Welcome to Johns Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church 605 Geneva Highway/Post Office Box 311015 Enterprise, Alabama 36331 January 28, 2024 - 10:45 a.m. The Morning Worship Celebration

Stewardship Is ...



Love in Action

The Reverend Willie White, Jr., Pastor Dr. Willie Eugene Marshall, Presiding Elder Ozark-Troy District The Reverend Sherita Moon Seawright, WMS Supervisor Bishop Harry L. Seawright, Presiding Prelate God Our Father Christ Our Redeemer The Holy Spirit Our Comforter Humankind Our Family

JOHNS CHAPEL A.M.E. CHURCH

PRELUDE

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DOXOLOGY**

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

CALL TO WORSHIP**

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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!	

HYMN OF PRAISE

#450 "Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine"

1. Blessed Assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine! Heir of salvation, purchase of God, Born of His spirit, washed in His blood.

2. Perfect submission, perfect delight, visions of rapture now burst on my sight; Angels descending, bring from above Echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

3. Perfect submission, all is at rest; I in my Savior am happy and blest, Watching and waiting, looking above, Filled with His goodness, lost in His love.

Refrain: This is my story, this is my song, Praising my Savior all the day long; This is my story, this is my song, Praising my Savior all the day long. PRAYER

Choral Response

SELECTION

The Male Choir Accompanied by Brother Brent Golden and DeVonte Mills

SCRIPTURE

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND RECOGNITION OF GUESTS

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Opportunities to give tithes & offerings: during morning worship service. 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 Givelify: Johns Chapel AME Church

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

SERMONIC SELECTION

The Male Choir

Accompanied by Brother Brent Golden and DeVonte Mills

The Morning Worship Celebration Message **

Pastor Willie White, Jr.

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

#327 "I Need Thee Every Hour"

I need Thee every hour, Most gracious Lord; No tender voice like Thine Can peace afford.

I need Thee every hour; Stay Thou near by; Temptations lose their power When Thou art nigh.

I need Thee every hour, In joy or pain; Come quickly and abide, Or life is vain.

I need Thee every hour; Teach me Thy will And Thy rich promises In me fulfill.

Refrain: I need Thee, O I need Thee, Every hour I need Thee; O bless me now, my Savior, I come to Thee!

Amen.

BENEDICTION



Reminder: You are invited to wear African attire each Sunday in February if you so desire.



Prayer Concerns Week of Jan 28-Feb 3, 2024	Opportunities To Worship and Serve This Week <u>TODAY</u> 8:00 a.m. Breakfast From Heaven 9:00 a.m. Sunday School
 Sister Annie Pearl Allen (wife of Brother Roland) – Hartford Nursing Home Sister Eleanor Bailey —Bereavement: The Family of Sister LaToya Chambers 	Monthly Everybody's Birthday Party —after morning worship service <u>Monday</u> 6:00 p.m.—Sons of Allen Monthly
Sister Geraldine Booth Kam Elston	Meeting <u>Tuesday</u>
 —Sister Barbara Fields -Sister Annie Pearl Frazier -Sister Ruby Grayer -Sister Ophelia Hazzard -Sister Kim Jackson—Sister of Bro. Brent 	<u>Wednesday</u> 6:00 p.m.— Bible Study IN PERSON Freestyle Youth Bible Study in fel- lowship hall Adults in Sanctuary <u>Saturday</u>
Golden —Sister Vivian Johnson Sister Ann McGaughey	Watch texts for additional announce- ments.
 —Sister Helen Nichols —Sister Annie Jean Gibson—Family member of several JC members -Sister Betty Simmons —Sister Bridgette Simmons, wife of Brother Roderick Simmons, Daughter-in-law of Sister Betty Simmons -Dajia Tyson & her son, Khalil Griffin 	Jan 29 Naviyah Hazzard Jan 31 Rahara Hall
	Happy Anníversary! January 31, 1984 — 40 years! Mr. Kenneth & Mrs. Shelly Harden

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please check texts, e-mails, Facebook, and church website for updates.

—BEREAVEMENT: Pastor White extends sincere condolences to Larissa, Layla, and Landric Chambers, and other family members following the passing of their mother, Sister LaToya Chambers, on January 16. All members are asked to remember the Chambers family in prayer. Thanks to all who have supported the family including during the homegoing service on yesterday.

---Children's Church is up and jumping as of Sunday January 21! Instructors and students had a ball! Attention, Parents! Children ages 3-12 are welcome to come, learn, and have a good time. Please see Sister White or Sister Knight. --From Dr. Russell Nichols, JC Lay Organization President: Regarding the SE Conference Lay Organization Founder's Day Fundraiser saluting the year 1816, the year the AME Church was founded. An offering of \$18.16 has been requested. Please make out to Johns Chapel AME Church and place in offering envelope. Today is the deadline to give donations.

—The Clothes Closet is only accepting children's clothing at this time.

--Pastor White is inviting Senior Saints to attend the upcoming Valentine's Concert & Dance, a free event at the Enterprise Civic Center on Thursday, Feb 8, 6:30-8:30 pm. Doors open at 6:15 pm. Please sign up today in the vestibule or via text to Sister Marge Simmons. This list is also for those who would like to ride the church bus. Thank you in advance. Today is the deadline to sign up.

—February is Heart Health Month—GO RED! Watch for info and notices from the JC WMS, led by Acting 1st Vice-President Constance Jones and 2nd Vice-President LauReen McDaniel.

—JC Sweetheart Ball — February10, 7:00 p.m. Everyone invited. Please contact Pastor White or Sister White for more details.

-Founder's Day Celebration is February 11, at 10:45 a.m. Theme is "Equipping Our Saints for the Kingdom." Scriptural text will be taken from Ephesians 4:11-12. Retired Presiding Elder Willis N. Huggins, Sr. will be our speaker. More detains from Rev. Willis N. Huggins, Jr., Chair; and Sister Odessa, Co-Chair.



Sermon Notes

SERMON TITLE: GAINING BY GIVING

SCRIPTURE: Malachi 3: 6-12

<u>POINT #1.</u> BLESSING (Benediction, Benefit, Hope for Result). God blesses through His eternal plans.

<u>POINT # 2.</u> BACKSLIDE (Forget, Give Up, Turn Away). Distractions can cause backsliding.

<u>POINT #3</u> BENEFITS (Advantages, Profits, Results). Halfhearted obedience yields partial benefits.