

MCKENDREE-SIMMS-BROOKLAND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

WASHINGTON, DC

October 27, 2024



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*2421 Lawrence St NE,
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Order of Worship

October 27, 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

Invocation

Pastor Shelly Hawkins

Mary Pinn, Liturgist

***Call to Worship**

Leader: We have gathered in this place to worship,

People: because Jesus invites us to come!

Leader: We come as we are, with our faith and our doubts, with our successes and our failures,

People: because Jesus invites us to come!

Leader: We come with what we have, bringing with us the events and experiences of this past week,

People: because Jesus invites us to come!

Leader: Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

People: Let us worship God together.

***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]
[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

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

"None but the Righteous"

Voices United Choir

***Exclamation of the Holy Word (read in UNISON)**

John 8: 25-36

25 They said to him, "Who are you?" Jesus said to them, "Why do I speak to you at all? 26 I have much to say about you and much to condemn, but the one who sent me is true, and I declare to the world what I have heard from him." 27 They did not understand that he was speaking to them about the Father. 28 So Jesus said, "When you have lifted up the Son of Man, then you will realize that I am he and that I do nothing on my own, but I speak these things as the Father instructed me. 29 And the one who sent me is with me; he has not left me alone, for I always do what is pleasing to him." 30 As he was saying these things, many believed in him.

True Disciples

31 Then Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples, 32 and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." 33 They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, 'You will be made free'?" 34 Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. 35 The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. 36 So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.

Ministry in Music

“Holy”

Voices United Choir

The Proclamation of the Holy Word

Pastor Brown

Invitation to Discipleship

“My Life is In Your Hand”

Altar Call

Closing Hymn

“Amen”

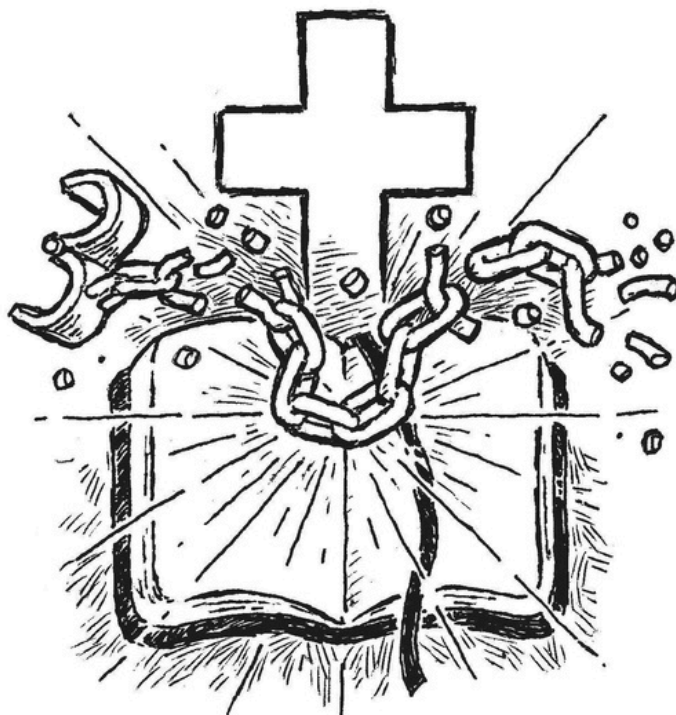
*Benediction

Postlude

Pastor Shelley Hawkins

Sermon Notes

Color the Sermon



ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR OCTOBER 27, 2024

Have an announcement?

Please submit it to: msbannouncements@gmail.com

- MSB Family, please pray for the family of Sis. Rosalind Harris, in the loss of her son-in-law, Ovando Thelwell, who passed away on October 10, 2024. Expressions of sympathy for the family, especially for her daughter Kanika, and grandchildren, Ovando-Michael, Asha, and Aliya may be sent to: The Thelwell Family, c/o Rosalind Harris 2304 Perry St. NE, Washington, DC 20018.
- MSB mourns the death of Mr. James Landon, on September 20, 2024 in Georgia. Mr. Landon is the husband of Mrs. Barbara Landon and brother-in-law to the late Vera Trappio. Funeral arrangements have yet to be confirmed. Expressions of sympathy may be sent to Mrs. Landon at 142 Morgan Pines Drive, Pooler, GA 31322, (240) 393-3003.
- 2024 MSB Homecoming – Thanks be to God for MSB’s blessed weekend celebrating our Homecoming! We were blessed to have been a part of seeing and hearing many MSB hidden talents that showed up and showed out. Many thanks to all participants and attendees. Sunday morning Worship came with the highest praise to God our Savior who blessed the service with a great preacher, Rev. Michael Parker and singing from our combined choirs. The Committee thanks each one of you personally for your prayers, gifts of giving and attendance which helped to make the weekend a success. Thanks to Pastor Brown for lending a helping hand to make sure we dotted all the I’s and crossed all the T’s. Homecoming Committee.
- Please join us for our Gratitude Bible Study Series this Wednesday, October 30, 2024 at 7:00 PM via Zoom. Meeting ID: 863 7320 9008 | Call Number: 301-715-8592 | Password: 547396.
- October is Pastor/Clergy Appreciation Month. This is the time we show appreciation by simply saying thank you, praying for you, a hug, I appreciate you and your ministry, and other tokens of love. So, church let show Pastor Brown our appreciation the MSB way. Let us also not forget our clergy, Rev. Millie and Rev. Laura!
- October is Breast Cancer Awareness month – One article stated, “In 2024, more than 360,000 people will be diagnosed with breast cancer. But there is hope. Advancements in early detection methods and support continue to increase the chances of survival.” This is a reminder for women to talk to your doctor about your risk and get your mammograms as prescribed by your doctor. “Breast cancer also occurs in men, and make up about 1% of breast cancer diagnosis.” Men are encouraged to pay attention to lumps in their breast, tumors in the chest or underarm area. If this occurs you should not let it go. Get checked out by a doctor. Submitted by the Health & Welfare Ministry.
- In the wake of the disaster that has occurred from the latest hurricanes, we are asking our MSB family to support those affected by these hurricanes through your gift of giving. United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) is a disaster relief organization that works with our Conference to help communities left vulnerable by disaster, working alongside with United Methodist Churches and local partners to address immediate needs as well as achieve sustainable recovery. We are asking for a minimum donation of \$10 and a maximum of whatever your heart desires to be submitted to MSB by placing your check in the offering plate, mail or through Cash App, Zelle, and other means of giving. Whatever your donation is, please make sure you specify UMCOR on the memo line. Questions may be directed to Sis. Mary Harris or Sis. Christine Y. Jones

- The Baltimore/Washington Conference will be hosting a Blood Drive on Saturday November 2, 2024 at 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM in partnership with the American Red Cross & Project Spirit Sickle Cell, Inc.. The drive will be held at the Baltimore Washington Conference Mission Center, located at 11711 E. Market Place, Fulton MD 20759. There is a national supply of blood which adversely impacts individuals living with sickle cell disease (SCD). Blood transfusions, an important therapeutic intervention, have been found to be effective in reducing the acute and chronic complications of SCD. A transfusion increases the oxygen carrying capacity of blood and aids in reducing a pain crisis. For those who require this form of treatment, up to 9 units of packed red blood cells per month may be required.
- All Saints Sunday will be held on Sunday, November 17, 2024. All Saints Sunday is an opportunity to give thanks for those who have gone before us in the faith. It is a time to celebrate our saints by lighting a candle for them. You can submit names by filling out the google form located in the Pastor's Desk, sending an email to msbannouncements@gmail.com, or by placing your sheets in the box in the Narthex. All names must be submitted by Sunday, November 10. Please understand if your requested name(s) is not submitted by this date, it may not be called on Sunday, 11/17. Questions may be directed to Sis. Jordan Betters or Sis. Judy Jones
- Calling all youth! The Baltimore/Washington & Peninsula/Delaware Conference will be hosting the Ignite Youth Conference on March 4-5, 2025. Early registration is open! You can register and find all information online at igniteforyouth.com. If you are interested in attending as a youth participate or chaperone, please fill out the google form located in the Pastor's Desk. Questions may be directed to Barinaale Dube, Jordan Betters, and/or Pastor Brown.
- Sick & Recovering Ministry is still in operation. We truly thank you for your contributions toward this ministry. The Ministry is still in need of your financial support. Your contribution enables the ministry to send tokens of love to our sick and shut in members. If you know of any members who are sick and shut-in, or experiencing the loss of a loved one, please reach out to Sis. Mary Harris or Sis. Judy Jones. Let us continue to keep in prayer all members who are mourning the passing of loved ones and those on the sick and recovering list.

MISSION STATEMENT:

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

VISION STATEMENT:

We seek to be a cornerstone of faith, hope, and healing.

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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.