

St. Paul A.M.E. Church
presents

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The Introit

"Glory to God" from "Love's Pure Light" (Larson)

The Processional

"Christians Awake!" (Wainwright)

The Invocation

Rev. Nicholas Genevieve-Tweed

The Choral Response *"Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence" (Picardy)*

The Scripture

Isaiah 40:1-5 Rev. Nicholas Genevieve-Tweed

The First Hymn

"Come Thou Long Expected Jesus" (Prichard)

The First Reading:

Isaiah 12:1-6 The Hon. Tinee S. Furbert JP MP

The First Recitation:

Recit/Air from "Messiah"

"Comfort Ye My People / Ev'ry Valley Shall be Exalted"

Ethan Godfrey (tenor)

"Shout the Glad Tidings!" (arr. Lani Smith tune by Charles Avison)

"Alleluia" (from Exultate Jubilate-Mozart)

Hanan Davis (soprano)

The Second Reading:

Luke 2:1-14

Mr. R. Scott Pearman



The Second Recitation:

Recitatives and Chorus from “Messiah” (Handel)

- There were Shepherds...
- And Lo! The Angel of the Lord Came upon them
- And the Angel said unto them
- And Suddenly, there was with the Angel!

Tierney Breedlove (soprano)

Glory to God!

(chorus)

“There are Angels Hov’rin ‘Roun”
(trad Spiritual arr. Dr. Uzee Brown Jr.)

Khadijah Davis (soprano)

The Second Hymn “Angels From the Realms of Glory” (Smart)

The Third Reading :

Matthew 2:1-12 Mrs. Valerie E. Pethen MVO, JP

The Third Recitation:

“Star of Beauty” (Charles Facer)

“My Gift for Him” (Stan Pethel)

Wendy Robinson (alto)

The Fourth Recitation:

Musette / Silent Night (Bach)

Seraiah George Youth Artist

“Go Tell It...” (arr. Raymond T. George)

Samone Outerbridge - Soloist

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



The Fourth Reading:

Romans 8:1-4, 31-32

Sis. Carmen Roberts

The Fifth Recitation:

“Oblivion” (Astor Piazzolla)

Tiffany Fox (violin)

April Maule (cello)

Raymond George (piano)

The Fifth Reading:

“The Work of Christmas” (Howard Thurman)

Mr. Jahmali Bridgewater

The Sixth Recitation:

“Wonderful Counselor” (arr. Jester Hairston)

“Alleluia” (arr. Margaret Bonds)

from the Ballad of the Brown King)

“Hallelujah” – No. 44 from Messiah (Handel)

Chorus Visitorum

The Presentations

Bro. Marc Telemaque

The Seventh Recitation:

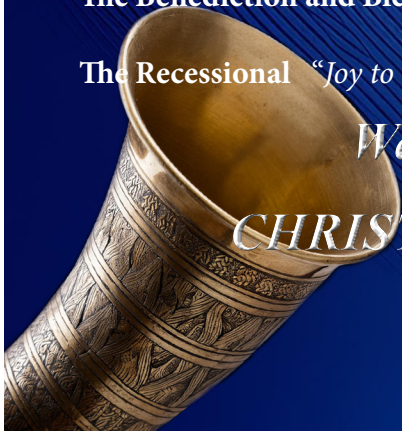
“O Holy Night” (trad)

Hanan Davis (soprano)

The Benediction and Blessing Rev. Nicholas Genevieve-Tweed

The Recessional *“Joy to the World!”* (Handel)

We wish you a
CHRIST-filled Christmas



Come Thou Long Expected Jesus

Come, thou long expected Jesus,
Born to set Thy people free;
From our fears and sins release us;
Let us find our rest in Thee,
Israel's strength and consolation,
Hope of all the earth Thou art;
Dear desire of every nation,
Joy of every longing heart.

Born Thy people to deliver,
Born a child and yet a King,
Born to reign in us forever,
Now Thy gracious kingdom bring,
By Thine own eternal Spirit
Rule in all hearts alone;
By Thine all sufficient merit,
Raise us to Thy glorious throne.



Angels from the Realms of Glory

Angels from the realms of glory,
Wing your flight o'er all the earth;
Ye, who sang creation's story.
Now proclaim Messiah's birth:
Come and worship, Come and Worship,
Worship Christ the new-born King.

Shepherds in the field abiding,
Watching o'er your flocks by night.
God with man is now residing:
Yonder shines the infant light:
Come and worship, Come and Worship,
Worship Christ the new-born King.

Sages leave your contemplations;
Brighter visions beam a-far;
Seek the great Desire of nations:
ye have seen his natal star:
Come and worship, Come and Worship,
Worship Christ the new-born King.



Joy to the World!

Joy to the world! the Lord is
come:

Let earth receive her King:
Let every heart prepare Him
room.

And heaven and nature sing,
And heaven and nature sing.
And heaven, and heaven
and nature sing.

Joy to the world! the Savior
reigns:

Let men their songs employ:
While fields and floods,
rocks, hills, and plains
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat the sounding
joy.

No more let sins
and sorrows grow,
Nor thorns infest the ground:
He comes to make
His blessings flow
Far as the curse is found
Far as the curse is found
Far as, far as the curse is
found.

He rules the world
with truth and grace.
And makes the nations prove.

The glories of
His righteousness,
And wonders of His love.
And wonders of His love,
And wonders,
wonders of His love.



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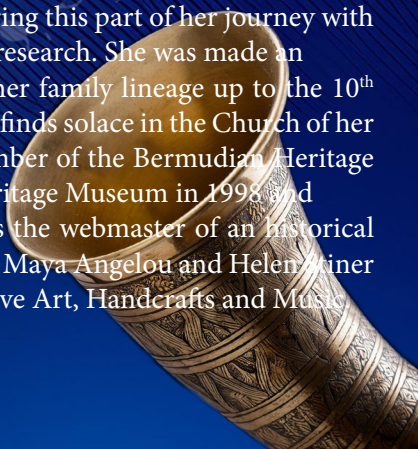
Mrs. Joy Wilson-Tucker was born to William F. Wilson^{3rd}, and Ismay Winifred Rebecca Dill - Wilson. Mrs. Wilson-Tucker is the author of four books and over 300 hundred poems and has authored several freelance works. A Historian, an Upholsterer, Fashion and Interior Designer. She is certified in all of these disciplines. She is married with three children and grandmother of three who are the joy of her life. She is a highly respected resident and activist in her community of North Village Pembroke East.



Mrs. Wilson-Tucker, though modest, is a very inspirational person and willingly shares her time and talents throughout the community and various organizations such as the North Village Institute Saving Club, African Diaspora Foundation, the Loyal Mayflower Lodge #9387 Past Grandmaster of the Hamilton District and a founding member to the Bermuda Friendly Societies Association, Hamilton Historical Society, and North Village Action Group.

She served as President of the St. Paul Senior Usher Board for 15 years and as Vice President until 2018. She initiated the idea of the Senior Usher's President's Award. She is a recipient of the 'Queens Certificated and Badge of Honour' and Martin Luther King's Award along with several certificates of Recognition and Awards.

She loves history and is an avid researcher, sharing this part of her journey with the National Trust since 1984 in Architectural research. She was made an honourary member in 2021. She has compiled her family lineage up to the 10th generation. Although raised as an Anglican Joy finds solace in the Church of her choice, St. Paul A.M.E. She is a founding member of the Bermudian Heritage Association since 1994 and the Bermudian Heritage Museum in 1998 and serving President and Exhibits Director and is the webmaster of an historical blog and website. Two of her admired poets are Maya Angelou and Helen Mirer Rice. Her Hobbies are Reading, Writing, Creative Art, Handcrafts and Music.



In Remembrance

Bro. LEFROY BROWNLOW PLACE

1916-2024

On the eve of his 108 th birthday, Bro. Brownlow “Brownie” Place transitioned from the “Church Militant” to the “Church Triumphant”. After 80 years of active and dedicated membership, this “giant” of a man has left an indelible mark in Bermuda through a life well-lived.

We remember him fondly and rejoice in his “promotion to Glory!”

Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him. James 1:12

Bro. LIONEL R. DOWLING JP

1935-2019

Bro. Lionel Dowling loved music and sang for many years in the St. Paul Senior Choir and the Bermuda Philharmonic Choir. He lent his rich baritone voice to many of the great spirituals, anthems and classics of the church. This year, his estate perfected a generous gift he left in his will for the music ministry of St. Paul.

Through his faithfulness and foresight we will achieve the long-awaited refurbishment of the Rogers-Casavant organ in early 2025.

Lionel’s dear cousin and executor of his estate Mrs. Valerie E. Pethen MVO, JP provides a reading this evening in his memory and is joined in her attendance by co-executor Mr. Lawson Mapp JP, both of whom have ensured that Lionel’s wishes to the benefit of St. Paul have been realised.

And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him. Colossians 3:17

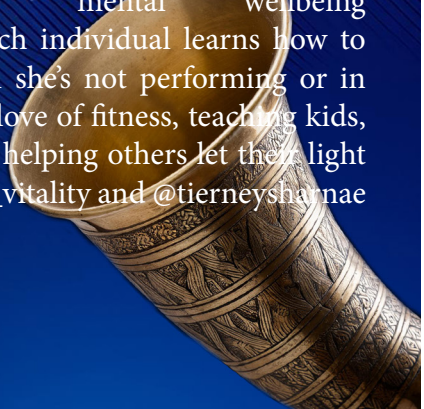


Tierney Breedlove



Tierney Breedlove is an Atlanta based classically trained soprano, film and theatre actor, dancer, and voiceover artist. She is a member of the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra Chorus, and a Furman University alumna. Some favorite past credits include Caroline or Change (Jennie T. Anderson), Lorell in Dreamgirls (Centre Stage SC), Nettie in The Color Purple (Red Mountain Theatre), and Footloose (Theatre Buford).

As a positive psychology practitioner, Tierney enjoys running her mental wellbeing community, Radiate Vitality, where each individual learns how to thrive in their day to day lives. When she's not performing or in her booth, she delights in weaving her love of fitness, teaching kids, nature, and travel with her life goal of helping others let their light shine! Find her on instagram: [@radiate_vitality](#) and [@tierneysharnae](#)



Hanan Davis



A native of Atlanta, GA, Hanan Aseelah Davis holds a Bachelor's degree from Spelman College and a Master of Music in Vocal Performance from The Ohio State University.

Throughout her young career, she has been a soloist on several stages in the South and the Midwest, performing such works as Vivaldi's Gloria, Pergolesi's Stabat Mater, and Mozart's Requiem. Ms. Davis has participated in several young artist programs, including Georgia State's Harrower Summer Workshop and Manhattan School of Music's Summer Voice Festival, and has performed with the chorus of Opera Columbus.

She is currently an Adjunct Professor of Voice at Spelman College and a member of the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra and Chamber Choruses, and the Atlanta Opera Chorus.



Khadijah Davis



Khadijah Davis began her singing career at the young age of 9, debuting in the World premiere of 'The Color Purple', the Musical'. Ms. Davis continued her training at DeKalb School of the Arts High School where she majored in Dance and Vocal Music. After graduating, Ms. Davis decided to follow her passion for classical music by studying at Spelman College under the tutelage of Mrs. Laura English- Robinson.

During her undergraduate years, Ms. Davis was a frequent soloist for the Spelman College Glee Club. She also held positions as the Student Conductor and Section Leader. As a member of the Glee Club, she was selected to perform at the 2015 BET Honors Award Ceremony and most recently at the White House for President Barack Obama. Ms. Davis has also competed in various competitions winning first place at the inaugural Colour of Music Festival Competition and a scholarship from the Colorful Arts Society Inc. A graduate of Spelman College, Ms. Davis is currently a member of the Grammy Award Winning Atlanta Symphony Orchestra and Chamber Singers.

Ethan Godfrey



Ethan Godfrey, Tenor, is a native of Atlanta, GA. He graduated from Morehouse College in 2019 with a BA in Music with an emphasis in Composition and from the University of Arkansas with a Master of Music in Vocal Performance in 2021.

Mr. Godfrey sings with The Atlanta Opera Chorus, having been with the organization since 2022, and also performs frequently with Americolor Opera Alliance. He was a Music Assistant for Alliance Theatre during their 2022 season for their original show DARLIN CORY. In 2019, Mr. Godfrey was an On-Site Transcriber for Season 9 of BET's Sunday Best under the musical direction of Adam Blackstone.

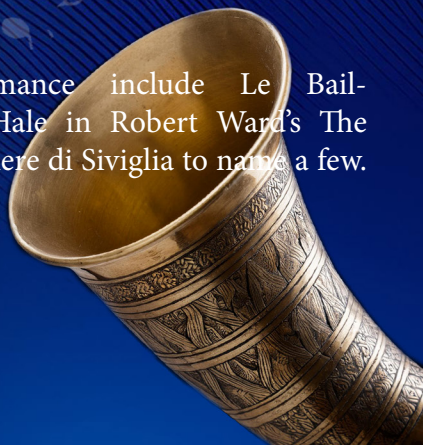
From August 2022- May 2024, Mr. Godfrey was a part of the inaugural cohort of the Denyce Graves Foundation's Shared Voices Program! Shared Voices, the flagship program of the Denyce Graves Foundation, is the unprecedented collaboration between Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) and top conservatories and schools of music in the United States. This innovative initiative is designed to achieve diversity, equity and inclusion across the musical spectrum. Currently, Mr. Godfrey teaches voice with Atlanta Music Project and frequently sings for churches/organizations in the Metropolitan Atlanta Area.

Sheldon Michael

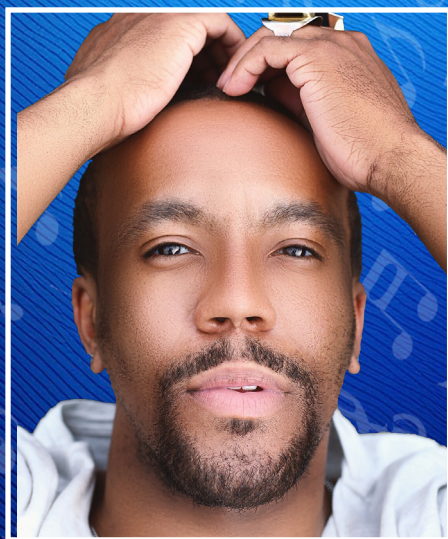


Sheldon Michael, baritone, is a graduate of Morehouse College where he received his BA in the Arts in May of 2013. In 2015, Mr. Michael graduated with a MM in Vocal Performance from Georgia State University and currently studies with Dwight Coleman. He has had the honor to sing for the soundtrack of Spike Lee's "Red Hook Summer", the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra's Christmas with the ASO, and the American Baptist Convention in San Juan, Puerto Rico.

His roles of study and performance include Le Bail-
li in Massenet's Werther, Reverend Hale in Robert Ward's The
Crucible and Basilio in Rossini's Il barbiere di Siviglia to name a few.



Jarrett O'Neal



No stranger to Bermuda, and informally known as a son of Bermuda, Jarrett is a 2010 graduate of Morehouse College. With a degree in Music and emphasis in vocal performance Jarrett has sung for Presidents Clinton, Jimmy Carter, and President Barack Obama at the 50th Anniversary of The March on Washington.

Classically trained, Jarrett's talents have brought him to perform various genres on a variety of platforms. Today Jarrett works for the 'Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church' in Atlanta, while simultaneously working as a songwriter and performing as an independent artist going by the name 'Saul Stone'.

Jarrett or 'Saul' has two singles available on iTunes and has toured with 'The Indie stage Music Tour' as one of Atlanta's Most Promising Artists standing by the belief that "We are all lights; yet what is light without the darkness. It is through the darkness that we become even brighter lights."

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