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## Big Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church

REVEREND JOHN FOSTER PH.D., SENIOR PASTOR



## Sunday, August 6, 2023 10:00AM

THE PRELUDE BRO. KELVIN THOMPSON

\*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...... A.M.E. Hymn #139 Alas, And Did My Savior Bleed

1. Alas! and did my Savior bleed, and did my Sovereign die! Would he devote that sacred head for sinners such as I?

**REFRAIN:** At the cross, at the cross where I first saw the light, And the burden of my heart rolled away, It was there by faith I received my sight, And now I am happy all the day.

- 2. Was it for crimes that I have done, he groaned upon the tree? Amazing pity! grace unknown! And love beyond degree!
- 3. But drops of grief can ne'er repay the debt of love I owe. Here, Lord, I give myself away; Tis all that I can do.

THE INVOCATION

THE WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC

**BABCOCK-YOUNG VOICES OF UNITY** 

### THE RESPONSIVE SCRIPTURE

Genesis 32:22-28

Minister: <sup>22</sup> The same night he got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the

ford of the Jabbok.

<sup>23</sup> He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. People:

Minister: <sup>24</sup> Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak.

People: <sup>25</sup> When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put

out of joint as he wrestled with him.

Minister: 26 Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me."

People: <sup>27</sup> So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob."

<sup>28</sup> Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with ALL: humans, and have prevailed."

### \*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 SUMMARY OF THE DECALOGUE

**AME HYMN #626** 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

PHILIPPIAN MINISTRY

THE PASTOR'S WORDS

THE WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC

**BABCOCK-YOUNG VOICES OF UNITY** 

**PASTOR JOHN FOSTER** THE SERMON

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 WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING: TITHES & OFFERING

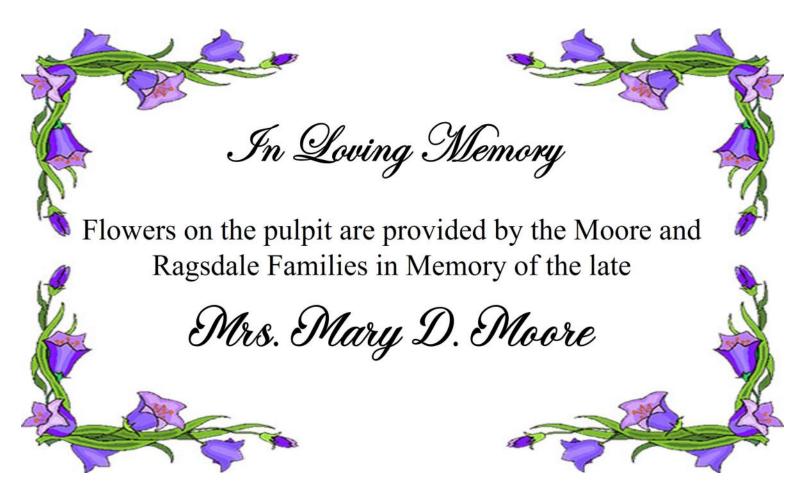
THE CHORAL RESPONSE

All things come of thee O Lord, and of Thine Own have we given Thee. Amen

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!!!!









REV. JOHN FOSTER, PHD BIG BETHEL AME-PASTOR GUEST PREACHER



Rev. Dr. Reginald Cleaver, Jr., Host Pastor

1140 HENRY THOMAS DR. SE, ATLANTA, GA 30315





# WEEKLY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost	First reading	Psalm	Second reading	Gospel
August 6, 2023	Genesis 22:1-14 Psalm 13	<u>Isaiah 55:1-5</u> <u>Psalm 145:8-9, 14-21</u>	Romans 9:1-5	Matthew 14:13-21



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



Sis. Patricia Coles (404) 254-4806

**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





# The Transportation Ministry is in need of volunteer drivers!!



If you or anyone you know are in interested in receiving a ride to and from church, please email your name, phone number and address to Ed Jones at:



erjones@bigbethelame.org



SAVE THE DATE

# Quarterly CONFERENCE

In-Person

August 28, 2023

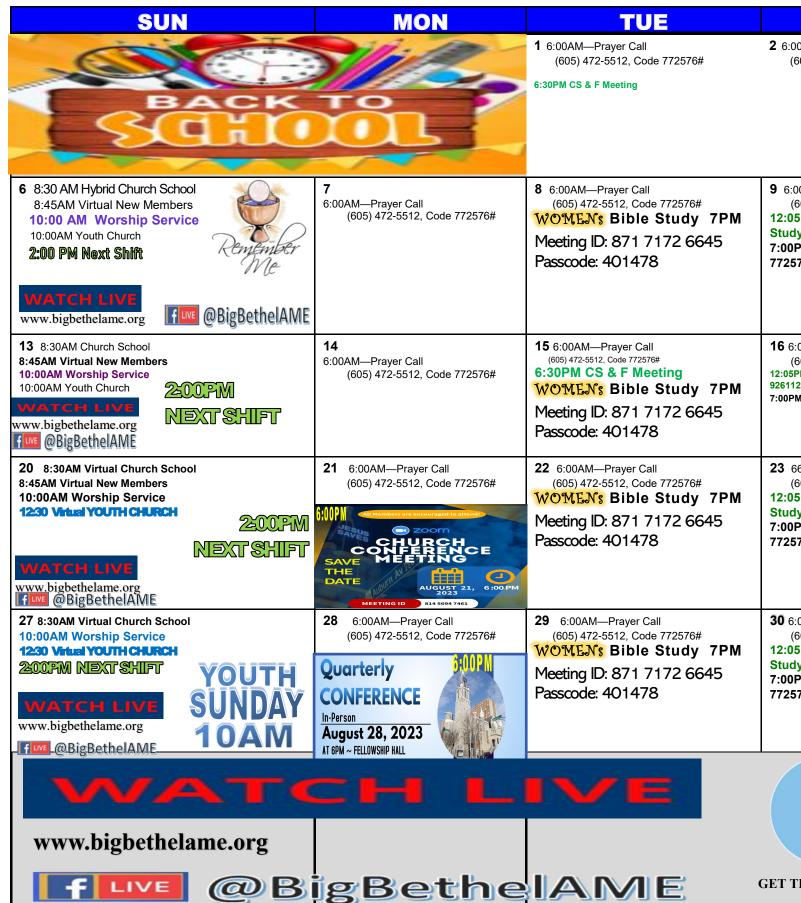
AT 6PM ~ FELLOWSHIP HALL

Come participate in the business of your church!





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# IST 2023 Events



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# Wishing a Blessed and Happy Birthday to all our members celebrating in the month of August!

- 8/1 Horace Ford, Angela Rucker
- 8/2 Dr. Georgianne Thomas, Christopher Grant
- 8/3 Faye Marion, Elizabeth Smith, Sylvia Thomas
- 8/5 Kyla Barnes
- 8/6 Dashir Brewington, Jerrye Camp, Christopher Parker, Shirley Simmons, Gabrielle Thomas, Terry Thomas, Cynthia Holt
- 8/7 Tawana Jones, Kerry Westbrooks, Marshall Mastrianni
- 8/9 Shannon Miller, Jr.
- 8/10 Mary Wright, Racquel Battle
- 8/11 Lisa Johnson-Whigham, Valerie Thomas, Lucky Godfrey Buck
- 8/12 Vesa Craddock Hood, Clara Williams
- 8/15 Mary Smith
- 8/16 Zaire Carmichael, Sunnah Taylor

### **Donald Harrison**

- 8/18 Reginald Dye, Oliver Hudson, Keisha Langley
- 8/19 Brenda Tanks-Hewitt, Jerome Crawl, Stephanie Stowe Richards, Stanley Pritchett, III
- 8/20 Courtavious Wright, Johnny Ransom, Anthony Stanley, Roosevelt Turner, III
- 8/21 Tony Jones
- 8/22 Giana Humphrey
- 8/24 Felicia Jones
- 8/25 Michelle Perrymon
- 8/26 Grace Terrell McCoy, Monique Guiles
- 8/27 William Dye, IV, Garrett Horton, Corine Jordan, Charles Schofield
- 8/29 Kivian Taylor,
- 8/30 Ed Jones, Wanda Patterson





Thrive

**JOIN US!** 

Mext Shift

2PM

**EVERY SUNDAY!** 

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ADULT MINISTRY



Alter and Big Bethel AME Church

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"A Dementia-Friendly church on historic Auburn Ave!"

# Dementia-Friendly Church Partners

On Sunday August 13, 2023

Churches" will be conducting a survey of our members. Each member, 18 years or older, will receive a \$25 gift card for completing the survey! Staff from Emory will be on-site to assist with the survey.

Please don't miss your chance to participate!

# STAY CONNECTED DOWNLOAD THE BIG BETHEL APP TODAY!!

### **Download**

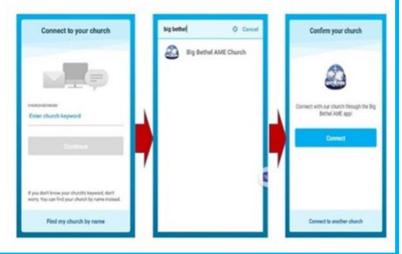


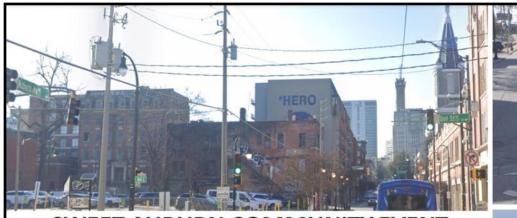
from the App store or Google Play





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### SWEET AUBURN COMMUNITY EVENT

The City of Atlanta is removing all Confederate street names.

In compliance with this legislation,

a Street Name Change Ceremony will be held on Tuesday, August 22, 2023 | 11:00am at the corner of Bell Street and Auburn Avenue

The street will be renamed in honor of **Leonard Tate**, the founder of **Trinity House -Big Bethel.** 

\*Learn more about it in the July 10, 2023, AJC.com article.







Discipleship ~New Members

Ministry

Hybrid/Virtual

Orientation

Classes

1st - 3rd Sundays @

8:45 AM

MISSING OUT ON BIG BETHEL NEWS & EVENT INFO?

Perhaps
your contact
information
needs
updating!!

## Be in the know!!

All members are asked to please update your contact information.

An update can be provided using the member update form available online at



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www.bigbethelame.org/member-services

Click on the "Member Contact Update Form" button

# Big Bethel AMEC announces

Discipleship ~ New Members
Hybrid/Virtual Orientation Classes

Many current and seasoned members of Big Bethel AME Church may recall it has been a long time since they experienced New Member's Orientation. Some may be unsure if they did, or maybe never had an opportunity. Keeping these possibilities in mind, the "Discipleship - New Members" Ministry Team invites the entire Big Bethel Congregation to join us for the occasion to explore the New Members Orientation and to study "Discipleship". It is a time to dialogue about Gods' Plan of Salvation, AME Church History, Doctrine & Discipline, Spiritual Growth, Stewardship, and Spiritual Gifts.

As part of the 2022, course study now known as "Discipleship - New Members" all are invited to attend discussion classes held on the 1st-3rd Sunday of each month at 8:45 AM.

We invite those who started, have never started, or are ready to explore this foundational course of study which honors, God's charge to "make disciples". Those interested can register via the church website (www.bigbethelame.org).

- Go to Resources tab, scroll down to Member Services
- Scroll down and click the "Discipleship-New Member Class" button.
- Then expect an email with the Class Manual, Class Schedule and instructions to sign into the hybrid Zoom Class

Please joins in this foundational course study of discipleship!

Let's talk about Faith!

Discipleship ~ New Members Ministry Team





## Weekly 10AM Sunday Worship

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

NEW

## **BBAMEC VIRTUAL**

Blessings





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## Tuesday 7PM Women's Bible Study

Meeting ID: 871 7172 6645 Pass code: 401478

# Wednesday Noon & 6 PM Bible Study

Rev. Monica Jones, PhD.
SAME AS Adult Sunday
School ZOOMLINK

## Big Bethel Village

Bible Study Monday 4PM Worship Sunday 3PM

> PH: (202)926-1123 Code: 673604#

> > Big Bethel Saturday School 12:30 -2:00PM

> > Now meeting in person!



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

# NEW



Adult Sunday School 8:30AM

PH: (309)205-3325 Code:7789893084# ZOOM LINK:

ID: 847-251-8679 PassCode: adultalass

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/8472518679?pwd= NzIDRGIqNmVYY0RsRFY2VzV6ZGIMZz09

## **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> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays 12:30PM

Zoom Meeting ID:

775-4987-0483

Password: YEr10W

## Youth Sunday School 8:30AM

Email Everett Jolly joll@comcast.net

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