

**MCKENDREE-SIMMS-BROOKLAND  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

WASHINGTON, DC

**April 28, 2024**



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# Order of Worship

April 28, 2024– 10:00AM

*All members and guests are reminded to check their phones when entering the sanctuary  
to make sure they are turned off or in silent mode.*

**\*Please Stand**

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements/ Recognition of Guests

Christine Y. Jones, Liturgist

Invocation

Praise and Worship Praise Team Ensemble

Deaf History Moment

**\*Call to Worship**

Leader: It is done. God has always been in charge.

**People: Yesterday and today. Even when things seem out of control.**

Leader: God's reign is on its way.

**People: Let us prepare the way for God.**

**\*Opening Prayer**

**Faithful God, expand our thankful imaginations, to time beyond our time,  
to wisdom beyond our wisdom, to strength beyond our strength.**

**As we pray for your coming reign, remind us that the whole earth is  
already yours. Even as we pray for things not yet seen, help us celebrate  
your sure, eternal reign. Amen.**

**\*Opening Hymn**

**“Leaning on the Everlasting Arms”**

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**1** What a fellowship, what a joy divine,  
leaning on the everlasting arms;  
what a blessedness, what a peace is  
mine,  
leaning on the everlasting arms.  
[Refrain]

**2** O how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way,  
leaning on the everlasting arms;  
O how bright the path grows from day to  
day,  
leaning on the everlasting arms.  
[Refrain]

**3** What have I to dread, what have I to fear,  
leaning on the everlasting arms?  
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near,  
leaning on the everlasting arms.  
[Refrain]

**Refrain:**  
Leaning, leaning,  
safe and secure from all alarms;  
leaning, leaning,  
leaning on the everlasting arms.

Sign of the Week & Selection

Hands in Christian Service

Offertory Prayer

Worship with Tithes and Offerings

Praise Team Ensemble

\*Doxology

**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.**

Ministry in Music

"The Holy Ghost"

Voices United Choir

**\*Exclamation of the Holy Word**

**Jeremiah 23: 23-32**

23 Am I a God nearby, says the Lord, and not a God far off? 24 Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them? says the Lord. Do I not fill heaven and earth? says the Lord. 25 I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, "I have dreamed! I have dreamed!" 26 How long? Will the hearts of the prophets ever turn back—those who prophesy lies and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart? 27 They plan to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, just as their ancestors forgot my name for Baal. 28 Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let the one who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? says the Lord. 29 Is not my word like fire, says the Lord, and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces? 30 See, therefore, I am against the prophets, says the Lord, who steal my words from one another. 31 See, I am against the prophets, says the Lord, who use their own tongues and say, "Says the Lord." 32 See, I am against those who prophesy lying dreams, says the Lord, and who tell them and who lead my people astray by their lies and their recklessness, when I did not send them or command them, so they do not profit this people at all, says the Lord.

Ministry in Music

"Holy"

Voices United Choir

The Proclamation of the Holy Word

Pastor Brown

Invitation to Discipleship

"How Great Is Our God"

Altar Call

Closing Hymn

"Just Believe"

Just Believe, just believe, nothing shall be impossible  
I can do anything, you can do anything, we can do anything  
If you just believe.

\*Benediction

Postlude

Bro. Kevin Scott

## Sermon Notes



## **ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR APRIL 28, 2024**

### Have an announcement?

Please submit it to: [msbannouncements@gmail.com](mailto:msbannouncements@gmail.com)

- Join us for our Lectionary Bible Study this Wednesday, May 1, 2024! We will meet at 7 pm on Zoom Meeting ID: 863 7320 9008 | Call Number: 301-715-8592 | Password: 547396
- Let's keep our former Pastor, Rev. Eric King in prayer as he goes through this period of illness. We would like to show love to him by sending him cards of well wishes from MSB. Cards may be given to Sis. Judy Jones or you may leave them in the office during the week. Cards will be mailed to him at the end of the week.
- The Epworth House Mission Project Committee (United Women in Faith) presents the Annual Virtual Spring Celebration on Saturday, May 4, 2024, at 11:00 am. If you have questions, please contact Sis. Lynn Davenport or Sis. Ellen Davis.
- There will be an all-church meeting on Saturday, May 18, 2024. We will meet in person at 10:00 AM. The main agenda item is to present and discuss church-wide updates. All members are encouraged to attend.
- It is that time of the year again! Let's celebrate our graduates and their achievements! Graduate Recognition Sunday will held on Sunday, June 9, 2024. If you are the parent/guardian of a graduate and they are graduating from Kindergarten, Elementary, Middle, High School, or College, please fill out and submit the 2024 Graduate Recognition Sunday Form to the Education/Scholarship committee or church office by Sunday, May 26, 2024. Forms are located in the Narthex. If you have any questions, please see Sis. Nikki Dobyns.
- Please continue to keep the Armwood, Roche, Holbrook, Parrish, Thomas, and Jones families in prayer during this time of bereavement. Also, keep in prayer all other members who are mourning the passing of loved ones and those on the sick and recovering list.
- Stay tuned for Summer at MSB, which will include the Church Cook-out, Bike Blessings, Weekend Vacation Bible School, and a Movie Sermon Series!!
- Make a Pledge. We are appealing to all members to participate in an effort to restore all areas of the church to optimal condition so that the facilities can be used as intended. We are engaging in a building fundraiser to accomplish this mission and urgently request the membership to pledge to one of the five giving levels: Patron: \$1 - \$499 Bronze: \$500 - \$999 Silver: \$1,000 - \$4,999 Gold: \$5,000 - \$9,999 Platinum: \$10,000 and above. Contact Trustee Hunter Alexander.

**MISSION STATEMENT:**

Celebrate God, Serve God, and make disciples of Jesus Christ

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*We appreciate your continued gifts of generosity of tithes and offerings given online, in worship, or by regular mail. It allows us to continue to advance the kingdom through ministry and to be good stewards of the House of Worship.*