



**SERMON NOTES**

**2 CORINTHIANS 4:3-7**

**REV. DR. BETTY L. FLUDD**

**SCRIPTURE**

**PREACHER**

**"EMPTY VESSELS FILLED BY THE SPIRIT OF GOD"**

**SERMON TOPIC**

**POINTS OF POWER**

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

**THE ORDER OF SERVICE**

**FEBRUARY 17, 2019 – 10:45 A.M.**

**THE GATHERING** ..... The Praise Team

**THE INVOCATION/LORD’S PRAYER** ..... Sister Hazel McNair

**THE HYMN OF THE MONTH** ..... The Mass Choir and Congregation  
Lift Every Voice and Sing

**THE WELCOME** ..... Pulpit Associate

**THE PASTORAL OBSERVATIONS AND MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS**  
Sister Keandra Snider

**THE TITHING STATEMENT/THE OFFERTORY PRAYER**  
Deacon Edith L. Caciopoli

**THE TITHE AND OFFERING** ..... The Ushers

**THE SELECTION** ..... The Mass Choir  
I Dare You

**THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE** ..... All Things Come of Thee (536)

**THE PASTORAL PRAYER** ..... Pulpit Associate

**CHANT** ..... The Mass Choir – Sister Dorothy I. Parker, Soloist  
You’ll Never Walk Alone

**THE SONG OF CONSECRATION**..... The Mass Choir  
Satan We’re Gonna Tear Your Kingdom Down

**THE SERMON** ..... Rev. Dr. Betty L. Fludd  
**"EMPTY VESSELS FILLED BY THE SPIRIT OF GOD"**  
**2 CORINTHIANS 4:3-7**

**THE INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP**

**THE BENEDICTION** ..... Rev. Dr. Betty L. Fludd

**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!*

**GOD'S BLESSINGS** upon Pastor and Lady Logan, as they travel and visit Sydney this weekend.

*IT IS 'AFRICAN AMERICAN HERITAGE SUNDAY'* where musically the choir is blessing us with Negro spirituals and your blend of traditional African Heritage garb is beautiful.

**RETIREMENT!** Congratulations and God's Blessings to one who gave her best in the work-force and retired. **Sister Hazel McNair!** Praise God!

**ALL MINISTRY LEADERS** are asked to meet Saturday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> at 10:00 a.m. in Rev. Reuben E. Williams Hall. Attention will be given to important information, including budgets.

*THE SILVER SAINTS* will meet Tuesday, February 19<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 noon.

*OUR BLACK HISTORY MINISTRY AND SUNDAY SCHOOL INVITE YOU...IT'S TIME TO PLAY...FAMILY FEUD!* Saturday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>

11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. in Rev. Reuben E. Williams Hall. **The Survey Says!**... “Organize and register your team.” Today is the deadline. Registration forms to register your team, as well as a sign-in sheet if you plan to attend are on the table in the narthex. We will come together to watch or play. It's free! Light refreshments will be served.

*STUDENTS, GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL, 'CLASS OF 2019'* members of Messiah only, are asked to register in the church office no later than next Sunday, February 24<sup>th</sup>. We don't want to miss anyone.

*WED. FEB. 20<sup>th</sup>* .....12:00 Noon. .... Bible Study

*WED. FEB. 20<sup>th</sup>* ....6:30 p. m. ....Prayer and Praise/Adult Bible Study  
The Education Scholarship Ministry will lead the Prayer Service.

*WED. FEB. 20<sup>th</sup>* .....7:00 p.m. ....Children Bible Study

*FRIDAYS (1<sup>ST</sup> & 3<sup>RD</sup>)* ..... 6:30 p.m. .... Youth/Young Adults

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*EXPRESSION OF SYMPATHY* TO the family of Elaine Leake, a former member. She relocated to North Carolina, returned to Bridgeport recently, was a patient at Lord Chamberlain; and looked forward to coming back to Messiah, but instead, the Lord called her home to Glory. Funeral Service will be announced.

*EXPRESSION OF THANKS FROM:* Sister Sally A. Carter and family for your kind expressions of condolences on the passing of her brother; and from the family of Brother Lawrence Kearney for the Memorial Service, the love and compassion shown to them on Friday. Deacon Tyrone Thompson thanks each and all of you who attended the event honoring him on yesterday, as well as those who wished him well with words of encouragement.

*AWARDS LUNCHEON: FIRST LADY, VIRGINIA C. LOGAN* is an Awardee (along with eight others) at Al-Aziz Islamic Center's Ijlal Muhammad Humanitarian Awards Dinner on Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. at the Holiday Inn, 1070 Main St., Bpt. Donation: Adults - \$60.00 and Children - 12 and under - \$25.00. “Celebrating 39 years of honoring women who are positive examples in the community.”

*AN OPEN HOUSE: SAT. MAR. 9<sup>TH</sup> 1:00-3:00 P.M.* hosted by our **Missionary Ministry**. You are invited to their ‘Reaching out for New Members’ open house. Flyers are available with additional information.

### Workshops coming to Messiah!

- **SAT., MARCH 2<sup>ND</sup> 11:30 A.M. – 12:30 P.M.**, Pastor Logan will conduct the first of a series of workshops on evangelism for our Missionary, and Health and Wellness Ministries.
- **SAT., MARCH 30<sup>TH</sup> 9:00 A.M. – 12:00 NOON, A Choral Workshop** presented by Rev. Raymond Wise, Ph.D. Professor of Practice In The African American Diaspora Studies Department and Associate Director of The African American Arts Institute At Indiana University. Our Music Ministry sponsors the workshop; and it's open to the public. Flyers with additional information and registration forms will be available soon. **SAVE THE DATE!**

*LET US KNOW:* We are family. Please be reminded to let your church family know what we should know or what you would like to share with us. Don't assume we know. Call the church office.

### 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.

**Holiday:** The church building will be closed tomorrow in observance of President's Dav.