



SERMON NOTES



LUKE 2:1-7

SCRIPTURE

REV. DR. BETTY L. FLUDD

PREACHER

"THE JOURNEY TO BETHLEHEM"

SERMON TOPIC

POINTS OF POWER

**MBC VISION 2020
RESTORATION - REVITALIZATION – REPOSITION**

THE ORDER OF SERVICE DECEMBER 9, 2018 – 10:45 A.M. SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

THE GATHERING The Praise Team

THE INVOCATION/LORD'S PRAYERPulpit Associate

THE HYMN OF THE MONTH The Mass Choir and Congregation
We'll Understand It Better By and By

THE WELCOME.....Pulpit Associate

THE PASTORAL OBSERVATIONS AND MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

THE TITHING STATEMENT/THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

THE TITHE AND OFFERING..... The Ushers

THE SELECTIONThe Men's Chorus
If God Be for Us

THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE All Things Come of Thee (536)

THE LIGHTING OF ADVENT CANDLE

ADVENT READING – JoyTajane Sarah Lewis

THE PASTORAL PRAYER

THE SONG OF CONSECRATIONThe Men's Chorus
Leaning on Jesus

THE SERMONRev. Dr. Betty L. Fludd

"THE JOURNEY TO BETHLEHEM"
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THE INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

THE BENEDICTION Pastor James B. Logan, D.MIN

THREE-FOLD AMEN

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE WELCOME our visitors who are worshipping with us today. We pray that your visit will be a blessing and a rewarding experience. If you live in the area and do not have a church home, we invite you to become a part of our church family. Pastor Logan and some of our Deacons will be waiting to receive and accept you during the Invitational Hymn. We invite you to come to Jesus and to the love, friendship, and fellowship of our church family. In times like these, we need a Savior. Come to Jesus.

OUR MOTTO: No one cares how much you KNOW until they know how much you CARE!

TODAY, immediately following worship service, we will have a **'Fellowship Hour'** with refreshments in Rev. Reuben E. Williams Hall. This is a time to greet and/or meet each other and get to know names and faces....**your church family**. Everyone is invited. The Fellowship Hour will be hosted on the second Sunday of each month.

BIG BROTHERS/BIG SISTERS IN CHRIST MINISTRY would like to thank each and every individual and ministry, as well as the church for allowing them to bless between 900 and 950 residents of area convalescence homes on yesterday. On Friday evening and Saturday morning, everyone gathered, 'pitched-in', prepared and delivered the gift bags. How awesome! We thank and praise God for Chairperson Deborah R. Tisdale for her diligence and commitment to the task

CHRISTMAS OUTREACH within our church family continues with the offering of **'Food gift cards'** if needed. Request forms (for food gift cards) are on the table in the narthex. Please follow the instructions as printed on the forms. Trustee Shirley Paramore and Sister LaVerne D. Jones are the coordinators.

THE ANGEL TREE gifts are due today. If you took a gift tag from the Angel Tree, you should have purchased the gift as described on the tag. That gift with the tag you took attached is due. **Bless you!**

A SPECIAL PERIOD OF PRAYER: "Hour of Power" under the leadership of our Missionary Ministry will be every Wednesday, 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. This is a precursor to our regular Prayer, Praise and Bible Study. All are welcome. Come pray with us. Flyers are available.

MON. DEC. 10TH6:00 p.m.. Women In Prayer Ministry
WED. DEC. 12TH12:00 Noon. Bible Study
WED. DEC. 12TH6:30 p. m.....Prayer and Praise/Adult Bible Study
 The Diaconate Ministry will lead the Prayer Service.
WED. DEC. 12TH7:00 p.m.Children Bible Study
FRIDAYS (1ST & 3RD) 6:30 p.m. Youth/Young Adults

WE EXTEND CONDOLENCES TO Deacons Curtis and Yvette Patterson and family on the passing of her aunt in Cincinnati, OH who was funeralized on yesterday.

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EXPRESSION OF THANKS FROM Sister Marian R. Gwyn for your prayers, cards, visits and loving concerns. She is still at Westport Rehabilitation Complex, 1 Burr Road, Westport, CT 06880; and from Pastor Logan for your prayers as he prepared and ministered at Goodwill Baptist Church in Bronx, NY on yesterday.

THE HEALTH AND WELLNESS MINISTRY changed its meeting date from the second Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. to the fourth Saturday at 10:00 a.m.

EXERCISE CLASSES on Tuesdays have been cancelled until next year. You will be notified when classes resume.

THE TOT PROGRAM OF OUR CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Children 10 years old and younger are invited downstairs in Memorial Hall, where there is adult supervision and a planned learning experience, during worship service. Children must be escorted downstairs and signed in and out.

COME TO SUNDAY SCHOOL

CLASSES FOR ALL AGES.



at 9:30 a.m.

Bring your Family.

SOULFUL WEDNESDAYS: We will continue to make free clothing and items available. Remember: **EVERY WEDNESDAY, 10:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.** the merchandise will be available in our Memorial Hall. We ask that if you need or know someone who needs clothing come and take them. **FREE LUNCH** is served every Wednesday, beginning at 11:00 a.m.



Don't forget to spotlight our students. Submit information to the church office. The forms are on the table in the narthex and outside the secretary's office or send an email.

THE TITHE AND OFFERING



If you arrive for worship service late and miss the opportunity to give unto the Lord, our ushers are available to receive your offering.



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