

DIVINE WORSHIP CELEBRATION

Sunday, January 7, 2018

8:00 A.M.

Testimonial Sunday

Deacons of The Day: Anthony Brown and Leon Cunningham

PRELUDE *Musicians*
(Please worship in silent prayer)

CALL TO WORSHIP *Minister*

DEVOTIONAL PRAISE *Adult Praise Team*

INVOCATIONAL/SCRIPTURE *Deacons*

CHORAL WORSHIP *Adult Praise Team*

***MORNING TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

Offertory Prayer *Minister*

TESTIMONIALS

PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD *Pastor Ricky L. Sykes*

***INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP**

***INVITATIONAL HYMN** *Choir & Congregation*

#166 or #14 "Come Thou Fount"

1. Come, thou Fount of ev-'ry bless-ing, Tune my heart to sing Thy grace; Streams of mer-cy, nev-er ceas-ing, Call for songs of loud-est praise; Teach me some me-lo-dious sun-net, Song by flam-ing tongues a-bove; Praise the mount! I'm fixed up-on it, Mount of Thy re-deem-ing love.

2. Here I raise mine Eb-en-e-zer; Hith-er by Thy help I'm come; And I hope, by Thy good pleas-ure, Safe-ly to ar-rive at home: Je-sus sought me when a stranger, Wan-d'ring from the fold of God; He, to res-cue me from dan-ger, In-ter-posed His pre-cious blood.

3. O to grace how great a debt-or Dai-ly I'm con-strained to be! Let Thy grace, Lord, like a fet-ter, Bind my wan-d'ring heart to Thee: Prone to wan-der, Lord, I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love; Here's my heart, Lord, take and seal it, Seal it for Thy courts a-bove.

MINISTRY OF INFORMATION

FINAL PASTORAL COMMENTS

CLOSING SONG *Choir & Congregation*
#273 My Faith Looks Up to Thee

1. My faith looks up to Thee, Thou Lamb of Cal-va-ry, Sav-ior di-vine! Now hear me while I pray, Take all my guilt away, O let me from this day Be whol-ly Thine!

BENEDICTION *Minister*

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CALL TO WORSHIP *Minister*

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP *Choir & Congregation*
#525 "Why We Sing"

Some-one asked the ques-tion Why do we sing? When we lift our hands to Je-sus, what do we real-ly mean? Some-one may be wonder-ing, when we sing our song, at times we may be cry-ing, and noth-ing's even wrong.

I sing be-cause I'm hap-py, I sing be-cause I'm free. His eye is on the spar-row, that's the rea-son why I sing. Glo-ry, ha-le-lu-jah, I give the praises to You. Glory Hallelujah, You're the reason why I sing.

And when the song is over, we've all said Amen. And your heart just keep on singing and the song will never end. And If somebody ask you was it just a show, Lift your hands and be a witness and tell the whole world no. And when we cross that river to study war no more, We will sing our song to Jesus the One whom we adore.

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***INVOCATIONAL PRAYER** *Minister*

CHORAL RESPONSE *Choir & Congregation*
#167 or #145 Just As I Am

1. Just as I am, with-out one plea, But that Thy blood was shed for me, And that Thou bidd'st me come to Thee, O Lamb of God, I come! I come!

2. Just as I am, and wait-ing not To rid my soul of one dark blot, To Thee whose blood can cleanse each spot, O lamb of God, I come! I Come!

***RESPONSIVE SCRIPTURE READING** *Minister*
Isaiah 60:1-5, 19-21 (NKJV)

Arise, shine; For your light has come! And the glory of the LORD is risen upon you.

For behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, And deep darkness the people; But the LORD will arise over you, And His glory will be seen upon you.

The Gentiles shall come to your light, And kings to the brightness of your rising.

“Lift up your eyes all around, and see: They all gather together, they come to you; Your sons shall come from afar, And your daughters shall be nursed at your side.

Then you shall see and become radiant, And your heart shall swell with joy; Because the abundance of the sea shall be turned to you, The wealth of the Gentiles shall come to you.

“The sun shall no longer be your light by day, Nor for brightness shall the moon give light to you; But the LORD will be to you an everlasting light, And your God your glory.

Your sun shall no longer go down, Nor shall your moon withdraw itself; For the LORD will be your everlasting light, And the days of your mourning shall be ended.

ALL: Also your people shall all be righteous; They shall inherit the land forever, The branch of My planting, The work of My hands, That I may be glorified.

CHORAL WORSHIP *Sanctuary Choir*

MINISTRY OF HOSPITALITY

Visitors, Birthdays, and Anniversaries..... *Sis. Glenda McLaurin*

***WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING**

Offertory Prayer Deacons
Presentation of Tithes and Offerings, Offertory Music

***PRAYERFUL THOUGHTS**

Lord, help us to distinguish between things of an eternal value and things that are empty and temporary. Set our hearts on all things worthy. May we all be obedient to Your command in giving. Direct the use of these gifts, these tithes and offerings, that they may advance Your kingdom and meet the needs of Your people. Amen

CHILDREN’S CHURCH PROCESSIONAL

CHORAL WORSHIP.....Sanctuary Choir

INTERCESSORY PRAYER Minister

TESTIMONIALS AND SONGS Congregation

TESTIMONY AND SERMONETTE Min. Timothy Jamar

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MINISTRY OF INFORMATION Bro. Travis Jones

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