## BIG BETHEL AME CHURCH RESURRECTION SUNDAY

SUNDAY, APRIL 20, 2025

BISHOP MICHAELL, MITCHELL, PRESIDING PRELATE, GTH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT MRS. CORDELIA MITCHELL, EPISCOPAL SUPERVISOR, GTH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT REVEREND KIMBERLY MCMICHAEL, PRESIDING ELDER, NORTH ATLANTA DISTRICT REVEREND JOHN FOSTER, PH.D., SENIOR PASTOR 220 AUBURN AVENUE, NE, ATLANTA, GA 30303 PHONE NUMBER (404) 827-9707 FAX NUMBER (404) 223-3060 WEBSITE: WWW.BIGBETHELAME.ORG EMAIL: JESUS SAVES@BIGBETHELAME.ORG





He arose a victor from the dark domain, and He lives forever, with His saints to reign. He arose! He arose! Hallelujah! Christ arose!

- 2. Vainly they watch His bed, Jesus my Savior, vainly they seal the dead, Jesus my Lord! [Refrain]
- 3. Death cannot keep its prey, Jesus my Savior; He tore the bars away, Jesus my Lord! [Refrain]

#### THE INVOCATION

#### **THE WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC**

**BIG BETHEL MASS CHOIR** 

#### THE RESPONSIVE SCRIPTURE

Minister: <sup>1</sup> But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they went to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared.

People: <sup>2</sup> They found the stone rolled away from the tomb,

Minister: <sup>3</sup> but when they went in they did not find the body.

- People: <sup>4</sup> While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them.
- Minister: <sup>5</sup> The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here but has risen.
- People: <sup>6</sup> Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee,
- All: <sup>7</sup> that the Son of Man must be handed over to the hands of sinners and be crucified and on the third day rise again."

#### \*THE PREFACE TO THE DECALOGUE

"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 SUMMARY OF THE DECALOGUE

And Jesus, said to him, 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 depend all the law and the prophets.

#### THE GLORIA PATRI

"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."

#### THE WELCOME TO BIG BETHEL

THE WORSHIP THROUGH CREATIVE EXPRESSION

THE PASTOR'S WORDS AND INTRODUCTION OF THE BISHOP

THE WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC

The Sermon

BISHOP MICHAEL L. MITCHELL 134th Elected and Consecrated Bishop in the AME Church Presiding Prelate—Sixth Episcopal District

\*\*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!!!!



JESUS SAVES

# VISITOR REGISTRATION

#### **AME Hymn #626**

#### PHILIPPIAN MINISTRY

**BIG BETHEL MASS CHOIR** 

SIGNS OF PRAISE MIME MINISTRY

(IN THE TUNE OF #258)

#### THE INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

#### THE CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP READING

#### 2 Chr 31:6

The men...brought a tithe of their herds and flocks and a tithe of the holy things dedicated to the LORD their God, and they piled them in heaps...When King Hezekiah and his officials came and saw the heaps, they praised the LORD and blessed God's people.

#### THE WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING: TITHES & OFFERING

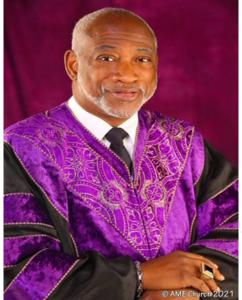
#### THE BENEDICTION





## WEEKLY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Easter	First reading	Psalm	Second reading	Gospel
Easter Easter Vigil April 20, 2025 <u>ART</u> <u>PRAYER</u>	<ul> <li>First reading</li> <li>Old Testament Readings and Psalms</li> <li>Genesis 1:1-2:4a and Psalm 136:1- 9, 23-26</li> <li>Genesis 7:1-5, 11-18; 8:6-18; 9:8- 13 and Psalm 46</li> <li>Genesis 22:1-18 and Psalm 16</li> <li>Exodus 14:10-31; 15:20-21 and Exodus 15:1b-13, 17-18</li> <li>Isaiah 55:1-11 and Isaiah 12:2-6</li> </ul>	Psalm	Second reading	Gospel
	<ul> <li>Baruch 3:9-15, 3:32-4:4 or Proverbs 8:1-8, 19-21; 9:4b-6 and Psalm 19</li> <li>Ezekiel 36:24-28 and Psalm 42, 43</li> <li>Ezekiel 37:1-14 and Psalm 143</li> <li>Zephaniah 3:14-20 and Psalm 98</li> <li>New Testament Reading and Psalm</li> <li>Romans 6:3-11 and Psalm 114</li> <li>Gospel</li> </ul>			
	• Luke 24:1-12			
Resurrection of the Lord April 20, 2025 Easter Day	* <u>Acts 10:34-43</u> or <u>Isaiah 65:17-25</u>	Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24	<u>1 Corinthians 15:19-</u> <u>26</u> or <u>Acts 10:34-43</u>	John 20:1-18 or Luke 24:1- 12
Easter Evening April 20, 2025	Isaiah 25:6-9	<u>Psalm 114</u>	1 Corinthians 5:6b-8	Luke 24:13-49



SIXTH EPISCOPAL DISTRICT PRESIDING PRELATE BISHOP MICHAEL LEON MITCHELL 134TH Consecrated Bishop of the African Methodist Episcopal Church

The hand of God has been evident on the life of Bishop Michael Leon Mitchell since he was a young child. Born in Perry, Florida to the late Reverend Arthur L. Mitchell, Sr. and the late Mrs. Mary L. Mitchell, Michael is the ninth of their fifteen children.

Bishop Mitchell is a life-long member of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, who was raised in Jacksonville, Florida. While in high school, he answered the call to the ministry and preached his trial sermon at age 17.

In September 1992, Bishop Mitchell was chosen to succeed Bishop Robert V. Webster (retired) as pastor of Saint Stephen A.M.E. Church in Jacksonville, Florida where he served faithfully for 24 years before being elected the 134th elected and consecrated Bishop of the African Methodist Episcopal Church at the 50th Quadrennial Session of the General Conference in Philadelphia, PA.

Bishop Mitchell graduated from Wilberforce University in 1982 and received a Master of Divinity Degree from Turner Theological Seminary at the Interdenominational Theological Center in 1986. He received a Doctor of Ministry Degree from United Theological Seminary in Dayton, Ohio in 2012. He is also a member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated.

Bishop Mitchell and Supervisor Cordelia served faithfully for eight years in the 12th Episcopal District, comprising the states of Arkansas and Oklahoma. Under his leadership the district was able to liquidate the mortgage of the Episcopal Residence, and construct the 12th Episcopal District Headquarters, which also houses Jackson Theological Seminary. He also provided the leadership to liquidate the mortgage of the 12th District Headquarters. On August 15, 2023, the Bishop M L Mitchell Dormitory on the campus of Shorter College was completed.

Bishop Mitchell and Supervisor Cordelia D. Mitchell, have two daughters, Courtney and Channing, and son-in-law Robert Hodges II. They are the proud grandparents of Robert Hodges III, affectionately known as R3, and Campbell Alora Hodges, affectionately known as Cami.

On August 28, 2024, at the 52nd Quadrennial Session of the African Methodist Episcopal Church General Conference, Bishop Mitchell was assigned by the Episcopal Committee to the Sixth Episcopal District. Bishop Mitchell and Supervisor Mitchell believe that they have been "Called to Serve this Present Age." Their ministry is based on the words of Jesus, who declared, "I have not come to be served but rather to serve."



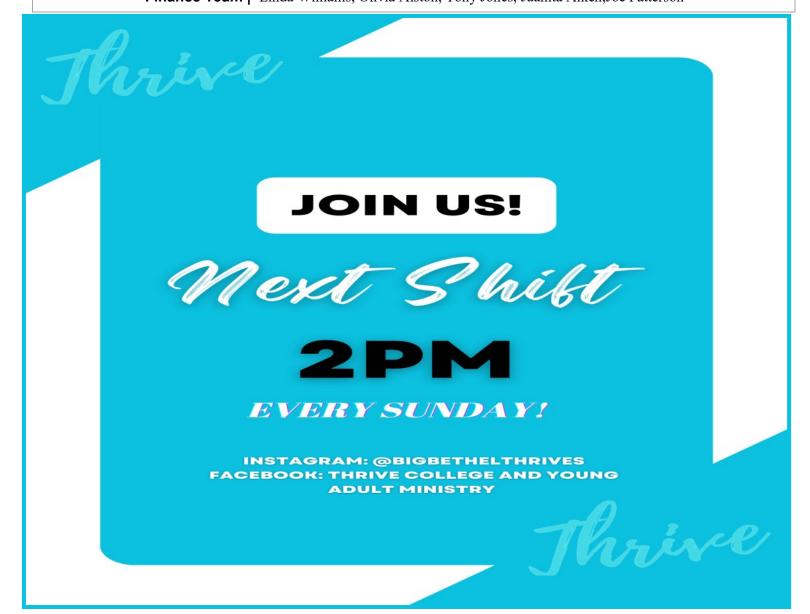
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Let us remember our sick and shut-in with our prayers and calls.

Sis. Patricia Coles (404) 254-4806 Rev. Betty Miley (770) 323-6841 Sis. Brenda Queen (404) 274-0705 Sis. Lillian Taylor (404) 284-6414

#### **SERVING IN TODAY'S WORSHIP EXPERIENCE**

			Dr. Chris Parker& Dr. Stanley Pritchett
			6AM
Acolytes	~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~	Stewards	Tony Jones & Fred Hughey 10AM
Choir	Big Bethel Mass Choir ~Tamika Kelly., Director	Trustees	Floyd Baxter
Philippians	Sis. Jakeilla Rouse	Ushers	Usherette Board #1
	R.T. Bussey & Eva Watson Stewardess Ministry		
	Alicia Oden & Roxcena Rozier		Phyllislorena Smiley &
Stewardesses		AV Ministry	Brandon Collins



Big Bethel AME | Edge-Cannon Lay Organization

Easter Lilies for Loved Ones

#### In Memory

Alexander Lloyd Walke, Jr. Phyllislorena Smiley BT Lumpkin Frankie Akins

Cummings Mix Family Paschell Mix

Dr. Hal A. Franklin, II, M.D. Franklin-Stinson Family

Drs. Jamye & McDonald Williams Guy & Gloria Howard

Edwin Jackson Wesley & Mary Jackson

Etta Ferrell Guy & Gloria Howard

Eugene (Antar) Donaldson Rev. Bessie Donaldson Gracia Jackson Wesley & Mary Jackson

Grover and Ruth Adams Patricia Adams

Harold S. Greene, Sr. & Mary Rice Greene Smith Family (Jennifer, Kayla, & Bianca)

> Hattie Andrews Frankie Akins Jamye Williams

Williams Family

Geraldine Burton

John R. Smith, Sr. & Florence Estelle Smith Smith Family (Jennifer, Kayla, & Bianca) Joyce Brown Wood Selby Family

Kapri Ashley Fordham-Tyson Karen Fordham Jordan

> Kathryn Jones Lauren Rajab

Lucy Simmons Pennington Geri Simmons

> Marie Jones Tony Jones

Mary Beavers Lauren Rajab

McDonald Williams Williams Family

McDonald and Jamye Williams Kenneth Owens

McDonald and Jamye Williams Selby Family

Mrs. Jessie Mackey Pastor & Mrs. Foster

Mrs. Rosalie Jackson Pastor & Mrs. Foster

Nellie R. Adams Dodson-Chandler Family

Pearlie Dove Carol Ann Dove

Rev. Robert & Mamie Akins Robert Akins

Rev. and Mrs. Joseph L. Roberts Jacqueline Michael

Rev. Dr. Wilson Arthur Lewis Andrea Lewis

> Rosa Lee Patche Patricia Adams

Roston Robinson Jr. Rev. Bessie Donaldson Ruth Simmons Lee Geri Simmons

**Tristan** Long/Nash Family

William (Bill) Davis Guy & Gloria Howard

#### In Honor

Annette Petty Thomas Family

Donna Williams Vera Thomas

Dr. Charleise Young Guy & Gloria Howard

Dr. Jackie Michael Guy & Gloria Howard Geraldine Burton Jordan Family

Lois Youngblood Jordan Family

Lucille Neely Jordan Family

Miriam Redding Jordan Family

Mrs. Azira Hill Guy & Gloria Howard

> Oma and Joi Tracy Franklin

Paulyne Morgan-White Guy & Gloria Howard

Rose Schofield Vera Thomas Shirley Kimble Jacqueline Michael Shirley Kimble Martha Thomas

#### **JESUS SAVES**

#### NORTH ATLANTA DISTRICT PRESENTS...

## **ELDER APPRECIATION** PRESIDING ELDER KIMBERLY MCMICHAEL APR 26th, 2025 @ 4PM

The Magnolia Room 4450 Hugh Howell Rd, Tucker, GA 30084



## ATTENTION!! CDMC UPDATE



## The CDMC Ceremony will be held on Saturday, May 10, 2025 at 4:00 PM at Big Bethel AME Church

#### Atlanta North Georgia Annual Conference – May 14-16, 2025

#### AGENDA | DAILY SCHEDULE

**Pre-Conference Meetings** 

WEDNESDAY MORNIN	G May 14, 2025		
9:00 a.m.	WMS ANNUAL CONVENTION		
9:30 a.m.	Bishop's Meeting with the Presiding Elders		
10:30 a.m.	Bishop's Meeting with the Board of Examiners		
WEDNESDAY AFTERNO	Non May 14, 2025		
1:15 p.m.	DEVOTION (Board of Examiners Candidates)		
1:30 p.m.	OFFICIAL OPENING OF ANNUAL CONFERENCE (Business Session)		
	Expressions from Bishop Michael L. Mitchell     Roll Call		
	Presentation of Transfers		
	Organization of Conference		
	Presiding Elders' Summary Report		
	Board of Examiners Report		
	Conference Trustees Report		
4:30 p.m.	Break/ Dinner		
6:00 p.m.	WMS Night in White Worship Service		
THURSDAY MORNING	May 15, 2025		
8:00 am	Breakfast		
9:30 a.m.	OPENING WORSHIP		
	(Annual Sermon/Holy Communion)		
12:00 p.m.	Lunch Break		
THURSDAY AFTERNOO	May 15, 2025		
1:30 p.m.	BUSINESS SESSION		
4:30 p.m.	Dinner Break		
6:00 p.m.	WORSHIP SERVICE - Lay Witness		

#### May 16, 2025 FRIDAY MORNING 7:30 a.m. Breakfast SONS OF ALLEN WITNESS 9:00 a.m. **BUSINESS SESSION** 10:00 a.m. WOMEN IN MINISTRY WITNESS 11:30 A.M. 1:00 P.M. Lunch Break May 16, 2025 FRIDAY AFTERNOON 2:30 p.m. **BUSINESS SESSION** 4:30 p.m. **Dinner Break** 5:30 P.M. CHURCH SCHOOL EXPLOSION CLOSING & COMMISSIONING WORSHIP SERVICE 6:30 P.M. Resolution Committee Report Pastoral Appointments May 17, 2025 SATURDAY YPD BUSINESS SESSION 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. YOUTH EXPLOSION WORSHIP SERVICE 1:00 p.m. RAYAC Sunday DMC May 18, 2025

AGENDA | DAILY SCHEDULE

## YOU ARE INVITED AS WE CELEBRATE THE RETIREMENT OF J. John and Mary Ann Jo



# SUNDAY \_\_\_\_\_\_ O4 TH MAY, 2025

"Faithful in the Call: Honoring a Legacy of Love & Leadership" "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith." 2 Timothy 4:7 (KJV)

Join us directly after 10am worship service, as we celebrate through food and fellowship.



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For ContributionsCash App \$FosterCares2025

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# Parents and YPDers!!

Please review the information below regarding upcoming YPD events.

## LOCAL YPD MEETING: Saturday, April 26TH

following choir rehearsal (approximately 12:00 PM) in the Fellowship Hall.

A N C G YPD Annual Day: Saturday, May 17TH starting at 9:00am at St. Philip AME Church

# YPD Event Updates

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CDMCCEREMONY: Saturday, May 10TH

at 4:00pm at Big Bethel AME Church



at Marriott Marquis (we will discuss attendance at the local meeting)

Thank You, Clarissa Carmichael

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# BIG BETHEL CREDIT UNION

If you're part of our church community, you can become a member of the credit union too. With members at the heart of everything they do, Georgia United goes above and beyond to provide personalized financial service.

CREDIT UNION

#### Together, we are YOUnited

Visit www. gucu.org to become a member.

# APRIL 27, 2025 OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Will or Trust

#### Have you ever wondered:

What will happen to your children and assets when you die?

John Foster, Ph.D., Senior Pastor

> If you cannot make decisions for yourself, who will make them for you, and what will they decide?

TERRENCE G. QUINN, ESQ.



# Trinity Table Big Bethel A.M.E. and Trinity UMC VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Sunday, April 27, 2025 | 12:30 – 2 p.m.

Volunteer to serve hot meals at 265 Washington Street, Atlanta, GA 30303 AND Between now and Saturday, April 26th, bring cases of bottled water and packaged desserts (cookies, pudding cups) to fill the bin in the Fellowship Hall for the to-go lunch bags.

> Trinity Table provides food for the homeless in a hospitable setting that affirms the dignity and worth of those in need. The TRINITY HOUSE BIG BETHEL MINISTRY and USHER BOARD #1 champions the work of this program and is asking Big Bethel members to donate, volunteer to serve hot meals and provide to-go lunch bags to support Trinity Table.

> > FOR MORE INFO E-Mail Greling Battle Battlegreling@gmail.com

#### Happy Spring! TRINITY HOUSE **BIG BETHEL**

As messaged last week, we are excited to be showcasing the impact that Trinity Community Ministries has in helping men transition from a life of homelessness and addiction. On Saturday April 26, 10am - 12:30pm, we are hosting a Journey of Hope Exhibit where people will be able to learn from our current clients about their own journey to hope and the progress each individual is making during their transition period with Trinity. We are excited to have you and your communities join us for this Exhibit so that people in the Greater Atlanta community get to understand our mission. If you have not done so already, please register to attend by securing a ticket at the link below.

#### What:

#### Journey of Hope Spring Exhibit When:

Saturday, April 26th 10am-2:30pm Where: Peachtree Road United Methodist Church - 3180 Peachtree Rd NE, Atlanta, GA 30305

Pricing: Adults \$10, Children Free

If you are unable to attend, but would like to show your support via donation, you can donate on our website: tcmatlanta.org.

#### Eventbrite



DONATE

3180 PEACHTREE RD NE. ATLANTA GA 30305

**JOURNEY OF HOPE** 

**SPRING EXHIBIT** 

SATURDAY, APRIL 26TH

10AM-12:30PM

PEACHTREE ROAD UNITED

METHODIST CHURCH -

#### Look forward to seeing you later this month!





#### Weekly 10AM Sunday Worship

www.bigbethelame.org WATCH LIVE https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC UugvakMrYvM9uae7rK5w6g

# BBAMEC VIRTUAL BBBBSSings

#### Weekly 2PM Sunday Thrive Next Shift Worship

www.bigbethelame.org WATCH LIVE http://www.rbe.com/hame/UCUp.ol//if/JAuce7K5v/c

Thrive-Every other Tuesday@7pm https://us06web.zoom.us/i/87238857567

Fordetails contact Rev Jess 770-940-0293



#### Tuesday 7PM Women's Bible Sludy

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87 171726645?pwd=anFGaTIwZ 1 IsaEtiL3ROdIBNQVpFQT09

## Wednesday Noon & 6 PM Bible Study

Rev. Monica Jones, PhD. SAME AS Adult Sunday School ZOOM LINK

> Big Bethel Village Bible Study Monday 4PM Worship Sunday 3PM PH: (202)926-1123 Code: 673604#



Isaiah 43: <sup>19</sup> See, I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?

Seasoned Saints -Thursdays @ 12pm https://us06web.zoom.us//82 655698611 Dial in #:1 929 205 6099. -Meeting ID: 828 5589 8811 Contact Rev Jess770-940-0293 Adult Sunday School 8:30AM PH: (309)205-3325 Code:7789893084# ZOOM LINK: ID: 847-251-8679 PassCode: adultclass

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/8472518679?pwd= NzIDRGIqNmVYY0RsRFY2VzV6ZGfMZz09 Prayer Call 6AM Mon-Sat PH:(605)-472-5512 code: 772576#

> Wednesday 7PM Discipleship Bible Study PH: (605)-472-5512 Code: 772576#

Youth Church 2<sup>nd</sup> Sundays 10:00AM Zoom Meeting ID: 775-4987-0483 Password: YEr10W

#### Youth Sunday School 8:30AM Email Everett Jolly ioll@comcast.net

Don't miss your opportunity to receive God's Blessings!