Family and Friends Day

Theme: “Family and Friends Coming to Grow in Christ.” — 2 Peter 3:18

Morning Worship

Sunday, May 7, 2017

~ Worship Leader ~
Rev. Gordon Biggers
Focus on Your Soul Ministry

*Call to Worship and Invocation .................. Sis. Erica Faison
*Opening Hymn (Insert) ........................................... “Lift Him Up”
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Introduction of Worship Leader .................. Sis. Erica Faison

O. T. Reading (2 Chronicles 7:12-16) ........... Sis. Sandra Matthews,
Payne Memorial African Methodist Episcopal Church

N. T. Reading (Romans 8:31-39) ............... Sis. Margaret Solomon,
Payne Memorial African Methodist Episcopal Church

Selection ..................................................... Grace Memorial Mass Choir

Morning Prayer ........................................ Sis. Ruth Watson,
Pleasant Hope Baptist Church

Prayer Chant
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Welcome to Visitors ................................. Sis. Sylvia Mason

Response to Welcome .............................. Sis. Beulah McCain-Lucas,
Morning Star Baptist Church,
Catonsville

Pastoral Comments .............................. Rev. Marshall L. Barnes
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Selection……………………………………..Bro. Ronald Rolling
**
First Baptist Church, Woodlawn

Selection……………………………………..Grace Memorial Mass Choir
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~ Offering ~

*Offertory Prayer…………………………..Trustee Curtis Echoles

Mission Offering
*Tithes and Gifts of Love

*Response of Thanksgiving……………………..Congregation
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Liturgical Dancers…………………………..Fearless Dance Empire
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Introduction of Guest Preacher……………....Sis. Anndell Lawrence

Sermonic Hymn…………………………………..Sis. Edna Jones,
Greater St. John Baptist Church

The Message…………………………………Minister Donna Brown,
Associate Minister, Morning Star
Baptist Church, Catonsville


*Altar Call……………………………………..Rev. Marshall L. Barnes

*Benediction and Grace………………………Rev. Frank Bell

*Recessional……………………………………Grace Memorial Mass Choir

*Standing   **Seating Worshippers

Dinner will be served in the A. Roberta Pope
Fellowship Hall following the Morning Worship.

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Emergency Notices
All emergency situations are to be reported immediately to the Pastor
Reverend Marshall L. Barnes
e.g., death, hospital emergency, etc.

The Deacon and Deaconess Ministry
The following Deacons and Deaconesses are available to assist members of our Church with prayer and offering of a helping hand whenever assistance is needed and subsequently requested:

During the period of April 10 through May 14 contact the following:
Deacon James Jones, 443-712-6868
Deacon Luke Montgomery Sr., 443-629-7297
Deaconess Charmaine Cook, 410-298-6133
Deaconess Hilton Patrick, 410-367-0573

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Reverend Marshall L. Barnes, Pastor
Reverend Frank Bell, Associate Pastor
Deacon James Jones, Deacon Ministry Chairman
Sister Carolyn Moorehead, Secretary

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Words of Wisdom
“As we grow closer to Jesus our lives will reflect Him more clearly.”
LISTEN to the message from God’s Word. USE this sheet to make some personal notes. GO back over them through the coming week. LET God crystallize these truths in YOUR life.

Sermon title: ____________________________________________________________

Biblical text: ____________________________________________________________

Main idea of sermon: ____________________________________________________

1. _________________________________________________________________
2. _________________________________________________________________
3. _________________________________________________________________
4. _________________________________________________________________

Illustration I want to remember: _________________________________________

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What should I do as a result of hearing this sermon?

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Church News

“High Standards and High Expectations for the Glory of God.”

ANNUAL YOUTH ANNIVERSARY

JOINT BOARD MEETING
Monday, June 12 at 7:00 p.m. for all Preachers, Deacons, and Trustees.

SEMI-ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING
Wednesday, June 14 at 7:00 p.m. for all adult members of Grace.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
Our annual Vacation Bible School will take place Monday, June 19 thru Friday, June 23 from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. This year’s theme is: “The Faith Run: On Course with God” so lace up your shoes and join us! For more information, contact Deaconess Charmaine Cook.

CHURCH ANNIVERSARY TICKETS AVAILABLE
Subscription: $55.00 for adults and $27.50 for children under the age of 12.
If you have not requested your tickets for our 90th Church Anniversary Celebration, please see one of the committee members. They are as follows:

Sis. Wanda Carr
Trustee Curtis Echoles
Sis. Cynthia Franklin
Sis. Shelley Jones
Sis. Brenda Mitchell
Sis. Talisha Pitt
Deaconess Charmaine Cook
Sis. Shirley Eldridge
Sis. Eliza Jennings
Sis. Kim McDonald
Sis. Carolyn Moorehead
Deaconess Norma Pope

PHOTOGRAPHS/NEWSPAPER ARTICLES WANTED!
We are requesting pictures and/or newspaper articles taken during the 90 years of Grace’s existing. If you have such, please submit to our church office so that we can create a historical timeline album. All photos and/or newspaper clippings will be returned within a week.
Minister Donna Brown

Minister Donna Brown is a native Baltimorean. She accepted Christ at the age of 9 at the Mt. Hebron Baptist Church under the Leadership of the late Rev. Paris Thompson. Minister Brown has served in several capacities in ministry as a Leader - from the Ushers’ Ministry, to Choir Director, to Youth Leader, and Women’s Ministry Leader. Minister Brown truly is a woman that has a passion for ministry and to serve God’s people.

Minister Donna Brown heard the call for many years to preach the gospel, and finally accepted God’s call to preach in 2003. After completing her Minister-in-Training Classes, Minister Donna Brown was licensed in 2006 by Bishop Dwayne C. Debnam at the Morning Star Baptist Church. Her initial sermon title: “THE HOUSE SHOOK” – Amos: Chapter 9.

- She’s the proud mother of “college student” Jordan Brown.
- Minister Brown was appointed as Ministry Leader for the Divorce Care Ministry at Morning Star – a Bible based support group opened to anyone dealing with separation or divorce. This was a new ministry for the church and the Lord has allowed Minister Brown to lead the ministry in its initial phase for 7 years and this ministry is still active today.
- Minister Brown has served for 10 years as the coordinator of the 3rd Sunday evening services, for the Bernard E. Mason senior citizens, located in the Windsor Mill area. Minister Brown is blessed to have carried out the vision that started over 35 years ago by Dr. Eva Sapp and her husband the late Pastor Nathaniel Sapp.
- With compassion, Minister Brown not only preach in the prison’s and nursing homes monthly, she is the Leader for the Children’s Church Greater Praise Service and Directs the Children’s Choir, as young as, age 2 through 5th Grade with over 30 children singing on the choir.
- Minister Brown realizes it’s an honor and privilege to serve God’s people and to spread the Gospel that someone would accept Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.
- Minister Brown is a woman of faith, hope, courage and determination. A woman with gifts and talents clearly impacting generations to come as she stands firm on Philippians 4:13 - “I can do all things through Christ which strengthens me.”

Mr. Ronald Rolling

Mr. Ronald Rolling has been playing trumpet in the Baltimore area for over 30 years, beginning his studies at Greenspring Junior High, then to Douglass High School and continuing trumpet studies at Morgan State University under the direction of Mr. Melvin N. Miles, Jr. He holds a bachelors degree in Music Education from Morgan State University and a Masters of Arts degree in Organizational Management. Mr. Rolling operates his own company, ROROLL Services, LLC, where he teaches children to play musical instruments, leads a professional horn section, BRASSNASTY, and coordinates musical bookings for bands. Mr. Rolling taught in both Baltimore County and Baltimore City Public School Systems, serving as the assistant Band Director at Baltimore City College High School for 5 years. In addition to his musical activities, Mr. Rolling currently works full-time at the Social Security Administration, ensuring our most dependent populations receive the assistance they need.
In 2014, under the direction of Ms. LaKeisha Johnson, Fearless Dance Empire began as an after school program with 22 young ladies at Coldstream Park Elementary Middle School. She began the program, with the main objective being, to provide an artistic outlet that would change the lives of young students in Baltimore City. With the increase of senseless violence and deaths amongst young people across the country, she realized there was a serious need for students to express themselves within a positive and structured environment. Since dancing at the early age of three, she learned how arts education defines discipline, self-confidence, teamwork, and creativity and starting a holistic dance program would provide a platform for character development, academic success, as well as parent involvement.

Within the first few years, the students have performed in Washington, DC, South Carolina, for Lieutenant Governor Boyd Rutherford, Baltimore City Housing Annual Youth Summit, Baltimore City’s Mayor; The Honorable Stephanie Rawlings-Blake, at the Baltimore World Trade Center, headlined for various local, state, and federal government officials, various churches and events across Baltimore, and have even danced for VH1s Mendeecees Harris' speaker series.

The program has now grown to 4 locations; partnering with 3 Baltimore City Public and Charter Schools, over 150 students, and a plethora of supporters. Ms. LaKeisha knows that every student may not want to become a professional dancer, moreover she understands that students have the ability to strive for their personal excellence; an act in itself is fearless. Students leave understanding that their, "deepest fear is not that they are inadequate, [their] deepest fear is that they are powerful beyond measure," after all who are they not to be?

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**“Lift Him Up”**

1
How to reach the masses, men of ev'-ry birth,  
For an answer Jesus gave the key:  
“And I, if I be lifted up from the earth,  
Will draw all men unto Me.”

*Refrain:* Lift Him up, Lift Him up,  
Still He speaks from eternity:  
“And I, if I be lifted up from the earth,  
Will draw all men unto Me.”

2
Oh! the world is hungry for the Living Bread,  
Lift the Savior up for them to see;  
Trust Him, and do not doubt the words that He said,  
“I’ll draw all men unto Me.”

*Refrain:* Lift Him up, Lift Him up,  
Still He speaks from eternity:  
“And I, if I be lifted up from the earth,  
Will draw all men unto Me.”

3
Lift Him up by living as a Christian ought,  
Let the world in you the Savior see;  
Then men will gladly follow Him who once taught,  
“I’ll draw all men unto Me.”

*Refrain:* Lift Him up, Lift Him up,  
Still He speaks from eternity:  
“And I, if I be lifted up from the earth,  
Will draw all men unto Me.”

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**SOUP KITCHEN**
Tuesday, May 9 from 12:00 noon to 1:30 p.m.

**PRAYER SERVICE/BIBLE STUDY**
Wednesday, May 10 at 7:30 p.m. Let’s study God’s Word together.

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**Sick and Shut-Ins**
Trustee William Atkinson, 1088 Cameron Rd., 21212
Deaconess Marion Leach, C/O Patapsco Valley Center, 9109 Liberty Rd., Room 247A, Randallstown, MD 21133-3521
Sis. Ila Scott, 1631 W. Lexington St., 21223
Sis. Elsie Turmon, 1009 Vanderwood Rd., 21228
Bro. Reginald Werrell, 2412 Winchester St., 21216, 410-831-5529
Deaconess Beverly Wilson’s daughter and Sis. Lisa Wilson’s sister,
Sis. Chareese Brogden, Brintonwood Nursing Home, 5009 Frankford Ave., Room 216, 21206
Bro. Edward Withers, C/O Manor Care – Roland Park, 4669 Falls Rd., Room 328A, 21209

**Special Prayer Requests**
Pastor Marshall Barnes’ friends, Sis. Yvonne Rice and Sis. Kathy Seal
Sis. Erica Faison’s friend, Bro. Ladonte Locus
Sis. Cynthia Franklin’s father, Bro. James Lawrence;
aunt, Sis. Mable Stancil; children, Bro. Melford
and Sis. Yolanda Franklin and their family
Sis. Wanda Garrett’s niece, Sis. Kayla James
Sis. Sylvia Jones’ father, Bro. Willie Russell
and friend, Bro. Robert Chambliss
Sis. Kim McDonald’s children, Bro. Correll Wilson,
Bro. Tayo Daniels Jr., Bro. Theodore Wilson,
and Sis. Ta’Brielle Daniels

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**Golden Text:**

“I will sacrifice unto thee with the voice of thanksgiving; I will pay that that I have vowed. Salvation is of the Lord.” — (Jonah 2:9)

**Today’s Aim:**

“To understand that God provides protection both physically and spiritually.”

**Introducing The Lesson:**

Our love for our children is modeled after God’s love for us. We protect them physically from harm and spiritually from sinful influences.

All of us protect our children, but let us take this thought one step further. Even when we discipline our children, we are desiring to protect them. We do not want to drive them away from us, so we protect their spirits by lovingly helping them have a right perspective on discipline.

We will see this truth play out in our study this week from Jonah 2.

**Practical Points:**

1. God’s grace is evident as He helps us through the consequences of disobedience (Jonah 2:1).
2. There is no place too distant and no trouble so severe that our prayers cannot reach the ears of God (Jonah 2:2).
3. Believers benefit from God’s discipline as they acknowledge their guilt and submit to God (Jonah 2:3).
4. God's ultimate goal in discipline is to redeem us and bring our hearts back to Him (Jonah 2:4-6).
5. Knowing God is committing to act based on what we believe about Him (Jonah 2:7).
6. As you go through difficulties, remember that God has already prepared your deliverance (Jonah 2:8-10).

**Concluding The Lesson:**

We all are thankful for the Lord’s protection of us physically. All of us can recount instances of His intervention, sparing us from danger and harm.

Let us think more about God’s spiritual protection. What are the sources of spiritual danger in our lives? Some sources are: sinful people, evil influences around us, and the temptations of Satan.

What means does the Lord use to protect us from spiritual danger? Some means are: Scripture, prayer, the counsel of others, the promptings of the Holy Spirit, and circumstances, as in the case of Jonah.

Let us thank the Lord for His spiritual protection every day, and especially when we are more vulnerable during times of discipline. Let us avail ourselves of God’s means of protection when we face spiritual dangers.