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*July 4, 2021 – 10:45 a.m.*

*Holy Communion Service*



*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 Sanctuary United Voices of Praise Choir - Brother Brent Golden, Accompanist*

*#321 "Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross"*

1. Jesus, keep me near the cross; there a precious fountain, free to all, a healing stream, flows from Calvary's mountain.

**REFRAIN:** In the cross, in the cross, be my glory ever, till my raptured soul shall find rest beyond the river.

2. Near the cross, a trembling soul, love and mercy found me; there a bright and morning star shed its beams around me.
3. Near the cross! O Lamb of God, bring its scenes before me; help me walk from day to day with its shadow o'er me.
4. Near the cross I'll watch and wait, hoping, trusting ever, till I reach the golden strand just beyond the river.

*Prayer*

**Choral Response**

*Selection*

*Choir*

*Scripture*

*Announcements - Sister Marge Simmons*

*The Offering*

*Sermonic Selection*

*Choir*

*The Message*

*Pastor Willie White, Jr.*

*We Offer Christ to You*

**We offer Christ to you, oh my Brother!  
We offer Christ to you, oh my Sister!  
He will give you brand new life, new life abundantly!  
Oh Come! Come On to Christ**

**You who are weary and heavy laden--  
Oh Come! Come on to Christ!**

*The Service of Holy Communion*



*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 the Blood of the Precious Lamb of God!*



## Sermon Notes

**Sermon Title:** “**SALVATION IS FREE BUT NOT CHEAP!!!**”

**Scripture:** Matthew 16: 21-24; verse 24 - If anyone desire to come after me let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me.

**Point #1 IMPRESSIONS** (Idea, Image, perception). Outward impressions can be misleading. God always looks beyond mere outward impression. Our impressions don't fool God.

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**Point #2 IMPULSIVENESS** (Careless, Hasty, Rash). Impulsiveness fails to consider the consequences of actions. Impulsiveness is a reaction from a distorted perspective. Impulsiveness sometimes spring from self-centeredness.

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**Point #3 INDEPENDENCE** (Freedom, Liberty, Self-Reliance). God's commands are limits for our independence. Healthy parenting includes giving children healthy independence. Human independence is an opportunity to help others.

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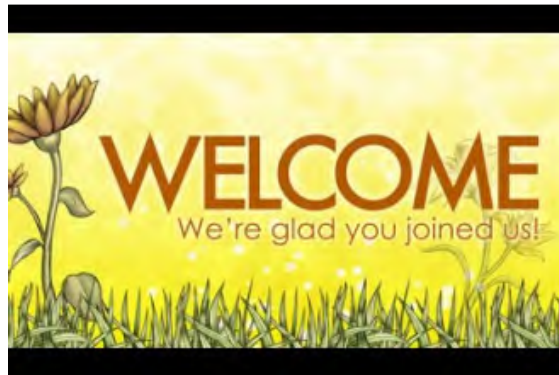
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*Dear Guests in Sanctuary, Parking Lot, Listening on radio, or  
Virtual (Facebook, YouTube, Zoom)*



**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**

--**Monday – Friday - 11:00 a.m.- Noon** – Summer Feeding Program here at the church.

--**June 6-10 - General Conference of AME Church, Orlando, Florida** - Please pray for the General Conference and the safe travel of Pastor White, Brother Franklin and Sister Marge Simmons, and others. Also, please pray that God will be pleased with the General Conference worship services and business sessions.

**June 11-12 – Biennial Convention of the Connectional Lay Organization of the AME Church, Orlando, Florida.** Please continue in prayer for this convention as well.

## SPECIAL NOTICES

--**Please watch for notices regarding meetings postponed or cancelled while Pastor White is away.**

--Thanks to all who came out and supported our Father's Day Concert, Pizza With Police, and Vacation Bible School. Special thanks to the leaders of each of these events: Father's Day Concert: Richard Allen Young Adult Council (RAYAC), Nikki Mills, President; Pizza With Police: Social Action Commission, Sister Helen Nichols, Chair; Vacation Bible School: Sister LauReen McDaniel, Director.

-- **"I love my Church" Signs for sale by JC YPD.** Please see Sister Nikki Mills or DyShunta McDaniel or any YPDer. \$12 donation. Thanks to all who have purchased signs.

**AS RESTRICTIONS ARE RELAXED, REMEMBER TO CONTINUE TO BE VIGILANT DURING THE PANDEMIC AND OBEY ALL HEALTH GUIDELINES.**

--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.

**--Opportunities to give tithes & offerings: during morning worship service beginning today.** Or mail to Johns Chapel AME Church, Post Office Box 311015, Enterprise, AL 36331-1015. Please do not mail cash. Thank you.



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Pay Pal: Johns Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church  
Cash app: \$JohnsChapelAMEC.



PRAYER LIST Week of July 4-10, 2021

- Sister Annie Pearl Allen (wife of Brother Roland)
- Brother Roland Allen – Completed rehab, back in church**
- Sister Eleanor Bailey
- 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 Marie Gates, daughter of Sister Constance Jones
- Sister Ruby Grayer
- Sister Dorothy Holmes
- Sister Kim Jackson—Sister of Bro. Brent Golden
- Sister Vivian Johnson

- Sister Ann McGaughey
- Brother Samuel Lee Mills, Father of Sis. LauReen McDaniel and Bro. Sammy Mills
- Sister Gay Nell Miley
- Brother David Moore, Brother of Sis. Marjorie Jackson, Wife of Reverend James Jackson
- Sister Jackie Scott
- 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
- Sanders, Mills, Blake, and McDaniel Families. Bereavement in the passing of their sister and aunt, 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**



July 4                      Dyshiria McDaniel

July 9                        Samuel Blake

No anniversaries on record this week

# . CHURCH CALENDAR SUMMARY

## July 2021 Events

- July 4 Independence Day
- July 6-10 The General Conference of the Connectional (International) AME Church, Orlando Florida (Delegates: Pastor White & Brother Franklin Simmons)
- July 11-12 The Biennial Convention of the Connectional Lay Organization of the AME Church, Orlando, Florida (Delegate: Brother Franklin Simmons; Observers: Pastor White and Sister Marge Simmons)
- July 19-21 Annual Church Revival
- July 31 "Jazz in the Grass" fundraiser for Enterprise Boys & Girls Club (Chaired by Pastor White and Steward Board)