

BIG BETHEL AME CHURCH

B L E S S E D

THANKSGIVING

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2024

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WELCOME TO BIG BETHEL AME CHURCH • ATLANTA

10:00AM WORSHIP SERVICE

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2024

THE ORGAN PRELUDE.....BRO. PHILLIP SKERRITT, 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 WORSHIP

Minister: All praise be to God for the birds of the air, the fruit of the field, and interstellar space. We praise you for all that is past and trust in you for all that is to come. For our history and our future we give thanks unto the Lord.

People: All praise be to god for the harvest. May we be good stewards of your bounty.

Minister: Thankfulness should be a constant state of being, but during this season of Thanksgiving, we take special pause to give thanks. All love comes from you, O Lord. Teach us to love. For our families and all who work to knit us in love, we are grateful.

People: All praise be to the Living God. May we be good stewards of your bounty.

Minister: Thank you for jobs and the possibility of jobs. Thank you for well-being and the guardians of our well-being. Thank you for your church and our church family, for our pastor, ministers and elders. For laughter, joy and the beauty of the earth, we give thanks.

All Together: All praise be to the Most High God. May we be good stewards of your bounty.

THE HYMN OF PRAISE.....LORD I LIFT YOUR NAME ON HIGH

Lord I lift your name on high Lord I love to sing your praises I'm so glad you are in my life I'm so glad you came to save us. Lord I lift your name on high Lord I love to sing your praises I'm so glad you are in my life I'm so glad you came to save us

You came from heaven to earth, to show the way From the earth to the cross, my debt to pay
From the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky Lord I lift your name on high

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Lord I lift your name on high Lord I lift your name on high Lord I lift your name on high Lord I lift your name on high

The INVOCATION

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

THE RESPONSIVE SCRIPTURERevelation 1:4b-8

Minister: ⁴Grace to you and peace from him who ⁴is and who was and who is to come and from the seven spirits who are before his throne,

THE RESPONSIVE SCRIPTURE (CONTINUED).....Revelation 1:4b-8

People ⁵ and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood

Minister: ⁶and made us a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

People: ⁷Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all the tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. So it is to be. Amen.

All: ⁸"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

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

Hear what Christ our Savior said: "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 hang 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 PHILIPPIAN MINISTRY

THE BIG BETHEL MINISTRY MOMENT COME ON HOME FOR CHRISTMAS

THE PASTOR'S WORDS

THE WORSHIP THROUGH CREATIVE EXPRESSION KWANZA SOL DANCE MINISTRY

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

THE MESSAGE.....SIS. MILANI BLACK

THE INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

THE CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP READING Malachi 3:11, 12

"I will prevent pests from devouring your crops, and the vines in your fields will not cast their fruit," says the LORD Almighty. "Then all the nations will call you blessed, for yours will be a delightful land."

THE WORSHIP IN 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!!!!**



Persons Serving in the Worship Experience	
Acolytes	~~~~~
Choir	Big Bethel Praise Ensemble Cornelius Pettway Dir.
Philippians	Paul Emery Wright
Stewardesses	~~~~~
Stewards	Jennifer Smith
Trustees	Floyd Baxter
Ushers	Usherette Board #3
AV Ministry	Brandon Collin & Phyllislorena Smiley
Finance Team	S. Pritchett & E. Jones

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

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

WEEKLY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Twenty Sixth Sunday after Pentecost	First reading	Psalm	Second	Gospel
November 24, 2024	1 Samuel 1:4-20	Daniel 12:1-3	Hebrews 10:11-14,	Mark 13:1-8



SAVE THE DATE

Quarterly CONFERENCE

Virtual on Zoom

December 2, 2024 @ 6PM

Meeting ID: 814 5694 7461 Passcode: 788962

One tap mobile:+16468769923, 814 5694 7461# 788962#



Come participate in the business of your church!



**Come Grow with Us
In Christ**

**Big Bethel AME Families First...
Youth & Children Sunday School
December 1 (First Sunday)**

11:30 Sunday School Classes

Sunday School for Youth and Children will be in Big Bethel's Fellowship Hall each First Sunday. On December 1 each Youth and Children Class will distribute parts for our December 15 Christmas Program during Sunday School. Parents are asked to participate in a brief information-sharing session during Sunday School.

Big Bethel AME Church School: Putting Families First while engaging them with others to learn about Jesus Christ.



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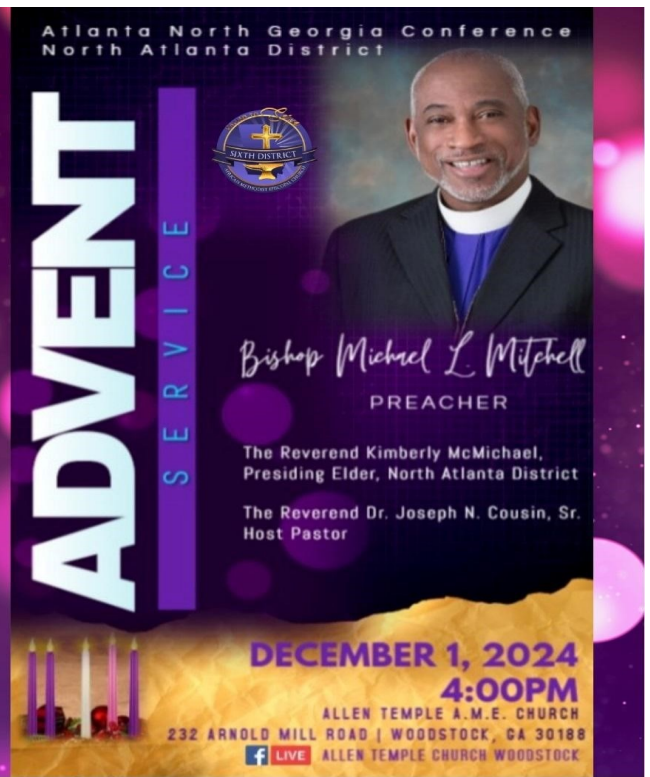
Invites you to

**THANKSGIVING
WORSHIP**

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER
28, 2024 | 10:00 AM**


Come and Be Blessed!!

Pastor John Foster



Atlanta North Georgia Conference
North Atlanta District

ADVENT SERVICE




Bishop Michael L. Mitchell
PREACHER

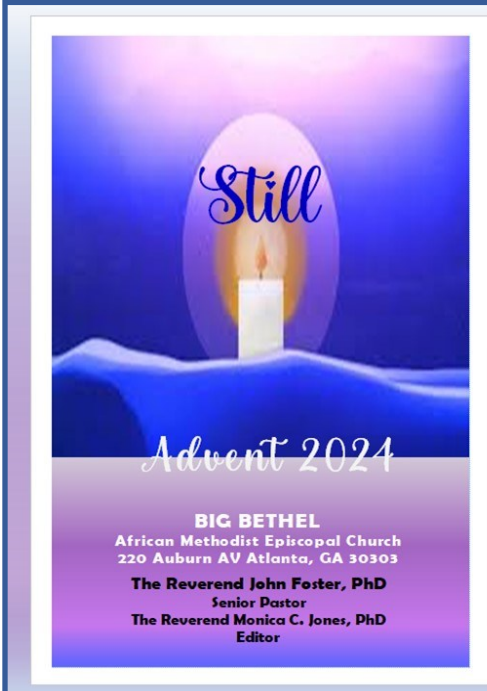
The Reverend Kimberly McMichael,
Presiding Elder, North Atlanta District

The Reverend Dr. Joseph N. Cousin, Sr.
Host Pastor

**DECEMBER 1, 2024
4:00PM**

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Advent 2024

BIG BETHEL
African Methodist Episcopal Church
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The Reverend John Foster, PhD
Senior Pastor

The Reverend Monica C. Jones, PhD
Editor

COMING SOON!!

The Advent Meditation Guide is on it's way!!

It will be available on the church & Christian Education websites soon.

Limited hard copies will be available also.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED To participate in a **CLIMATE CHANGE** **FOCUS GROUP** **TODAY**

Please meet Immediately following the
10:00am Worship Service in Fellowship Hall

Sponsored by Mercer University Environmental Science Department and
the Big Bethel Social Action Committee




BIG BETHEL SOCIAL ACTION COMMISSION

Introducing Our

BROWN SPACE GREEN PROJECT

A Food Security Initiative

29 Then God said, "I give you every seed-bearing plant on the face of the whole earth and every tree that has fruit with seed in it. They will be yours for food. ... Genesis 1:29

- ✓ Black households had the highest rate of food insecurity at 23.3%, followed by Latinx households at 21.9%
- ✓ Join us in our fight to reverse food insecurity and climate change
- ✓ Work hand in hand with us to leverage Big Bethel's hardscapes into beautiful GREEN spaces 
- ✓ We need all hands on deck! artist, teachers, home gardeners, ex-farmers, teachers, cooks, architects, planners, engineers, etc.

To join our effort in turning our
BROWN spaces **GREEN**



Brown Spaces Green Signup



Come On Home For Christmas

NOV. 24 & DEC. 1 THE GIVING TREE

Please select a gift request card from the tree for a child in foster care. We ask that gifts be brought to the church on Sunday, Dec. 1st. Or Dec. 8th.

Contact: JoAnn Brazil, 404-291-0267,
or Jacqueline Michael 404-909-5351

NOV. 24 & DEC. 1 POINSETTIAS FOR LOVED ONES

Our sanctuary will be beautifully decorated with poinsettias purchased by you for \$10.00, in memory/ honor of a loved ones.

Contact: Shelley Webster, Shelley@shelleywebster.com

DECEMBER. 8 COHFC ANNUAL CONCERT 4:00 PM.

Come, be inspired by glorious musical renditions from the music and arts ministry and bring a guest with you. A fellowship reception will be held following the concert.

DECEMBER. 15 GIFTS OF WARMTH

Let us remember our unhoused brothers and sisters during winter season with gifts of socks, knit hats, gloves, jackets and other items of clothing. Please place your gifts in designated boxes in the sanctuary.

Contact: Gwen Langley, 404-643-3640

DECEMBER 15 SICK AND SHUT IN, CAREGIVERS RECOGNITION

Please come to the back of the sanctuary and select the name of one of our wonderful members to contact i.e., call or send a card during the Advent season.

Contact: Gloria Gaston, gloriagaston@gmail.com

COHFC LOVE OFFERING

This special offering will be used to give a contribution on behalf of big bethel to organizations that serve our less fortunate brothers and sisters. There are several ways to make a donation: offering envelope, online at give, and cash app