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Sunday, November 9, 2025

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 Rev. Dr. Derrill A. Blue, Pastor

THE INVOCATION

THE RESPONSE "Holy Ground"

THE HYMN OF PRAISE "Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory" #548

THE RESPONSIVE READING

Ms. Melissa Gillis

THE GLORIA PATRI

THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (PRINTED ON SCREEN & BACK OF BULLETIN)

Mr. Charles McDonnell

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THE ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF VISITORS

THE CHORAL SELECTIONS

Little Rock Sanctuary Choir

THE SERMON Rev. Dr. Derrill A. Blue

THE INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

THE PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY "All Things Come of Thee"

THE BENEDICTION

THE POSTLUDE

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

The Season

Kingdomtide



Kingdomtide begins on the last Sunday in August and continues until the beginning of Advent, which starts on the fourth Sunday before Christmas. During this period, special emphasis is placed on the Kingship of the Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. The observance is wrapped up in the heightened awareness of one of the basic tenets of the Christian Faith—the hope of the coming of the Kingdom of Heaven.

"Kingdomtide represents the ongoing of the Spirit released on the Day of Pentecost that is continuing to change and empower persons." The liturgical colors for Kingdomtide are **Green** and **Gold.** The Green is symbolic of the freshness of nature, hope, life and growth. The Gold is used for the lettering. The **Fringe** denotes worth, virtue, glory to God and Christian might. The Kingship of the Christ Child and the price Jesus paid on Calvary is also represented in the Gold color.

The **CROWN** and **SCEPTER** designate royalty, social, political or religious status. They represent Jesus as King, Ruler and Lord of all. The crown also symbolizes the final reward for believers who have been faithful to GOD.



THE HYMN OF PRAISE

"Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory" # 548

Mine eyes have seen the glo-ry of the com-ing of the Lord; He is tramp-ling out the vint-age where the grapes of wrath are stored; He hath loosed the fate-ful light-ning of His ter-ri-ble swift sword; His truth is march-ing on. (Refrain)

I have seen Him in the watch-fires of a hun-dred cir-cling camps
They have build-ed Him an al-tar in the eve-ning dews and damps; I can
read His right-eous sen-tence by the dim and flar-ing lamps; His day is
march-ing on.

(Refrain)

He has sound-ed forth the trum-pet that shall nev-er call retreat; He is sifting out the hearts of men be-fore His judg-ment seat; O, be swift, my soul, to an-swer Him; be ju-bi-lant, my feet! Our God is march-ing on. (Refrain)

In the beau-ty of the lil-ies Christ was born a-cross the sea, With a glo-ry in His bos-om that trans-fig-ures you and me; As He died to make men ho-ly, let us die to make men free, While God is march-ing on. (Refrain)

REFRAIN

Glo-ry! Glo-ry! Hal-le-lu-jah! Glo-ry! Glo-ry! Hal-le-lu-jah! Glo-ry! Glo-ry! Hal-le-lu-jah! His truth is march-ing on.

A-men.





THE RESPONSIVE READING

Eleventh Sunday Morning in Kingdomtide (1 John 2:24-25, 28-29; 3:1-2)

Therefore let that abide in you which you heard from the beginning. If what you heard from the beginning abides in you, you also will abide in the Son and in the Father.

And this is the promise that He has promised us—eternal life.

And now, little children, abide in Him, that when He appears, we may have confidence and not be ashamed before Him at His coming.

If you know that He is righteous, you know that everyone who practices righteousness is born of Him.

Behold what manner of love the father has bestowed on us, that we should be called children of God!

Therefore the world does not know us, because it did not know Him.

Beloved, now we are children of God; and it has not yet been revealed what we shall be.

But we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is.

Sick & Shut-in

Please Pray for the sick and those who care for them.

Heal me Lord, and I will be healed. Save me and I will be saved....

Helen Ashmore

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

Praise 10029
Charlotte's Inspiration Station
PraiseCharlotte.com

Sunday Mornings at 7:30AM http://praisecharlotte.com

The Little Rock Church Weekly Calendar



🐱 "Rooted, Rising, and Reaching"

Rooted in Christ, Rising in Faith, and Reaching in Love

Colossians 2:6-7 (NIV)



Sunday, November 9, 2025 Veteran Observance

- 9:00am Sunday School for all ages
- ♦ 10:00am Sunday Morning Worship in Sanctuary and via Website
- ◆ 12:00 Noon Veterans and family Lunch and Meeting in the Fellowship Hall

Monday, November 10, 2025

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

Tuesday, November 11, 2025

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

Wednesday, November 12, 2025

- ♦ 9:30am Office Open
- ♦ 12:00 noon Mid Day Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall
- ♦ 1:00pm Intercessory Prayer call 1 (720) 843-2528 code 2217017#
- ♦ 7: 00pm Virtual Evening Bible Study

Thursday, November 13, 2025

- ♦ 9:30am Office Open
- ◆7:00pm Liturgical Dance Rehearsal in Sanctuary

Friday, November 14, 2025

♦9:30am - Office Open

Saturday, November 15, 2025 ManUp Weekend

♦ 8:am - Men of Zion Man Up Weekend Little Rock Fellowship Hall

Sunday, November 16, 2025 ManUp Weekend

- 9:00am Sunday School for all ages in the building
- ♦ 10:00am Sunday Morning Worship in the Sanctuary

Little Rock website address: www.littlerockamezion.org





Holiday Blues

The Counseling Ministry is offering a **Grief Support Group- Navigating through the holidays.** Whether your loss is recent or long ago, the holiday season can be challenging after losing a loved one. This support group will offer a compassionate space, supportive discussion, guided reflection, and a confidential environment for those who are grieving. Groups will be held Thursday November 20 at 1:00 pm in person and

6:00 pm via zoom, Thursday December 4th at 1:00 pm in person 6:00 pm via zoom and Thursday December 11th at 1:00 pm in person and 6:00 pm via zoom.

If you have any questions please reach out to Adrienne Pihlgren at 609-217-2115 or <u>aaronadrienne3@gmail.com</u>.

NEW Ministry—GIRL SCOUTS

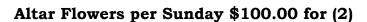
Little Rock is excited to introduce Girl Scouts Troop #2176, hosting both Daisies and Brownies! Led by Mrs. Sharelle McNair, the troop is seeking an enthusiastic co-leader and young girls in grades K-3.

If interested, please see Sharelle after service or email her at: sharellemarie@gmail.com.



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, anniversary, etc.



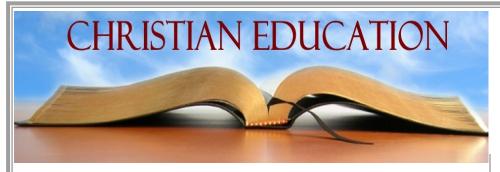
Please call the Church Office for details.

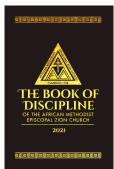


The Pastor's Aide Ministry



The Pastor's Aide Ministry is beginning a Christmas Project to acknowledge our seniors 80 and above. If you are 80 years of age or older please sign up in the hall way outside the office door for a Christmas Fruit Basket. The Pastor's Aide Ministry will be assisting our pastor in celebrating our 80 year olds and older jewels. The deadline is November 30, 2025 to be included. Thank you Carol Staley, Pastor's Aide Ministry Leader





The A.M.E. Zion Church Book of Discipline

The 2024 Book of Discipline of the AME Zion Church is available for purchase at A.ME.. Zion Book Store

3225 W. Sugar Creek Road, Charlotte, NC 28269

Currently hard copies only are available. Cost -\$29.95 + tax \$2.17=\$32.12 for pick-up. (Shipping is an additional cost.) Order on line at: https:// amezionpublishinghouse.org All members of the Board of Trustees, Board of Stewards, Class Leaders and Officers are encouraged to purchase a new Book of Discipline.

Thank you.



Sunday, November 16, 2025

Lesson: 11

The Story of Ezekiel

Devotional Reading

2 Corinthians 1:2-6

Background Scripture

Ezekiel 1:1-3' 2:1-3:27; 8:1-4; 11:22-25; 24:15-24' 33:30-33 43:1-7

Affirmation

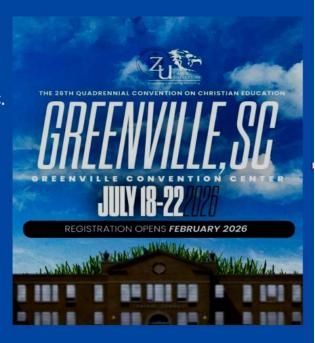
Our sacrifices can serve as powerful messages to others.

SAVE THE DATE!!!

Christian Educators, Varick's Children, Youth, YACM, Adults, mark your calendars now for "Zion University," the 26th Quadrennial Convention on Christian Education, July 18-22, 2026, Greenville SC. In order to begin planning, we need to know who is interested in attending. Please complete the QR code by December 7.

There will be a brief meeting after church on November 23 with further details. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Antoinette Cody, CED Director acody13@yahoo.com or 704.281.2765.





Christian Education Department—Christmas Preparations



CHRISTMAS RECITATIONS

Christmas recitations will take place on Sunday, December 21, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. Children ages 3 to 12 are invited to participate. A rehearsal will take place on Friday, December 12 at 6:00 p.m. If you would like for your child to receive a Christmas speech, please scan the QR code below and fill out the form. A Christmas speech will be emailed to you. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Jada Goodwin or Mrs. Antoinette Cody.

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

We are excited about our upcoming Christmas pageant. It will be held on December 13, 2025 at 4:00 p.m.. The children will be performing a Christmas play. Speaking and non-speaking parts will be available. The rehearsals will take place at the Little Rock Cultural Center. If you would like for your child to participate, please scan the QR code below and fill out the form. Scripts will be distributed at

our first rehearsal. Listed below are the rehearsal dates and times. If you have any questions or concerns please contact Mrs. Antoinette Cody or Mrs. Jada Goodwin.

Saturday, November 8, 2025- 10:00-11:30 a.m.

Saturday, November 15, 2025- 1:00-2:30 p.m.

Saturday, November 22, 2025- 10:00-11:30 a.m.

Saturday, December 6, 2025- 10:00-11:30 a.m.

Friday, December 12, 2025- 6:30-8:30 (Dinner and Dress Rehearsal)





Little Rock Lay Council—Food Pantry

The Little Rock Lay Council recognized the economic stress some of our church families and community members maybe facing, to-

day and in the weeks to come. In preparation to help our family and neighbors, we need your help to boost our food supply in our Food Pantry. If you can please donate to the pantry. The need is bound to increase as we move into the holiday season. If you are in need of food please remember we are all family.



in celebration of the 95th Birthday

of Mrs. Mattie Kluttz.

The flower were given in celebration by your class #6. "Happy Birthday,"





Bible Study

Bible Study Wednesdays,

Wednesdays-12 Noon in the Fellowship Hall and 7PM via Zoom

Our BOOK "Emotionally Healthy Discipleship: Moving from Shallow Christianity to Deep Transformation" by Peter Scazzero



NAME	BRANCH	TIME SERVD
Darrell Bonapart	US Army	15 yrs
Gladys Allene Brown	US Army Res	30 yrs
Frances Simmons Cheatham	US Army	3 yrs
Robert Samuel Crowder	US Army	6 yrs
Carl Daniel	US Marines	2 yrs
Gregory W. Davis	US Army	4 yrs
Johnny Dawkins	US Army	3 1/2 yrs
Robert W. Foster	US Air Force	14 1/2 yrs
Melissa Gillis	US Navy	4 yrs
Carlenard N. Graham	US Army	6 yrs
Michael Gregory	US Army	8 yrs
Val Heard	US Army	
Donnie Henderson	US Army	2 yrs
Jerry C. Hines	US Army	9 yrs
Scott Howard	US Army	2 yrs
Terry Hughes	US Army	4 1/2 yrs
Karen Jackson	US Army	
Milton Lynch	US Army	4 yrs
Stafford A Mackey	US Air Force	4 yrs
Rev. Dr. Barbara S. Marshall	US Navy	16 yrs
Ernest McClain	US Navy	4 yrs
Charles McDonnell	US Air Force	6 yrs
Ronald Metz	US Air Force	4 yrs
Rudy Miller	US Marines	19 yrs
Phillip A. Polk	US Army	3 yrs
Vernon Powell	US Army	
Cordell Riley	US Army	8 yrs
James C. Saunders, Jr.	US Army	3 yrs
Larry Staley	US Army	2 yrs
James T. Thompson	US Army	10 yrs
Alfred Tillman	US Army	4 yrs
William Tolson	US Army	
Wendell Varner	Us Army	3 yrs
Marion D Warren	US Army	2 yrs
Joseph Washington	US Army	13 1/2 yrs
Melvin Weathers	US Navy	6 yrs
Erica N. Willis	US Army Res	6 yrs
Michael Woodson	US Army	20 yrs
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We saluate all who are serving or have served in the military.

We also celebrate the families of these members who also made sacrifices.

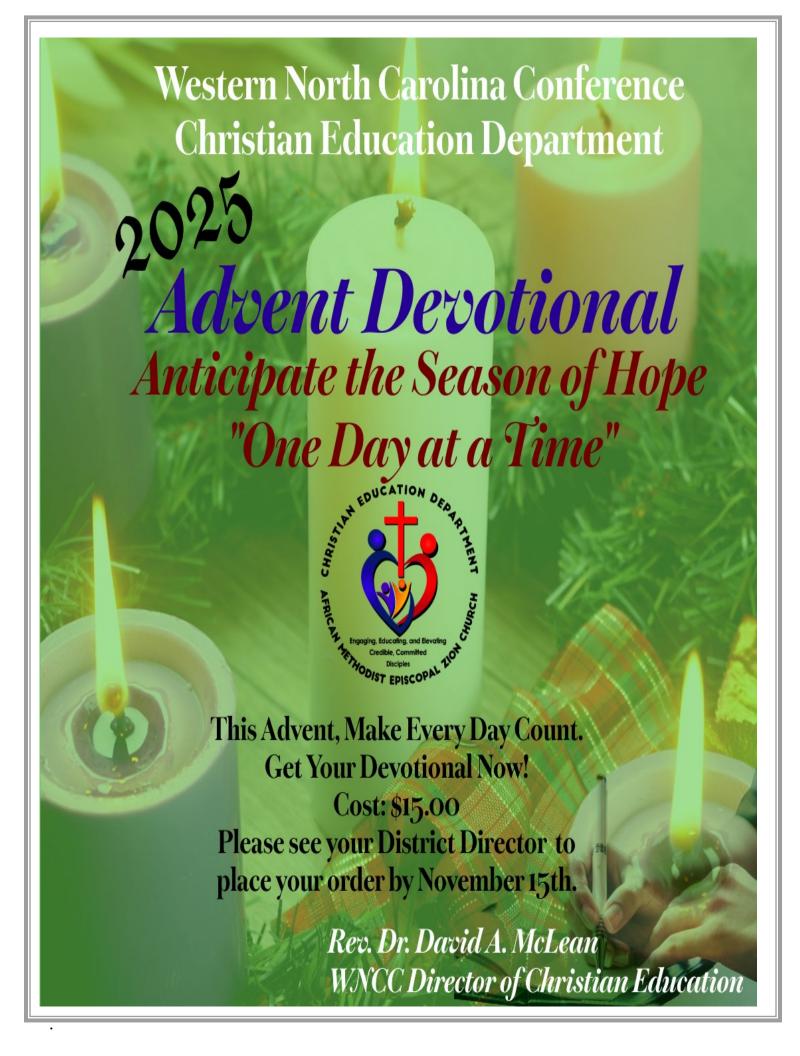
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VETERANS DAY 2025

☆ Remember and Honor **☆**



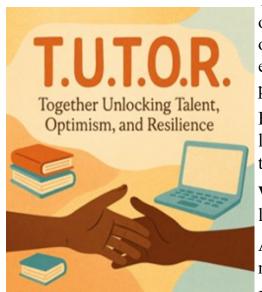








A NEW MINISTRY—T.U.T.O.R.



T.U.T.O.R. is a virtual tutoring ministry that will be held online in private, monitored Zoom rooms. T.U.T.O.R. is open to learners and teachers of all ages T.U.T.O.R. is an excellent growth and leadership opportunity for young people seeking volunteer experience.

Each one of us has a skill, a gift that someone else would love to have T.U.T.O.R. gives you the opportunity to share that gift from the comfort of your home.

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE—Children, youth and adults looking to learn and grow

All participants are invited to serve as a tutor mentor or mentee

HOW IT WORKS—Mentors will be paired with mentees to meet in a private Zoom room for 1-hour Thursdays between 4-8pm. Meetings will be recorded and a transcript made available to each participant for safety and for student learning and review.

Areas of Focus:	
[] Math [] English/Language Arts	[] Science
[] Public Speaking/Civics [] Job R	eadiness & Interview Skills
[] SAT/ACT Preparation[] Foreig	n Language[] Other:
Your Contact Information Full Name: _	
Email:	Phone Number:
Preferred Contact Method: [] Email []7	Text [] Call [] Either
Participation Interest: [] Provide Tutoring	g Assistance [] Get Tutoring Assistance [] Both
In your own words, share why you want t	to participate in T.U.T.O.R.
	above and drop in the box outside the church office or
scan the QR Code to the right.	

Questions or to learn more about this ministry, please contact: Mrs. Yolanda Holt ydfholt@gmail.com Subject Line: Tutoring Ministry.



THE 26TH QUADRENNIAL CONVENTION ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

GREENVILLE CONVENTION CENTER

JULY 18-22/026

REGISTRATION OPENS FEBRUARY 2026







NORTH CHARLOTTE DISTRICT

MEN OF ZION SINGING PROGRAM

Brothers United in Praise

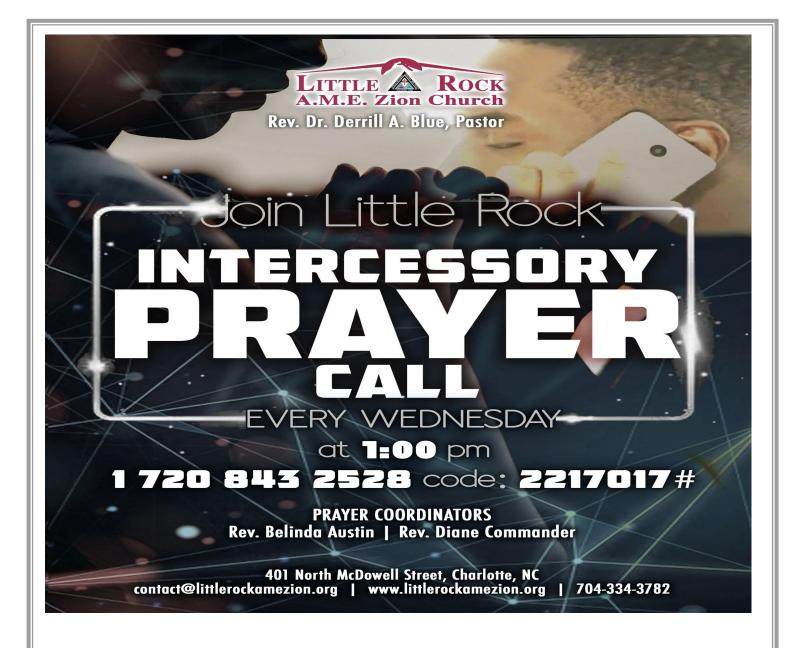
- Sunday, November 16, 2025
- Program Begins at 2:00 PM
- Lunch Served: 12:30 PM 1:45 FM
- 20736 Catawba Ave,

Cornelius, NC 28031



Featuring Men's Choirs from:
Union Bethel • Torrence Chapel
Myers Tabernacle • Little Rock
Mowing Glade
Hopewell • Bethesda





Ways to Contribute to the Ministry

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)
Zelle	Download Zelle App.

Birthday or Anniversary Not Listed The Month

Members of Little Rock, if your birthday or anniversary is not included on the calendar, don't be shy, call the office during business hours. We want to celebrate with you, your special days.

Little Rock A.M.E. Zion Church

Dr. Derrill A. Blue, Pastor



The Twelve Classes of Little Rock

Gilbert McRae, Leader of Leaders 704-567-7588

Class #13—New Members

Class Num	<u> Class Leader</u>	Contact Number
Class #1	Dr. Sonya Campbell	704 858-4601
Class #2	Angela Aiken	864 608-7158
Class #3	Keith Powe	704 968-7353
<i>C-lass</i> #4	Tasha Powell	704 605-9659
Class #5	Lynn Crump	704 756-8762
Class #6	Mary Davis	704 691-5448
Class #7	Loretta Jefferson	704 651-1146
Class #8	Stafford Mackey	704 898-3890
Class #9	Rev.Michelle Courtney	704 281-1661
Class #10	Chella Mills	980 353-6317
Class #11	Glain Haynes Lewis	704 399-0581
Class #12	Dr. Angelia Fryer	704 572-8517

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SUNDAY SCHOOL SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP MEN'S BOOSTERS MINISTRY BREAD OF LIFE/HEAVEN STORE HOUSE MINISTRIES BIBLE STUDIES ADULTS

ADULTS
YOUNG LIFE STUDY
CHILDREN
CHOIR REHEARSALS
MASS CHOIR
SANCTUARY
A.M.E.N. CHOIR

YOUTH/YOUNG ADULT LITURGICAL DANCE MINISTRY (ADULTS) 9:00 A.M. 10:00 A.M. 1ST SATURDAY, 9:30 A.M. 1ST &3RD SATURDAYS, 11 A.M.

WEDNESDAYS 12 NOON & 7:00 P.M. *

2ND & 4TH MONDAYS, 7:00 P.M. *

WEDNEDAYS, 6:00 P.M. *

TUESDAYS PRIOR TO THE FIRST SUNDAY 7: 00 P.M.
TUESDAYS 7:00 P.M.
1ST & 3RD MONDAYS, 7:00 P.M.
1ST AND 2ND SUNDAY

THURSDAYS, 7:00 P.M.

*VIA ZOOM

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

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