St. Paul A.M.E. Church

Women's Day



Sunday 15th November 2020

The Twenty-fourth Sunday After Pentecost
The Rt. Rev. Gregory Ingram, Presiding Prelate 1st Episcopal District
The Rev. Dr. Larry E. Dixon, Presiding Elder - West District
The Rev. Nicholas Genevieve-Tweed, Pastor

Service Broadcast Live on Magic 102.7 FM



Greetings From the Pastor

During this most extraordinary period in which the world has been grappling with Covid-19, a pandemic that has assaulted nations and people across the globe. This pandemic has ignored geographical boundaries as it has ravaged communities leaving in its wake 1.3 million death's and mounting, with each moment of each day, compelling us to not only adjust how we live, but churches and people of faith have been challenged to examine not only how to make sense of what is happening, but also how to provide platforms for our people to remain grounded in faith and connected as communities of faith. It is in this context that the Women's Day Team were faced with the challenge of envisioning and organizing a Women's Day experience that would help to restore, rebuild, and indeed empower our community to move forward in this altered reality. It is in the cauldron of this daunting and ever-changing moment that the theme for this year's Women's Day was birthed- "Reset: For such a time as This!"

Let me take this opportunity to congratulate the Women's Day Team for the visionary leadership provided during this Women's Day season. The "Team" has provided a model of true communal spirit, that has truly functioned as one body with many parts. The spirit in which the women have worked has been a model of excellence and inclusivity for our church and we have been empowered and inspired throughout this season.

The Women envisioned four powerful spirited events; The first was the "Relay Marathon," where participants joined together to walk an amazing total of 64.8 miles as we promoted the importance of physical health as a vital part of spiritual health.

The second was the "Adam vs. Eve Bowling Tournament" which brought together the men and the women, the young and the no longer young, for an evening of fun, fellowship and sportsmanship. This year, the women took the title again...



For the third event, the Team sponsored a "DIY Prayer Closet" workshop via the Zoom platform that served to not only emphasize the importance of establishing time for daily devotions and prayer, but also for creating a "special," "sacred," dedicated," place or as one of the presenters put it a "heavenly space," where one communes with God- or "resets," if you will. A vital necessity especially during this period of "sheltering-in-place," where families are spending more time in shared spaces than ever before- as homes are transformed into classrooms for children, workplaces for adults, and then recreational places. This event highlighted the necessity for dedicating space to spend time with God and ensure that people remain spiritually grounded.

The fourth event, the interactive Prayer Breakfast proved to be an even greater success than imagined. It provided an opportunity to share the zoom platform with Professional chefs who provided a live participatory breakfast demonstration, where participants made their own breakfast along with the chef. What a wonderful and creative idea that was both instructive and enjoyable at the same time. This was followed by a powerful "Spiritual Formation" workshop led by Rev. Dr. Jessica K. Ingram.

The culmination of this Women's Day season is the Zoom and Facebook live service for which we are blessed to have preaching the powerful, and spirit filled Rev. Dr. Jessica K. Ingram whose message "The Divine Timing of God!" will trigger our "Reset:-for such a time as this!".

Again, I congratulate and commend the women of St. Paul for your excellent witness and works!

Keep the Faith!

Rev. Nicholas Genevieve-Tweed



Greetings From the Women's Day Team 2020



Welcome! This is surely a different experience from Women's Days in the past. We can pontificate on what we have/are missing out on, OR we can meditate on the words of Esther 4:14d, "For such a time as this." Through this Women's Day Season we have been preparing and we have been equipped. Now, we are ready to let go and lay it all on the altar of praise. We are ready to worship! We invite you to relax, reflect and allow the Spirit to move in and through you right where you are; in front of your computer screen, your laptop, your tablet or your phone. By whatever means

of modern technology we are reaching out to you, we pray that God moves you through this Worship Experience we are about to embark on. We are excited that for the first time we are not bond by physical limits, but that wherever in the world there is access to the internet, there we shall be also. Worshiping in many countries and many languages. Won't God do it? Through this medium, you do not have to worry about what the person sitting next to you is thinking. Feel free to worship the Lord any way you want to. As this out of the box Woman's Day Season draws to its close, while we are physically distant from each other, let us remain bound and steadfast in our faith.

This year's theme, **RESET:** For Such a Time as This is to encourage and revive our Christian sisters, and to invite those women who do not have a personal relationship with God, to settle down, be still, be quiet, and allow God to Reset you, For Such a Time as This. Take time to make time for God, find a quiet place, seek him diligently, allow yourself to be Gracefully Broken. Something has to Break in order for God to move in your life. Cry out to God, tell him "my world needs you. You are everything to me". Say to the "Holy Spirit You are welcome, let your spirit come, for it was your love that lifted me" and we know there will be Glory after this!

God bless you as you commit to RESET: For Such a Time as This.

YOUR committed, dedicated and resilient 2020 Women's Day Team #CrazyPrayerLife

Roseann Alick Audrey Burrows

Jameka Talbot



Rev. Dr. Jessica Kendell Ingram

The Reverend Dr. Jessica Kendall Ingram has served as the Episcopal Supervisor for the First Episcopal District of the African Methodist Episcopal Church since July 4, 2012. Rev. Dr. Ingram oversees the work of the Women's Missionary Society with a membership of over 5,000 women, the Young People's Division, and the Minister Spouses for more than 300 churches in Delaware, New England, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania and the British Overseas Territory of Bermuda. She is the First Supervisor, who is an Ordained Elder in the A.M.E. church to serve in this capacity in the history of the First

District. Rev. Dr. Ingram holds the distinction of being the Executive Director of Planning for the Hosting of the General Conference of the A.M.E. Church in 2016. This conference was attended by over 40,000 persons.

Prior to her current assignment, Rev. Dr. Ingram served from 2004-2012 as the Episcopal Supervisor in the Tenth Episcopal District, which comprises the State of Texas. From 2000-2004, she was the Supervisor of Missions for the Fifteenth Episcopal District, which includes Angola, Namibia and most of South Africa.

From 1987-2000, Rev. Jessica, as she affectionately is called by many, served as the full-time Assistant Pastor of Oak Grove A.M.E. Church in Detroit, Michigan, where she established a comprehensive Ministry to Women. In 1992, while at Oak Grove, Rev. Jessica founded the L.I.F.T. Women's Resource Center to address the needs of women who are recovering from physical, mental and substance abuse. The Center has served more than 30,000 women since its inception. In addition to her work in the local church, Rev. Jessica has served as an Adjunct Professor at Ashland Theological Seminary, where she taught classes on Women in Ministry, Spiritual Formation and Ministerial Ethics. She has traveled the United States, the Caribbean and Africa preaching, lecturing and facilitating workshops and retreats.

Because of her concern and compassion for the plight of women in South Africa, Rev. Jessica in 2004 founded the Balm in Gilead Centre: The Healing Place for Women. She raised more than \$300,000 to construct the facility and an additional \$100,000 for operational support. The Centre is located in Wallacedene, an impoverished settlement east of Cape Town, where many of the women are unemployed, uneducated and under-served. The Centre provides them with basic diagnostic medical testing and referrals, along with parenting skills, computer classes, day care and job training. Rev. Jessica has made four mission trips to the Centre since 2005. On February 20, 2018, the Centre was renamed "*The Rev. Dr. Jessica Kendall Ingram Multipurpose & Resource Balm of Gilead Centre*" by Bishop David Rwhynica Daniels, Jr., Presiding Prelate and Rev. Mother Irene Daniels, Episcopal Supervisor of the 15th Episcopal District AME Church.

In addition, Rev. Jessica planned and executed six International Women's Convocations (IWC). In 2003, more than 900 people from the USA joined hundreds of women from Africa for IWC 2003 in Cape Town. This historic event was a week-long, cross-cultural, intergenerational ex-



perience that included worship services, workshops and a wide-ranging outreach ministry. IWC 2004 was held in Kimberley, capital of the Northern Cape Province in South Africa. That was followed by IWC 2006 in Dallas, Texas. The women of the Tenth Episcopal District raised more than \$100,000 to cover travel and hotel expenses for women who attended from every overseas district of the A.M.E. Church. This was the first comprehensive, global convocation for women in the history of the A.M.E. Church to originate in the United States. Rev. Jessica continued to act on her passion for bringing women of all nations together for spiritual enrichment by sponsoring three additional International Women's Convocations. They were held in Cape Town in 2008, 2009 and 2010.

Always searching for new ways to bless the lives of women, Rev. Jessica founded the Women of Hope Project, Inc., while in Texas. Women of Hope is a nonprofit, women's resource and advocacy group headquartered in the United States, but motivated by a global agenda. The organization's Mission is to disrupt the status quo for disadvantaged women by improving their physical, spiritual, emotional and financial well-being.

In the First District she founded Project Possible. This initiative is designed to address gender equality. It is in operation in all seven of the annual conferences.

An accomplished writer, Rev. Jessica has self-published three widely read and highly praised books: *The Journey Inward*, *Still on the Journey* and *A Journey in the Experience of Prayer: A Guide for the Pilgrim Traveler*. She was featured in Ebony magazine as one of the Fifteen Top African-American Female Preachers in the United States. The African-American Pulpit, considered to be the definitive journal on preaching in black America, named her one of the 20 Great African-American Revivalists. Her sermon, "*The Silence of God*," was included in the journal along with a CD.

Rev. Jessica earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Special Education from the University of Missouri, a Master of Arts degree in Guidance and Counseling from St. Louis University, a Master of Religious Education from Garrett Evangelical Theological Seminary and a Doctorate of Ministry in Spirituality from United Theological Seminary. She was trained in Spiritual Direction at the Colombiere Center in Clarkston, Michigan. Rev. Jessica is the first protestant African American to study at this center.

Rev. Jessica is a past President of the Supervisors Council of the African Methodist Episcopal Church. She has received numerous awards from civic groups, community organizations and the seminaries she has attended. She has been a proud member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., since 1966, when she became a charter member of the Epsilon Psi Chapter at the University of Missouri-Columbia.

Rev. Jessica has been married to Bishop Gregory Gerald McKinley Ingram for 43 years. They are the proud parents of Jennifer Ingram McCoy and have welcomed to their family Gregory McCoy. They have two beautiful granddaughters, Jayda and Gabby.



"Let Us Worship the Lord with Reverence!"

Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Season: Pentecost

Color: Green

The Order of Service Sunday, November 15, 2020 3:00 p.m.

Worship Leader - Sis. Diane Outerbridge, Evangelist

The Gathering

St. Paul A.M.E. Praise Team Ladies

The Introit

"You Are Welcome/Let Your Spirit Come" (Paull)

The Transition to Worship

"God's Got A Blessing (With My Name on It!)" (Hutchins)

The Doxology

"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow" #647 (Old 100)

The Call to Worship

Leader

We gather as Sisters and people of faith having journeyed through this crisis,

to give thanks and praise to God.

People

We give thanks to God our deliverer in this place, for such a time as this.

Leader

We call all of our Sisters in faith, who have journeyed through unprecedented

times, to unite in worship as we prepare to re-set.

People

We give thanks to God our deliverer in this place, for such a time as this.

Leader

We present ourselves before our God, so that through the Holy Spirit,

we can be cleansed, renewed, and anointed through worship.

People

We give thanks to God our deliverer in this place, for such a time as this.

Leader

I We acknowledge that we like Esther are now challenged to break our silence, In prayer, praise, and testimony, so that our God will hear and answer our

cries.

All

We give thanks to God our deliverer, for have come to this place, in this time, and our God will DELIVER US, SO LET US RESET FOR SUCH A

TIME AS THIS

The Opening Hymn of Praise # 461 "I Was Sinking Deep in Sin (Love Lifted Me" (Smith)

The Invocation

Sis. Joan Simmons, Evang.

Choral Response

"You Are Everything" (Dulaney) St. Paul A.M.E. Praise Team Ladies

The Ministry of Music

"After This" (J.J. Hariston & Youthful Praise)

St. Paul A.M.E. Praise Team Ladies



The Scripture

Esther 4:9 - 17

Sis. Karen Hewey

(Please remain seated and limit movement for the reading of the Scripture)

The Gloria Patri

The Litany

Sis. Chrislyn Philips

Leader:

Holy One, we come to you in this moment of uncertainty and uncharted territory – facing this unprecedented global pandemic. Amid universal fear, panic, confusion and anxiety, please remind us that you are the God that calmed the storm and made the winds to cease. We cry out to you!

People:

Hear us O God of peace.

Leader:

Benevolent Savior, you have called us to be your hands and feet in this world. As we face this crisis together, help us remember to be mindful of how we speak to, live with and treat one another. May we truly seek to love our neighbors as we love ourselves.

People:

Hear us O God of compassion.

Leader:

Master Physician, there are millions now in desperate need of your healing touch. Look now upon those who are at highest risk – the immunocompromised, the elderly, those who have existing chronic health conditions, cancer patients, transplant recipients, dialysis patients, those who have been exposed to COVID-19 and are seeking testing or immediate medical attention.

People:

Hear us O God our healer.

Leader:

All seeing God, look upon those who are now living in isolation, those who must be separated from loved ones for safety reasons, those who are single and/or without support systems, the disabled, those who are already living with mental disease, emotional and psychological disorders, those who are poor and already do not have access to health care or social services. Help them know that social distancing does not mean social disconnection. Help us be the community that we seek.

People:

Hear us O God of mercy.

Leader:

Loving God, hear the cries of those who have lost loved ones to this virus or other ailments and cannot postpone their grief, but must refrain from gathering in order to care for the living, even while mourning their beloved who have died.

People:

Hear us O God of comfort.

Leader:

Discerning God, touch now those who are in decision-making positions, in governments, churches, corporations, and the like; help them to realize that their choices directly impact the lives and futures of our families, communities, countries



and the wider world. Help them choose people over politics and the health of humanity over the wealth of individuals and profiteers.

People: Hear us O God of wisdom.

Leader: God of justice, safety and care, we pray for all medical professionals, caregivers,

researchers, teachers, first responders, law enforcement, school officials, those making decisions about fighting the new coronavirus. For the small business owner, the hourly wage worker, the uninsured, the undocumented and all those who will feel the economic impact of this pandemic on every level. Inspire those in position to develop

better tests to diagnose the virus, vaccines to prevent it, and protocols and communication to eliminate the spread. May empathy be our guide.

People: Hear us O God of protection and grace.

Leader: Liberating God, remind us that we are still on the journey with Jesus during this

Lenten Season. Restore our hope, renew our joy and give us your strength and remind

us that resurrection will surely come.

All: Hear us O God of grace.

The Welcome "Greeting" The Young Ladies of St. Paul

"Better" (Walker)

The Ministry of Stewardship Interlude (during this period we invite persons to utilize your online banking to make a contribution)

"Hear my Cry Oh Lord" (Providence)

The Ministry of Music "The Lord's Prayer" (Jubilee Worship)

St. Paul A.M.E. Praise Team Ladies

The Meditative Interlude "Gracefully Broken" (Cobbs)

"Something Has to Break" (Sheard)

St. Paul A.M.E. Praise Team Ladies

The Introduction of the Preacher

Sis. Andrea Isaac

The Ministry of Music "My World Needs You" (Franklin)

The Preached Word Rev. Dr. Jessica Kendall Ingram

The Invitation

The Doxology "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow" #647 (Old 100)

The Commission to Depart and Serve "God's Got a Blessing" (Hutchins)



ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Women's Day Service will be live streamed on our Facebook page, St. Paul AMEC Bermuda at 3:00 pm.

The Women's Day Commitment is \$200.00

Online Payments can be made to St. Paul A.M.E. Church **HSBC Account #010-369 007- 002**. Be sure to include the following: Your name i.e. J. Doe and the description of the purpose of the funds: e.g.: Women's Day commitment. Alternatively you can drop your tithing envelopes to the church during open office hours, or through the office mail drop.

Phase 4 Office Hours - Monday - Wednesday & Friday 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. **The office is CLOSED on Thursdays.**

SHUT-IN MEMBERS

Rev. Malcolm & Sis. Elvia Eve, Sis. Muriel Eve, Sis. Brenda Blankendal, Sis. Maybelline Fubler, Sis. Lois Weeks

THE MEMBERS IN NURSING HOMES/HOSPITAL

Bro. Odwin Berkeley, Sis. Lorraine Ingham - *Packwood Rest Home*Sis. Jeanette Burgess - *Sylvia Richardson Care*,
Sis. Betty John - *Easter Lily Residential Home*,
Sis. Ruth Kelly, Sis Ivy Woods - *C.C. KEMH*,
Sis. Dorcas Harvey - *Serenity Palms Nursing Home*, *Devonshire*,
Bro. Randolph Hayward, Sis. Shelia Looby - *MSWSR*, *Devonshire*.



WOMEN'S DAY TEAM 2020

Sis. Roseann Alick, Sis. Audrey Burrows, Sis. Lee-Ann Ingram, Sis. Andrea Isaac, Sis. Jameka Talbot, Sis. Lanette Vassell



WOMEN'S DAY 2020 EVENTS

Relay Marathon

All participants and donors

Adam vs. Eve Bowling Tournament

Everyone who participated and came out to enjoy the fellowship.

Thank you to the men of Team Adam; Special thank you to Bro. Michael Vassell

Congratulations Team Eve!!!!!!!

DIY Prayer Closet

Rasheeda Howard - https://www.instagram.com/official6howards/
All Participants

Interactive Prayer Breakfast

Guest Chef Instructors

Karen Edwards Simmons

Melaine Gardiner - https://www.energywellnutrition.co.uk

S. Makeeba Stowe

Workshop Presenter ~ Rev. Dr. Jessica Kendall Ingram All Attendees

Women's Day Luncheon - Pick up

Sis. Diane Outerbridge, Brenda Rowling, Dana Bean & Ed Dyer Everyone who supported



Special Thank You's

To those who thought it not robbery (and those who did, but came anyway) and gave up part or all of the Remembrance Day Holiday to make today's program possible:

The Production Team

Rev. Frederick Ingram - Sound

Kingsley Simmons - Sound

Sis. Lynell M. Furbert - Videographer/Photographer

Sis. Audrey Burrows - Videographer

Sis. Andrea Isaac - Videographer

Sis. Roseann Alick - Videographer

Rev. Nicholas Genevieve-Tweed - Executive Director

The Worship Participants

Sis. Diane Outerbridge, Evang. - Worship Leader

Sis. Joan Simmons, Evang. - Invocation

Sis. Karen Hewey - Scripture

Sis. Chrislyn Philip - Litany

Sis. Andrea Burrows - Introduction of Speaker

The St. Paul A.M.E. Praise Team Ladies

Jameka Talbot - Soprano

Lanette Vassell - Soprano

Chantelle Berkeley - Alto

Keitha Simmons - Alto

Lee-Ann Ingram - Contralto

Bro. Raymond George - Director of Music

es

The St. Paul A.M.E. Church "Baddest Band in the Land" Band

Sherwin Lee- Bass Guitar

Dino Richol - Lead Guitar

Ramar Simons - Percussion

Chief Distracter of the Mini's

Sis. Nanami Ingram



Sis. Bridget Tutt-McCray - No Longer Bound Global <u>www.nlbbling.biocartel.com</u> #CrazyPrayerLife T-shirt Bling

Sis. Shari Wolfe - Tickets & Sales

ALL of you, who supported our events

Last, but not least,

Our Pastor, the one and only, Rev. Nicholas Genevieve-Tweed, for believing in our vision and supporting us as we navigated through the unexpected challanges 2020 has imposed on all of us. For guidance, counsel and keeping us focused;





59 Court Street Hamilton, Bermuda HM 12 Ph: 441-292-0505

E-mail: stpaulamebda@gmail.com Website: www.stpaulamechurchbermuda.org

Programs Designed & Printed by St. Paul A.M.E. Church, Bermuda ©