

Sunday, June 9, 2024

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

Enter to Worship

"Let's Have Church"

"Happy Children's Day"

THE PRELUDE

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Dr. Dwayne A. Walker, Pastor

THE INTROIT "Surely the Presence of the Lord"

THE PROCESSIONAL

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THE INVOCATION

THE RESPONSE "Holy Ground"

THE HYMN OF PRAISE "God Of Grace and God Of Glory" #227

THE RESPONSIVE READING

Miss Kamaria Mobley

THE GLORIA PATRI

THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (PRINTED ON THE ON SCREEN)

Mr. Bryant Bouleware, Jr.

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*THE PRAYER HY Little Rock Sanctuary Choir

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!-

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

"GodOf Grace and God Of Glory" #227

God of grace and God of glo-ry, On Thy peo-ple pour Thy power; Crown Thine an-cient Church's sto-ry, Bring her bud to glo-rious flower, Grant us wis-dom, Grant us cour-age, For the fac-ing of this hour, For the fac-ing of this hour.

Lo! the hosts of e-vil round us, Scorn Thy Christ, as-sail His ways! Fears and doubts too long have bound us, Free our hearts to work and praise, Grant us wis-dom, Grant us cour-age, For the liv-ing of these days, For the liv-ing of these days.

Cure Thy chil-dren's war-ring mad-ness, Bend our pride to Thy con-trol; Shame our wan-ton sel-fish glad-ness, Rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis-dom, Grant us cour-age, Lest we miss Thy king-dom's goal, Lest we miss Thy king-dom's goal.

Set our feet on lof-ty pla-ces; Gird our lives that they may be, Arm-ored with all Christ-like graces, In the fight to set men free. Grant us wis-dom, Grant us cour-age, That we fail not man nor Thee! That we fail not man nor Thee.

Save us from weak re-sign-a-tion, To the e-vils we de-plore; Let the search for Thy sal-va-tion, Be our glory ever-more, Grant us wis-dom, Grant us courage, Serv-ing Thee Whom we adore, Serv-ing Thee Whom we adore.

A-men.



THE RESPONSIVE READING



Children's Day Litany

God, we come with lifted hands,

We, come, O God, to worship You.

God, we come with lifted hearts,

We, come, O God, to stand before You.

God, we sing and pray with faith filled words.

Hear our voices and smile!

We remember the wonders of Your love for us.

Receive our hearts, as we receive Your love.

When we bow down and worship You, our hearts overflow.

Teach us how to always worship You in Spirit and in Truth.

When we think of Your goodness, we thank You for who You are.

Humble us. For we are nothing without You.

We will do what is right and keep Your commands.

You are forever in our hearts. Our love for You will never change.



"Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, says the Lord of hosts." Please Pray for the Sick and those that care for them.

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

Damie Warren

219 Maureen St. Charlotte, NC 28205

Joseph Scott

8214 Shadow Oaks Drive Apt # 312 Charlotte, NC 28269

Mary Ann Moore

9120 Willow Ridge Road Pineville, NC 28210

Coretta Shipman

Pelican Nursing Home 2616 East 5th Street Charlotte, NC 28204

Birdeal Moss

6501 Old Savannah Rd Charlotte, NC 28227

Shirley Mack

7115 Rodden Mill Ct. Apt 112 Charlotte, NC 28262

Geneva Thompson

3614 Glenwood Dr Charlotte, NC 28208

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201 West 10th Street #1114 Charlotte, NC 28202

Chella Mills

2612-3 Eastport Road Charlotte, NC 28205

Charles Robinson

3705 Prosperity Church Road #227 Church, NC 28269

Joann Thompson

7400 Limerick Drive Charlotte, NC 28210

Carline Dinkins

9620 Haying Place Mint Hill, NC 28227

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

Charlotte's Inspiration Station PraiseCharlotte.com

Sunday Mornings at 7:30AM

http:// praisecharlotte.com

Members in the hospital or assisted living facilities

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

Imogene Martin

James Brewer

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

<u>The Little Rock Church Weekly Calendar</u>

"Together, We Can...!"

Ephesians 4:11-16

Sunday, June 9, 2024 HAPPY CHILDREN'S DAY

- ♦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

Monday, June 10, 2024

- ♦ 9:30am Office Open
- ♦7:00pm Board of Trustees Monthly Meeting via Zoom

Tuesday, June 11, 2024

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

Wednesday, June 12, 2024

Thursday, June 13, 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

◆7:00pm - Little Rock Liturgical Dancer Rehearsal

Friday, June 14, 2024

♦9:30am - Office Open

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Saturday, June 15, 2024

♦ 12:00 noon - Memorial Service for Ms. Gayle Tabron

Sunday, June 16, 2024 Father's Day

- ♦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 in Sanctuary and via Website

Little Rock website address: www.littlerockamezion.org

The Graduating Class of 2024



Sebrina Alexandria Washington Indian Land High School Parent: Ms. Lisa Washington

University of South Carolina- Lancaster

College Graduates

Name Graduating from Degree

Clifton Roberto C. T. Marshall III North Carolina A&T University B. A. Liberal Studies

Parents: Rev. Clifton Marshall & Rev. Barbara Summey Marshall

Jordan Elijah McKinney Livingstone College B. S. Computer Information Parent: Ms. Tonja McKinney Systems

2024 Honors, Awards, and Recognitions Received by the Graduating Class of 2024

Marlon Martin: Several Scholarships for UNCG Sabrina Alexandria Washington: Honors Theater Award Clifton Roberto C. T. Marshall III: Dean's List Jordan Elijah McKinney: Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity

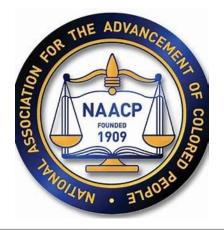
Children's Day 2024

Children's Day is celebrated the second Sunday in June to dedicate children to the Christian life and rededicate parents to nurturing children in the Christian way. June 1856, is the date given when Americans first began observing Children's Day. Pastor Charles H. Leonard started the celebration. The 1884 General Conference of the A. M. E. Zion Church approved the celebration of Children's Day on the fourth Sunday in June. At the 1984 General Conference the date



was changed to comply with the universal celebration on the second Sunday in June.

Children's Day affords our congregation an opportunity to pour into our children, provide them opportunities to lead and lean, and to nurture their unique giftedness. This year's Children's Day theme is "It's A Heart Thing!" which encourages and engages our children to develop a close relationship with their Heavenly Father. The theme verse is I Samuel 17:7b ICB---"God does not see the same way people see. People look at the outside of a person, but the Lord looks at the heart." This year we are challenging our children to go deeper by developing two spiritual disciplines in a Christian's life: PRAYER and WORSHIP.



Are You A Member of NAACP?

If you would like to join the NAACP today, please consider joining. Applications are available on the bookcase in the hall. If you need more information please contact Dr. Sonya Campbell, North Charlotte District Coordinator. She may be reach at mscapbell2hotmail.com



Excellence in Ministry

Every member is asked to GIVE to the Little Rock Day Celebration—\$200.00 (adults); \$25.00 (children under 18) years of age or college students).

Our goal is \$50,000.00

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Raised 50,200.08

Needed \$

Thank you Little Rock

for being the Church!

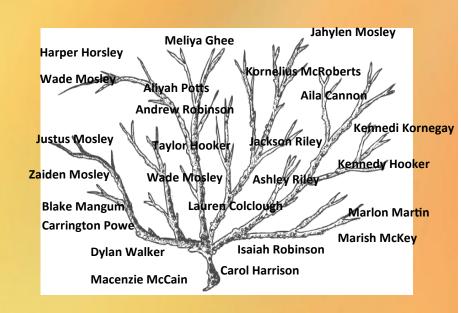
Little Rock Day

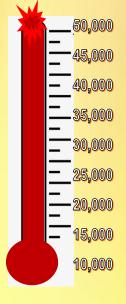
Celebrating "Excellence in Ministry"

Rev. Belinda Austin, Chairperson Dr. Dwayne A. Walker, Pastor



Youth, College Students and Children who have contributed \$25 toward our \$50,000 goal.





The Following members and friends have contributed \$200 or more toward our \$50,000 Little Rock Day Goal.



Celebrating You JUNE BIRTHDAYS! JUNE ANNIVERSARIES!

Carolyn Pratt	
Phyllis Williams	
Vernon Powell	
Donnie Henderson	
Zoe Aiken	
Cassidy Blake	
Priscilla Hoyle	
Toni Cothran	
Wanda Cherry	
Jade Kennedy	
Priya Jaglal	
Ellinder Sinclair	
Kiera B. Weathers	
Quaron Potts	

Morgan Murphy Melvin McCoy

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15	Marissa Mackey
17	Johnnie Mae Tracey
	Frank Brown
	Melanie Howard
18.	Charles Mobley
	Jennifer Johnson
19	Shirley Morrissette
	Theresa Perry
	Deidra Brown
	Quwamee Bell
20.	Linda Berry
22	Ernestine Robinson

24	Kennedi Kornegay	
25	Chelsey Isler	
	Erica Willis	
	Stephen Anthony	
26	Jonell Williams	
	Ayira Wiltshire	
	LaKrisha Gibbs	
	Dr. Angelia Fryer	
27	Olinka Birdsong	
	Dana Brown	
28.	Kimberly Wilson	
29	Anthony Dixon, Jr.	
30	Ruby Tarver	
	Aki Neal	



Frank & Brendalyn Brown	June 6	I4 Years
Marion & Damie Warren	June 9	61 Years
Ledger and Shirley Morrissette	June 10	51 years
Gary & Maloney Looper	June II	35 years
Marvin & Lisa Fuller	June 15	32 years
Renwick & Gwen Hall	June 16	34 years
Archie & Georgianna Ademu-John	June 19	26 years
Greg & Jada Goodwin	June 22	25 years
Melvin & Selita Weathers	June 23	31 years
Ralph & Sonya Burt	June 30	30 years



Sunday, June 16, 2024



Empowered Servants

Devotional Reading

Philippians 2:1-13

Background Scripture:

Romans 15: 1-13

Affirmation

We will commit to acts of servicec boosted by hope and Spirit, even in the face of obstacles.

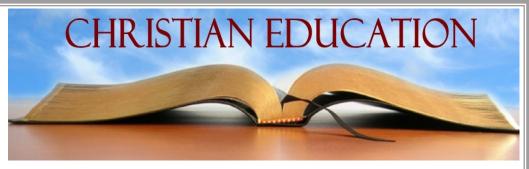
AUDIO VISUAL MINISTR

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.

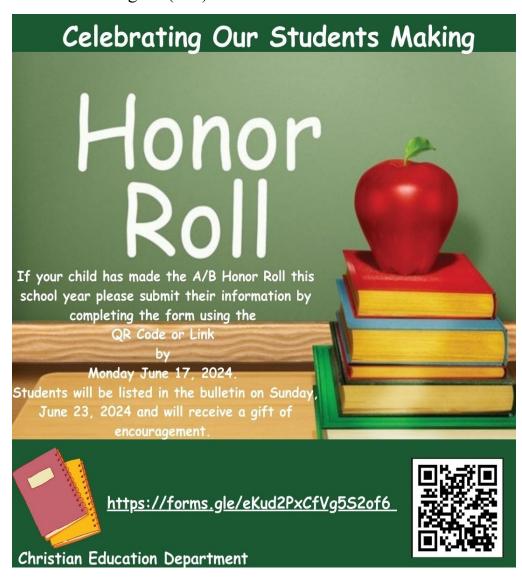


Little Rock Quilting Ministry

Have you ever consider the artistry and detail handwork of a professional quilt? This kind of craftmanship is still being passed along here at Little Rock. If you would like to join this ministry please contact Mrs.



Elouise Cummings at (704) 773-0884.



The Link: https://forms.gle/5UxHTVhRrDgS6va5A



Thank You, Office Volunteers!

This week "Thank You" to Mrs. Alicia Goodson Ms. Sandra J. Lee and Mrs. Rogercarole Roger, for helping in the office. God bless each of you. If you would like to volunteer a couple of hours or a day from 10AM-5PM please call the office.



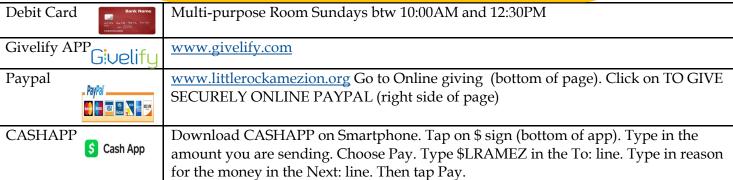


Altar Flowers

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.

Altar Flowers per Sunday \$100.00 for (2)

Please call the Church Office for details.



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 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	Rev. James H. Lenoir	704 806-2591
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
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
Morning Worship
Little Rock Choir Rehearsal
Bible Study
Liturgical Dance Rehearsal
Youth | Young Adult Choir Rehearsal
Children's Choir Rehearsal
Bread of Life Ministry

9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. Tuesdays @ 7:00 p.m. Wednesdays @ 12:00 noon & 7:00 p.m. Thursdays @ 7:00 p.m. 1st & 3rd Saturdays @ 12:00 noon 2nd & 4th Saturdays @ 11:00 a.m. 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 Redfearn Rev. Diane Commander Minister of Evangelism Minister of Christian Education Minister of Evangelism for Inreach Minister of Youth and Young Adults Minister of Counseling Assistant Minister of Evangelism

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