

Welcome to  
*Johns Chapel*  
*African Methodist Episcopal Church*  
605 Geneva Highway/Post Office Box 311015  
Enterprise, Alabama 36331  
January 7, 2024 - 10:45 a.m.

*The Morning Worship Celebration*



*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**

## **The Service of Holy Communion & Baptism**

### **PRELUDE**

### **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\*\***

**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**

**#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.

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.

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

**PRAYER**

**Choral Response**

**SELECTION**

**The Sanctuary United Voices of Praise  
Accompanied by Brother Brent Golden and DeVonte Mills**

**SCRIPTURE**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND RECOGNITION OF GUESTS**

**Sister Marge Simmons**

**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 Sanctuary United Voices of Praise  
Accompanied by Brother Brent Golden and DeVonte Mills**

***The Morning Worship Celebration Message \*\*.***

***Pastor Willie White, Jr.***

## INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

Hymn #226 - "Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound"

1. Amazing grace! how sweet the sound, That saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found, Was blind, but now I see.
2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace my fears relieved; How precious did that grace appear The hour I first believed!
3. Through many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already come; 'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far, And grace will lead me home.

### *The Service of Holy Baptism—Child Daykota Niyema Knight*



#### **DOXOLOGY\*\***

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Praise Him above, ye Heavenly hosts! Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!**

#### **BENEDICTION**

**Amen!!**

Enterprise  
Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Celebration

Seeking ALL 2024  
Melodious Voices



**MLK DAY  
Mass Choir  
Rehearsal Dates**

Dec. 18, 2023-6:00 p.m.  
Jan. 04, 2024-6:00 p.m.  
Jan. 08, 2024-6:00 p.m.  
Jan. 13, 2024-10:00 a.m.

ALL REHEARSALS WILL BE HELD AT  
PLEASANT SHADE BAPTIST CHURCH  
DAMASCUS HIGHWAY  
ENTERPRISE, ALABAMA

The MLK Choir will be under the direction of  
Mr. Joe Merida and Ms. Yolanda Daniels-Milton

Sponsored by  
The Community Awareness Organization

**ENTERPRISE**  
*Martin Luther King Jr.*  
**YOUTH DAY CELEBRATION**  
Community-Wide  
Youth Mass Choir Rehearsals

**Rehearsal Dates**

**December 29, 2023** 6:00 p.m. All rehearsals will be held at  
Mt. Zion Missionary  
Baptist Church  
1705 Rucker Blvd.  
Enterprise, Alabama

**January 6, 2024** 12:00 noon

**January 11, 2024** 6:00 p.m.

The MLK Youth Choir will be under the leadership of Mr. Lawrence Jackson and directorship of Mrs. Melissa Carpenter

**The Choir will be in concert on  
JANUARY 13, 2024  
4:00 p.m.**

**Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church  
Rev. Jimmy Grider, Pastor**



Sponsored By: The Community Awareness Organization  
POC: Mrs. Anne Bridgette (334) 300-6935 cell or abridjet@gmail.com  
Mrs. Gloria Wheeler (334) 447-8904



**Coming soon!**  
**Join this much anticipated ministry to-  
day. Please see Pastor or Mrs. White for  
more details.**

**Plate comes with**

- potatoes
- corn
- sausage
- boiled eggs
- shrimp
- 1 cluster



**Seafood  
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**\$28.00**

**PICK UP AT  
11:00**

**Johns Chapel AME Church  
Spring Gospel Concert  
Seafood Plate Fundraiser  
Order Pick-up March 9, 2024**

**CALL: Nikki Mills 334-389-6427  
Pastor Willie White 334-701-5853**  
Pre-orders needed by March 5, 2024  
Can pay via Cashapp or on-site  
contact Nikki or Pastor White  
\$JohnsChapelAMEC  
(subject:seafood)

**PRE-ORDER  
NOW**



**Prayer Concerns**  
**Week of Jan 7-13, 2024**

- Sister Annie Pearl Allen (wife of Brother Roland) – Hartford Nursing Home
- Sister Eleanor Bailey
- Sister Geraldine Booth
- Kam Elston
- Sister Annie Pearl Frazier
- Sister Ophelia Hazzard
- Sister Ruby Grayer
- Sister Kim Jackson—Sister of Bro. Brent Golden
- Sister Ann McGaughey
- Sister Annie Jean Gibson—Family member of several JC members
- Dajia Tyson & her son, Khalil Griffin
- Sister Betty Simmons
- Sister Bridgette Simmons, wife of Brother Roderick Simmons, Daughter-in-law of Sister Betty Simmons

**Happy 52nd Anniversary!**

January 7, 1972

Mr. & Mrs. James Crawford, Sr.

**Opportunities**

To Worship and Serve This Week

**TODAY**

- 8:00 a.m. Breakfast From Heaven
- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School

**Monday**

12 Noon- 1:00 pm—JC Recovery Ministry

**6:00 p.m. — MLK Mass Choir Rehearsal, Pleasant Shade Baptist Church**

**Tuesday**

5:30 p.m.—Steward Board meeting

**Wednesday**

6:00 p.m.— Bible Study IN PERSON  
**Freestyle Youth Bible Study in fellowship hall.... Adults in Sanctuary**

**Thursday**

**6:00 p.m.—MLK Youth Choir Rehearsal, Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church**

**Friday**

**Saturday**

**10:00 a.m. — Ozark Troy Area WMS Meeting. First chaired by Sister LauReen McDaniel, Area Chair. YPD meeting—First chaired by Sister Nikki Mills, Ozark Troy Area YPD Director. Asking WMS & all members to be present and assist. THANK YOU!**

**Happy Birthday**

- Jan 7, 2009      Najjah Hazzard
- Jan 9              Jimmy Boykins

*The Pastor's Contact Info*

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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



**Reverend Seawright**

—The Reverend Sherita Moon Seawright, Supervisor of the 9th Episcopal District Women's Missionary Society (WMS), will be our Guest Preacher at Johns Chapel on next Sunday, January 14, during the 10:45 a.m. service. Pastor White has asked the Local WMS members to lead the order of worship. Asking all JC members to share this announcement with family, friends, and via social media.

—Reverend Seawright will also bring the message at the City-Wide MLK Celebration on January 14, 2024 at 4:00 pm at the Enterprise Civic Center.

Please see e-mail and texts for additional details, and plan to attend and invite others. Mass choir rehearsals will be held at Pleasant Shade Baptist Church under the direction of Brother Joe Merida and Sister

Yolanda Milton Daniels. **Remaining rehearsals are at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, January 8, and at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, January 13. Not too late to join in. The JC Praise Dancers will be featured on this program. Thank you for your prayers. From Marge Simmons, Program Chair.**

—The MLK Youth Celebration will be held on January 13, 2024 at 4:00 pm at Mt Zion Missionary Baptist Church. **The next rehearsal will be January 13 at 6:00 pm at Mt Zion Baptist Church.** Asking all JC Youth to please join in the rehearsals and sing in the youth choir. Our own Sister Melissa Carpenter will direct the choir, and Brother Lawrence Jackson is the musician. The JC Praise Dancers will also appear on this program.

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

—Please see page 5 for details of our upcoming **Seafood Fundraiser** and more MLK details. Thank you!



***Sermon Notes***

**SERMON TITLE:**

**SCRIPTURE:**

**POINT #1.**

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**POINT #2**

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**POINT #3**

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