

SUNDAY, MAY 11, 2025

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WELCOME TO BIG BETHEL AME CHURCH • ATLANTA 10:00AM WORSHIP SERVICE SUNDAY, MAY 11, 2025

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: All knowing God, who sees and helps to bear the pains and disappointments of every black mother, we ask that you extend to our mothers comfort and strength.

People: Divine Nurturer, fortify our mothers. Continue to make them a refuge in the time of trouble.

Minister: We cherish mothers who teach, write or preach the truth and who open the minds of children to limitless possibility. We celebrate mothers who are homemakers, educators, authors and pastors, who formulate ideas, expend creative energy and inspire young people to become leaders.

People: God, empower black mothers to enrich the lives of their families. Aid them as they teach sons and daughters determination and the value of investing in the future.

Minister: We pray for black mothers of old who have bent their backs cleaning homes, picking cotton and working by the sweat of their brow. We thank them for their determination and their belief that education is a door to liberation and success.

People: Because our mothers taught us that "the Lord will make a way out of no way", we have the inheritance of a powerful spiritual legacy. We give black mothers bouquets of gratitude and honor. Kind and Gentle Savior, ever bless them.

THE HYMN OF PRAISE......AME Hymn # 430 - Faith Of Our Mothers

1. Faith of our mothers, living still In cradle song and bedtime prayer, In nursery love and fireside love, thy presence still pervades the air:

Refrain: Faith of our mothers, living faith, We will be true to thee till death.

- 2. Faith of our mothers, loving faith, Fount of our childhood's trust and grace, O may thy consecration prove, Source of a finer, nobler race; [Refrain]
- 3. Faith of our mothers, Christian faith, In truth beyond our stumbling creeds, Still serve the home and save the Church, And breathe thy spirit through our deeds: [Refrain]

The Invocation

THE WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC......JOHNSON-SCHOFIELD MALE CHOIR

THE RESPONSIVE READING PSalm 23

Minister: ¹ The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

People: ² He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters;

Minister: ³ he restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.

People: ⁴ Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

Minister: ⁵ You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

All: ⁶ Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.

THE SUMMARY OF THE DECALOGUE

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. Amen.

THE WELCOME TO BIG BETHEL......THE PHILIPPIAN MINISTRY

THE PASTOR'S WORDS

THE WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC..................JOHNSON-SCHOFIELD MALE CHOIR

THE SERMON...... PASTOR JOHN FOSTER

THE INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

THE CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP READING

Exodus 35:5

From what you have, take an offering for the LORD. Everyone who is willing is to bring to the LORD an offering.

THE WORSHIP IN GIVING: TITHES & OFFERING

THE BENEDICTION

**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 prayers & calls.

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

Sis. Miriam Redding Sis. Lillian Taylor (404) 284-6414

WEEKLY SCRIPTURE READINGS				
Seventh Sunday of Easter	First reading	Psalm	Second reading	Gospel
May 11, 2025	*Acts 9:36-43	Psalm 23	Revelation 7:9-17	John 10:22-30

WOMEN'S EMPHASIS MONTH

"FOR ALL THE LADIES IN THE PLACE WITH STYLE & GRACE"
PSALMS 145:4 - "ONE GENERATION SHALL PRAISE YOUR
WORKS TO ANOTHER, AND SHALL DECLARE YOUR
MIGHTY ACTS."

Upcoming Events



MAY

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LOVE FEAST
TBD

BOUQUET CLASS
2 PM - 4 PM

MAY

6
7 PM - 8:15 PM
\$2 TUESDAYS
LINE DANCE

TBD
CHAT & CHEW

13 7 PM - 8:15 PM \$2 TUESDAYS ZUMBA **1 2 0 7 PM** - **8:15 PM \$2 TUESDAYS LINE DANCE**

MAY **24** 2:30 PM - 4:00 PM TEA AROUND TOWN

MAY 25 10 AM WOMEN'S EMPHASIS DAY WORSHIP SERVICE

MAY 27 7 PM - 8:15 PM\$2 TUESDAYS
ZUMBA

MAY
30
2:00 PM (DROP OFF)
/ 5:00 PM IN PERSON
TRINITY HOUSE
TEAM DINNER





DRESS FOR YOUR GENERATION:

1901-1945: BLUE

1946-1964: PINK

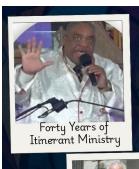
1965-1979: GREEN

1980-1994: LAVENDER

1995-2009: YELLOW 2010-NOW: ORANGE

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LET'S CELEBRATE!!! John and Mary Ann Foster

PRAISE GOD FOR THE JOURNEY!!!

Save the Date

THURSDAY

MAY 15 2025



4:30 pm

Refreshments will be served!!!

St. Philip AME Church 240 Candler Road, Atlanta, Georgia **George Moore Center**

For Contributions Cash App **\$FosterCares2025**

CONTACT

Come, Join Us

in this Life-Long Celebration of the Foster Family as We praise God for their Service!!!

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Service at Big Bethel

Twelve Years of

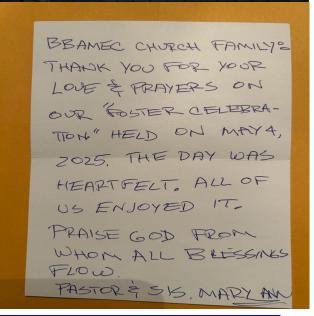
In case you missed the church celebration, you can scan the QRs below to see the Retirement Journal or make a financial contribution.

Forty Years of Matrimony Team



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SECOND

HIGH FASHION SUNDAY BEST





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