTLE  ROCK
A.M.E. Zion Church

Celebrating 140 years

2023-2024

Theme:

Excellence In Ministry:
TOGETHER, WE CAN...!

Ephesians 4:11-16

EXCELLENCE IN MINISTRY

401 North McDowell Street, Charlotte, NC

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Sunday, June 30, 2024

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

Enter to Worship

“Let’s Have Church”

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

THE PRELUDE

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Dr. Dwayne A. Walker, *Pastor*

THE INTROIT

“Surely the Presence of the Lord”

THE PROCESSIONAL

THE INVOCATION

THE RESPONSE

“Holy Ground”

THE HYMN OF PRAISE

“Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine” #504

THE RESPONSIVE READING

THE GLORIA PATRI

THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (PRINTED ON THE ON SCREEN)

***THE PRAYER HY**

Little Rock Men’s Choir

THE PASTORAL PRAYER

THE CHORAL RESPONSE

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!-

The Season of *Pentecost*

Pentecost is the birthday of the Christian Church and reveals the descent or outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the believers in the Upper Room. Pentecost is sometimes referred to as Whitsunday referring either to the wearing of white robes by candidates for baptism or to the old Anglo-Saxon word “wit” meaning wisdom – an allusion to the outpouring of the Spirit of Wisdom. To the Christian, *Pentecost* means the Church’s birthday that is celebrated on the fiftieth day after Easter. Acts 2 gives the record of the day when the Holy Spirit came upon the Disciples and they began to speak in tongues preaching Christ as the risen Lord. Three thousand persons were baptized into the Christian faith at that time.



The day of Pentecost also occurs fifty days after the Passover. In the Jewish faith, this is the Feast of Weeks that commemorates the day on which Moses received the law on top of Mount Sinai. Tradition states that the early Christians observed Pentecost by shooting fire from the roof of the church to represent “the tongues of fire” that rested on the Disciples. Often this was not practical, so doves were collected and released during the worship service.

The **liturgical color** is red which is symbolic of the Holy Spirit, witness, zeal, power, loyalty and love. Prominent symbols include **cloven tongues of fire**, the **descending dove**, and a downward arrow. The Christian Church is often represented by using a ship or a rainbow (denotes the fulfillment of a promise). As Pentecost is celebrated, one should reflect on the coming of the Comforter (Holy Spirit) to the Disciples, and the power and miracles that resulted due to this coming, plus the need to allow the spirit to embody and empower persons today.



THE HYMN OF PRAISE

“Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine” #504

Bless-ed as-surance, Je-sus is mine! O what a fore-taste of glo-ry di-vine! Heir of sal-va-tion, pur-chase of God, Born of His Spir-it, washed in His blood.

(Refrain)

Per-fect sub-mis-sion, per-fect de-light, Vi-sions of rap-ture now burst on my sight; An-gels de-scend-ing, bring from a-bove Ech-oes of mer-cy, whis-pers of love.

(Refrain)

Per-fect sub-mis-sion, all is at rest; I in my Sav-iour am hap-py and blest; Watch-ing and wait-ing, look-ing a-bove, Filled with His good-ness, lost in His love.

(Refrain)

REFRAIN:

This is my sto-ry, this is my song, Prais-ing my Sav-iour all the day long; This is my sto-ry, this is my song, Prais-ing my Sav-iour all the day long.

A-men.



Jesus Is Mine



THE RESPONSIVE READING

Sixth Sunday Morning after Pentecost

Acts 18:24-19:6

Now a certain Jew named Apollos, born at Alexandria, an eloquent man and mighty in the Scriptures, came to Ephesus.

This man had been instructed in the way of the Lord; and being fervent in spirit, he spoke and taught accurately the things of the Lord, though he knew only the baptism of John.

So he began to speak boldly in the synagogue. When Aquila and Priscilla heard him, they took him aside and explained to him the way of God more accurately.

And when he desired to cross to Achaia, the brethren wrote, exhorting the disciples to receive him.

And when he arrived, he greatly helped those who had believed through grace; for he vigorously refuted the Jews publicly, showing from the Scriptures that Jesus is the Christ.

And it happened, while Apollos was at Corinth, that Paul having passed through the upper regions, came to Ephesus, And finding some disciples he said to them.

“Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?” And they said to him, “We have not so much as heard whether there is a Holy Spirit.”

And he said to them, “Into what then were you baptized?” So they said, “Into John’s baptism.”

Then Paul said, “John indeed baptized with a baptism of repentance, saying to the people that they should believe on Him who would come after him, that is, on Christ Jesus.” When they heard this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.

And when Paul had laid hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke with tongues and prophesied.

*“Not by might,
nor by power,
but by my Spirit,
says the Lord of hosts.”
- Zechariah 4:6*

Please Pray for the Sick and those that care for them.

Helen Ashmore
1026 Polk Street
Charlotte, NC 28206

Dorothy Cousar
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Charlotte, NC 28208

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Matthews, NC 28104

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Charlotte, NC 28134

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Charlotte, NC 28205

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Harrisburg, NC 28075

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

Praise 100.9
Charlotte's Inspiration Station
PraiseCharlotte.com

**Sunday Mornings at
7:30AM**

**[http://
praisecharlotte.com](http://praisecharlotte.com)**

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White Oaks Nursing Home
700 Howie Mine Road
Waxhaw, NC 28173

Imogene Martin
Atrium Healthcare-Concord
920 Church Street North
Concord, NC 28025



The Little Rock Church Weekly Calendar

“Together, We Can...!”

Ephesians 4:11-16

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Sunday, June 30, 2024

- ♦ 9:00am - CED Sunday School for all ages in the Building
- ♦ 9:00am– Adult Sunday School via website and in the Sanctuary
- ♦ 10:00am - Sunday Morning Worship in Sanctuary and via Website
- ♦ 2:45pm - North Charlotte District Fifth Sunday Fellowship, Greenville Memorial AME Zion Church

Monday, July 1, 2024

- ♦ 9:30am - Office Open

Tuesday, July 2, 2024

- ♦ 9:30am - Office Open
- ♦ 7:00pm - Little Rock Choir Rehearsal in the Sanctuary

Wednesday, July 3, 2024

- ♦ 9:30am - Office Open
- ♦ 1:00pm - Intercessory Prayer call 1 (720) 843 2528 code 2217017#)
- ♦ 7:00pm - Little Rock Mid Week Bible Study in the Sanctuary and via livestream

Thursday, July 4, 2024 National Holiday

- ♦ 9:30am - Office Closed

Friday, July 5, 2024

- ♦ 9:30am - Office Open

Sunday, July 7, 2024

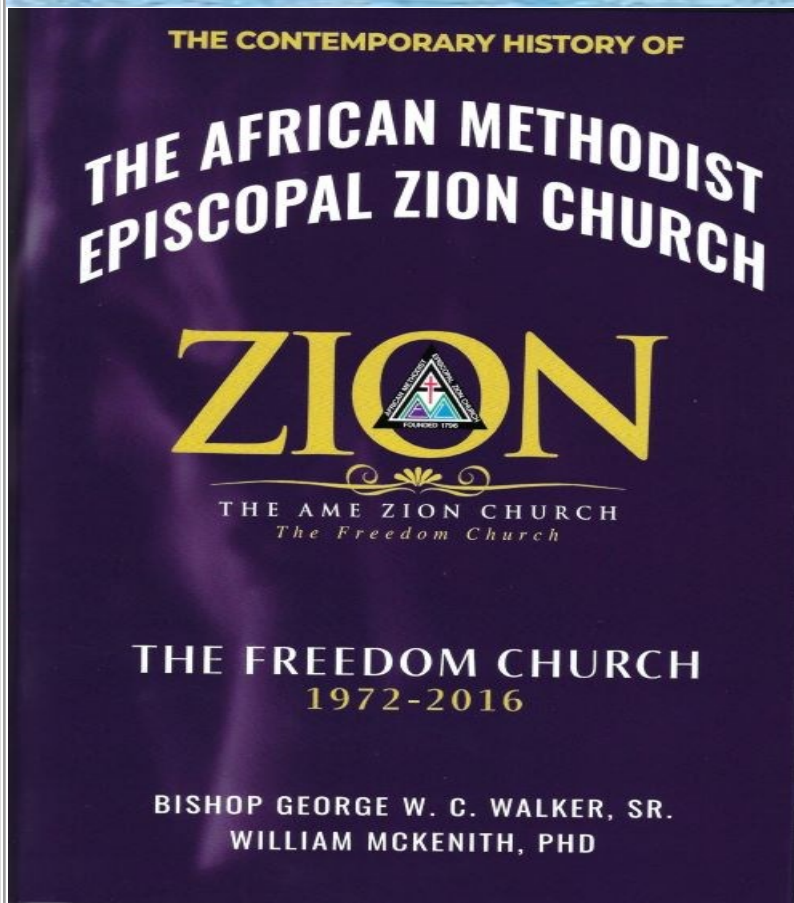
- ♦ 9:00am - Sunday School in person for all ages in the building
- ♦ 9:00am– Adult Sunday School via website and in the Sanctuary
- ♦ 10:00am - Morning Worship and Holy Communion Service

Little Rock Website address: www.littlerockamezion.org



Little Rock A/B Honor Roll

<u>Student Name</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>School</u>
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL		
Harper Reid Horsley	kindergarten	Lansdown Elementary
Kinsley Thomas	1st	South Academy of International Languages
MID DLE SCHOOL		
Camille Jackson	6th	Northeast Middle School



Pre-order online 20% off - \$39.95 until July 24,2024

Regular price \$49.95

General Conference price 10% off-\$44.95

[Click here to purchase](#) (AME Zion Publishing House)

Shipping begins August 1st.



**Helping Out Mecklenburg's homeowners
with Economic Support**

The Helping Out Mecklenburg's homeowners with Economic Support (HOMES) Program has returned for another season.

The County has partnered with the City of Charlotte and the Town of Davidson to help Mecklenburg County homeowners struggling with the rising costs of living. The program begins on July 1, 2024.

There is no age requirement, the home does not have to be paid off, and applicants whose mortgage company pays their taxes (escrow) may still be eligible for the program.

Mecklenburg County homeowners who may qualify for a HOMES grant are those who have lived in their home for at least the last three years, meet a qualifying total household income level, and have no more than one delinquent tax bill in the last three years.

Applications will be processed on a first-come, first-served basis until funds are exhausted.

New applicants and previous grant recipients are encouraged to complete and submit the easy, one-page application online, by email, or mail. It can be found on the [HOMES website](#), which goes live on July 1.

North Charlotte District Fellowship

Greenville Memorial AME Zion Church

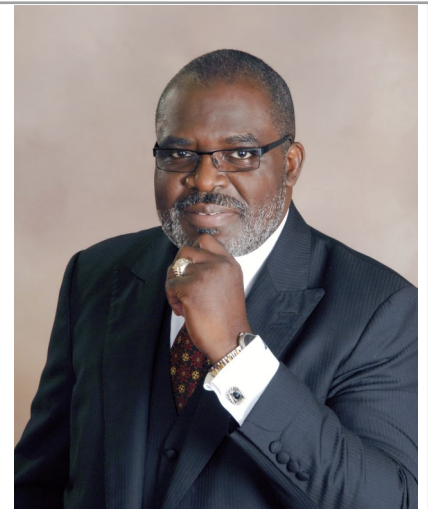
June 30, 2024—2:45pm

Please plan to attend the North Charlotte District Fellowship TODAY at

Greenville Memorial AME Zion Church,
6116 Monteith Drive, Charlotte, NC 28213

Dr. Sheldon Shipman, Pastor

Our Pastor, Dr. Dwayne A. Walker will bring the message at the service.



NORTH CHARLOTTE DISTRICT

UPCOMING EVENTS

Summer 2024

JUNE 29 **DISTRICT ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING**
10:30 am - Rockwell AMEZ

JUNE 30 **DISTRICT 5TH SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP SERVICE**
2:45 PM - Greenville Memorial AMEZ

JULY 13 **MISSIONARY MASS MEETING**

AUG 3 **DISTRICT QUARTERLY PRAYER**
8:30a - 10:30a - Rockwell AMEZ

AUGUST **FIRST QUARTERLY CONFERENCES**

Welcome to the new conference year!
God be praised! Let's goooo! #HeartMatters

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Are You In Need Of a Fan?

Mecklenburg County residents who are 60 years and older and adults ages 18 to 59 who receive disability income can register to pick up a fan. [Registration is available online](#) or by calling one of the eight pickup locations:

Albemarle Road Recreation Center, [5027 Idlewild Road North in Charlotte, 980-314-1101](#)

David B. Waymer Recreation Center, [14008 Holbrooks Road in Huntersville, 980-314-1127](#)

Eastway Regional Recreation Center, [3150 Eastway Park Drive in Charlotte, 980-314-3772](#)

Northern Regional Recreation Center, [18121 Old Statesville Road in Cornelius, 980-314-6772](#)

Southview Recreation Center, [1720 Vilma St. in Charlotte, 980-314-1105](#)

Sugaw Creek Recreation Center, [943 W. Sugaw Creek Road in Charlotte, 980-314-1124](#)

Tyvola Senior Center, [2225 Tyvola Road in Charlotte, 980-314-1320](#)

West Charlotte Recreation Center, [2401 Kendall Drive in Charlotte, 980-314-1120](#)

Walk-up requests will not be accepted.

Fans are limited to one per person.

When picking up a fan, an individual must show a valid driver's license or state ID providing proof of age and a current Mecklenburg County address.

Little Rock A.M.E. Zion Church Men's Boosters

9th Annual Golf Tournament



September 14, 2024

Rocky River Golf Club

6900 Bruton Smith Blvd. Concord, North Carolina 28027

Shotgun Start at 8:45am Registration 7:30-8:30am
See any of the Men's Booster Ministry for a Registration Form

Mr. Ron Nelson, Men's Booster President
Dr. Dwayne A. Walker, Pastor

You were made by a loving God
for His special purpose.

Happy Birthday And Anniversary

	James Foster	11	Jennell Crump		Kayla Price
	Beatrice VanDiver	12	Damie Warren		Dr. Frances McClain
02	Thomas Anderton, Jr.		Stafford Mackey		Phyllis Moore
	Phillip White		Kayle Carrouthers		Meliya Geneva Ghee
	Mary Ann Moore	14	Ralph Burt	29	Jeremy Coffey
03	Lynn Crump	15	Kayden Prince		Christian Freeman
05	Matthew Jaglal	16	Wanda Burns		Carol Staley
06	Daphnie Miller		Hazeline Smith	30	Shamiyah Crowder
	Lauren Pittman	17	Patricia Brown-Glover		Robert A. Horsley
	Jackson Riley	18	Evelyn Williams		Geraldine Lowe
07	Nathaniel Brown		Tiffany Howard	31	William G. Lowe
	Daviene Cannon	19	Imre Bell		Sebrina Washington
	Philandis Bolden	20	Yvette Wiltshire		
08	Khareem Thompson	21	Diana Banks		
10	Judy Galbreath	23	Delores Goodson		
11	Larry Staley, Jr.	26	Willette Crowder		

Terry & Michelle Belk

July 5



7 year

Milton & Deirdre Lynch

July 6



22 years

Cordell & Donna Riley

July 6



28 years

Gregory & Jacqueline Glenn

July 7



45 years

Tony & Kym Johnson

July 20



33 years

Ernest & Dr. Frances McClain

July 21



51 years

Ron & Seritha Nelson

July 21



52 years

Carl & Atanya Graham

July 24



29 years

Jerry & Brenda Coffey

July 27



32 years





Sunday, July 7, 2024



Ceaseless Love

Devotional Reading

Psalm 30

Background Scripture:

Lamentations 3:16-24;
Psalm 30; Jeremiah 52:1-30

Affirmation

We value the relief that comes when expressing our pain and despair to God.

AUDIO VISUAL MINISTRY

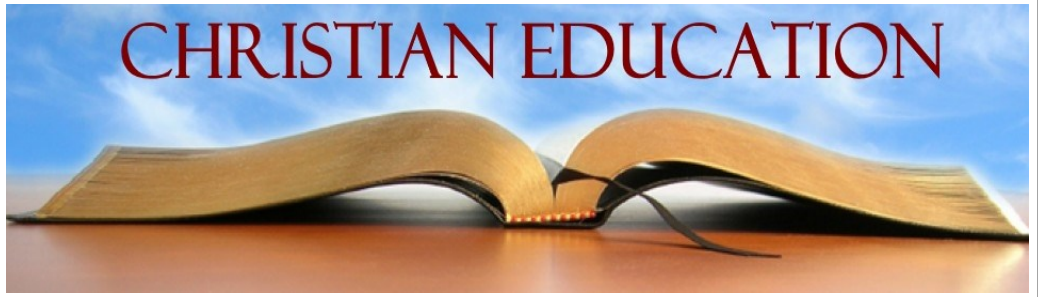
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

If you are interested in volunteering in the Audio-Visual and/or the Information-Technology Ministry

PLEASE call the Church Office at (704)334-3782.

Training will be provided.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION



Consecration of Deaconess

Please plan to witness the Consecration of seven new Deaconess on next Sunday, July 7th during Morning Worship.

Congratulation to: Mrs. Angela Caldwell, Mrs. Elouise Cummings, Mrs. Mary Davis, Mrs. Jada Goodwin, Mrs. Kym Johnson, Mrs. Meloney Looper and Mrs. Carol Staley. A reception will follow in the Fellowship Hall.



Vacation Bible School will be in-person on July 9, 10, and 11 this year! All who would like to join the awesome team of facilitators, please join us on Zoom on July 5 at 7:30pm.

Vacation Bible School Planning Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83835247699?pwd=p6anbgdxunY0FBYR1tJtH3NHqGH8Du.1>

Meeting ID: 838 3524 7699 Passcode: 154227



Altar Flowers



The flowers on the altar today were

given in celebration of the birth of

Mrs. Jonell Williams

June 26th

"We love you" Your son, Phillip and Daughter in-law Sherry Polk

LITTLE ROCK
A.M.E. Zion Church
DR. DWAYNE A. WALKER, PASTOR

LITTLE ROCK
YOUTH DAY AT

CAROWINDS
JULY 12TH



DEPARTURE BY CHURCH BUS 8:30 AM

If you plan to attend, contact Mrs. Anika Robinson
704-517-6728 by 7/7/24

PLEASE PRE-PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS
ON THE CAROWINDS WEBSITE
BRING APPROPRIATE SWIMWEAR

52nd Session of the
General Conference
African Methodist
Episcopal Zion Church

Greensboro, NC

July 20-27, 2024

The General Conference is the lawmaking body of The A.M.E. Zion Church, which meets every four years. The General Conference is composed of an equal number of ministerial and lay delegates, representing Annual Conferences from around the world! The purpose of the General Conference is to address current church legislation and consider new legislation that could impact the life and organization of the Denomination. If you would like to volunteer for the 52nd Session of the General Conference please notify the Headquarters' at Pedoffice@att.net of your availability.



Little Rock Members Meeting

Please Mark
Your Calendars!!

Little Rock AME Zion
Church will be organized
on July 15th. This meeting
will be a zoom meeting.
The Zoom link will be
emailed to member prior
to the meeting. All mem-
bers are invited to attend
this meeting.



Health Resource Ministry
Medical background not required to join.

Contact: Anika Robinson
704-517-6728







Altar Flowers

The Flower Ministry invites the members of Little Rock
to honor a loved one or special date in yours or a loved
one's life by sponsoring Altar Flowers on any Sunday
(s) throughout the year—a birthday, wedding, anniver-
sary, etc.

Altar Flowers per Sunday \$100.00 for (2)

Please call the Church Office for details.



Debit Card 	Multi-purpose Room Sundays btw 10:00AM and 12:30PM
Givelify APP 	www.givelify.com
Paypal 	www.littlerockamezion.org Go to Online giving (bottom of page). Click on TO GIVE SECURELY ONLINE PAYPAL (right side of page)
CASHAPP 	Download CASHAPP on Smartphone. Tap on \$ sign (bottom of app). Type in the amount you are sending. Choose Pay. Type \$LRAMEZ in the To: line. Type in reason for the money in the Next: line. Then tap Pay.

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

<u>Class Number</u>	<u>Class Leader</u>	<u>Contact Number</u>
<i>Class #1</i>	<i>Dr. Sonya Campbell</i>	<i>704 858-4601</i>
<i>Class #2</i>	<i>Tyteen Humes</i>	<i>770 548-6255</i>
<i>Class #3</i>	<i>Keith Powe</i>	<i>704 968-7353</i>
<i>Class #4</i>	<i>Sharbara Ellis</i>	<i>704 535-9516</i>
<i>Class #5</i>	<i>Rev. James H. Lenoir</i>	<i>704 806-2591</i>
<i>Class #6</i>	<i>Mary Davis</i>	<i>704 691-5448</i>
<i>Class #7</i>	<i>John Moore, Jr.</i>	<i>704 502-8295</i>
<i>Class #8</i>	<i>Stafford Mackey</i>	<i>704 898-3890</i>
<i>Class #9</i>	<i>Rev. Michelle Courtney</i>	<i>704 281-1661</i>
<i>Class #10</i>	<i>Chella Mills</i>	<i>980 353-6317</i>
<i>Class #11</i>	<i>Glain Haynes Lewis</i>	<i>704 399-0581</i>
<i>Class #12</i>	<i>Dr. Angelia Fryer</i>	<i>704 572-8517</i>

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

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

WHAT WE BELIEVE

The Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, 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 at 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 Spirit, the Holy Catholic* Church, the Communion of Saints, the Forgiveness of sins, the Resurrection of the Body, and the Life Everlasting. Amen.

**Universal Body of Christ*

MINISTERIAL STAFF

Rev. Belinda Austin	Minister of Evangelism
Rev. James Lenoir	Minister of Christian Education
Rev. Michelle Courtney	Minister of Evangelism for Inreach
Rev. Dr. Sonya Campbell	Minister of Youth and Young Adults
Rev. Anthony Redfearn	Minister of Counseling
Rev. Diane Commander	Assistant Minister of Evangelism

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