



BIG BETHEL A.M.E. CHURCH

Theme:

"Shine A Light"

Matthew 5:14-16

Youth Emphasis Sunday



JULY 23, 2023

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WELCOME TO BIG BETHEL AME CHURCH • ATLANTA

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10:00AM WORSHIP SERVICE

SUNDAY, JULY 23, 2023

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THE ORGAN PRELUDE.....BRO. PHILLIP SKERRETT, JR.

THE DOXOLOGY.....A.M.E. HYMN No. 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 WORSHIPSIS. LINDA SMITH

Minister: I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go into the house of the Lord!" Our feet have been standing within your gates, O Jerusalem! (Psalm 122:1-2)

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 to dwell in the tents of wickedness. (Psalm 84:10)

Minister: For the sake of the house of the Lord our God; I will seek your good. (Psalm 122:9)

People: They are planted in the house of the Lord; they flourish in the courts of our God. (Psalm 92:13)

Minister: O Lord, I love the habitation of your house, and the place where your glory dwells. (Psalm 26:8)

People: But the Lord is in His holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before him. (Habakkuk 2:20)

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. (Psalm 19:14)

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. (Psalm 98:1,4)

THE HYMN OF PRAISE.....FRIEND OF GOD—ISRAEL HOUGHTON & NEW BREED.....BRO. HENRY WALKER

I am a friend of God; I am a friend of God; I am a friend of God He calls me friend
Verse

Who am I that You are mindful of me That You hear me, when I call
Is it true that you are thinking of me How You love me, It's amazing

I am a friend of God; I am a friend of God; I am a friend of God; He calls me friend
I am a friend of God; I am a friend of God; I am a friend of God; He calls me friend

[Vamp:] God almighty; Lord of Glory; You have called me friend
God almighty; Lord of Glory; You have called me friend

THE INVOCATIONSIS. Tonretha Harris

THE WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC.....BEARDEN-SCOTT YOUTH CHOIR

THE RESPONSIVE SCRIPTURE.....Psalms 139:1-6 NRSV.....SIS. Trinity White

Minister: ¹ O LORD, you have searched me and known me.

THE RESPONSIVE SCRIPTURE (CONTINUED).....Psalms 139:1-6 NRSV

People: ² You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from far away.

Minister: ³ You search out my path and my lying down, and are acquainted with all my ways.

People: ⁴ Even before a word is on my tongue, O LORD, you know it completely.

Minister: ⁵ You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me.

ALL: ⁶ Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain it

THE PREFACE TO THE DECALOGUE.....AME HYMN #69

*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.....SIS. Lyla RENEAU

Hear what Christ our Savior saith, 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 it. You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the law and the prophets.

THE GLORIA PATRI.....AME HYMN #627

*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 PHILIPPIN MINISTRY

THE WORSHIP THROUGH CREATIVE EXPRESSION **KWANZA-SOL DANCE MINISTRY**

THE PASTOR'S WORDS

THE INTRODUCTION OF THE SPEAKER.....REV. ANDREA LEWIS, PH.D.

THE WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC.....BEARDEN-SCOTT YOUTH CHOIR

THE SERMON.....REV. CASSANDRA MARSHALL
ASSOCIATE MINISTER—TRINITY AMEC

THE INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP.....REV. CASSANDRA MARSHALL

THE WORSHIP IN GIVING: TITHES & OFFERING



THE BENEDICTIONREV. CASSANDRA MARSHALL

BIG BETHEL AME CHURCH



FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

JOIN
US!

ANNUAL SHAREHOLDERS MEETING BIG BETHEL FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

July 31, 2023

Please join us on Zoom for the annual
shareholders meeting on
Monday, July 31, 2023, at 6:30pm.

ZOOM LINK

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87066361368?pwd=bXZHWUFwWVJLTUpxQ3gya21mcUtMdz09>

Meeting ID: 870 6636 1368

Passcode: 927262

This link is also available on the church website:

www.bigbethelame.org Special Events tab

Click on the BBCFCU MEETING LINK

For additional information, email your contact
information to BBAMEC@netzero.net

Sincerely,

Board of Directors

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

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Bro. Horace Ford (770) 478-3013

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

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost	First reading	Psalm	Second reading	Gospel
July 23, 2023	Genesis 28:10-19a Psalm 139:1-12, 23-24	Wisdom of Solomon 12:13, 16-19 or Isaiah 44:6-8 Psalm 86:11-17	Romans 8:12-25	Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43



Reverend Cassandra Marshall

Reverend Cassandra Marshall, affectionately known as Rev. Cassie, is a native of San Diego, California. She grew up as an active member of Bethel AME, San Diego where she served the AME Church faithfully in numerous capacities. She has served diligently in The Lay Organization, where her roles have ranged from local level member and leadership in 5th District as Young Adult Representative. Her favorite scripture is Proverbs 22:6. "Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it". She is thankful for the training that she has received in her life.

In 2009 Cassandra was accepted to Clark Atlanta University and moved to Atlanta to pursue her education. In May 2013, Cassandra received her Bachelor of Arts in Speech Communications and Philosophy. She furthered her education at Emory University's Candler School of Theology, where she earned a Master of Divinity with a concentration in Theology and Ethics in May 2019.

Cassandra is currently a member at Trinity AME Church in Atlanta, GA under the leadership of Pastor Charles Ramsey. In 2018, She accepted her call to preach and began the process to receive her ordination in The African Methodist Episcopal Church. In May 2023 at the 149th session of the Atlanta North Georgia Annual Conference, Cassandra was ordained an Itinerant Elder in the African Methodist Episcopal Church.

Cassandra loves The Lord and The AME Church. Rev. Cassie believes in being uniquely you, she doesn't enter the pulpit in traditional fashion. When she stands to proclaim The Gospel she often does so in her infamous collection of sneakers and has earned her the nickname "The Preacher in Sneakers". Her call to ministry is to encourage others to seek God, for she knows what a transformation that has brought about in her own life.



****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!!!!**



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Matthew 5:14-16

JULY 2023

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JULY
10-14

**SOCIAL MEDIA
TAKEOVER**

JULY
15

**YOUTH SKATE PARTY
12PM-3PM**

JULY
21-22

**Youth Lock-In
~8PM – 9AM**

JULY
23

**YOUTH
Emphasis
SUNDAY 10AM**

JULY
28

Trinity House Big Bethel
TEAM Dinner hosted by YOUTH
4:30 PM

THE PHILIPPIANS MINISTRY



The Philippians Ministry welcomes all who visit Big Bethel AME Church. We invite you to join us in this ministry of greeting our visitors with the joy of Jesus! For more information, please contact: Sis. Racquel Battle benita7816@att.net

HEAVEN BOUND

The organization and planning meeting for HEAVEN BOUND 2023 will be held on **Saturday, July 29th 11:00AM** in the Fellowship Hall.

All persons interested in participating in the production or behind the scenes are welcome!

MISSING OUT ON BIG BETHEL NEWS & EVENT INFO?

Be in the know!!

All members are asked to please update your contact information.

Perhaps your contact information needs updating!!

An update can be provided using the member update form available online at www.bigbethelame.org/member-services

Click on the "Member Contact Update Form" button




SCAN ME

Ever wonder what we are doing in Big Bethel's church school?

We'd like to see you there, but here is the next best thing to sharing in person...

Church School Quarterlies now available in the Sanctuary!

At elevator and Hill entrances
Get your copy! Stay up to date.

Join us every Sunday at 8:30am

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8472318672?pwd=NjRlRGdScmV1YURaRVZ1eVZlZGZlZz09>




Big Bethel-Trinity Partnership Ministry

VOLUNTEER
we need your help!

Trinity Table Volunteer Servers Needed!
Sunday, July 30th Noon – 1:30 PM @ Trinity United Methodist Church

Big Bethel AME Church's Bethel-Trinity Partnership Ministry will host the Trinity Table on Sunday, July 30th 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.

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

Sunday, July 30th

Send an e-mail to bettydcx24@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.

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

SAVE THE DATE
SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE

After Church
BRUNCH

\$7 per person

AUGUST 6, 2023
After 10AM Worship in FELLOWSHIP HALL

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!





**Weekly 10AM
Sunday Worship**

www.bigbethelbma.org WATCH LIVE
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCUgV6bWYVWpua37K3wlg>

**BBAMEC VIRTUAL
Blessings**

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

www.bigbethelbma.org WATCH LIVE
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCUgV6bWYVWpua37K3wlg>



**Tuesday 7PM
Women's Bible Study**

Zoom ID: 406 713 1874
(312) 626-6799, access
code 4067131874#

**Wednesday Noon &
6 PM Bible Study**

Rev. Monica Jones, PhD
202-926-1123
Code: 673674#

**Big Bethel Village
Bible Study
Monday 4PM**

202-926-1123 Code:
673674#

**Big Bethel Village
Worship Sunday
3PM**

202-926-1123
Code 673674#



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

**Adult Sunday School
8:30AM
605-472-5512
Code: 772576#**

**Big Bethel Saturday
School 12:30 -2:00PM**
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/821829457277pwd=K2N8bkdMNh0SVpoWEidZPhDYzNjZz09>



Prayer Call

6AM Mon-Sat
605-472-5512
Code: 772576#

**Wednesday 7PM
Discipleship
Bible Study
605-472-5512
Code: 772576#**

**Youth Church 2nd & 3rd
Sundays 12:30PM**

**Zoom Meeting ID:
775-4987-0483
Password: YE10W**

**Youth Sunday
School 8:30AM**
Email Everett Jolly
jolly@comcast.net

During this season of Covid-19, Don't miss your opportunity to receive God's Blessings!