

BIG BETHEL AME CHURCH



Peace

Sunday, December 08, 2024

Second Sunday of Advent

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WELCOME TO BIG BETHEL AME CHURCH • ATLANTA

10:00AM WORSHIP SERVICE

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2024



THE PRELUDE

BRO. PHILIP 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 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 #115—Hark The Herald Angels Sing

1. Hark the herald angels sing "Glory to the newborn King! Peace on earth and mercy mild God and sinners reconciled" Joyful, all ye nations rise Join the triumph of the skies With the angelic host proclaim: "Christ is born in Bethlehem" Refrain: Hark! The herald angels sing "Glory to the newborn King!"
2. Christ by highest heaven adored Christ the everlasting Lord! Late in time behold Him come Offspring of the Virgin's womb Veiled in flesh the Godhead see Hail the incarnate Deity Pleased as man with men to dwell Jesus, our Emmanuel Refrain: Hark! The herald angels sing "Glory to the newborn King!"
3. Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace! Hail the Son of Righteousness! Light and life to all He brings Risen with healing in His wings. Mild He lays His glory by Born that man no more may die Born to raise the sons of earth Born to give them second birth Refrain: Hark! The herald angels sing "Glory to the newborn King!" Amen.

THE INVOCATION

THE WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC

JOHNSON-SCHOFIELD MALE CHOIR

THE RESPONSIVE SCRIPTURE

Malachi 3:1-4

Minister: ¹ See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight--indeed, he is coming, says the LORD of hosts.

The Responsive Scripture (Continued)

Malachi 3:1-4

People: ² But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like washers' soap;

Minister: ³ he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the LORD in righteousness.

All: ⁴ Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the LORD, as in the days of old and as in former years.

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

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.....#626

*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 LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE –PEACE.....SIS. JENNIFER SMITH & SIS. BIANCA THOMAS

THE CHORAL RESPONSE:

AME HYMN #102

O come, O come Emmanuel, And ransom captive Israel.
That mourns in lonely exile here; Until the Son of God appear.
Rejoice, Rejoice Emmanuel Shall come to thee , O Israel.

THE WELCOME TO BIG BETHEL

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

Acts 4:34-35

³⁴ Nor was there anyone among them who lacked; for all who were possessors of lands or houses sold them, and brought the proceeds of the things that were sold, ³⁵ and laid them at the apostles' feet; and they distributed to each as anyone had need.

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!!



VISITOR REGISTRATION

WEEKLY SCRIPTURE READINGS

	<u>Second Sunday of Advent</u>	First reading	Psalm
	December 08, 2024	Baruch 5:1-9 or Malachi 3:1-4	Luke 1:68-79
		Second reading	Gospel
		Philippians 1:3-11	Luke 3:1-6

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. Lillian Taylor (404) 284-6414

DURING THIS **CONF** SEASON
REMEMBER *Emily's Haven*
THINGS NEEDED

- Smaller sized women's clothing (4-12)
- Undergarments (bras, panties, camis)
- Travel sized toiletries
- Shoes (sneakers, flats)
- Food cards

welcomed

Happy Holidays!
BE A LIGHT!! HAPPY HOLIDAYS
 Contact Rev. Joyce Young or Cornelia Jordan

We need help from our community!

Bleeding is the most common cause of preventable death after injury in children. There have been no large studies to guide doctors in how best to care for children with life-threatening bleeding after trauma.

We are taking part in a national study to see what combination of treatments given soon after arrival in the emergency department can improve survival. The treatments include blood products (whole blood, red blood cells, plasma and platelets) and a medication that can help blood clot (tranexamic acid).

Please join our virtual community forum discussing the Massive Transfusion in Children-II (MATIC-2) Trial.

For more information regarding this study please click the link below:
<https://www.uab.edu/medicine/cis/matic-2-children-s-healthcare-of-atlanta-emory-university>

This forum will be hosted via ZOOM on:
 December 11th at 6:00pm
<https://uab-mc.zoom.us/j/88508502831>

You will have a chance to speak with the physician leading this trial, ask questions, and learn about trauma research.

Your input is valuable as a member of the Children's Healthcare of Atlanta community.

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



BIG BETHEL A.M.E. CHURCH
Rev. John Foster, Ph.D., Senior Pastor

**WORSHIP & ARTS
MINISTRY**

presents

A Universal Christmas

A JOYFUL CELEBRATION OF THE SEASON

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2024 | 4:00PM

Nathaniel Fisher Jr., Minister of Music
Bro. Philip V. Skerrett, Jr., Senior Pipe Organist
Rev. Jessica Buford, Thrive Ministry Director, Narrator

Behold the Lamb of God who takes away
the sins of the world!! John 1:29



A COME ON HOME FOR CHRISTMAS PRODUCTION



BIG BETHEL AME CHURCH
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MINISTRY

presents

We Three Kings



A
Sunday School
Christmas Program

AT 11:30 AM
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15TH

~ Fellowship Hall ~
220 Auburn Ave. NE
Atlanta, GA 30303

Rev. John Foster, Ph.D., Senior Pastor
Rev. Monica C. Jones, Ph.D., Christian Education Director
Bro. Everett Jolly, Sunday School Superintendent
www.bigbethelame.org

Join Us!



ROBERT L. MASON JR. *Candlelight Memorial*

On one of the longest and coldest nights of the year, we come together in love and compassion to celebrate the lives of those we have lost from experiencing homelessness in DeKalb and Fulton Counties.

December 19, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.
424 Decatur Street SE, Atlanta, GA 30312
Parking on site

Refreshments and gifts of warmth will be distributed at the conclusion of the program.

BBAMEC VIRTUAL Blessings



Weekly 10AM Sunday Worship

www.bigbethelame.org WATCH LIVE
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCUgvaKMrYvM9uae7rK5w6g>



Weekly 2PM Sunday Thrive Next Shift Worship

www.bigbethelame.org WATCH LIVE
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCUgvaKMrYvM9uae7rK5w6g>

Thrive - Every other Tuesday @ 7pm -
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87238857567>

For details contact Rev Jess 770-940-0293

Tuesday 7PM Women's Bible Study

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/171726645?pwd=anFGaTlwZTlsaEFiL3ROdIBNQVpPFGT09>

NEW



Women's Bible Study

Wednesday

Noon & 6 PM Bible Study

Rev. Monica Jones, PhD

SAME AS Adult Sunday

School ZOOM LINK

Big Bethel Village

Bible Study Monday 4PM
Worship Sunday 3PM

PH: (202) 926-1123

Code: 673604#



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

Prayer Call 6AM Mon-Sat

PH: (605)-472-5512

Code: 772576#

Wednesday 7PM

**Discipleship
Bible Study**

PH: (605)-472-5512

Code: 772576#

Youth Church 2nd Sundays 10:00AM

Zoom Meeting ID: 775-4987-0483

Password: Yr10W

Seasoned Saints Thursdays @ 12pm

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82655698611>

Dial in #: 1 929 205 6099 -
Meeting ID: 826 5569 8611

Contact Rev Jess 770-940-0293

NEW



ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL ZOOM

Adult Sunday School 8:30AM

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

ZOOM LINK:

ID: 847-251-8679 PassCode: adultclass

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/8472518679?pwd=NzI0RG1qNmVYY0RrSFY2VzV6ZG1MZD09>

Youth Sunday School 8:30AM

Email Everett Jolly
joll@comcast.net

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