# December 5, 2021

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

## ORDER OF SERVICE

### SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

**CALL TO WORSHIP** 

Leader: God's Spirit has led us here.

People: And where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is PEACE.

Leader: God's Spirit has led us here.

People: And where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is HOPE.

Leader: God's Spirit has led us here.

People: And where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is JOY.

Leader: God's Spirit has led us here.

People: And where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is LOVE.

Leader: There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in the place, ALL: And we know that it's the Spirit of the Lord!

#### INVOCATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

8:00 a.m. ~ Deacon Dorita Newsome-Dobbins 11:00 a.m. ~ Deacon Connie Watson

**GLORIA PATRI** 

RREADING OF THE COVENANT

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN

"Come, Thou Fount"

**WORDS OF WELCOME** 

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

**PASTORAL REFLECTIONS** 

**OFFERING** 

MINISTRY THROUGH MUSIC

"Clap, Your Hands"

**DOXOLOGY** 

MINISTRY THROUGH MUSIC

"Lilly In The Valley"

**ALTAR PRAYER** 

MINISTRY THROUGH MUSIC

"Holy One"

**SERMON** 

CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

**BENEDICTION** 



Rev. Timothy L. Adkins-Jones, PhD Senior Pastor

Pastor Emeritus: Rev. Dr. M. William Howard, Jr.

#### **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.

#### **Church Office Hours:**

Monday - Friday 10:00am - 5:00pm

#### **Contact Us:**

275 WEST MARKET STREET NEWARK, NJ US 07103 (973) 623-8161

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### **CHURCH COVENANT**

Having been led, as we believe, by the Spirit of God to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior; and on the profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, we do now in the presence of God, angels and this assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into covenant with one another, as one body in Christ.

We engage, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, to walk together in Christian love; to strive for the advancement of this Church in knowledge and holiness; to give it a place in our affections, prayers and services above every organization of human origin; to sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline and doctrine; to contribute cheerfully and regularly, as God has prospered us toward its expenses, for the support of a faithful and evangelical ministry among us, the relief of the poor and the spread of the Gospel throughout the world. In case of differences of opinion in the Church, we will strive to avoid a contentious spirit, and if we cannot unanimously agree, we will cheerfully recognize the right of the majority to govern.

We also engage to maintain family and secret devotion; to study diligently the Word of God; to educate our children in matters of faith; to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances; to walk circumspectly in the world; to be kind and just to those in our employ, and faithful in the service we promise others; endeavoring in the purity of heart and good will toward humanity, to exemplify and commend our holy faith.

We further engage to watch over, to pray for, to exhort and to stir up each other unto every good word and work; to guard each other's reputation, not needlessly exposing the infirmities of others; to participate in each other's joys, and, with tender sympathy, bear one another's burdens and sorrows; to cultivate Christian courtesy; to be slow to give or take offense, but always ready for reconciliation, being mindful of the rules of the Savior set forth in the eighteenth chapter of Matthew, and to secure it without delay; and through life, amid evil report and good report, to seek to live to the glory of God, who has called us out of darkness into His marvelous light.

Should we remove from this place, we shall unite as soon as possible with another church, where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God's word.

# 166 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing



WORDS: Robert Robinson MUSIC: John Wyeth

# Week of December 5<sup>th</sup> - December 11<sup>th</sup>

#### **Sunday Hybrid Worship Services**

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

\* All services are currently in person and streamed online on YouTube, Facebook and Church Website.

No registration required

#### **Sunday School**

The Traditional Sunday School follows 8:00 a.m. service.
The Contemporary Sunday School is at 2:00 p.m.

#### **COVID-19 Testing Sunday**

COVID-19 testing is available at Bethany every Sunday from 9 am to 1 pm at no out-of-pocket cost. This service is provided by LAB Q Diagnostics in partnership with Roseville Presbyterian Church and Choose Healthy Life.





# **Announcements**

**<u>DEVOTIONALS</u>** The Secret Place and Our Daily Bread devotions are available for pickup in the Church Office.

<u>BIBLE STUDY</u> – Although there will be no Bible Study on Wednesday, December 8, be sure to submit your questions for the following week's question and answer session to <a href="https://hkeazer@bethany-newark.org">hkeazer@bethany-newark.org</a> by Monday, December 13.

<u>BLACK HISTORY COMMITTEE</u> – Interested in the HISTORY of our people? Want to get involved in bringing history to light? Join the Black History Committee. We meet the second Tuesday of the month. For more information call Frieda Hester 973-399-2348

<u>ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL</u> – All adults are welcome to participate in any of our Adult Sunday School classes. The traditional class, led by Brother Ronnie Walker, meets after the 8:00 a.m. service. The contemporary class, led by Deacon Linda Epps, meets at 2:00 p.m. on Zoom.

**NEWS FROM THE EXAMPLE YOUTH MINISTRY** – We encourage our Bethany Youth and Teens to engage in Sunday School on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. for children 7-12 years old and at 10:00 a.m. for youth 12 years old and older. Also, join us for Refuge (Teen Bible Study) on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. for youth 12 and older.























# **Special Prayer List**

#### December 2021

#### **Please Remember in Your Prayers**

## **Members in Hospitals or Nursing Homes**

Sister Beulah Brent (14901) Sister Elsie Gatling (07202) Deacon Dorothy Jenkins (07039) Sister Iralena Maxwell (07018)

Brother James Miller, III (07107) Sister Frances Rhodes (07601) Sister Wilma Turner (07102)

#### **Members Who Are Sick & Shut-in**

Sister Peggy Edgerton (07104)
Sister Elaine Green (07017)
Sister Sarah Hayes (07083)
Sister Martha Kennedy (07205)
Sister Carolyn Lee (08816)
Sister Joanne Miller (07108)
Sister Debra O' Neil (07108)
Brother Marcellus Robinson (07106)

Sister Hattie Schenck (07018) Sister Mary Scruggs (07018) Sister Emily Smith (07017) Sister Marjorie Thurman (08540) Sister Carol Timmons (07050) Brother Marshall Tuttle (07050) Sister Harriette Waltz (07018)

Sister Geraldine Reeves (08854)

## **Members Requesting Prayer**

Sister Colleen Anderson (07103)
Sister Jennifer Arnold (08844)
Sister Mary Atkinson (07018)
Sister Bertha Bell (07017)
Sister Peggy Crawley (07017)
Deacon Louise Ellis (07083)
Deacon Jerry Ellis (07083)
Brother Mark Epps, III (07102)
Deacon Linda Epps (07102)
Brother Fredrick Gilbert (07017)
Brother Rudolph Graddy Jr. (07940)
Sister Janet James (07017)

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Sister Janet James (07017)
Deacon Alice Johnson (07205)
Brother Larry Johnson (07003)
Deacon Emily Jukes (27127)

Sister Pamela Lampley (07079)
Sister Vivian Lampkin (07009)
Brother Glenn Miller (07106)
Sister Tracey Moore Peters (07921)
Sister Linda Preston (08852)
Deacon Marlene Roper (07040)
Sister Frances Thomas (07205)
Sister Cheryl Thompson-Martin (07028)
Sister Thelma Vannoy (07050)
Sister Willie Mae Warnick (34473)
Sister Shirley Way (07202)
Sister Davida Williams-McCloud (07106)
Brother Warren Williams (07102)

Sister Maude Young (20785)

In the event of hospitalization, home-confinement, or an extended illness, please call, or have a family member or the hospital staff contact the church office at 973-623-8161.



Pauline Holcomb (07083)

# **Happy Birthday** December 2021



\* The zip codes are listed and intended for Fellowship Circle purposes

1	11	22
Christopher Morrison (07003)	Irene Welch (07112)	William Brown (07042)
2	13	23
Fred Mitchell (07017)	Roxanne Fontaine (07063) Angela King (07107)	Junius W. Williams (07104)
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Michelle Adams (07065)	14	James Evans (30014)
Bernice Hall (07018) Emma Herron (07112)	Neal Faust (07111) Esther G. Smith (07107)	Gail Sherman (07109)
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4	15	Wynter Mack (07002)
Robyn Smith (07108)	Marjorie Thurman (08540)	,
Ollie Washington (07052)	• , ,	30
,	16	Maeretta Bogar (07017)
5	John Wheeler (07112)	Sadayah Durant-Brown (08873)
Mercy B. Zor (07205)		
,	17	Jael Gatling (07081)
6	Jacquelyn Rhodes (07076)	Constance Napier (07083)
Haig Richerby (07302)	Gail Sledge-Pearson (07106)	James Waltz (07018)
7	Frances Thomas ((07205)	31
Amanda Alston (27330)		Rose Love (07083)
Rosa Garcia-Cureton (07040)	18	Nose Love (07003)
	Michele Mullings (07042)	
8	Martin Waltz (07050)	
Traci Adams (07112)		
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10	Vivian Robinson (07052)	
Pauline Holcomb (07083)	Jordan Tarleton ()07107)	