

Sunday, November 24, 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 PRELUDE

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Dr. Derrill A. Blue, Pastor

THE INTROIT "Surely the Presence of the Lord" #222

THE PROCESSIONAL

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THE INVOCATION

THE RESPONSE "Holy Ground"

THE HYMN OF PRAISE "Count Your Blessings" #626

THE RESPONSIVE READING

THE GLORIA PATRI

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

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*THE PRAYER HYMN

THE PASTORAL PRAYER

THE CHORAL RESPONSE

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THE ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF VISITORS

THE CHORAL SELECTION

Little Rock Sanctuary Choir

THE SERMON Rev. Linwood D. Shaw

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!-

Kingdomtide

The Season of 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

"Count Your Blessings" #626

When up-on life's bil-lows you are tem-pest tossed, When you are dis-cour-aged, think-ing all is lost, Count your man-y bless-ings, name them one by one, And it will sur-prise you what the Lord hath done.
(Refrain)

Are you ev-er bur-dened with a-load of care? Does the cross seem heav-y you are called to bear? Count your man-y bless-ings, ev-'ry doubt will fly, And you will be sing-ing as the days go by.

(Refrain)

When you look at oth-ers with their land and gold, Think that Christ has promised you His wealth untold; Count your man-y bless-ings, mon-ey can-not buy Your reward in heav-en, nor your home on high. (Refrain)

So, a-mid the con-flict, wheth-er great or small, Do not be dis-cour-aged, God is over all; Count your man-y bless-ings, an-gels will at-tend, Help and com-fort give you to your jour-ney's end.

(Refrain)

REFRAIN

Count your blessings, name them one by one; Count your blessings, see what God hath done; Count your blessings, name them one by one; Count your man-y blessings, see what God hath done.

A-men.



THE RESPONSIVE READING



Fourteenth Sunday Morning in Kingdomtide

(II Thessalonians 1:3-5, 11-12; 2:1-2)

We are bound to thank God always for you, brethren, as it is fitting, because your faith grows exceedingly and the love of every one of you all abounds toward each other.

So that we ourselves boast of you among the churches of God for your patience and faith in all your persecutions and tribulations that you endure.

Which is manifest evidence of the righteous judgment of God, that you may be counted worthy of the kingdom of God, for which you also suffer.

Therefore we also pray always for you that our God would count you worthy of this calling, and fulfill all the good pleasure of His goodness and the work of faith with power.

That the name of Our Lord Jesus Christ may be glorified in you, and you in Him according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Now, brethren, concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our gathering together to Him, we ask you, not to be soon shaken in mind or troubled, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as if from us, as though the day of Christ had come.

Your Word says the prayer of faith shall heal the sick.

We ask you today to heal us from every sickness, disease and illness. Please touch us with Your healing hand and give us the comfort and peace to get through.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

Helen Ashmore

1026 Polk Street Charlotte, NC 28206

Dorothy Cousar

1509 Chelveston Dr. Charlotte, NC 28208

Lila Blake

509 Hidden Minor Drive Matthews, NC 28104

Lelia Kent

1337 Blu Steele Way Charlotte, NC 28134

Gloria Varner

9605 Callis Court Harrisburg, NC 28075 **Birdeal Moss**

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Geneva Thompson

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Maxine Shankle

201 West 10th Street #1114 Charlotte, NC 28202

Minnie Cole

172 ero Lawn Trace Cornelius, NC 28031 Brenda Kearse

2665 Rachel Street Charlotte, NC 28206

Carletta Freeman

6714 Mahogany Woods Dr Charlotte, NC 28210

Damie Warren

4219 Maureen Street Charlotte, NC 28205 **Carline Dinkins**

9620 Haying Place Mint Hill, NC 28227

Jo Ann Thompson

7400 Limrick Drive Charlotte, NC 28210

Melvin Huneycutt

10942 Skymont Drive Huntersville, NC 28070

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

Members in the hospital or assisted living facilities

Mary Ann Moore

9120 Willow Ridge Road Pineville, NC 28210

Coretta Shipman

Atrium Health-Mercy 2001 Vail Ave. Charlotte, NC 28207

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Novant Health—Huntersville 10030 Gilead Rd Huntersville, NC 28078

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Imogene Martin

Five Oaks Rehab 413 Wincoff School Rd Concord, NC 28027

Charles Robinson

Atrium Health-Main 1000 Blythe Blvd. Charlotte, NC 28203

The Little Rock Church Weekly Calendar

"We Are One!" Acts 9:31

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Sunday, November 24, 2024

- 9:00am Sunday School for all ages in the building
- ◆ 10:00am Sunday Morning Worship in Sanctuary and via Website

Monday, November 25, 2024

• 9:30am - Office Open

Tuesday, November 26, 2024

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

Wednesday November 27, 2024

- ♦9:30am Office Open
- ♦1:00pm Intercessory Prayer call 1 (720) 843 2528 code 2217017#)
- ♦1:00pm Office Closes

Thursday, November 28, 2024 Happy Thanksgiving Day

Office Closed

Friday, November 29, 2024

♦ Office Closed

Sunday, December 1, 2024

- ♦9:00am Little Rock Sunday School for all ages in Sanctuary
- ♦10:00am Little Rock Morning Worship in Sanctuary with Holy Communion

Little Rock website address: www.littlerockamezion.org











Park and Recreation







SOUTHEASTERN



Ms. Camryn Covington VICYC Regional Vice President



Mr. Tremaine Miller YACM Regional Chairperson







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REV. DR. DERRILL ANTONIO BLUE, HOST PASTOR

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Rev. Dr. Raymon Hunt, Episcopal Director of Christian Education

Rev. Dr. Wardell Henderson Jr., Host Presiding Elder

Sis. Camille C. Starnes, Missionary Supervisor

Bishop Darryl B. Starnes Sr., Presiding Prelate Piedmont Episcopal District

Eastern North Carolina Episcopal District Bishop W. Darren Moore, Presiding Prelate





Scottie Potts Val Heard Alfred Tillman 2 Jordan McKinney 3 Wesley Davis Rhyan Freeman 4 5 Glain Haynes Lewis Stephanie Wilson **Artie Collins** Jeanette Smith Ella Turner **Taylor Looper** Carl L. Daniel **Chauney Stephens**

Joseph Raines

- 8 Yoga Powe Rutha Aaron **Donna Riley** Gilbert McRae 10 Carlotta Faulkner 11 Cortlyn Barnes James Cherry 13 15 Aniya Scott Rev. Margie Hines Clarita Kornegay 16 Tressa Morrissette Richard Williamson 17 Angela Caldwell Vangela Witherspoon 20 Gloria Varner
- 21 Marlon A. Martin Yolanda Brown Chad Daniel 23 Rhonda Howze 24 **Furman Love** 25 Christy Bryant JaQuavian Abraham Rita Tillman Bertha Lampkin 26 27 ChaNye Stephens **Betty Williams** 28 Erica DuBois-Bridges Kristin Mixson 29 Tiera Williams Almeta Scott

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Happy Anniversary

Charles & Belinda Mobley
Thomas & Mitzi Porter

27 Years 36 Years 12/19

Kimberly Weathers

12/23



Sunday, December 1, 2024



The Ancestry of King David

Devotional Reading

Galatians 4:1-7

Background Scripture

Ruth 1-4; Luke 3:23-38

Affirmation

We value the significances of David's family tree as it relates to the ancestry of Jesús



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION



Thank You, Office Volunteers!

This week "Thank You" to Ms. Angela Aiken, Mrs. Jennifer Mitchell.

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**



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.

MINISTRY OF KINDNESS

Your gifts will make a world of difference in someone's life. Thank you in advance for supporting this ministry.



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.



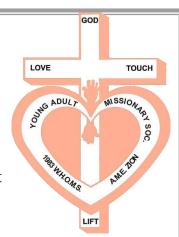
Please call the Church Office for details.





Please Support the District Young Adult Missionary Society Project

The District Young Adult Missionary Society will be hosting the District Project on Sunday, December 8th at Greenville Memorial A.M.E. Zion Church. We invite you to join us for this important gathering and support the work of the Missionary Society.



Event Details:

• Tickets: \$7 Food will be served at the program. Please note, you must have a ticket to receive a meal, and each ticket entitles you to **one meal per person**. If you are unable to attend the event but would like to support the cause, please consider becoming a **Patron**. Your support will make a difference! For tickets or to become a Patron, please text "Ticket" or "Patron" to **DeAndra Walker** at 704-200-1264, or contact the church office directly.

Let's come together and support this great mission! Thank you for your support.

Life Members Stoles

Anyone desiring to be Stoled on January 11, 2025, at Little Rock AME Zion Church, must have their total purchase payment in by November 30, 2024. Please see Jennifer Mitchell-El, or Mrs. Donna Outten with your check. Payment can also be made via the Missionary CashApp, \$LRAMEZWHOMS, and Church envelope.

Life Members (red stole) \$42 Matron or Patron (purple stole) \$102

Heart for Overseas Mission (purple stole) \$117

Heart for Overseas Life Member (red stole) \$55



Little Rock Church Office

The church office will closed at 1PM on Wednesday, November 27th. The office will remain closed on Thursday and Friday. normal business hours will resume on Monday December 2nd.

The deadline for the December 1st Bulletin announcements is November 25, noon.

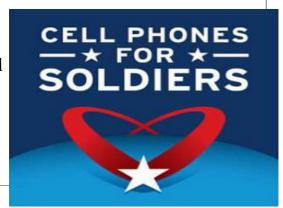
Be safe and have a wonderful Holiday

Little Rock AME Zion Church Second Quarterly Conference

Calling all minister, boards and ministry leaders, our second Quarterly Conference will be held on Monday, November 25th at 6:30pm, via Zoom. The link will be emailed to members prior to conference. Thank you to the ministers, boards, and ministries for putting your reports in the reporting portal.

Cell Phones for Soldiers

What do you do with your old cell phone? Consider recycling it if it is old and past its service life. If it's still usable, consider donating it to the Military Ministry Cell Phones for Soldiers. It is a special program intended to help soldiers around the globe stay in contact with their friends and family back home. A box is located in the hall. Thank you from the Military Ministry.





Little Rock Emotional Health Program

Do you need someone to talk with or just a listening ear? The Counseling Ministry will offer Support Services on Wednesdays at Little Rock AME Zion from 6pm to 7pm and Saturdays. Please contact Little Rock Church Office for more information regarding the Saturday schedule. Please note: This is not a clinical service, but an opportunity to engage, receive support, and gain additional information/resources.

Piedmont Episcopal District Check Up Meeting

Little Rock will host the Piedmont Episcopal District Check-Up Meeting on Saturday, December 7th. Please pay your General Claims prior to the check up Meeting. You may indicate on your offering envelope or in the memo space on e-giving funds for this purpose.

Ways to Help Your Church

Debit Card Multi-purpose Room		Multi-purpose Room Sundays btw 10:00AM and 12:30PM	1
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	Paypal	www.littlerockamezion.org Go to Online giving (bottom of page). Click on TO GIVE SECURELY ONLINE PAYPAL (right side of page)	
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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 Numb	er Class Leader	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	Lynn Crump	704756-8762
Class #6	Mary Davis	704 691-5448
Class #7	John Moore, Jr.	704 502-8295
Class #8	Stafford Mackey	704 898-3890
Class #9	Rev. Michelle Courtney	704 281-1661
<i>Class</i> #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
Morning Worship
Little Rock Choir Rehearsal
Bible Study
Liturgical Dance Rehearsal
Youth | Young Adult Choir Rehearsal
Bread of Life Ministry

9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. Tuesdays @ 7:00 p.m. Wednesdays @ 7:00 p.m. Thursdays @ 7:00 p.m. 1st & 3rd Saturdays @ 12:00 noon 1st & 3rd 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
Rev. James Lenoir
Rev. Michelle Courtney
Rev. Dr. Sonya Campbell
Rev. Anthony Refearn
Rev. Diane Commander
Rev. Linwood Shaw

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Retired Minister
Minister of Evangelism for Inreach
Minister of Youth and Young Adults
Minister of Counseling
Assistant Minister of Evangelism
Associate Minister

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