

# January 1, 2023

10:00 a.m.

## ORDER OF SERVICE

### CALL TO WORSHIP

**Leader:** A new year stands on our doorstep ready to enter our life's journey.

**People:** We welcome this visitor with joy for a new beginning.

**Leader:** A new year stands on our doorstep ready to enter our life's journey.

**People:** We welcome this visitor with hope for a bright tomorrow.

**Leader:** A new year stands on our doorstep ready to enter our life's journey.

**People:** We welcome this visitor with wisdom to walk in love.

**All:** We welcome this visitor in with God on our side, a praise on our lips, and gladness in our hearts.

### INVOCATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

#### GLORIA PATRI

### READING OF THE CHURCH COVENANT

#### CONGREGATIONAL HYMN

"The Solid Rock"

Hymn #274

#### WELCOME

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### PASTORAL OBSERVATIONS

#### OFFERING

#### MINISTRY THROUGH MUSIC

"Hallelujah, You're Worthy to Be Praised"

#### DOXOLOGY

#### ALTAR PRAYER

Rev. Amey Adkins-Jones

#### MINISTRY THROUGH MUSIC

"He's God"

#### SERMON

Rev. Timothy L. Adkins-Jones, Ph.D.

#### CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP

#### RIGHT HAND OF FELLOWSHIP

#### SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

#### BENEDICTION

# BETHANY

# BAPTIST

# CHURCH

**Rev. Timothy L. Adkins-Jones, Ph.D.**

Senior Pastor

**Rev. Shawn Torres-Anderson, M.Div.**

Associate Pastor of Operations

**Min. Rebekah Keazer, M.Div.**

Director of Media & Communications

**Bro. Sam Aristil**

Director of Worship & Arts

**Deacon Brenda E. Brown**

Chair, Board of Deacons

**Trustee Arromica Cook**

Chair, Board of Trustees

### 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 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

### Contact Us:

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[www.bethany-newark.org](http://www.bethany-newark.org)

## **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.**

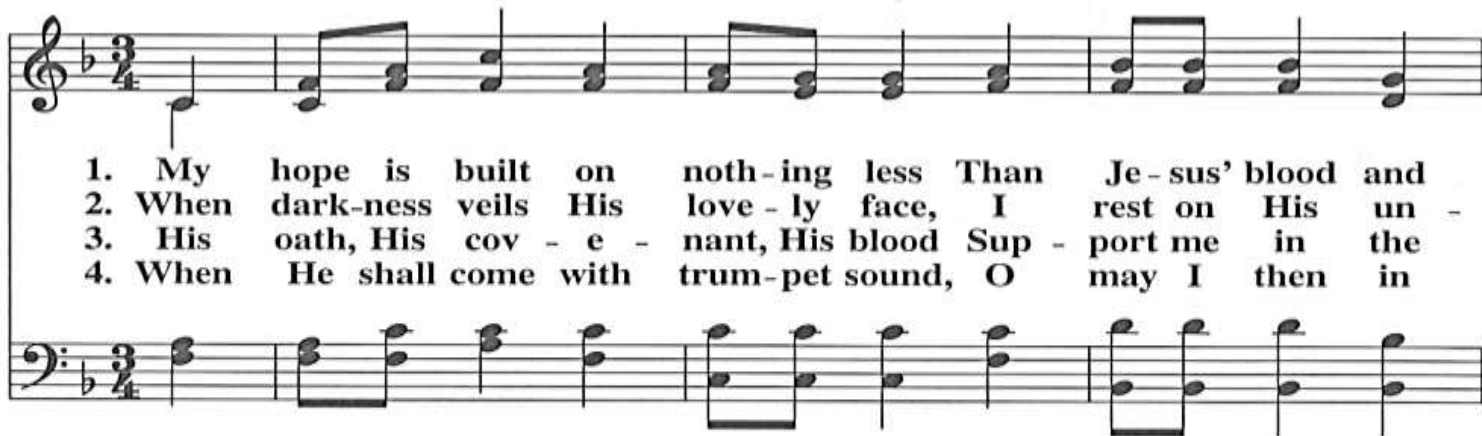
**We engage, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, to walk together in Christian love; to strive for the advancement of this Church in knowledge and holiness; to give it a place in our affections, prayers and services above every organization of human origin; to sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline 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.**

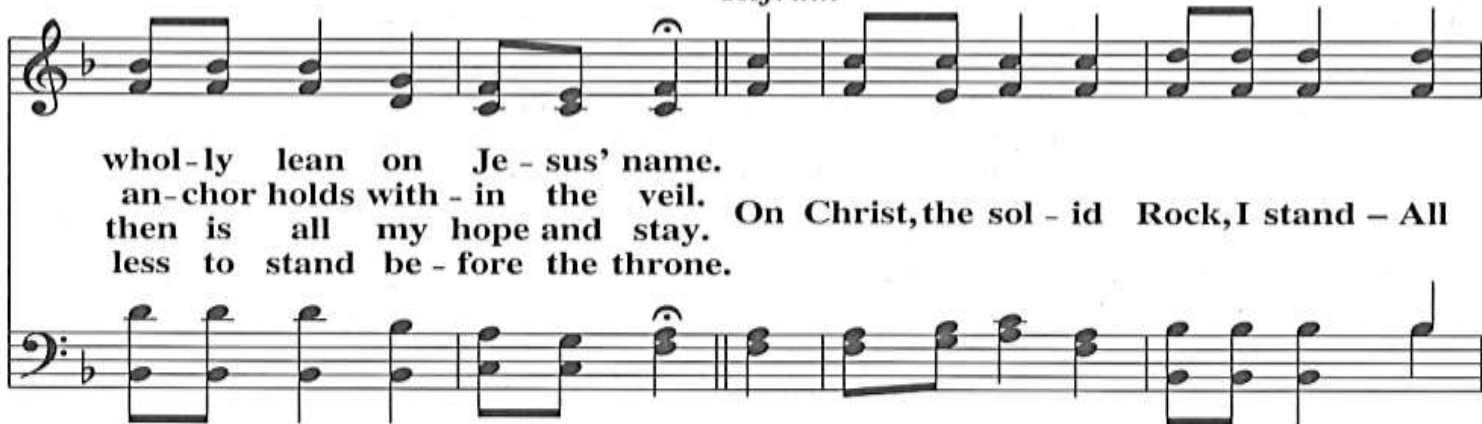
## The Solid Rock

*He only is my rock and my salvation — Psalm 62:6 KJV*


1. My hope is built on noth-ing less Than Je-sus' blood and  
 2. When dark-ness veils His love-ly face, I rest on His un-  
 3. His oath, His cov-e-nant, His blood Sup-port me in the  
 4. When He shall come with trum-pet sound, O may I then in



right-eous-ness; I dare not trust the sweet-est frame, But  
 chang-ing grace; In ev-'ry high and storm-y gale My  
 whelm-ing flood; When all a-round my soul gives way, He  
 Him be found, Dressed in His right-eous-ness a-lone, Fault-

*Refrain*


whol-ly lean on Je-sus' name.  
 an-chor holds with-in the veil. On Christ, the sol-id Rock, I stand - All  
 then is all my hope and stay. less to stand be-fore the throne.



oth-er ground is sink-ing sand, All oth-er ground is sink-ing sand.

# Week of January 1<sup>st</sup> – January 7<sup>th</sup>

## Sunday Hybrid Worship Services

Sunday Morning Worship: 10:00 a.m.

All services are now in-person and will continue to be streamed live on YouTube, Facebook, and through our church website.

## Sunday School

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday's - 9:00 a.m.

Joint Adult Classes– Chapel

Youth Class – Seminar Room

2<sup>nd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday's - 9:00 a.m.

Brother Ronnie Walkers Class – Chapel

Deacon Linda Epps Class – Lounge

Youth Class – Seminar Room

Here is the link for the Children and Young Adults December 2022 Sunday School curriculum.

<https://urbanministries.com/>

❖ **Hard copies can be picked up from the church office.**

## Church Open For Ministry Meetings

The church is now able to host ministries, auxiliaries and clubs on Tuesday evenings, Thursday evenings and Saturday mornings. All requests must be made via the church website.

## Four Ways To Give

1. Give online at - [www.bethanynewark.org/online-giving](http://www.bethanynewark.org/online-giving)
2. Text to Give – Text the amount to 973-339-0329
3. Cashapp to – \$BETHANYBAPTISTNEWARK
4. In Person – Mail or drop off at the church office

## Announcements

**CHURCH CLOSED** – The Church will be closed on Monday, January 2, 2023 in observance of New Year's Day and Wednesday, January 18, 2023, for in service Staff Workshop.

**THANK YOU** – Sister Bertha Miller sends her love and would like to thank her Bethany family for all the calls and prayers during her recent illness.

**PLEASE BE AWARE** – The kitchen is unavailable for use for any purpose until further notice.

**ATTENTION ALL CLUBS** – Please check and clean out your club's mailbox, some have not been checked since before the COVID-19 pandemic/lock down. Any club mail that comes in will be placed in the mailboxes, so please check your mailboxes on a regular basis.

**FOOD PANTRY/CLOTHES CLOSET REQUEST** – The Food Pantry/Clothes Closet Outreach Ministry is requesting donations of reusable bags that can be used for packaging food items. Drop offs can be made at the Food Pantry, located at 58 Hartford Street, Tuesdays, and Thursdays, 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. or in the church office, Monday thru Friday 9:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m.

**ELECTION OF 2023 OFFICERS** – The officers for the following clubs, committees and ministries have not been submitted to the church office.

Board of Trustees	Jazz Vespers
AIDS Health Ministry	Lecture Committee
Altar Guild	Men's Fellowship
Archive Committee	Missionaries
Black College Committee	Scholarship Committee
Church Clerks	Surrogates of Christ
International Committee	The Example Youth Ministry

Thank you to all the ministries who have already submitted their 2023 club officers.

# Upcoming Meetings/Events

Music Ministry, each Tuesday and Thursday at 6:30 p.m.

Dance Ministry, each Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.

Open Gym Community Basketball each Thursday at 4:00 p.m.

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LVB Student Testing – 10:00 a.m.

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Tutoring (Trustee Janice Little) – 11:00 a.m.

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Church Women United – 10:00 a.m.

Tutoring (Deacon Pat Fullilove) – 10:00 a.m.

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Tutoring (Andrew Babij) – 9:00 a.m.



# **Special Prayer List**

**January 2022**

**Please Remember in Your Prayers**

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

Sister Beulah Brent (14901)  
Sister Elsie Gatling (07202)  
Sister Dorothy Givens (07052)  
Deacon Dorothy Jenkins (07039)

Sister Iralena Maxwell (07018)  
Brother James Miller, III (07107)  
Sister Wilma Turner (07102)  
Brother Edward Williams (07018)

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

Sister Peggy Edgerton (07104)  
Sister Elaine Green (07017)  
Sister Martha Kennedy (07205)  
Sister Carolyn Lee (08816)  
Sister Joanne Miller (07108)  
Sister Debra O'Neil (07108)  
Sister Frances Upshaw-Rhodes (07601)  
Sister Geraldine Reeves (08854)

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)

## **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)  
Deacon Alice Johnson (07205)  
Brother Larry Johnson (07003)

Deacon Emily Jukes (27127)  
Sister Pamela Lampley (07079)  
Sister Vivian Lampkin (07009)  
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 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.*



# Happy Birthday January 2023



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

**1<sup>st</sup>**

**Jacquelyn Banks (07018)  
Marlene Roper (07040)**

**2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Isis Agyei (07104)  
Romy Florence (07040)  
Lisa Polk (07103)**

**3<sup>rd</sup>**

**Catherine Watson (07060)**

**4<sup>th</sup>**

**Sylvia Alston (07083)**

**5<sup>th</sup>**

**Anthony (Rick) Edwards (07052)  
Bassir A. Fall (07112)  
Dolores Wilkins (19901)**

**6<sup>th</sup>**

**Cheryl Martin-Thompson (07042)**

**7<sup>th</sup>**

**James Alston (07083)  
Barbara Butler (07104)  
Barbara Wade (07079)**

**8<sup>th</sup>**

**Frenchie Edmondson (07016)**

**9<sup>th</sup>**

**Afi Daitey (07103)  
Deidre Howard-Carrington (07083)  
Christopher Sutton (07103)**

**10<sup>th</sup>**

**Linda Epps (07102)  
Harold Fullilove, Jr. (07050)**

**12<sup>th</sup>**

**Amaya Mitchum (07103)**

**13<sup>th</sup>**

**Edward Crawford (07103)  
Rita Mondelus (07103)**

**14<sup>th</sup>**

**Martha Washington (07052)**

**16<sup>th</sup>**

**Ernest Turner (07112)  
Roberto Vidal (07018)**

**17<sup>th</sup>**

**William Sawyerr (07866)**

**18<sup>th</sup>**

**Jackie Edwards (07052)  
Alicia Reid-Hunter (07012)  
Gar Yan Yeung (07102)**

**19<sup>th</sup>**

**Junior Jean Baptist (07102)**

**20<sup>th</sup>**

**Kathy Wise (07112)**

**21<sup>st</sup>**

**Tameka Starks-Dwyer (07106)**

**22<sup>nd</sup>**

**Dorita Newsome-Dobbins (07050)**

**23<sup>rd</sup>**

**Fredrick Gilbert (07017)  
Shirley McGee (07042)  
Nicole Wigfall (07050)**

**25<sup>th</sup>**

**Beverly Foust (07065)  
Lynn Presley (07304)**

**26<sup>th</sup>**

**Bobby Bradley (07106)  
Joyce Love (07083)**

**27<sup>th</sup>**

**Vivian Braxton (07017)  
Latanya Washington (07054)**

**28<sup>th</sup>**

**Amy Morrison (07017)**

**30<sup>th</sup>**

**Naji Dwyer (07111)**

## SERMON NOTES