



# Westchester United Methodist

Celebrating over 200 years of Building up the Kingdom of God by Growing Disciples and extending our Ministries

2547 East Tremont Ave, Bronx ,New York 10461



## CHRIST — THE — KING

### **Welcome to Sunday Service**

**November 20<sup>th</sup> 2022 (10a.m Service)**

**Liturgical Color – White**

***Bishop Thomas J. Bickerton (Resident Bishop)***

***Rev. Simeon C. Law, (District Superintendent)***

***Rev. Beverly Hodges-Fairweather (Assistant to the Pastor)***

***Rev. Sonia Jermin (Ministries with Seniors & Spirituality)***

***Rev. Ivy Dawson(Evangelism Related Ministries)***

***Cora Doram - Lay Leader***

***Deaconess. Linda - Douglas Smith (Lay Minister Small Groups Ministries & Attendance Building)***

***Min. Earlwyn Benjamin( Lay Minister Prayer & Healing Ministries )***

***Min. Joshua Olabisi ( Lay Minister Care Ministries)***

***Min. Jaslyn Challenger-Singleton (Family Life Ministries)***

***Rev. Gordon A.R. Edwards, Ph.D., Psy.D, Pastor***

***Pat Savage(Minister of Music ) - Roland Samuels(Percussionist)***

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## **ORDER OF SERVICE**

**Prelude**

**Pat Savage (Minister of Music)**

### **Call to Worship**

**L:** God has called all of us here beloved.

**P:** We are given new names of hope and promise.

**L:** Even though storms and trials have assailed us,

**P:** God has drawn us through to the time of salvation.

**L:** Thanks be to God for God's victory in Jesus Christ!

**P:** May Jesus reign in our hearts all of our days. AMEN.

### **Opening Hymn**

***"Because He Lives"***

1

God sent His son, they called Him, Jesus  
He came to love, heal and forgive  
He lived and died to buy my pardon  
An empty grave is there to  
prove my Savior lives.

*Chorus*

*Because He lives, I can face tomorrow  
Because He lives, all fear is gone  
Because I know He holds the future  
And life is worth the living  
Just because He lives.*

2

How sweet to hold a newborn baby  
And feel the pride and the joy he gives  
But greater still the calm assurance  
This child can face uncertain days because He Lives.

3

And then one day, I'll cross that river  
I'll fight life's final war with pain  
And then, as death gives way to vict'ry  
I'll see the lights of glory and I'll know He reigns.

### **Opening Prayer**

## **The Lord's Prayer (sung)**

Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed –a by thy name  
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, hallowed-a be thy name  
Done on earth as it is in heaven, hallowed-a be thy name  
Give us this day our daily bread, hallowed-a be thy name  
And—forgive all our debts, hallowed-a be thy name  
As we forgive our debtors, hallowed-a be thy name  
Lead us not, into temptation, hallowed-a be thy name  
But deliver us from evil, hallowed-a be thy name  
Thine is the kingdom, power, and glory, hallowed-a be thy name  
For-ever and ever, hallowed-a be thy name  
Amen, amen, amen, hallowed-a be thy name  
Amen, amen, amen, amen, hallowed-a be thy name

## **Children's Moment**

I need you, you need me  
We're all a part of God's body  
Stand with me, agree with me  
We're all a part of God's body  
It is His will that every need be supplied  
You are important to me,  
I need you to survive  
You are important to me,  
I need you to survive

## **Youth**

I pray for you, You pray for me  
I love you, I need you to survive  
I won't harm you with words from my mouth  
I love you, I need you to survive  
It is His will that every need be supplied  
You are important to me  
I need you to survive  
You are important to me  
I need you to survive

**Ministry of Music: Brother Gomes & the Rising Stars Steel Orchestra**

## **OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S GENEROSITY**

The **two buckets** located in the front and back are for our **Tithes/Offering** to cover our current expenses, Scholarship Fund, and the **Apportionment**.

## **PROCLAMATIONS AND RESPONSE**

First Lesson

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

Gospel Lesson

John 6:25-35

Ministry of Music

Chancel Choir

The Sermon: "This is How We Do It"

Rev. Gordon AR Edwards

Call to Discipleship Then Pastoral Prayer/Intercessory Prayer

Opportunities for Ministry

## **SENDING FORTH**

Benediction followed by the Threefold Amen

*Closing Hymn "On Jordon's Stormy Banks I Stand"*

1 On Jordan's stormy banks I stand,  
and cast a wishful eye  
to Canaan's fair and happy land,  
where my possessions lie.

2 O'er all those wide extended plains  
shines one eternal day;  
there God the Son forever reigns,  
and scatters night away.

3 No chilling winds or poisonous breath  
can reach that healthful shore;  
sickness and sorrow, pain and death,  
are felt and feared no more.

4 When I shall reach that happy place,  
I'll be forever blest,  
for I shall see my Father's face,  
and in his bosom rest.

Refrain:

I am bound for the promised land,  
I am bound for the promised land;  
oh, who will come and go with me?  
I am bound for the promised land.

***First Reading: Deuteronomy 26:1-11***

26:1 When you have come into the land that the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it,

26:2 you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the LORD your God will choose as a dwelling for his name.

26:3 You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the LORD your God that I have come into the land that the LORD swore to our ancestors to give us."

26:4 When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the LORD your God,

26:5 you shall make this response before the LORD your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous.

26:6 When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us,

26:7 we cried to the LORD, the God of our ancestors; the LORD heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression.

26:8 The LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders;

26:9 and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey.

26:10 So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O LORD, have given me." You shall set it down before the LORD your God and bow down before the LORD your God.

26:11 Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the LORD your God has given to you and to your house.

**Gospel: John 6:25-35**

6:25 *When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?"*

6:26 *Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves.*

6:27 *Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal."*

6:28 *Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?"*

6:29 *Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent."*

6:30 *So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing?"*

6:31 *Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'"*

6:32 *Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven.*

6:33 *For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world."*

6:34 *They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."*

6:35 *Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will **never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.***

**\*\*Prayers for:**

**Derix & Delvin Skelton(Brothers of Donald Skelton) Desmond Williams(brother of Francis Wright), Dwayne Williams, Francine Brown & family ,The Shaws, Eldra Petrus, Ms. Anglin (Kings Harbor - Room E216A Tel#718-944-3051**

**\* \* Birthdays & Anniversaries**

**Today Nov 20th Clarence Dawson**  
**Fri Nov 25<sup>th</sup> Romario Telfer**

**Mon Nov 21st Anniversary: Wilfred& Chris Johnson**



**\*For the month of November ONLY  
–Finance on Tuesday 22nd. Members  
of these committees please pin these  
changes to your calendars.**

**\* If you are interested in Liturgical Dancing, see Rev. Fairweather.**

**\*Confirmation Classes are held in the Chat Room Sundays after Worship Service**

**\* Steel Pan Rehearsal on November 26th (12pm Radicals. 3pm Rising Stars)**

**\*Sunday December 18th – After worship service (Church sponsored Luncheon)**

**\*The Auction planned for November 12th is cancelled 'til further notice. Stay tuned!**



## Chancel Choir Rehearsals

December 3rd 2022

December 17th 2022

January 14th 2023



## Chancel Choir Ministry of Music Sundays

December 4th 2022

December 18th 2022

January 1st, 2023

January 15th 2023



## ***NOVEMBER God's Renewing Word of Thankfulness and Praise***

### **Date**

### **Reading**

☐ **1 Ezra 1:1-11**

☐ **2 Ezra 3:1-13**

☐ **3 Ezra 4:24—5:17**

☐ **4 Ezra 6:1-12**

☐ **5 Ezra 6:13-22**

☐ **6 Ezra 7:1-10**

☐ **7 Ezra 7:11-28**

☐ **8 Nehemiah 8:1-18**

☐ **9 Nehemiah 12:27-47**

☐ **10 Haggai 1:1-15**

☐ **11 Haggai 2:1-23**

☐ **12 Zechariah 8:1-23**

☐ **13 2 Chronicles 4:1-22**

☐ **14 2 Chronicles 5:1-14**

☐ **15 Psalm 118**

☐ **16 Psalm 135**

☐ **17 Psalm 92**

☐ **18 Psalm 93**

☐ **19 Psalm 95**

☐ **20 Psalm 96**

☐ **21 Psalm 97**

☐ **22 Psalm 98**

☐ **23 Psalm 99**

### **Thanksgiving Day**

☐ **24 Psalm 100**

☐ **25 Psalm 112**

☐ **26 Psalm 113**

### **First Sunday of Advent**

☐ **27 Psalm 24**

☐ **28 Isaiah 11:1-16**

☐ **29 Isaiah 12:1-6**

☐ **30 Jeremiah 10:1-16**



## **Calendar 2022**

### **Trip to Hunterdon Dinner Theater- December 12<sup>th</sup>**

**2022** to see “Christmas at the Playhouse 2022. The Cost is \$125. Deposits due now, Final Payments due on November 14<sup>th</sup> 2022.

### **Advent Luncheon Program**

**– December 17<sup>th</sup> 2022 at  
10am.** (“Blue Christmas”).

Please bring something to share.

## OLDER ADULT MINISTRY



### 2023 Upcoming Events

- Seniors Day Apart – May 2023
- Seniors Retreat – Spring or Fall 2023. The theme is “Sabbath”. Facilitator: Rev Tisha M. Branch

All Seniors are invited to participate in our meetings and activities. We meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month. We look forward to having you with us.

Shalom, Rev Sonia A Jermin.



**Westchester  
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Church  
Presents**

## **A Bang Up Christmas Concert**

**Featuring City South Steel Orchestra + more  
Saturday Dec 10<sup>th</sup> 4pm**

**@2547 E. Tremont Ave, Bronx NY**

Donation: Adults (\$20)  
Children (12&Under) (\$10)



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**SNOW LABORERS NEEDED  
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## **Emergency Snow Laborers 2022-2023 Season**

Snow laborers must be at least 18 years of age, be eligible to work in the United States, and capable of performing heavy physical labor.

Additionally, candidates must be vaccinated against the COVID-19 virus.

All applicants must bring the following items at the time of registration:

- Two small photos (1 ½ square)
- Original and copy of two forms of identification
- Social Security card
- Proof of COVID-19 vaccination

Those interested in becoming a Snow Laborer must register for an application appointment at [nyc.gov/snow](https://nyc.gov/snow).

## Worship Sermon Notes

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Preacher: \_\_\_\_\_

### HEARING GOD'S WORD IN THE SERMON

Since we quickly forget 90% of what we hear; it has been suggested that note-taking will double the percentage of our take-home knowledge. I encourage you to try and see.

**Theme:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Scripture Passages:** OT: \_\_\_\_\_ Gospel: \_\_\_\_\_

### INTRODUCTION:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

### Transitional Statement:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

### MAIN POINTS

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_

### CONCLUSION:

\_\_\_\_\_  
What is the main idea?

\_\_\_\_\_  
What is God asking me to do right now?

\_\_\_\_\_  
What am I going to do about it?