

### August Birthdays

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| 1  | Sis. Shetonna Christian | 11 | Sis. Denise LaBranche       |
| 2  | Bro. D’Juan Leo Cargill | 12 | Rev. Charles A. Rogers, Sr. |
| 2  | Sis. El’Shoa Lloyd      | 12 | Bro. Roberto J. Vives       |
| 3  | Bro. Da’Marien White    | 17 | Sis. McKynze Morrison       |
| 3  | Sis. Betty L. Williams  | 19 | Sis. Grace Claxton          |
| 4  | Bro. Darrell Davis      | 20 | Sis. Olivette Sturges       |
| 4  | Bro. Joziah Guthrie     | 24 | Sis. Shari Barnes           |
| 6  | Bro. Donald B. Coleman  | 30 | Bro. Kaiden Noi             |
| 8  | Bro. Bryant Jackson     | 30 | Bro. Malachi Jones          |
| 11 | Sis. Carrie M. Gamble   | 31 | Bishop Samuel L. Green, Sr. |

### Upcoming Events

#### August

- 23 Deadline for donations of backpacks and school supplies for students in need
- 24 Weekly First District Prayer Call – 6 a.m.; Zoom ID: 484 639 2641 or by phone at (301) 715-8592
- 25 Virtual Sermon Talk-Back – 6:30 p.m.
- 26 Virtual Bible Study – 6 p.m.
- 27 Weekly “Prayer Changes Things” Prayer Call – 6:30 a.m.; Dial (516) 259-9554 (no access code)
- 27 Virtual Summer Financial Literacy Challenge – 6:30 p.m.
- 27 Virtual Monthly Official Board Meeting – 7:30 p.m.
- 29 Presiding Elder’s Prayer Call – 6 a.m.; Dial (605) 313-5111, Access Code: 824029
- 30 Educators’ and Administrators’ Recognition Sunday – 9:30 a.m.

#### September

- 8 Annual Food Ministry Training – 10 a.m. – noon; contact Sis. Judy Paul-Tucker for more information
- 13 Grandparents’ Day and Three-Score & Ten Recognition Sunday – 9:30 a.m.
- 13 In-person Albany-Kingston District Fellowship – 3 p.m.; Host: St. Mark’s Chapel AMEC – Kingston, Guest Preacher: Rev. Charles A. Rogers, Sr., Pastor, Bethel AMEC – Schenectady
- 14 Virtual Steward Board Meeting – 7:30 p.m.
- 14 Virtual Jr. Steward Board Meeting – 8:30 p.m.
- 16 Weekly Soup Kitchen – 12-1 p.m.
- 19 WNYCB WMS Inaugural Quiet Champion Luncheon – 1-3 p.m.; See Sis. Carolyn L. Williams, Local WMS President or Sis. Pat L. Johnson, Albany-Kingston Area Chair

### Sick & Homebound Members

Please keep the following persons in your thoughts and prayers this week:

- **Sis. Patricia Allyne**, 24 Dowling Rd., Albany, NY 12205-1910
- **Sis. Carrie Gamble**, 100 Heritage Ln., Case #126, Albany, NY 12211-1106
- **Sis. Elaine Griffin**, 1519 Union St., Schenectady, NY 12309-6003
- **Sis. Nora Harder**, 2476 Poersch Ct., Schenectady, NY 12309-2417
- **Sis. Sadie Harper**, 2 Tanglewood Rd., Albany, NY 12205-5022
- **Bro. Bennie Mackey**, 275 Livingston Ave., Albany, NY 12210-1512
- **Sis. Loretta Myers**, 526 Altamont Ave., Rm. #623A, Schenectady, NY 12303-1039
- **Sis. Everett Walters**, 24A Dowling Rd., Albany, NY 12205-1910
- **Bro. Patrick Walters**, 24A Dowling Rd., Albany, NY 12205-1910



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*Sunday, August 23, 2026 | 9:30 a.m.*

Join us via [Facebook Live](#), [Zoom](#) or  
dial (646) 558-8656 and use Meeting ID: 812 8622 8670 and PW: 381379

Bishop Samuel L. Green, Sr., Presiding Prelate, First Episcopal District  
Dr. Phyllis N. Green, Episcopal Supervisor, First Episcopal District  
Rev. Dr. Faye Banks-Taylor, Presiding Elder, Albany-Kingston District  
Sis. Marion D. Smart, District Consultant, Albany-Kingston District  
Rev. Kevin T. Taylor, Pastor

Order of Worship

Sunday, August 23, 2026 | 9:30 a.m. Service

INTROIT ..... “[Let's Have Church](#)” .....

*We have come to sing our praises, We have come to pray our prayers  
And we hail from different places, And we carry different cares  
We are rich and poor, young and old, From all around the world  
Come on everybody, Let's have church*

*Can anyone read a scripture, Did anyone bring a song?  
Can someone give a testimony, Pray they don't talk too long  
Preacher gonna preach a sermon, And revival's gonna come  
We invite you, Holy Spirit, Have your way in us*

*It is more than just religion, It is more than brick and stone  
It is more than just a feeling, It is more than just a song  
We're the house of God, on Christ the Rock  
His Kingdom on the earth, Come everybody, Let's have church*

*Let all of God's people say, Amen, Amen  
It's good to be here today, Amen, Amen*

DOXOLOGY.....

CALL TO WORSHIP .....

Leader: I was glad when they said unto me; let us go into the house of the Lord. Our feet shall stand within thy gates, O Jerusalem.

**People: For a day in thy courts is better than a thousand. I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of wickedness.**

Leader: Because of the house of the Lord our God, I will seek thy good.

**People: Those that be planted in the house of the Lord, shall flourish in the courts of our God.**

Leader: Blessed are they that dwell in Thy house, O Lord. I love Thy habitation, the place where Thy glory dwells.

**People: For the Lord is in His holy temple. Let all the earth keep silence before him.**

Leader: Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in thy sight, O Lord, my strength, and my Redeemer.

**People: O sing unto the Lord a new song, for He has done marvelous things. Make a joyful noise unto the Lord. Let all the earth sing His praises.**

SONG OF PRAISE ..... “[What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine](#)” ..... Hymn #525

INVOCATION ..... “[I Want Jesus to Walk with Me](#)” ..... Hymn #375

SELECTION ..... Music Ministry

SCRIPTURE READING ..... [Matthew 16:13-20](#) .....

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS ..... Rev. Kevin T. Taylor

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING .....  
Offering Song: “[Great Things](#)”

Offertory prayer: “All things come of Thee, O, Lord, and of Thine own have we given Thee. Amen.”

ALTAR CALL ..... “[Amazing Grace](#)” ..... Hymn #226

SERMONIC SELECTION ..... Music Ministry

SERMON ..... Rev. Kevin T. Taylor

INVITATION TO  
CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP ..... “[Pass Me Not O Gentle Savior](#)” ..... Hymn #272

BENEDICTION ..... Rev. Kevin T. Taylor

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