

The Providence Methodist Church Barbados Service for

4th Lord's Day in Advent Sunday, December 21, 2025 9:00 a.m.



Preacher: Bro. Jason Clarke Congregational Steward: Sis. Linnell Nurse Musicians: Bro. Kumar Whitehead Bro. Anthony Mayers

ORDER OF SERVICE

Organ Prelude Procession of the Choir Call to Worship

Lighting of the Advent Candle

Hymn - O Come All Ye Faithful (# 66 VIP)

Leader: In Advent, we celebrate the coming of the child who will be ruler, in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: And his name shall be called Immanuel, God with us.

Leader: The prophets spoke of a young woman who would bear this child

Congregation: And the angel told Joseph that Mary's child would save the people

Leader: We thank you God, for Jesus the child, who through the power of the Holy Spirit grew in knowledge and wisdom and the fear of the Lord. He is our Saviour and ruler.

The person lighting the candle shall be a child who will say: As we light this candle a symbol of light, hope and expectation is in our lives, let us all remember that Jesus, the light of the world, was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, who came upon Mary, His mother. {The candle shall now be lit}.

(Miss Kylie Weekes)

Extempore prayer (Sis. Ruby Best)

Hymn - Sing We the King Who Is Coming to Reign (# 56 VIP)

Prayers of Adoration, Confession and Thanksgiving

Hymn - Joy to the World (#65 VIP)

Hymn - The Virgin Mary Has a Baby Boy (# 60 VIP)

Children's Corner

Giving and Receiving of the Tithes and Offerings

Ministry of Music - Anthem By the Choir

Collect: Eternal God, as Mary waited for the birth of your Son, so we wait for his coming in glory; bring us through the birth pangs of this present age to see, with her, our great salvation in Iesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Old Testament - Isaiah 7:10-16 (Bro Jason Brathwaite)

Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19 [VIP 612]

(Sis. Dr. Jacqueline McClean Pilgrim)

Epistle - Romans 1:1-7 (Sis. Tashana Alleyne)

Gospel - Matthew 1:18-25 (Sis. Michelle Gooding)

Hymn of Preparation - O Come, O Come, Immanuel (#138 VIP) **Sermon**

Prayer and Reflection

Closing Hymn -There's A Light Upon the Mountains (#144 VIP) **Benediction**

WELCOME

We welcome you to the Providence Methodist Church and hope you will find our worship inspiring, as we sing, pray and worship God. We welcome the Preacher for today, Bro. Jason Clarke

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

Today, December 21, 2025 – Sis. Cynthis Layne celebrates her 95th birthday December 24, 2025 - Bro. Selwyn Alleyne

December 26, 2025 - Sis Simone Scott

ANNIVERSARY

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 Patricia Felix, Yvonne Weekes and Brother Leonard Weekes. We give God thanks and praise for their lives, work and witness in our church and community.

NOTICES

Today, Sunday, December 21, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. at the Vauxhall Methodist Church - A Christmas Gift of Music-"Caribbean Flava", featuring the Barbados Police Service Band. Tickets available at Adults \$50 and Children (under 12) \$20. Tickets will be available at the door

The Bethel Circuit Office will close at 4:00 p.m. on Monday, 22nd December 2025 and will re-open for business on Monday, December 29, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. The Office will also close at 12:00 noon on December 31, 2025.

Thursday December 25, 2025 at 5:00 a.m., The Festival of the Nativity/Christmas Day. Join us at Sunrise Service, when Rev. Dr. Marcelle Brathwaite will be the Preacher. The readings are Isaiah 62:6-12, Psalm 97 [VIP 623], Philippians 2:5-11, Luke 2:1-20

Sunday, December 28, 2025 – 1st Lord's Day of the Nativity Season. Join us at 9:00 a.m. service, when the Providence church school students will treat you to an interpretation of scenes from "A Night in Bethlehem". Bro. Robert Daniel will be the Preacher. The readings are Isaiah 63:7-9, Psalm 148 [VIP 656], Hebrews 2:10-18, Matthew 2:13-23.

Wednesday, December 31, 2025 at 11:00p.m. – Join us for Watch Night/New Year Service, When Rev. Ann Yarde will be the preacher. The readings are Ecclesiastes 3:1-13, Psalm 8, Revelation 21:1-6a, Matthew 25:31-46

Sunday, January 4, 2026 at 7:30 a.m. - The Renewal of the Covenant Service. Join us as Rev, Dr. Marcelle Brathwaite leads in the Renewal of our Covenant. The readings are Jeremiah 31-31-33, Te Deum [VIP 556], Revelation 21: 1-7, John 15:1-8 – Methodist Prayer Book (MPB) pp. 117-126.

Sunday, January 4, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. - The Vauxhall Church Augmented Choir, Church School and Friends present their Concert at the Vauxhall Church, A walk-up collection will be taken.

Monday January 05, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. – Bethel Circuit Resources and Development Committee Meeting at via the Zoom Platform

Tuesday, January 06, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. – Bethel Circuit Council via the Zoom Platform

January 14-19, 2026 – South Caribbean District Council hosted by the North Trinidad Circuit in the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago

Sunday, January 25, 2026 - Bethel Circuit Convention & Family Sunday under the theme -"Catch a Fire for Christ, Rekindling Our Community - *EMBRACING NEW BEGINNINGS"* Join us for an inspiring day of powerful worship and praise. Mark your calendars and plan to be part of this special day!

Additional information is posted on the notice board or available on our website at www.provmethchurchbb.com



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