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*April 25, 2021 – 10:45 a.m.*

*An Hour of Power Celebration of*



*The Doxology*

**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! Amen! Amen!**

*The Call to Worship*

- LEADER:** I was glad when they said unto 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 to dwell in the tents of wickedness.**
- LEADER:** 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.**
- LEADER:** 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.**
- LEADER:** 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! Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth, sing praises!**

*The Opening Hymn Led By  
The Men's Choir - Brother Brent Golden, Accompanist  
#221 - "How to Reach the Masses "*

1. How to reach the masses those of every birth, For an answer Jesus gave the key; "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, Will draw all men unto Me."  
**Refrain: Lift Him up, Lift Him up, Still He speaks from eternity: "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, Will draw all men unto Me."**
2. Oh! the world is hungry for the Living Bread, Lift the Savior up for them to see; Trust Him and do not doubt the words that He said, "I'll draw all men unto Me."
3. Don't exalt the preacher, don't exalt the pew, Preach the gospel simple full and free; Prove Him and you will find that promise is true, "I'll draw all men unto Me."
4. Lift Him up by living as a Christian ought, Let the world in you the Savior see; Then all will gladly follow Him who once taught, "I'll draw all men unto Me."

*Prayer*

**Choral Response**

*Selection*

*Choir*

*Scripture*

*Announcements - Sister Marge Simmons*

*The Lay Moment by Brother Franklin Simmons*

*Director of Lay Activities, Johns Chapel Lay Organization*

*Sermonic Selection*

*Choir*

*The Message*

*Pastor Willie White, Jr.*

*Invitation to Christian Discipleship*

*Doxology*

*Benediction*

*Dr. Willie Eugene Marshall, Presiding Elder, Ozark Troy District*

*Bishop Harry Lee Seawright, Presiding Prelate, 9<sup>th</sup> Episcopal District*

*Please Depart Quickly And Thank God for Jesus!*

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*The Sermon Outline by Pastor Willie White, Jr.*

*April 25, 2021*

## **ENJOY THE RIDE!!!!**

**Acts 1:1-8; verse 8 = When the Holy Spirit has come upon you, you will receive power and will tell people about me everywhere, in Jerusalem, throughout Judea, in Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.**

**My SON-KISSED Brothers and Sisters**, last week while I was coming to our church, I observed this F150 Ford Truck pulling this boat. It was a fancy truck and a fancy boat. The boat was not an average size boat; it was a huge size boat. The boat was bigger than the truck, but the truck was pulling the boat. What I observed last week blew me mind. The truck was able to pull the boat because the boat was attached to the truck. The boat didn't struggle to climb a hill because the boat was attached to the truck. The boat didn't have a difficult ride because the boat was attached to the truck. The boat didn't have a frustrated ride because the boat was attached to the truck. The boat had a smooth ride because the boat was attached to the truck. The boat had a wonderful ride because the boat was attached to the truck. The boat had a fantastic ride because the boat was attached to the truck. The truck had the power to pull the boat. The power wasn't in the boat, but the power was in the truck; and because the power was in the truck, the boat just enjoyed the ride.

### **ENJOY THE RIDE!!!**

Here in our text this morning, we will glean from this text and pick up three points that will help us to **ENJOY THE RIDE!**

**1: ACCEPTANCE (Affirmation, Encouragement, Support). Verses 1-3:** Jesus experienced widespread rejection. Those closest to Jesus had the most difficulty accepting Him. Acceptance of Jesus must be personal.

### **ENJOY THE RIDE!!!**

**2: APPLICATION (Lesson, Understanding, Usefulness).** God’s word must be known in order to be correctly applied. Applying God’s word actually leads to freedom. God’s word applies to all areas of life. **ENJOY THE RIDE!!!**

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**3: AUTHORITY (Confidence, Control, Leadership).** Self-centered authority defies God. Jesus spoke with authority. Jesus is the source of ALL authority. **ENJOY THE RIDE!!!**

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**I love being your pastor**

**Hot dog**

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**SUNDAY, APRIL 25, 2021**



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*Dear Guests in Sanctuary, Parking Lot, Listening on radio, or  
Virtual (Facebook, YouTube, Zoom)*

*Thank you for joining us! Please come back again!*

**OPPORTUNITIES TO WORSHIP & SERVE THIS WEEK – Check e-mails and text messages.**

**--EACH SUNDAY –** Worship service in sanctuary and cars at 10:45 a.m. **in sanctuary, via Zoom, Facebook Live, and limited range radio service at 87.9 FM if worshipping in cars in parking lot or listening on surrounding streets.** Grab Sermon & Go; Church School Lesson 9:00 a.m. in sanctuary via JC Conference Call line -Dial-in # 605-313-5111 Access code 737936#. Please contact Brother Franklin Simmons at 334-494-2377 if you have connectivity or other tech issues.

This week at a glance. Zoom Joining instructions forwarded via e-mail and text

--Today, 6:00 p.m. – Ozark Troy In-House Training Session – “Operating Under God’s Anointing” Reverend Elijah Shafah, Pastor, Greater St. Paul AME Church, Presenter.

--Monday, 6:00 p.m. – Monthly Meeting of Johns Chapel Sons of Allen

--Monday, 6:30 p.m. – Ozark-Troy District Check-in Meeting

--Wednesday, 7:00 p.m. Bible Study via Zoom and JC conference call. Joining info via text and e-mail this week.

--Friday, 11:00 a.m. – Johns Chapel’s Park Groundbreaking Ceremony.

--**Reminder:** DyShunta McDaniel needs the support of the JC Church Family as she participates in the Christian Debutante-Masters Ceremony. Last day to purchase ads is **TODAY**. Thank you in advance. Please see DyShunta or Sister LauReen for more info.



### Some Signs of Child Abuse or Neglect



--Opportunities to give tithes & offerings: during morning worship as you enter or depart the sanctuary. Or mail to Johns Chapel AME Church, Post Office Box 311015, Enterprise, AL 36331-1015. Please do not mail cash. Thank you.



Or give via

Givify: Johns Chapel AME Church

Pay Pal: Johns Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church

Cash app: \$JohnsChapelAMEC.



--Tax statements & 2021 Offering envelopes are available in the vestibule. May also be mailed. If you have moved in the last two years, please provide new address to Dr. Thompson ASAP.

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**TODAY – PLEASE COME BACK**

**AND CELEBRATE WITH THE**

**WMS**

**Public Service Announcement – JC in the local news papers**

Pastor Willie White, Jr., Women's Missionary Society Local President Constance Jones, and members of Johns Chapel AME Church in Enterprise invite the public to share in their **Annual Missionary Day Service on Sunday, April 25, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.** The Guest Speaker will be **Lady Melanie Shafah** of Greater St. Paul AME Church in Troy, where her husband, The Reverend Elijah Shafah, serves as Pastor. Everyone is invited to join the praise and worship service and hear Lady Shafah as she delivers the annual day message in the church's sanctuary at [605 Geneva Highway](#), Enterprise (with all 9th District AME Church and public health COVID-19 directives in place). You may also join the service on Facebook Live via the church's website [johnschapelamec.org](http://johnschapelamec.org); Zoom, and Live on the church's YouTube Channel (Johns Chapel AME Church); as well as via 87.9 FM radio accessible in the church parking lot and in the local vicinity of the church. For more information, please contact Marge Simmons, Annual Day Chairperson, at 334-477-1962, Ruthie Warren, Annual Day Co-Chairperson, at 334-347-1361 or Pastor White at 334-701-5853.



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--Letter Writing Campaign – Letters are pre-printed for everyone who will to write letters to members of Congress to ask them to help end hunger. This campaign is sponsored by the Women’s Missionary Society (WMS) of the AME Church. Local President Constance Jones is asking all members to support this mission activity. Pre-printed letters will be available from local WMS members soon. Thanks in advance..

--Pastor White presents: **“SERMON DASH”**. You may receive a hard copy and/or a CD/DVD of sermons via text, phone call, e-mail or word of mouth, etc., and we will get the sermon to you.

--Auxiliary Leaders are reminded to hold elections as soon as possible and to ensure elections are announced during morning worship.

**HAVE YOU  
TALKED  
TO GOD  
TODAY?**



**PRAYER LIST Week of April 25-May 1, 2021**

- Sister Annie Pearl Allen (wife of Brother Roland)
- Brother Roland Allen**
- Sister Eleanor Bailey
- Sister Emma Bailey & Family – Bereavement in the passing of her Mother, Mrs. Thelma Bailey
- Ryan and Nathan Baxter & Family – Bereavement in the passing of their father, Brother Nathaniel “Skip” Baxter
- Sister Allie Bell Reddick and Sister Mary “Libo” Bell Jackson– Bereavement in the passing of their father
- Chasity Bell & Baby Logan – Bereavement in passing of their Grandfather & Great-Grandfather
- Sister Jennifer Bigham
- Sister Debra D. Brown -Address: 74 Davis Street, Charles Town, WV 25414
- Sister Krystal – Undergoing cancer treatments
- Sister Geraldine Booth
- Sister Brenda Crawford
- Caiden M. Gary, Grandson of Sis C. Jones
- Ms Fay, lives in another state –Pray for her to have a closer walk with God
- Sister Annie Pearl Frazier

- Sister Ruby Grayer
- Sister Dorothy Holmes
- Sister Kim Jackson—Sister of Bro. Brent Golden
- Sister Vivian Johnson
- Sister Constance Jones
- Sister Ann McGaughey
- Brother Samuel Lee Mills, Father of Sis. LauReen McDaniel and Bro. Sammy Mills
- Sister Gay Nell Miley
- Sister Jackie Scott
- Sister Betty Simmons
- Megan Simmons, Daughter-in-Love of Franklin & Marge Simmons
- Sister Rosetta White & Brother Willie White, Sr. — Parents of Pastor White – Brother White, Sr.
- Sister Johnnie Sanders
- Brother Larry Wilson—Husband of Sis. Shun Wilson
- Sister Eloise Williams
- First Responders, Medical workers, Other frontline workers
- The United States of America & the World

**\*New entries in bold print. Remember to pray for and check on our shut-in members.**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

April 21 Carlos Robinson

April 28 Geraldine Booth



April 25, 2015 Mr. Jared & Mrs. Ebony Simmons





**YARD SIGNS AVAILABLE FOR A DONATION OF \$12.00. PLEASE SEE SISTER NIKKI MILLS OR ANY YPD'ER.**

## **CHURCH CALENDAR SUMMARY**

### **April 2021**

#### **CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH**

- April 25                      JC WMS Annual Missionary Day. Guest Speaker: Lady Melanie Shafah, Greater St. Paul AME Church, Troy, Alabama, 3:00 pm
- April 25                      Deadline for Ad Purchases in support of DyShunta McDaniel in Christian Debutante-Masters Ceremony

### **May 2021**

- May 9                         Mother's Day
- May 16                       Church Anniversary, The Reverend James Jackson, Guest Preacher, 10:45 a.m. Sister Dianne Durdin, Chairperson
- May 27                       Last Day of School - Enterprise City Schools
- May 31                       Memorial Day