

Sunday, July 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

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THE INVOCATION

THE RESPONSE "Holy Ground"

*THE HYMN OF PRAISE "Lead Me, Guide Me"

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



The banners displayed emphasize 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



"Lead Me, Guide Me"

I am weak and I need thy strength and power, to help me o-ver my weakest hour, lead me through the darkness Thy face to see Lead me, Oh Lord, Lead me.

Help me tread in the paths of righteousness, Be my aid when Satan and sin oppress. I am putting all my trust in Thee: Lead me, Oh Lord, lead me.

I am lost if you take your hand from me, I am blind without Thy light to see. Lord just always to me thy servant be, Lead me, Oh Lord, lead me.

CHORUS

Lead me, guide me along the way, For if you lead me I cannot stray. Lord let me walk each day with Thee. Lead me, Oh Lord, lead me.

A-men.

THE RESPONSIVE READING

Eighth Sunday Morning after Pentecost

(Acts 20:17-28, 32)

From Miletus he sent to Ephesus, and called for the elders of the church.

And when they were come to him, he said unto them: "You know, from the first day that I came to Asia, in what manner I always lived among you."

Serving the LORD with all humility, with many tears, and trials which happened to me by the plotting of the Jews:

"And how I kept back nothing that was helpful, but proclaimed it to you, and taught you publicly and from house to house."

"Testifying to Jews, and also to the Greeks, repentance toward God and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ."

"And see, now I go bound in the spirit to Jerusalem, not knowing the things that will happen to me there."

"Except that the Holy Spirit testifies in every city, saying that chains and tribulations await me."

"But none of these things move me; nor do I count my life dear to myself, so that I may finish my race with joy."

"And the ministry which I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God."

"And indeed, now I know that you all, among whom I have gone preaching the kingdom of God, will see my face no more."

Therefore I testify to you this day that I am innocent of the blood of all men.

For I have not shunned to declare to you the whole counsel of God.

Therefore take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, over which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God which He purchased with His own blood.

"And now, brethren, I commend you to God and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up and give you an inheritance among all those who are sanctified."

Prayer Requests PENTECOST The Fire of Conviction

We send up prayers for all our known sick and homebound members

Damie Warren

4219 Maureen St Charlotte, NC 28205

Dawn Aiken

2712 Sawgrass Ridge 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

Robin Bradford

12606 Cliff Creek Drive Charlotte, NC 282078

Maxine Shankle

201 West 10th Street Apt. #1114 Charlotte, NC 28202

Jennetta Frazier

67 Cardigan Ave Charlotte, NC 28215

Rosa Moore

9536 Loblolly Lane Charlotte, NC 28210

Carolyn Pratt

4716 Wildwood Ave Charlotte, 28216

Coretta Shipman

1736 Woodland Dr Charlotte, NC 28205

Joe Scott

312 Mossburn Road Apt 207 Charlotte, NC 28262

Geneva Thompson

3614 Glenwood Dr Charlotte, NC 28208

Denise Tillman

2400 Summer Meadow Court Charlotte, NC 28216

Robert Cousar

1509 Chelveston Dr Charlotte, NC 28208

Birdeal Moss

6501 Old Savannah Rd Charlotte, NC 28227

Albert Frazier

706 Dedmon Drive Charlotte, NC 28216

Sabrina Compton

1303 Lomax Ave. Charlotte, NC 28211



Members in the hospital or assisted living facilities

Rashonda Wallace

Atrium Healthcare CMC 1000 Blythe Blvd Charlotte, NC 28203

Jesse Foster

Atrium Healthcare CMC 1000 Blythe Blvd Charlotte, NC 28203

Dorothy Cousar

Asbury Health And Rehab 3800 Shamrock Dr #205 Charlotte, NC 28215

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

http://praisecharlotte.com

WPZS 100.9FM

Sunday Morning 7:30am

Praise O Charlotte's Inspiration Station

PraiseCharlotte.com



The Little Rock Church Weekly Calendar

"Building Healthy Christians for a Healthy Church"

Acts 2:46-47

Sunday, July 11, 2021

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

Monday, July 12, 2021

- 9:30am Office Open
- ♦ 6:00pm Board of Stewarts Meeting via Conference Call
- ♦ 7:00pm Board of Trustees Meeting via Zoom

Tuesday, July 13, 2021

• 9:30am - Office Open

Wednesday, July 14, 2021

- 9:30am Office Open
- ♦ 12:00 noon Mid-Day Little Rock Bible Study via Website www.littlerockamezion.org
- ◆ 12:15 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 2217017#
- ♦ 6:30pm 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 Evening Bible Study via Website www.littlerockamezion.org

<u>Thursday, July 15, 2021</u>

• 9:30am - Office Open

<u>Friday, July 16, 2021</u>

- 9:30am Office Open
- 7:00pm East Stonewall AME Zion Church, Dr. Dwayne A. Walker Guest Preacher, Virtual Service

Saturday, July 17, 2021

• 9:00am - Bread of Life Ministry in the Fellowship Hall

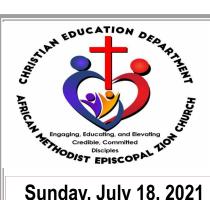
Sunday, July 18, 2021

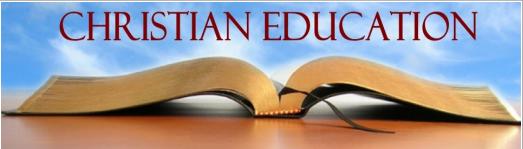
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Sunday, July 18, 2021



Lesson: 7

The Faith of Abraham

Devotional Reading:

Genesis 15:1-6

Background Scripture:

Romans 4

Affirmation:

We will identify ways in which we rely on our faith for a relationship with God.

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 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. This evening the teens will play Jeopardy during our session. All teens are invited to join. Please contact Mrs. Robinson at (704) 698-0280 for additional information.

Please join the Youth Band Group for connection information. Join with link: https://band.us/n/aaa34adaBbkbP

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.

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 additional information and to be included in the sessions.

ALL SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES WILL REMAIN VIRTUAL UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

Virtual Vacation Bible School 2021

"For I can do everything through Christ, who gives me strength." (Philippians 4:13, NLT)

Our second Virtual Vacation Bible School will be held **July 19-23,2021**, beginning at **6:30 pm** via Zoom. Our theme title to explore this year is "**I've Got This! With Jesus.**" This program will share how "Victory – Strength – Prayer - Praise" in Christ are blessings and opportunities for families, individuals, churches and communities to declare who Jesus is in their



lives. It also serves as a model of encouragement we can follow to highlight practical strength builders we can use every day.

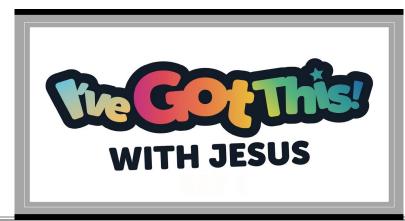
Preschool children to adults are invited to take part in this fun-filled Bible program. Classes will meet

nightly via Zoom classes by age group. Registration will be done virtually.

A packet of materials will be prepared for students to pick up before VBS begins.

If you are interested in volunteering to help with VBS this year, please email me at <u>aco-dy13@yahoo.com</u> and let me know your interest.

Please join us for our second Virtual Vacation Bible School. Looking forward to seeing you!



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The easiest way to use paypal is through the Little Rock website. GO to littlerockamezion.org



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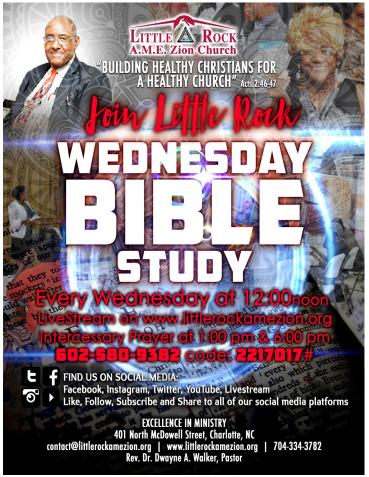
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Tape /Audio Ministry

Tapes & DVD's are available after Sunday Morning Worship Service in the Audio/Visual Room (located in the hall behind the choir).

CD: \$7.00; DVD: \$15.00

IMPORTANT NOTICE

In our effort to improve our streaming capabilities, we have changed to Boxcast. If you are having any issues viewing our service, please go to the Little Rock AME Zion Webpage and follow the instructions to the online service.

Ministry of Kindness

Your gifts will make a world of difference in someone's

life. Thank you in advance for supporting this ministry!





Little Rock Members, Friends and Guests:

Little Rock is open, based on the most recent scientific research and the CDC guidelines.

To attend in person worship:

- All worshippers over 3 years old are encouraged to wear a mask inside the building which covers the mouth and nose area. If you do not have a face mask, one will be provided for you from the ushers.
- Social distancing will be observed. Families may sit together. All others are encouraged to sit at least 6 feet (two arm lengths) apart.

For your safety:

- The Ushers will work with the Greeters, Boosters and Security Ministries to alleviate bottlenecking within the building. We are aware of the desire to greet and meet in the building upon seeing each other after being away for over a year, but due to current restrictions we ask that you refrain from any personal contact.
- The restrooms will be sanitized while we are in the building.
- Extra Hand Sanitation Stations are available throughout the building for liberal use.
- Bulletins will continue to be emailed on Fridays. Please use your electronic devices to keep abreast of the Order of Service and events in the life of the Church.
- All water fountains are covered; bottle water is available outside of the sanctuary.
- If you become uncomfortable sitting in the sanctuary, please feel free to watch the service from the Fellowship Hall monitors.

At the present time, if you feel uncomfortable returning to the sanctuary, please continue to view us via livestream or facebook and contribute as you have before.

MEMBERSHIP GUIDE BUSINESS & DIRECTORY

Any business owners or independent agents who would like to be listed in our next Membership Guide Business Section of the Directory are asked to please provide the following information to

the Church Office by July 25, 2021. Please call and give us your Business Name, Owner Name, Business Address, E-mail, Phone, Fax and the Services Provided by this business.

MEMBERS: if your name, address, email or telephone number has changed please call the office during business hours

with your correct information. THANK YOU.

MEMBERSHIP

East Stonewall AME Zion Church

invites you to join them on

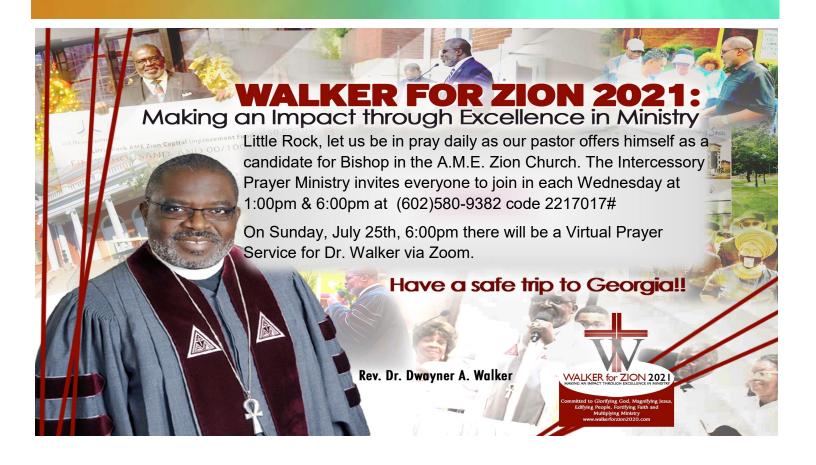
Friday, July 16th at 7:00pm

for an evening of Worshipping
with our Pastor,

Or. Davayne A. Walker
as the Guest Preacher

for the evening.

You may join this service via East Stonewall Facebook page.







COVID-19 Vaccines: Your best shot against COVID-19.

Tested, safe and effective COVID-19 vaccines will help us get back in control of our lives and back to the people and places we love.

Scientists had a head start.

The vaccines were built upon years of work to develop vaccines for similar viruses.

Tested, safe and effective. Millions of people in the U.S. have received their COVID-19 vaccine. A diverse group of volunteers, including Black and Hispanic/ Latinx, participated in clinical trials for the vaccines with no serious safety concerns noted. The vaccines are proven to help prevent COVID-19 and are effective in preventing hospitalization and death. Like all vaccines, The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) keeps checking safety through its reporting systems.

You cannot get COVID-19 from the vaccine.

You may have temporary reactions like a sore arm, fever, headache or feeling tired and achy for a day or two after receiving the vaccine.

You Have a Spot to Take Your Shot.

Everyone in North Carolina age 12 and older is eligible to get a vaccine.



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 Numb	<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
<i>Class</i> #10	Ralph Burt	704 243-7152
<i>Class</i> #11	Glain Haynes Lewis	704 399-0581
Class #12	Dr. Angelia Fryer	704 572-8517

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. Thursdays @ 7: 00 p.m. Liturgical Dance Rehearsal 1st & 3rd Saturdays @ 12: 00 p.m. Youth | Young Adult Choir Rehearsal 2nd & 4th 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
Rev. Diane Commander

Minister of Evangelism
Minister of Counseling

DIRECTORY OF LEADERS

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Mr. Carl Daniel
Mrs. Christy Bryant
Rev. G. Rebecca Warren
Mr. Gilbert McRae
Mrs. Gloria Joyner Johnson

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

Chairman, Board of Stewards
Chairman, Board of Trustees
Comptroller
Facilities Manager
Leader of Leaders
President, Lay Council
President, W. H. & O. M. S.
Director of Christian Education
Minister of Music
Minister of Technology
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!**