

HOLY COMMUNION



PALM SUNDAY

SUNDAY, APRIL 2, 2023

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Big Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church

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SUNDAY, APRIL 2, 2023

10:00AM SERVICE

HOLY COMMUNION



THE ORGAN PRELUDE

BRO. PHILIP SKERRETT, JR.

*THE DOXOLOGY

#647

PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW; PRAISE HIM ALL CREATURES HERE BELOW;
PRAISE HIM ABOVE YE HEAVENLY HOST, PRAISE FATHER, SON AND HOLY GHOST. AMEN.

* THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord!" Our feet have been standing within your gates, O Jerusalem!

People: For a day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere. I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of wickedness.

Minister: For the sake of the house of the Lord our God; I will seek your good.

People: They are planted in the house of the Lord; they flourish in the courts of our God.

Minister: O Lord, I love the habitation of your house, and the place where your glory dwells.

People: But the Lord is in his holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before him.

Minister: Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my Rock, and my Redeemer.

People: O sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things! I will sing of loyalty and of justice, to you, O Lord, I will sing.

THE HYMN OF PRAISE

AME HYMN #5—ALL HAIL THE POWER OF JESUS' NAME—(DIADEM)

1. All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall, Let angels prostrate fall; Bring forth the royal diadem, And crown...Him, crown Him, crown Him, crown Him, And crown Him Lord of all
2. Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, Ye ransomed from the fall, Ye ransomed from the fall; Hail Him who saves you by his grace, And crown...Him, crown Him, crown Him, crown Him, And crown Him Lord of all.
3. O that with yonder sacred throng We at His feet may fall, We at His feet may fall! We'll join the everlasting song. And crown...Him, crown Him, crown Him, crown Him, And crown Him Lord of all.

THE INVOCATION

THE WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC

BABCOCK-YOUNG VOICES OF UNITY

*THE RESPONSIVE SCRIPTURE

Matthew 21:1-9

Minister: ¹ When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples,

People: ² saying to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me.

Minister: ³ If anyone says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.' And he will send them immediately."

People: ⁴ This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet, saying,"

Minister: ⁵ "Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a colt, the foal of a donkey."

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People ⁶ The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them;

Minister: ⁷ **They brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them.**

People: ⁸ A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road.

ALL: ⁹ **The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!"**

***THE PREFACE TO THE DECALOGUE**

(IN THE TUNE OF #258)

"FROM ALL THAT DWELL BELOW THE SKIES, LET THE CREATOR'S PRAISE ARISE; LET THE REDEEMER'S NAME BE SUNG, THROUGH EVERY LAND BY EVERY TONGUE."

***THE DECALOGUE**

Minister: *And God spoke all these words saying, I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage, you shall have no other gods before Me.*

People: **Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Minister: *You shall not make for yourself a graven image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth; you shall not bow down to them or serve them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate me, but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.*

People: **Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Minister: *You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain; for the Lord will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain.*

People: **Lord have mercy upon us and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Minister: *Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall labor, and do all your work; but the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; in it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your manservant, or your maidservant, or your cattle, or your sojourner who is within your gates; for in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day and hallowed it.*

People: **Lord have mercy upon us and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

*"My soul, be on your guard;
Ten thousand foes arise.
And hosts of sin are pressing hard;
To draw you from the skies."*

Minister: *Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land which the Lord your God gives you .*

People: **Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Minister: *You shall not kill.*

People: **Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Minister: *You shall not commit adultery.*

People: **Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Minister: *You shall not steal .*

People: **Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Minister: *You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor .*

People: **Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.**

Minister: *You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant, or his maidservant, or his ox, or his ass, or anything that is your neighbor's.*

People: **Lord have mercy upon us, and write these laws upon our heart.**

*"Nearer my God to Thee, Nearer to Thee.
E'en though it be a cross, That raiseth me;
Still all my song shall be, Nearer my God to Thee.
Nearer my God to Thee, Nearer to Thee."*

Minister: *Hear what Christ our Savior said: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.*

***THE GLORIA PATRI**

AME HYMN #626

"GLORY BE TO THE FATHER, AND TO THE SON, AND TO THE HOLY GHOST; AS IT WAS IN THE BEGINNING, IS NOW, AND EVER SHALL BE, WORLD WITHOUT END. AMEN. AMEN."

THE PASTOR'S WORDS

THE WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC

BABCOCK-YOUNG VOICES OF UNITY

THE SERMON

PASTOR JOHN FOSTER

THE INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

PRAYER OF SALVATION

Dear Lord, I recognize that I am a sinner. Lord, I am sorry for my sins, and I am ready to change my life. I accept your forgiveness. I confess with my mouth that you are Lord, and I believe in my heart that God raised you from the dead; therefore, according to the word I am saved. The Bible says "if any person be in Christ he or she is a new creation, the old is passed away and behold all things become new." Lord, I thank you for my salvation.

†THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE GENERAL CONFESSION

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all people, we acknowledge and bewail our manifold sin and wickedness which we from time to time most grievously have committed by thought, word and deed against Your divine Majesty, provoking most justly Your wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father for Your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake; forgive us all that is past, and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please You in newness of life, to the honor and glory of Your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

THE BENEDICTION

THE WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING: TITHES & OFFERING ON EXIT

****VISITORS MAY REGISTER THEIR ATTENDANCE
ONLINE ON THE BIG BETHEL GUEST REGISTRATION
FORM. THANK YOU FOR WORSHIPPING WITH US
AND FEEL FREE TO COME AGAIN!!!!**



Let us remember our sick and shut-in with our calls & prayers.

Sis. Patricia Coles (404) 254-4806

Bro. Horace Ford (770) 478-3013

Sis. Jewel Foster (678) 770-2992

Rev. Betty Miley (770) 323-6841

Sis. Elizabeth Parks (Liz) (404) 691-4590

Sis. Brenda Queen (404) 274-0705

Sis. Deborah Stephens-Lattimore (678) 945-4001

Bro. Don Stewart (678) 289-2579

Sis. Lillian Taylor (404) 284-6414

WEEKLY SCRIPTURE READINGS

	FIRST READING	PSALM	SECOND READING	GOSPEL
Liturgy of the Palms April 2, 2023		Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29	Matthew 21:1-11	
Liturgy of the Passion April 2, 2023	Isaiah 50:4-9a	Psalm 31:9-16	Philippians 2:5-11	Matthew 26:14-27:66 or Matthew 27:11-54

USHERETTE BOARD NUMBER 2

Palm Sunday Concert

featuring

THE MORRIS BROWN COLLEGE ALUMNI CHOIR

SUNDAY, APRIL 2, 2023 AT 4:00PM

Under the directorship of Reverend Alonzo B. Taylor

Welcoming our Triumphant Return

Big Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church 220 Auburn Ave. NE, Atlanta, GA
Senior Pastor John Foster, PhD
Join us either in person or virtually



ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS!

4th QUARTERLY CONFERENCE

Monday, April 3, 2023 6:30 PM

Our 4th Quarterly Conference will be held via Zoom. Meeting ID: 814 5694 7461
Passcode 788962 One tap mobile +16468769923, 81456947461, 788962#
Please come out and participate in the business of your church.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81456947461?pwd=RnhOdY1eTjZlOXodVU3SzduZUpKdz09>



4th QTR CONF ZOOM

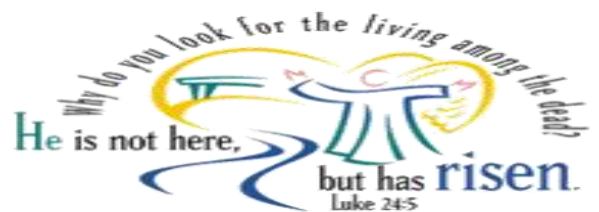












Big Bethel's APRIL 20 RESURRECTION CELEBRATION

Sun	Mon	Tue	W
 <p>02 PALM SUNDAY 8:30AM SUNDAY SCHOOL 8:45 NEW MEMBERS CLASS 10:00AM Worship 2:00PM NEXT SHIFT 4:00 PM PALM SUNDAY CONCERT featuring The Morris Brown College Alumni Choir WATCH US LIVE AND ON-DEMAND www.bigbethelame.org f LIVE @BigBethelAME</p>	<p>For God so loved the world</p>  <p>03 6:00AM Prayer Call (605)-472-5512 Code: 772576# 6:30PM QUARTERLY CONFERENCE  1th QTR CONF ZOOM</p>	  <p>04 6:00AM Prayer Call (605)-472-5512 Code: 772576# 7:00PM WOMEN'S Bible Study Zoom ID:406 713 1874</p>	 <p>05 6:00AM Prayer Call (605)-472-5512 Code: 772576# 12:00PM Bible Study 6:00 PM Bible Study •(309)205-3325 Code: 772576# ZOOM ID: 847-251-8679 7:00PM JAZZ "From Hosanna" featuring: The K... HOL</p>
<p>09 RESURRECTION SUNDAY 6:00AM SUNRISE WORSHIP 8:30AM SUNDAY SCHOOL 8:45 NEW MEMBERS CLASS 10:00AM RESURRECTION Worship 12:30 YOUTH CHURCH 2:00PM NEXTSHIFT WATCH US LIVE AND ON-DEMAND www.bigbethelame.org f LIVE @BigBethelAME</p> 	<p>10 6:00AM Prayer Call (605)-472-5512 Code: 772576# 6:00 PM ANGAC23 Planning Meeting</p>	<p>11 6:00AM Prayer Call (605)-472-5512 Code: 772576# 7:00PM WOMEN'S Bible Study Zoom ID:406 713 1874</p>	<p>12 6:00AM Prayer Call (605)-472-5512 Code: 772576# 12:00PM Bible Study 6:00 PM Bible Study •(309)205-3325 Code: 772576# ZOOM ID: 847-251-8679 </p>
<p>16 8:30AM SUNDAY SCHOOL 8:45 NEW MEMBERS CLASS 10:00AM WORSHIP 12:30 YOUTH CHURCH 2:00PM NEXT SHIFT WATCH US LIVE AND ON-DEMAND www.bigbethelame.org f LIVE @BigBethelAME</p>	<p>17 6:00AM Prayer Call (605)-472-5512 Code: 772576# 6:00 PM ANGAC23 Planning Meeting</p>	<p>18 6:00AM Prayer Call (605)-472-5512 Code: 772576# 7:00PM WOMEN'S Bible Study Zoom ID:406 713 1874</p>	<p>19 6:00AM Prayer Call (605)-472-5512 Code: 772576# 12:00PM Bible Study 6:00 PM Bible Study •(309)205-3325 Code: 772576# ZOOM ID: 847-251-8679</p>
<p>23 8:30AM SUNDAY SCHOOL 8:45 NEW MEMBERS CLASS 10:00AM WORSHIP 12:00PM TRINITY TABLE 2:00PM NEXT SHIFT WATCH US LIVE AND ON-DEMAND www.bigbethelame.org f LIVE @BigBethelAME</p>	<p>24 6:00AM Prayer Call (605)-472-5512 Code: 772576# 6:00 PM ANGAC23 Planning Meeting</p>	<p>25 6:00AM Prayer Call (605)-472-5512 Code: 772576# 7:00PM WOMEN'S Bible Study Zoom ID:406 713 1874</p>	<p>26 6:00AM Prayer Call (605)-472-5512 Code: 772576# 12:00PM Bible Study 6:00 PM Bible Study •(309)205-3325 Code: 772576# ZOOM ID: 847-251-8679 </p>
<p>30 8:30AM SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:00AM WORSHIP 2:00PM NEXT SHIFT WATCH US LIVE AND ON-DEMAND www.bigbethelame.org f LIVE @BigBethelAME</p> <p>Family & Friends Day</p>	<p>WATCH US LIVE AND ON-DEMAND www.bigbethelame.org f LIVE @BigBethelAME</p>	<p>ANG Annual Conference VOLUNTEERS GET INVOLVED PLANNING MEETING</p>	

2023 Events Calendar

RESURRECTION/LAY MONTH



Wed		Thu		Fri		Sat	
						<div>01 6:00AM—Prayer Call (605) 472-5512, Code 772576# 8:00AM—L♥VE FEAST—hosted by EDGE-CANNON LAY ORG. 9:00AM—Ministerial Staff Mtg 12:30-2:00PM BB Saturday School ANG Conference Lay Organization Meeting</div>	
<div>Call : 772576# Study Study 789893084# 9 PassCode: adultclass VESPERS- na to Hostage” K.T. Collaborative LY WEEK SERVICES</div>		<div>06 6:00AM Prayer Call (605)-472-5512 Code: 772576# 7:00 Maundy Thursday Footwashing Worship </div>		<div>07 6:00AM Prayer Call (605)-472-5512 Code: 772576# 7:00PM 7 LAST WORDS WORSHIP </div>		<div>08 6:00AM—Prayer Call (605) 472-5512, Code 772576# 9:00AM Virtual Steward Board Mtg . 12:30-2:00PM BB Saturday School </div>	
<div>Call : 772576# Study Study 789893084# 9 PassCode: adultclass</div>		<div>13 6:00AM Prayer Call (605)-472-5512 Code: 772576#</div>		<div>14 6:00AM Prayer Call (712) 775-8972, Code 440772</div>		<div>15 6:00AM—Prayer Call (605) 472-5512, Code 772576# 12:30-2:00PM BB Saturday School</div>	
<div>Spring Connectional Lay Organization Executive Board Meeting</div>							
<div>Augusta Georgia Annual Conference—Augusta, GA Bethel AME Church, 623 Crawford Ave, Augusta, GA 30904, USA</div>							
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<div>Call : 772576# Study Study 789893084# 9 PassCode: adultclass</div>		<div>27 6:00AM Prayer Call (605)-472-5512 Code: 772576#</div>		<div>28 6:00AM—Prayer Call (605) 472-5512, Code 772576# 4:30 PM THBB TEAM DINNER EDGE-CANNON LAY ORG.</div>		<div>29 6:00AM—Prayer Call (605) 472-5512, Code 772576# 12:30-2:00PM BB Saturday</div>	
<div>Macon Georgia Annual Conference—Macon, GA St. Paul AME Church, 2501 Shurling Dr, Macon, GA 31211, USA</div>							
							
		GET VACCINE & BOOSTER		WEAR YOUR MASK		SOCIAL DISTANCE	



Wishing a Blessed and Happy Birthday to all our members!

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| 4/1 Shanrekia Smith | 4/13 Njvon Collier, Spencer Tillman |
| 4/2 Yvette Wilson, | 4/14 Avril Copeland Woodson, |
| 4/3 Ciara Hill | Miles Turner |
| 4/4 Clarissa Robinson, | 4/15 Walter Carter, Kendall Henry |
| Bishop Frank C. Cummings | 4/16 Tina Wilkerson, Cyril Mayes |
| 4/5 Jackie Herring, Beletia Diamond | 4/17 Willene Freeman, Patricia Tate, |
| 4/6 Lauren Blanchard Rajab, Eric Biggs, | Shantay Thomas |
| Jonathan Davis, Tisha Dease | 4/18 Lisa Tolbert Crawl, Tony Evans |
| 4/7 Kierra Wilcox, | 4/19 Richard Stowe, |
| 4/8 Kendrick Henry, Leslie Ousley | 4/20 Phillip Brooks, Jr. |
| 4/10 Rev. Betty Miley, Aaron Thomas, | 4/22 Nyla Pettway, Victor Smith |
| Philip Johnson | 4/24 Latricia Blades |
| 4/11 Bernice Walters, Jay Patterson, | 4/27 Joel Boykin, Jr., Mary Helen O'Connor |
| Robbie Bray, Willia Robinson George, | 4/28 Amina Brooks |
| Bobby Edge | 4/30 Kim Fulton |
| 4/12 Georgetta Dye, Wesley Jackson III, | |





HOLY WEEK EVENTS 2023



APR 2 @ 4 PM

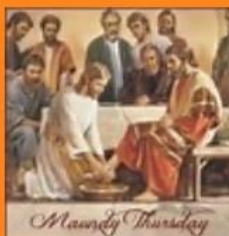
**PALM
SUNDAY
CONCERT**

featuring
**MORRIS BROWN COLLEGE
ALUMNI CHOIR**



APR 5 @ 7 PM
**HOLY WEEK
JAZZ VESPERS**
From **HOSANNA**
to **HOSTAGE!**

featuring
The K.T. COLLABORATIVE



APR 6 @ 7 PM

**MAUNDY
THURSDAY
WORSHIP**

**WORSHIP SERVICE &
FOOTWASHING**

APR 7 @ 7 PM

7 LAST WORDS WORSHIP

7 PREACHERS

7 PERSPECTIVs



APR 9 @ 6 AM

SUNRISE WORSHIP

MESSENGER: Rev.. John Foster, Ph.D.,
Senior Pastor ~BBAMEC



APR 9 @ 10 AM

RESURRECTION WORSHIP

MESSENGER: Bishop Reginald T. Jackson
Presiding Prelate - 6th Episcopal District



Come and be Blessed!!

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Holy Week Jazz Vespers

From

HOSANNA to

HOSTAGE!

Mark 11:10-21

featuring:

The K.T. Collaborative

Wednesday, April 5, 2023 | 7PM

BIG BETHEL A.M.E. CHURCH PRESENTS



7 OF JESUS CHRIST ON THE CROSS LAST WORDS

FRIDAY, APRIL 7TH | 7 PM

REV. JOHN FOSTER, PH.D.
SENIOR PASTOR



REV. MONICA C. JONES, PH.D.,
WORSHIP LEADER

REV. ALI HOLNESS
ROLAND



REV. DR. ESTHER K.
POWERS



REV. JOYCE C.
YOUNG



REV. SYREETA
HOLMAN



REV. CHARMAIN
PURVIS



REV. ANDREA
LEWIS, PH.D.



REV. MAVIS BROWN

7 PREACHERS 7 PERSPECTIVES

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ANNUAL CHURCH CLEAN UP DAY

Come
Join Us!

**SATURDAY, APRIL 8TH
FROM 10 AM - 2 PM**

ALL BIG BETHEL MEMBERS WELCOME!!
Volunteers are needed to help cleanup
and declutter the church campus and buildings.

For more information:
Roz Thomas (404) 229-2187



Big Bethel-Trinity Partnership Ministry



Trinity Table Volunteer Servers Needed!

Sunday, April 23rd Noon – 1 PM @ Trinity United Methodist Church

Big Bethel AME Church's Bethel-Trinity Partnership Ministry will host the Trinity Table on Sunday, April 23rd at Trinity United Methodist Church. The Trinity Table is the oldest and currently the only large-scale soup kitchen in downtown Atlanta that provides meals to the homeless on Sundays.

Send an e-mail to bettydcox24@gmail.com
to volunteer and for additional info.

Trinity United Methodist Church is located on the corner of Trinity Avenue and Washington Street, two blocks south of the Capital and across the street from City Hall.

DONATE the following items and
deliver to the Big Bethel Fellowship Hall

Sunday, April 9th or Sunday, April 16th

- 12 oz. Bottled Water (packages of 6-24)
- Cans of Vienna Sausages
- Tuna Pouches
- Individually-packaged cookies, i.e., Little Debbie's Oatmeal Cookies

BIG BETHEL A.M.E. CHURCH

Lay Emphasis Month

APRIL 1ST—LOVE FEAST

APRIL 1ST — ATLANTA NORTH GA CONFERENCE LAY MEETING

APRIL 14-15TH — SPRING CONNECTIONAL LAY ORGANIZATION
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

APRIL 28TH — BETHEL-TRINITY HOUSE FELLOWSHIP DINNER

APRIL 29TH — EDGE-CANNON LAY ORGANIZATION MEETING



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