

Rev. Timothy L. Adkins-Jones, Senior Pastor

Pastors Emeriti: Rev. Dr. James A. Scott Rev. Dr. M. William Howard, Jr.

"Disciplines of the Spirit"

Order of Service March 22, 2020

8:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

CALL TO WORSHIP

- Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; for His steadfast love endures forever.
- People: Let the redeemed of the Lord say so,
- All: Let them thank the Lord for His steadfast love, for His wonderful works to humankind.

INVOCATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

GLORIA PATRI CONGREGATIONAL HYMN "Yes, God Is Real" #538

WORDS OF WELCOME

PASTORAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING

DOXOLOGY

ALTAR PRAYER

WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC

SCRIPTURE

MATTHEW 6:9-13

SERMON DISCIPLINES OF THE SPIRIT PART 3: "THE MORE THINGS CHANGE, THE MORE THEY STAY THE SAME"

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

BENEDICTION

WELCOME

It is our sincere prayer that something said or done today will be an inspiration and a blessing to you. The doors of Bethany Baptist Church-Newark are always open to all. If you are searching for a church home, we encourage you to seek God in prayer and ask if this is where you should join. We thank God for you and hope you will worship with us again.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ESSEX COUNTY CIVIC CLUB LUNCHEON

Bethany Members, I deeply regret that the Essex County Civic Club Luncheon had to be postponed to a later date, because of unforeseen circumstances. The club members are very grateful for the overwhelming support of Bethany members for our honoree, and your friend **Sister Geri Woods-Coles**. Please know that we are hoping and praying for a date in May if the health crisis regulations and the Mayfair Farm permits. All tickets will be honored at the next Crispus Attucks Award Luncheon date. Thanks again for your understanding and your loyalty over the years. Love and Peace, **Sister Florence Johnson**, President.

COLOR ON THE ALTAR IS PURPLE (LENT)

The color on the altar is purple which symbolizes pain, suffering, and therefore mourning and respect and reverence. It is the liturgical color for the Season of Lent. The color will remain on the altar through Good Friday.

CHURCH OFFICE ADMINISTRATIVE HOURS

The church office will be open from 10:00 a.m. -5:00 p.m. every day during this time for social distancing.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

There are only a couple of weeks left for students to submit applications and letters of reference for a scholarship for the 2020-21 school year. No exceptions!

TRUSTEES' CORNER

Hebrews 13:16 "Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for with such sacrifices God is pleased." Although the actual author of Hebrews is debated, the message is clear. When we share what we have, our sacrifices are pleasing to God. Be encouraged to joyfully tithe out of love and praise for our God.

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ADDRESSING THE CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)

Dear Bethany family,

As the COVID-19 strain of the Coronavirus spreads, it is in our interest to keep you informed and protected. We encourage you to practice proper hygiene habits and be careful when interacting with others. Here are some precautions to take:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water, for at least 20 seconds, or use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when coughing or sneezing, or cough or sneeze into your elbow.
- If you are sick, stay home.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, or mouth with unwashed hands.
- Instead of shaking hands, greet others with a fist bump, elbow bump, "Wakanda Forever," or anything that does not require direct physical contact.
- Do not use your fingertips to touch shared surfaces. For example, you may use paper towels to open doors, press elevator buttons, etc.
- Keep hand sanitizer and disinfectants within reach and in locations you frequently access, such as the entrance to your home, your car, and any personal bags that you carry.
- Stock up on medications and other essentials you may need in the event of quarantine, such as nonperishable food items.

We especially encourage our Seniors to take extra precautions, as data has proven that they are most at risk of catching the Coronavirus.

For more information, see the following publication from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: <u>https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019ncov/downloads/workplace-school-and-homeguidance.pdf</u>



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