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Invocation and The Lord's Prayer

The Gloria Patri

*** Worshippers May Enter ***

* Congregational Hymn "At The Cross" #137

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* Prayer of Consecration and a Musical Selection

* The Giving of Tithes and Offerings

* Prayer of Dedication and the Doxology

The Altar Call

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BETHANY NEWS

RIGHT HAND OF FELLOWSHIP – Sister Gar Yan Yeung and Brother Michael Inman will receive the Right Hand of Fellowship today.

THANK YOU – Thanks to Rev. Adkins-Jones, Diaconate, Estelle and Beverly Foust and the Bethany Family for your prayers, calls and cards. Special thank you to my angels Katie, Fred, and Tuawana Robinson. God Bless all of you. Sister Barbara Roberts.

Our family would like to express our gratitude and appreciation for all the kindness the church showed us during our time of mourning. It truly helped the family to weather our storm of sadness. The family of Viola Morris

ATTENTION CHOIR MEMBERS – If you have items stored in a locker in the 2nd Choir Room, please remove them. We are in the process of removing the lockers from that room.

ALVIN AILEY TICKETS – NJPAC is presenting Alvin Ailey on May 11th, 12th and 13th. Tickets can be purchased at a 20% discount by using the following link and code: <https://oss.ticketmaster.com/aps/njpac/EN/link/promotion/home/559258f28cd-3e54e5349f58452a21d115fae27d3> and use Promo Code-FBAC. If you have questions, you may call Sister Ollie Washington, 973-669-3497.

LOOKING FOR NEW MEMBERS – The Bethany Black History Committee wishes to extend an invitation for new members to join us this season in planning both civic and cultural events of importance, as well as present historic information on places, people, and events. Our next meeting is scheduled for May 8th. Meetings are held the 2nd Tuesday of each month (excluding summer break) from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

THE PROCESS – The Process Young Adult Ministry ages 18 through the mid 40's, goal is to help individuals possess an interest in identifying their spiritual purpose while making a positive impact on the lives of others. Our next meet up/service will take place on Tuesday, May 22nd at 6:30 p.m. in the Lounge. Connect with us on Twitter, FB, & IG @theprocessbbc or send us an email: theprocessbbc@gmail.com ~The Answer Is In the Process!

AIDS/HEALTH MINISTRY – Harvard Scientists have identified five habits that could extend the average human life span by more than a decade in a major new study. The habits include a diet low in red meat, sugars and saturated fats, but high in vegetables, fruits, and whole grains, with alcohol consumption of no more than 15 grams per day for women, and 30 grams per day for men. It also involves not smoking, maintaining a body mass index between 18.5 and 24.9, and doing at least 30 minutes of moderate exercise a day. Source: <http://www.newsweek.com/healthy-habits-could-boost-life-expectancy-15-years-harvard-study-905553>

THE COLOR ON THE ALTAR IS WHITE – The color on the altar is white, which symbolizes purity, holiness and virtue, as well as respect and reverence. White is used for all high holy days and festival days of the church year, especially the season of Easter.

DEACON'S CORNER

PRAYER SERVICE – Please join us for Prayer Service, which will be led by Deacon Marvin Mack on Thursday, May 10th at 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel. Bible Study follows immediately thereafter, led by Rev. Adkins-Jones

TRUSTEES' CORNER

During His time here on earth, Christ sought to teach His disciples many lessons. In Luke, chapter 6, verse 28, He teaches us the law of reciprocity: ***"Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you."*** Just as Jesus made the ultimate sacrifice for us, we are daily called upon to give as He has so freely blessed us, with the assurance that He will continue to bless us each and every day of our lives. Each Sunday, please remember to include your full name on your envelope, especially if you are including cash, so that the Trustees can accurately apply your contributions. If you do not remember your envelope number, you may check with the Church Clerk or refer to your contribution statement.

ELECTRONIC DONATIONS TO BETHANY – Please be aware that two convenient methods of donating to the church electronically are available to members and guests. **Automatic Debits** - please ask any Trustee for an ACH Authorization Agreement, by which you can specify the account, amount, frequency and designation of your donations to the church. **Via Paypal** – Donations are now available via PayPal on the home page of Bethany's website at www.Bethany-newark.org. You may donate any amount, and select "Add special instructions to the seller" on the PayPal checkout page to give instructions on how you want your gift to help. Please see the Trustees if more information is needed.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Dance Ministry, each Monday at 6:00 p.m.
Youth Choir Rehearsal, each Monday at 7:15 p.m.
Choir Rehearsal, each Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.
NA Meeting, each Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.
Noon Day Service, each Wednesday
Line Dancing, each Wednesday at 6:00 p.m.
Pickup with the Pastor, each Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.
Prayer Service and Bible Study, Thursdays at 7:00 p.m.
Yoga will be on hiatus from April 24th through June 5th.

5/7

Joint Usher Board – 7:00 p.m.
Trustee's 7:00 p.m.

5/8

Black History Committee – 5:30 p.m.

5/9

Archive Committee – 6:30 p.m.
Homecoming Committee – 6:30 p.m.

5/10

Refuge of Hope – 7:00 p.m.

5/12

Mother's Day Breakfast – 9:00 a.m.
Missionary Society – 12:00 p.m.

5/13

Mother's Day – One Service – 10:00 a.m.
Flower Club – After Service
Nurse's Unit – After Service

MEETINGS FOR CHURCH MEMBERS – If you need to have a ministry meeting or club meeting, you must fill out a room request form in advance of your meeting. There are forms in the Church Clerk's Office, Administrative Office and the kiosk in the Narthex.

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.

Adopted, April 27, 2011

2018 JAZZ VESPERS

February thru May artists are co-sponsored by NJPAC
June 3rd – A program of Classical and Jazz sponsored by New Jersey
Symphony Orchestra

PLEASE RESPECT THIS TIME OF QUIETNESS

The Worship Committee has asked our musicians to provide soft music prior to each service so that we might quieten our spirits from the noise of our daily living with the anticipation of being in the presence of our Lord.

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