

BIG BETHEL AME CHURCH

"We give thanks to you, Lord God Almighty, who is and who was, for you have taken your great power and begun to reign."

Revelation 11:17



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2023

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WELCOME TO BIG BETHEL AME CHURCH • ATLANTA

10:00AM WORSHIP SERVICE

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2023



THE ORGAN PRELUDE.....BRO. KELVIN THOMPSON

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 WORSHIP

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.....AME Hymn #576 We Gather Together

1. We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing; He chastens and hastens His will to make known; The wicked oppressing now cease from distressing. Sing praises to His name; He forgets not His own.
2. Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining, ordaining, maintaining His kingdom divine; so from the beginning the fight we were winning; Thou, Lord, wast at our side; all glory be Thine!
3. We all do extol Thee, Thou Leader triumphant, and pray That thou still our defender wilt be. Let Thy congregation escape tribulation; Thy name be ever praised! O Lord, make us free!

The INVOCATION

THE WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC.....BIG BETHEL PRAISE ENSEMBLE

THE RESPONSIVE SCRIPTURE1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Minister: ¹ Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. 5:2 For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night.

People: ³ When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape!

THE RESPONSIVE SCRIPTURE (CONTINUED).....1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Minister: ⁴ **But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief;**

People: ⁵ for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness.

Minister: ⁶ **So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober;**

People: ⁷ for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night.

Minister: ⁸ **But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation.**

People: ⁹ For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ,

Minister: ¹⁰ **who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him.**

ALL: ¹¹ **Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.**

THE PREFACE TO THE DECALOGUE.....IN THE TUNE OF AME HYMN #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

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 PHILIPPIAN MINISTRY

THE PASTOR'S WORDS

THE WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC.BIG BETHEL PRAISE ENSEMBLE

**THE SERMON.....REV. CHARMAIN PURVIS
BBAMEC ASSOCIATE MINISTER**

THE INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

THE STEWARDSHIP APPEAL

THE WORSHIP IN GIVING: TITHES & OFFERING

THE BENEDICTION



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THANK YOU FOR WORSHIPPING WITH US AND
FEEL FREE TO COME AGAIN!!!!**





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Invites you to

THANKSGIVING

Worship

**THURSDAY,
NOVEMBER 23, 2023
10AM**

Come and Be Blessed!!

Pastor John Foster

Persons Serving in the Worship Experience

Acolytes	~~~~~
Choir	Big Bethel Praise Ensemble Derrick John— Dir.
Philippians	JaKeilla Rouse
Stewardesses	Corene Jordan & Teresa Robinson
Stewards	Chris Parker
Trustees	~~~~~
Ushers	Samuel H. Giles
AV Ministry	Brandon Collin & Phyllislorena Smiley
Finance Team	Team B

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

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WEEKLY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Twenty Fifth Sunday after Pentecost	First reading	Psalm	Second reading	Gospel
November 19, 2023	Judges 4:1-7 Psalm 123	Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18 Psalm 90:1-8, (9-11), 12	1 Thessalonians 5:1-11	Matthew 25:14-30