

The Methodist Church in the Caribbean and the Americas Bethel Circuit Providence Methodist Church Providence, Christ Church, Barbados

"Gathering, Discipling and Multiplying for Christ"

5<sup>th</sup> Lord's Day in the Penitential Season

Sunday, March 26, 2023 9:00 am.



Preacher: Sis. Shanika Best

Organist: Bro. Irvin Belgrave

# **ORDER OF SERVICE**

Call to Worship Opening Hymn # 500 (VIP) – Morning Has Broken Prayers of Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving & Supplication The Lord's Prayer

<u>Renewal of Fellowship:</u> Welcome, Greetings & Notices – Bro. Hussein Brewster Offertory & Prayer Praise in Worship – Worship Team

<u>Children & Youth Ministry:</u> Address & Prayer – Bro. Michael Worrell Hymn # 493 (VIP) – All Things Bright and Beautiful

# **MINISTRY OF THE WORD:**

**Collect:** Gracious Father, you gave up your Son out of love for the world: lead us to ponder the mysteries of his passion, that we may know eternal peace through the shedding of our Saviour's blood, Jesus Christ our Lord who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.** 

Old Testament Reading - Ezekiel 37: 1-14

– Sis Susanna Holder

**The Epistle Reading** - Romans 8: 6-11- *Sis. Yvonne Newton* **Psalm 130 {VIP 646}** - *Sis. Janis Estwick* **The Gospel Reading - John 11: 1-45** – *Bro. Patrick Welch* 

Hymn of Preparation # 392 (VIP) – And are We Yet Alive Sermon <u>Call to Action:</u> Prayers of Reflection & Commitment Prayers of Intercession Closing Hymn # 346 (VIP) – God Will Take Care of You Benediction Fellowship Song

## **WELCOME**

Welcome to all participating in and present at our Service today.

#### **<u> THANK YOU</u>**

- The Members of the Bethel Church Mission and Evangelism C Committee express thanks to all who attended or in any way supported their recently held Prayer Breakfast.
- BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS March 26, 2023 - Sis. Frances Scott March 27, 2023 - Bro. Jason Brathwaite
- ANNIVERSARY
- **<u>CONDOLENCES</u>**

The Minister and Members of the Providence Methodist express condolences to Ajani, Aaliya and Amari Trotman. Their father, Mr. Wayne Trotman recently passed away. Please uplift their family in prayer.

#### PRAYERS

**Prayers are requested** for our nation and people, those mourning the loss of loved ones as well as the sick and homebound: Sisters: Sylvia Daniel, Verona Trotman, Cynthia Layne and Patricia Felix.

Brothers: Wilbert Small and Edward Hughes.

We give God thanks and praise for their lives, work and witness in our church and community.

## **NOTICES**

Wednesday March 29, 2023 - The Bethel Circuit Lenten Teaching Sessions 2023 under the "Theme: Gathering, Discipling & Multiplying for Christ: Advancing Towards a Biblically Healthy Church" final session will be held on Wednesday, March 29, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. at the Bethel Church. Bro. Michael Worrell will present on the topic "Proclamation and Mission".

# The following Bethel Circuit activities will take place via the ZOOM Platform:

- Monday, March 27, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.\_ Circuit Pastoral Meeting.
- Thursday, March 30, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. Circuit Organizations and Education Committee meeting.
- Thursday, March 30, 2023, at 6 :30 p.m. Providence Resources and Development Committee meeting

**Thursday March 30, 2023, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon - Sunlight Bible Study** will continue at the Providence Methodist Church. Rev. Pearson Blackman will facilitate these sessions.

**Next Sunday, April 02, 2023, Palm Sunday** join us in a walk of witness through the Parish Land community. Assembly will be at 8:00 a.m. at the church and the walk will begin at 8.15a.m. We will return to the church for 9 :00 a.m. service which will also be available via YOUTUBE. Palms will be provided for the walk. All are encouraged to join in the celebration. Bro. Michael Worrell will be the preacher. The readings are: Liturgy of the Palms: Zechariah 9:9-10, Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 [VIP 635], Matthew 21: 1-11. Liturgy of the Passion: Isaiah 50:4-9a, Psalm 31:9-16 [VIP 586], Philippians 2:5-11, Matthew 26: 14-27:66

**From Monday April 03 to Thursday April 06, 2023,** nightly services at 6:30 p.m. will be held in the various chapels in the Bethel Circuit. in observance of Holy Week, one of the most sacred seasons in the Christian Calendar.

*Please see the following schedule:* 

CHAPEL	SCRIPTURE READINGS	PREACHER
SOUTH DISTRICT	Isaiah 42:1-9, Psalm 36:5-11 Hebrews 9:11-15, John 12:1-11 Or MPB pp. 184-187	Bro. Robert Daniel
DALKEITH	Isaiah 49:1-7, Psalm 71:1-14 1 Corinthians 1:18-31, John 12:20-36 Or MPB pp. 188-192	Sis. Mary Inniss
VAUXHALL	Isaiah 50:4-9a, Psalm 70 Hebrews 12:1-3, John 13:21-32 Or MPB pp. 193-196	Sis. Carol Taylor
BETHEL	Exodus 12:1-14. Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19 (VIP # 634) 1 Corinthians 11:23-26, John 13:1-17, 31b-35 Or MPB pp. 197-201	Sis. Nkwa Daniel (Preacher) Rev. Dr. Marcelle Brathwaite will administer the (Sacrament of Holy Communion)

Class 2 and the Choir of the Vauxhall Methodist Church will present "It's Still the Cross", a dramatic presentation on Friday, April 07, 2023, at the Vauxhall Chapel, commencing at 5:00 p.m. A walk-up collection will be received. You are encouraged to attend and support this event.

The Bethel Chimers and Friends invite you to share with them at their Good Friday Meditation, under the theme, "Banners and Christ", to be held in the Bethel Chapel on April 7, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. Admission is free. Members and friends are encouraged to come and be blessed.

**The Bethel Circuit Fundraising Committee will be hosting the 2**<sup>nd</sup> **"Soulful Soup Saturday", April 08, 2023,** from 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. at the Donald Henry Auditorium. Let us stir your souls with the assortment of soups on sale and musical selections by some of our youth artistes within the Methodist Church. Tickets, at the cost of \$20.00 are available from any member of the circuit fundraising committee or from the Bethel Circuit Office

**The Belmont Methodist Church Bus Excursion and Scenic Ride** takes place on **Easter Monday, April 10, 2023.** They will be picnicking at Three Houses Park. Tickets are available at \$45.00: adults; S25.00: children, **from Sis. Jacqueline Hope at 262-0190 or Sis. Annette Cherry at 247-5824.** 

**World Federation of Methodist & Uniting Church Women -Caribbean Regional Seminar for the Methodist Church in the Caribbean & the Americas & Affiliated Churches** will be held from July 27-31, 2023, under the theme **"Go and Bear Fruit – Fruit that Will Last**." The seminar is being hosted by the Jamaica District at the Holiday Inn Resort, Montego Bay. Early Bird Registration of US \$250.00 closes on April 15, 2023. Kindly note a Late Registration of US \$280.00 closes on May 31, 2023. <u>The Registration Fee is non-refundable.</u> Persons desirous of attending this seminar can contact the congregational stewards about obtaining the application forms.

You are invited to the next Circuit Birthdays and Anniversaries Celebration to be held at Providence Methodist Church on Sunday, April 23, 2023, at 4:30 p.m. Persons who celebrated birthdays and anniversaries in December 2022 and January and February 2023 are specially invited to share in the celebration.

Additional information <del>is</del> posted on the notice board or available on our website at <u>www.provmethchurchbb.com</u>

