

GOD OUR FATHER, CHRIST OUR REDEEMER, HOLY SPIRIT OUR COMFORTER, HUMANKIND OUR FAMILY

SAINT JOHN AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
708 15th Street North || Birmingham, AL 35203
Rev. Dr. Ronald D. Sterling, Pastor

*The One Year Celebration of the
Daughters of Abraham's Women's Ministry*



Preacher: Rev. Dr. Gwendolyn Denise Pierce

~ Theme ~

Powered By the Holy Spirit - Arise in Triumph

"Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord rises upon you."
Isaiah 60:1



Order of Worship

Sunday, February 27, 2022 - 10am

REV. SHERRI T. RADNEY, WORSHIP LEADER

Prelude.....Music Ministry

Doxology....."Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Call to Worship.....Rev. Sherri T. Radney

Minister: I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart; before the gods I will sing your praise.

People: I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your Name, because of your love and faithfulness.

Minister: For you have glorified your Name and your word above all things.

People: **When I called, you answered me; you increased my strength within me.**

Minister: All the kings of the earth will praise you, O Lord, when they have heard the words of your mouth.

Together: **They will sing of the ways of the Lord, that great is the glory of the Lord.
All will worship your Holy name, Hallelujah!**

Hymn of Celebration.....Music Ministry

"My Hope Is Built"

My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
dare not trust the sweetest frame
But wholly lean on Jesus' name.

Refrain

On Christ, the solid rock I stand,
All other ground is sinking sand,
other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness veils His lovely face,
I rest on His unchanging grace;
every high and stormy gale,
anchor holds within the veil.

His oath, His covenant, His blood
Support me in o'er-whelming flood;
all around my soul gives way,
He then is all my hope and stay.

He shall come with trumpet sound,
may I then in Him be found!
in His righteousness alone,
Faultless to stand before the throne!

Invocation.....Sister Pauline Ford

A prayer inviting the power and presence of God to join and lead us in worship.

Choral Response....."Praise Him"

*Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise Him! Praise Him!
Jesus, blessed savior, He's worthy to be praised.*

*From the rising of the sun, Until the going down of the same.
He's worthy, Jesus is worthy, He's worthy to be praised.*

Ministry of Music.....Sister Yolonda Carter, Cellist

Scripture ReadingSister Roberta Evans
Isaiah 60:1-5 (NIV)

Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee. For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people: but the Lord shall arise upon thee, and his glory shall be seen upon thee. And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising. Lift up thine eyes round about, and see all they gather themselves together, they come to thee: thy sons shall come from far, and thy daughters shall be nursed at thy side. Then thou shalt see, and flow together, and thine heart shall fear, and be enlarged; because the abundance of the sea shall be converted unto thee, the forces of the Gentiles shall come unto thee.

Introit to the Decalogue *From all that dwell below the skies Let the Creator's praise arise:
Let the Redeemer's name be sung, Through every land by every tongue.*

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."

Gloria Patri *Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost:
As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be; world without end. Amen.*

Blessing of the Offertory *(Tithes / Offerings-to be given after the benediction).....Rev. Sherri T. Radney*

Welcome.....Rev. Laurel J. Thornton

Response to the Welcome.....Sister Essie G. Anderson
The Rock Church, Huntsville, AL

Introduction of the Preacher.....Rev. Sherri T. Radney

Sermonic Selection.....Rev. Charles Marie Davis
"God Is"

Message.....Rev. Dr. Gwendolyn D. Pierce

Invitation to Christian Discipleship
An invitation to accept Jesus as your Savior

Pastor's Words

Affirmation of Faith

A statement of what we as Christians believe.

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 the Virgin Mary suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. The third day he arose from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at 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.

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The Benediction.....Rev. Dr. Gwendolyn D. Pierce

Postlude



The Daughters of Abraham

"Ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen years,
be loosed from this bond...?"

-Luke 13:16

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