

## The Call to Worship

- L: I was glad when they said unto me, let us go into the house of the Lord; our feet shall stand within thy gates, O Jerusalem.
- P: For a day in thy courts is better than a thousand. I had rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than to dwell in the tents of wickedness.**
- L: Because of the house of the Lord our God I will seek thy good.
- P: Those that be planted in the house of the Lord, shall flourish in the courts of our God.**
- L: Blessed are they that dwell in thy house. Lord, I have loved thy habitation, the place where thy honor dwelleth.
- P: For the Lord is in His holy temple, let all the earth keep silence before Him.**
- L: Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight, O Lord, my Strength and my Redeemer.
- P: O sing unto the Lord a new song, for He has done marvelous things. Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all the earth, sing praises.**

## The General Confession

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men, we acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness which we from time to time most grievously have committed by thought, word, and deed against Your divine Majesty, provoking most justly Your wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father for Your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake; forgive us all that is past, and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please You in newness of life, to the honor and glory of Your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

## The Summary of the Decalogue

Hear what Christ our Savior saith, "Thou shalt love the LORD thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments, hang all the law and the prophets."

## The Affirmation of Faith

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our LORD, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of a Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried. The third day He arose from the dead; and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God, the Father Almighty: from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the church universal, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sin, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen



Bethel A.M.E. Church will be having it's 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Easter Egg Hunt! The Easter Egg Hunt will take place on Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup> 10:00am-2:00pm at Herman Holloway Park. In an effort to ensure all children receive treats, donations of Peanut Free candies are being requested from the congregation. Donations will be collected every week leading up to the Easter Egg Hunt. To donate candy, please contact Sis. Jolisa Baker 302-407-1943 or [jkbaker611@yahoo.com](mailto:jkbaker611@yahoo.com). Thank you in advance for making Bethel's 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Easter Egg Hunt a success!

## Sick and Shut-/n

If you are sick, hospital bound, or have had death in your family, please notify the Church Office at 302-658-1676.

Dolores Bethea	Martin Drew	Gladys Jenkins	Oscar Robinson
Jackie Brown	Carol Dunn	Rubie Johnson	Kerthia Scales
Mary Brown	Theresa Freeman	Mildred Jolley	Mildred Scudder
Keith Dorman, Sr.	Merl Hair	Jeanette McCallister	Cynthia Warner

## Church Nurture Activities April 7<sup>th</sup> – April 13<sup>th</sup>

<b>SUNDAY</b>	7:00am – 7am Morning Worship [Fellowship Hall] 8:00am – Sunday School [Howard] 9:00am – Morning Worship [Howard] 9:45am – Youth Enrichment Service (Y.E.S.) [Howard]
<b>MONDAY</b>	10:00am-2pm – Beautiful Gate Outreach [Annex 101, 103, 107, 108] 5:00pm – Ministry Implementation Team (MIT) [Lounge] 6:00pm – King of Kings Rehearsal [Annex 103/104] 6:00pm – Kitchen Committee [Fellowship Hall] 6:30pm – Liturgical Dance Ministry [TBD] 7:00pm – Lay Organization [Fellowship Hall]
<b>TUESDAY</b>	10:00am-8pm – Beautiful Gate Outreach [Annex 101, 103, 107, 108] 3:00pm – Daisy Jackson Homework Club [Boardroom & Lounge] 6:00pm – Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal [Annex 103/104] 6:30pm – Joined Hands Cancer Support Group [Lounge] 6:30pm – Liturgical Dance Ministry Rehearsal [TBD] 6:30pm – Food Closet Meeting [Annex 107] 7:00pm – Steward Board II Meeting [Boardroom] 7:00pm – Sons of Allen Sub Committee Meeting [Annex 108]
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	8:30am – Clothing Distribution Bank [Cancelled] 10:00am-2pm – Beautiful Gate Outreach [Annex 101, 103, 107, 108] 10:45am – Mid-Morning Bible Study [Boardroom] 12:00pm – Hour of Power [Fellowship Hall] 1:00pm – The Connie Young Fellowship [Fellowship Hall] 5:15pm – Body & Soul Exercise Class [Fellowship Hall] 5:30pm – Brownies & Daisies [Annex 103] 6:00pm – Intercessory Prayer [Chapel] 7:00pm – Faith Building Clinic [Fellowship Hall]
<b>THURSDAY</b>	10:00am-2pm – Beautiful Gate Outreach [Annex 101, 103, 107, 108] 3:00pm – Daisy Jackson Homework Club [Boardroom & Lounge] 5:00pm – Rap Session for Bethel Men [Fellowship Hall] 6:30pm – Liturgical Dance Ministry Rehearsal [TBD] 6:30pm – Thursday Club [Lounge]
<b>FRIDAY</b>	10:00am-2pm – Beautiful Gate Outreach [Annex 101, 103, 107, 108] 10:00am – Beautiful Gate Outreach [Fellowship Hall] 5:30pm – Elementary School Workshop [Fellowship Hall] 6:00pm – Genesis [Annex 108]; Children's Choir [Annex 103] 6:00pm – Medical Team, Usher, Security Meeting [Boardroom] 7:00pm – Church School Meeting [Boardroom]
<b>SATURDAY</b>	9:00am – Sons of Allen Bible Study [Annex 103] 10:00am – Bethel Ensemble [Annex 108] 10:00am – Liturgical Dance Ministry [TBD] 11:00am – Norfolk State University College Fair [Fellowship Hall] 11:00am – Men's Chorus Rehearsal [Annex 103] 11:00am – Sons of Allen Exec. Board Meeting [Boardroom] 12:00pm – Horns of Gideon Rehearsal [Annex 108]

## Announcements



**Benjamin Banneker** (November 9, 1731 – October 9, 1806) was an almanac author, surveyor, naturalist, and farmer. Born in Baltimore County, Maryland, Banneker had little formal education and was largely self-taught. Banneker's knowledge of astronomy helped him author a commercially successful series of almanacs.



Clothing Ministry will be cancelled for the months of April, May and June. Luther Community Services has free clothes on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month.

New and seasoned members are welcomed to attend New Members Class every 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month from 9:00am-12:00pm in the Boardroom. The next class is scheduled for Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup>.



## Pastor's Preaching Schedule

Friday, April 12<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00pm at Mt. Pisgah AME Church (428 N. 41<sup>st</sup> St., Philadelphia, PA) for their Spring Revival.

Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup> @ 3:30pm at St. Matthew CME Church (2349 Thomas Ave., Twin Oaks, PA) for their Annual Usher Sermon. Dinner will be served at 2:00pm. Please RSVP with church office.

Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup> @ 3:30pm at Scott AME Zion Church (629 E. 7<sup>th</sup> St., Wilmington, DE) for their 144<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

Join the True Love Marriage Ministry for a night of fun, team building, and motivational activities with other couples as we learn the Power of Two through games and inspirational conversations. Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup> from 4:00pm-7:00pm at Bethel AME Church, Anna B. Holland Fellowship Hall. This event is for married, engaged and dating couples. Donation \$10.00 per couple and a covered dish. Please contact Bro. Alex Wilkins at 302-494-2532 or any member of the ministry to sign up or for more information.

Join Beautiful Gate Outreach Center as they participate in Highmark's "Walking For a Healthy Community" on June 8<sup>th</sup> @ Frawley Stadium. We need **WALKERS & 33 CAPTAINS** to help us reach our \$10K goal. **3-Golden Angels raising \$1000 each; 10-Silver Angels raising \$500 each 10-Bronze Angels raising \$250 each; 10-Brass Angels raising \$100 each** If interested, please contact us for more information @ [Beautifulgate1@aol.com](mailto:Beautifulgate1@aol.com) or 302-472-3002.



*We extend our warmest sympathy to Sisters Luella and Tanya Allen, Sherry Rose and Iyoka Majett who are grieving the loss of a loved one.*



Thank you for your kind expressions of sympathy. Words cannot express how grateful we are for the kindness and concern shown to us during our time of bereavement. The outpouring of support will be a source of great comfort in the days ahead.

*The Monteiro and Guyton Families*

*The flowers on the alter were given by Carolyn Bazemore in loving memory of Susie and Earl Bazemore.*





