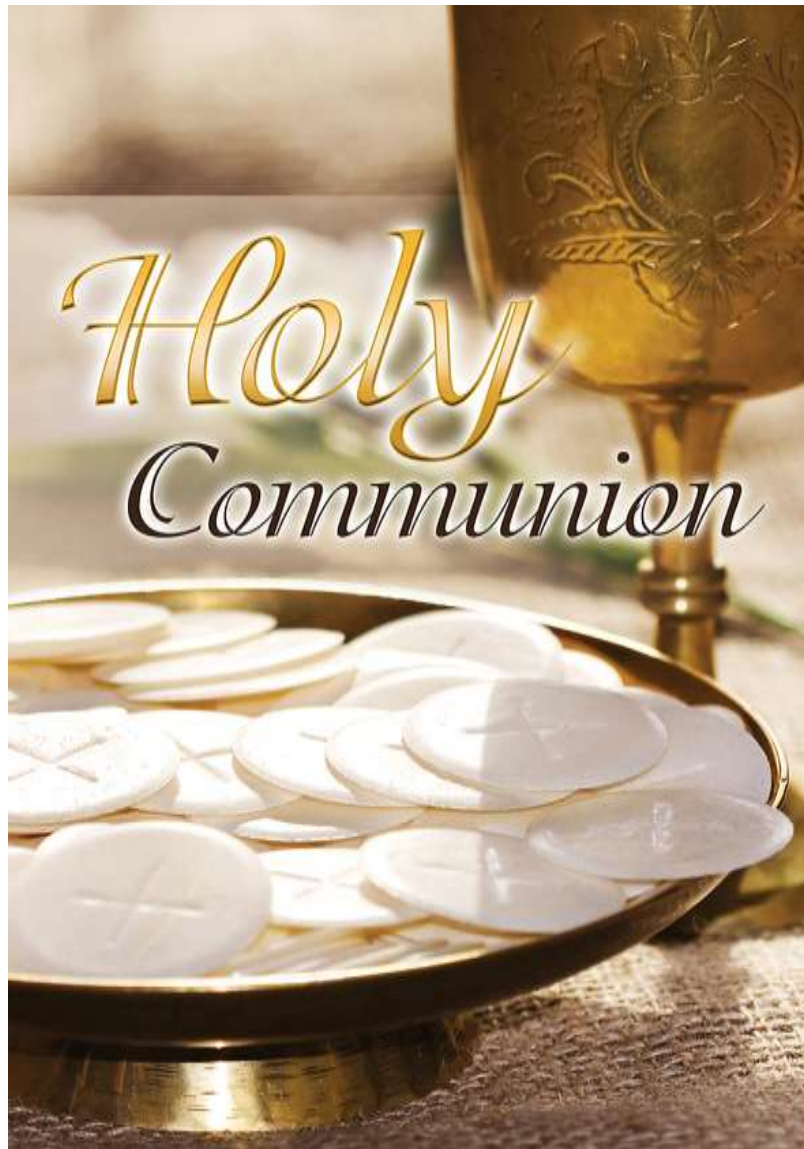


*Grace United Methodist Church*  
*Sunday, February 7, 2021*

*Celebrating Black History Month*  
*and*



*Bishop LaTrelle Easterling*  
*Washington Area Resident Bishop*  
*Baltimore-Washington Conference of the United Methodist Church*  
*Rev. Dr. Johnsie Cogman*  
*Washington East District Superintendent*  
*Rev. Dr. Rodney T. Smothers, Lead Pastor*

# Virtual Order of Service

10:00 a.m.

February 7, 2021

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after the Epiphany

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Liturgist: Minister Brian Hyman

Greeting and Opening.....Minister Brian Hyman

Announcements and Community Concerns.....Minister Brian Hyman

Call to Worship and Prayer .....Minister Brian Hyman

Worship through Song....."Lift Eve'ry Voice and Sing" James Weldon Johnson".....Ps. 148: 13 (KJV)  
Psalmist Team

Scripture.....New Testament Lesson: Luke 2:41-52 (NIV).....Minister Brian Hyman

Worship through Giving.....Minister Brian Hyman

God of grace and mercy, you are the source of the true healing that can make us whole. We remember this morning that Jesus' ministry was deeply involved in both healing of people's bodies and healing of relationships. As we take time now in worship to offer our gifts to you, we pray that they might be used to bring healing – of body, of spirit, of broken relationships – to people who are in desperate need. This we pray this in Jesus' holy name. Amen. (Mark 1:29-39)

Introduction of Guest Preacher.....Minister Brian Hyman

Black History Dialogue....."Dr. Charles A. Tindley - United Methodist Minister, Pastor & Hymn Writer"  
Kyah West - Commentary

Worship through Song..... "Beams of Heaven" (Some Day).....Rev. 21:1; Ps. 103: 11(KJV)  
Rev. Charles Albert Tindley – Composer Psalmist Team & Soloist Alicia Williams

**Sermon..... "A Departure Into Destiny".....Reverend Antoine Love**

Invitation to Christian Discipleship.....Reverend Antoine Love

A Service of Word and Table II.....See Insert, pg.12

Choral Response....."Let Us Break Bread Together".....Traditional..... I Cor. 10:17 (KJV)  
Psalmist Team

Worship through Song..... "I Have Decided To Follow Jesus".....Patrick Matsikenyin.....Matt. 8: 19 (KJV)  
Psalmist Team

The Sending Forth.....Reverend Antoine Love



# Scripture Reading

## Old Testament Lesson:

New Testament Luke: 2:41-52 (NIV)

<sup>41</sup> Every year Jesus' parents went to Jerusalem for the Festival of the Passover. <sup>42</sup> When he was twelve years old, they went up to the festival, according to the custom. <sup>43</sup> After the festival was over, while his parents were returning home, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but they were unaware of it. <sup>44</sup> Thinking he was in their company, they traveled on for a day. Then they began looking for him among their relatives and friends. <sup>45</sup> When they did not find him, they went back to Jerusalem to look for him. <sup>46</sup> After three days they found him in the temple courts, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. <sup>47</sup> Everyone who heard him was amazed at his understanding and his answers. <sup>48</sup> When his parents saw him, they were astonished. His mother said to him, "Son, why have you treated us like this? Your father and I have been anxiously searching for you." <sup>49</sup> "Why were you searching for me?" he asked. "Didn't you know I had to be in my Father's house?" <sup>50</sup> But they did not understand what he was saying to them. <sup>51</sup> Then he went down to Nazareth with them and was obedient to them. But his mother treasured all these things in her heart. <sup>52</sup> And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man.



# *Celebrating Black History Month*

Today, for Black History Month, we celebrate one of our musical giants, **Rev. Dr. CHARLES ALBERT TINDLEY**, who was born in Maryland in 1851 and died July 1933. He was an African American Methodist minister and a gospel music composer. He was born the son of slave parents, Charles and Esther Tindley. Rev. Tindley experienced a hard life for his mother died when he was four years old, and the following year he was separated from his father. Never able to go to school, Tindley had a burning desire to learn to read and write; therefore, he learned on his own by asking people to tutor him. He mastered reading and writing when he was seventeen. Shortly after the Civil War, he moved to Philadelphia with his wife Daisy, and worked as a brick carrier, a janitor at a small church, and attended night school. He even took a correspondence course from the Boston School of Theology, where he learned Hebrew and Greek.

Often referred to as "The Prince of Preachers," Tindley founded one of the largest Methodist congregations serving the African-American community on the East Coast of the United States. Without any degree, he was ordained to the Methodist Episcopal Church by examination, with high-ranking scores. He was also ordained as a Deacon in the Delaware Conference in 1887 and as an elder in 1889. He was assigned by his bishop to serve as an itinerant pastor staying a relatively short time at each charge in New Jersey, Delaware and then in Maryland in 1891.

Amazingly, in 1902, he became pastor of the Bainbridge Street Methodist Church of Philadelphia, the same church where he had once been a janitor. So successful was his leadership that, in 1907, a new building was needed for the growing congregation, a new building renamed the Tindley Temple Methodist Church. Here he preached to great throngs of people. Both blacks and whites were represented in the leadership of the church, along with Italians, Jews, Germans, Norwegians, Mexicans, and Danes. Eventually, he was presented the Doctor of Divinity Degree by Bennett College and Morgan College in Baltimore, MD.

Tindley was also a noted songwriter and composer of gospel hymns and is recognized as one of the founding fathers of American gospel music. Five of his hymns appear in the 1989 *United Methodist Hymnal*. He wrote both words and music for many gospel songs, among the most popular of which are "Beams of Heaven," "Nothing Between," "Leave It There," "I Have Found at Last a Savior," "Stand by Me," and "We'll Understand it Better By and By." It was Tindley's song "I'll Overcome Some Day," written in 1901, that served as a basis for "We Shall Overcome," a theme song of the civil rights movement.

We appreciate Rev. Charles Albert Tindley and thank him for all his accomplishments, which have been an inspiration for so many of us.



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## ***CELEBRATING BLACK HISTORY MONTH***

During February, Grace will celebrate the accomplishments of African Americans. Join us each Sunday for a different recognition. This Sunday, we will highlight the contributions of Dr. Charles A. Tindley, a United Methodist minister, hymn writer, and gospel composer. Next Sunday, we will recognize the historic achievement of Vice President Kamala Harris. Remember celebrating Black History is an everyday occurrence!

## ***COMMUNION SUNDAY***

Today is Communion Sunday, be prepared to take Communion during the Worship Service. We will also have Communion at 2 p.m., via teleconference. We ask that you have a cracker or bread and juice available to partake in the service. The Communion Ritual document will be with the bulletin. Please dial in by calling 425-436-6316. Your access code is 775903#. If you are using your home phone and you do not have a mute button, dial \*6. **Please mute your phone during the service.**

## ***VIRTUAL ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL***

The Adult Virtual Sunday School will be held today from 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. Meeting ID: 831 1655 6781, Passcode: 546205, dial by your location +1 301 715 8592 US (Washington D.C.)

## ***VIRTUAL YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL***

The Youth Virtual Sunday School is held on the second and fourth Sundays at 2 p.m. Meeting ID: 852 8621 5813 Passcode: 324080.

## ***BUSY BEES SENIOR MINISTRY***

We invite you to join the Busy Bees Senior Ministry every Wednesday at 11 a.m. for their virtual bible study. Meeting ID: 871 5720 8655, Passcode: 584941. Dial by your location +1 301 715 8592 US (Washington D.C.).

## ***PRAYER SERVICE***

Prayer service will be held on Wednesday at 6 p.m., via teleconference. Please dial in by calling 425-436-6316. Your access code is 775903#. If you don't have a mute button on your home phone, please dial \*6 to mute. When you wish to speak, unmute by dialing \*6.

## ***LENTEN BIBLE STUDY***

Grace will hold its next 6-week Bible Study series beginning February 18, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. This Lenten Bible Study is based on Bishop Sharma Lewis' book, *Journey to Transformation*. Bishop Lewis is the sister of Le'Ontyne Buggs. Biblically-based, this study will carry you through the Lenten season with understanding and affirmation of Jesus' love for us. A certain number of books have been purchased and will be provided free to the first registrants. If you plan to participate in this excellent study, contact the church office to register for the class. The facilitator for this class is Sister Frances Robinson, Lay Leader.

## ***THE GRACE/MANSFIELD SCHOLARSHIP***

The Grace/Mansfield Scholarship **second semester proof of enrollment for the students who applied and received the first semester scholarship is due February 21, 2021.** If you have questions or need additional information regarding the application process, please contact the church office.

# *Grace UMC Zoom and Teleconference Meeting Schedule*

**February 2021**

**Sun, Feb 7**

**9:30 AM – 11:00AM**

**Adult Sunday School**

**Meeting ID: 831 1655 6781**

**Passcode: 546205**

**Dial by your location +1 301 715 8592 US (Washington D.C.)**

**Sun, Feb 7**

**2PM**

**Youth Sunday School**

**Meeting ID: 852 8621 5813**

**Passcode: 324080**

**Wed, Feb 10**

**11AM**

**Busy Bees Bible Study**

**Meeting ID: 871 5720 8655**

**Passcode: 584941**

**Dial by your location +1 301 715 8592 US (Washington D.C.)**

**425-436-6316, Access Code 775903#**

**Wed, Feb 10**

**6PM - 7PM**

**Prayer Service**



# Back to the Basics

## The Essentials of Reconciliation

### 210 Corridor Lenten Services 7:00 PM

- ✚ **February 17**      **Ash Wednesday Service**  
Rev. Antoine C. "Tony" Love - guest speaker, hosted by Grace UMC
- ✚ **February 24**      Pastor Lesley Newman-Adams, The Remnant Church
- ✚ **March 3**      Pastor Judith Bennett, Alexandria Chapel UMC
- ✚ **March 10**      Pastor Keith White, Smith Chapel UMC
- ✚ **March 17**      Pastor Cindy Banks, Indian Head/Shiloh/Chicamuxen
- ✚ **March 24**      Pastor Darryl Mason, Metropolitan UMC
- ✚ **Every Wednesday there will be a 1:00 pm service hosted by  
Pastor Kermit Moore, Providence-Fort Washington**  
*This will be a one-hour service for those persons who are unable to attend the evening Lenten services.*

#### **Zoom Meeting Information:**

<https://zoom.us/j/93517751951?pwd=ZStaVVgvbEYvNW5WYUZOWHBveXcwUT09>

Meeting ID: 935 1775 1951  
Meeting Passcode: 001511

**Dial In Number:** 1 301 715 8592

Meeting ID: 935 1775 1951  
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# Ways of Giving

*“So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of <sup>la</sup>necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver.” 2 Corinthians 9:7 (NKJV)*

## **Making an Electronic Giving Contribution:**

You are invited to use GivePlus (Give +) mobile app. If texting is your thing and you want to text your TITHES, text the amount you want to give to 301-433-7385.

**NOTE: Texting to this number is for TITHES/Offerings ONLY!!!** If you have any questions, contact the church office.

## **New Check Reconciliation System:**

If you are giving to the Building Fund, please write a separate check for the Building Fund and the General Fund. Because these two accounts are at different banks, it will make it much easier on our counters if you make separate checks rather than combine both payments in one check.

## **Drop Off Sundays:**

You can drop off your offering on Sundays from 12 p.m. – 1 p.m. in front of the Fellowship Hall.

## **Mail Your Gift:**

If you are writing a check, always complete an envelope with any donations made to the church in order for the donation to be included in your year-end contribution statement. Please enclose your giving envelope in a standard mailing envelope. Make checks payable to Grace United Methodist Church or Grace UMC.

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We are in the process of expanding our virtual and conference call capabilities for our administration, education, and ministry opportunities. Watch this page for upcoming updates.

**VIRTUAL ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL**

9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

**VIRTUAL YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Second and Fourth Sunday - 2:00 p.m.

**MORNING WORSHIP SERVICES**

8:30 a.m. and 10 a.m. Virtual Online Worship Service  
On YouTube at Grace UMC Fort Washington, MD

**HOLY COMMUNION**

First Sunday, Virtual Worship Service and  
2 p.m. via teleconference, 425-436-6316, access code 775903#

**PRAYER SERVICE (TELECONFERENCE)**

Wednesday - 6 p.m. – 7 p.m.  
425-436-6316, access code 775903#

**VIRTUAL BIBLE STUDY CLASSES**

Busy Bees (Senior Bible Study)  
Wednesday - 11 a.m.  
Bible Study  
Thursday – 7 p.m.

**ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION 24/7 HELPLINE 1-800-272-3900**

**MEMBERSHIP**

If you have moved, changed your phone number, name or  
want to schedule a baptism, please contact the church office.

**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**

Tuesday - Friday: 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.  
Office Assistant: Wanda R. Wheeler

**REV. DR. RODNEY T. SMOTHERS, LEAD PASTOR**

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