

THE EPISTLE

"You are our epistle written in our hearts, known and read by all men.." 2 Corinthians 3:2



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Prayer Meeting, Thursday 6:30 p.m.



GOD is Our **Passion**.

Serving **People** is Our **Mission**.

The mission of the Nineteenth Street Baptist Church is to profoundly *experience*, joyfully *celebrate*, and meaningfully *share* God's grace.

We do this through Christ-centered **worship**, **biblical instruction**, **prayer**, **nurturing fellowship**, and **caring acts** that are reflective of our love for God and one another.

We, through the power of the Holy Spirit, proclaim the Gospel and Jesus Christ to all people while supporting the work of missions in our church, our community, our country, and the world.

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Front Cover: Photo taken by Charles Gordon shows "Digital Deacon" Deborah Crain-Kemp sitting in the choir loft during the September 9 Sunday worship service where she was hosting the online chat with virtual viewers in between singing with the Mass Choir. This picture epitomizes stewardship in the hybrid church.

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Welcome Back!

By Rev. Darryl D. Roberts, Ph.D.



Homecoming Sunday (aka Family and Friends Sunday) is a yearly celebration practiced across denominational, religious, ethnic, and economic stations in the United States. In the African American church, there is a strong connection to this celebration because of our jeremiad of displacement, exile, and discrimination akin to the children of Israel in the Old Testament.

Like the Hebrew Israelites in Exodus, Africans enslaved in America experienced exile, persecution, and genocide when they were stolen from the African continent. Later in this country, they were forced to migrate north based upon the fake news of greater opportunity, access, and equality. Both forced enslavement and forced migration created feelings of displacement, nonacceptance, and despair as families were uprooted, communities were upended, and vital spiritual, social, cultural, and economic resources were either left behind or permanently lost. Despite efforts of assimilation in America, today African Americans are too frequently told by those who are un-American that this land is not our home. Over time, many of our ancestors participated in homecoming services by returning to the African continent, going back to the South, and/or constructing new homecoming celebrations while honoring past traditions.

As we fast forward to the present, many houses of worship, colleges, and social organizations celebrate homecoming to invite those who have moved on to come back to the community that has shaped their being and becoming.

At Nineteenth Street Baptist Church, we celebrate Homecoming Sunday to welcome back all of those who relocated or remain in the area but are inactive or belong to other churches. This year, we also have placed a special focus on welcoming those in our community—public school students, HBCU students, music school students, food pantry participants, and new community residents—who may not have participated in our past homecoming celebrations but need to know that Nineteenth Street is a place they can call home.

I want to personally thank members of the Revival Committee and office staff for their hard work in helping to plan and deliver an amazing lineup of ministry activities for Homecoming Weekend. We will begin the celebration of Homecoming Weekend with a virtual worship on Friday with guest revivalist, Rev. Anika Wilson Brown, lead pastor at the acclaimed Union Temple Baptist Church.



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On Saturday, we will kick off an afternoon of celebration with our inaugural YardFest, which will include activities for the entire family, including a GospelFest with music from HBCU gospel choirs, Trunk or Treat, food trucks, a DJ, a bouncey house for kids, and health and wellness resources sponsored by our Choose Healthy Life health navigator and coordinators.

We will culminate our weekend celebration with a spirit-filled worship on Sunday featuring guest preacher Dr. F. Bruce Williams of Bates Memorial Baptist Church in Louisville, KY.



The special musical guest will be Urban Nation, a Hip-Hop gospel choir that traces its roots to our church.

As we prepare for Homecoming 2022, let us remember that, in a society where homeownership is becoming a distant dream for millions of people, and many have lost their homes because of



discriminatory lending practices, the church is the one place where people ought to experience home as accessible, welcoming, safe, and supportive whatever their background stories. The church ought to be the place where the wounded can find healing, the scattered can be gathered, the weary can find rest, and, according to Jesus in the parable of the prodigal son, “the dead can live again.” (Luke 15:32) ❖

Changes to Church COVID Protocols

The church COVID-19 protocols have been revised. Vaccinations will no longer be required to attend in-person worship services. This new policy will be effective as long as Washington, D.C.’s COVID community spread level is low, as determined by the CDC.

If the community spread level increases to either medium or high, the vaccination requirement will be reinstituted, and proof of vaccination will be required again.

Masks are still required indoors in every part of the church facility, including the balcony, church offices, sanctuary, chapel, and fellowship hall. There are no “Mask-Free Zones” in the church facility. The only exception is for attendees under 2 years old.



If you feel the need to remove your mask, you must step outside of the building to take a mask break and put your mask back on when you re-enter the building.

Thank you for helping to keep everyone safe and healthy. ❖

Returning to In-Person Worship

Nineteenth Street members are gradually returning to church for in-person worship services. Although masks conceal our faces, we can sense the joy of worshipping together in the House of the Lord! (Photos were taken at September services.)



Celebrating Stewardship at Nineteenth Street

By Donza M. Poole, Chair, Building Fund Committee

The Building Fund Committee (BFC) invites church family and friends to join us this month as we celebrate Stewardship Month, topped off by the Stewardship Sunday worship service on October 23.



The spirit-filled service will feature guest preacher Rev. Mark Andrew Jefferson, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Homiletics at Virginia Theological Seminary, and the dynamic vocals of our guest singer and former Nineteenth Street Director of Music, Monique Steele.



The BFC is focusing on the intersection between faith and good works during this year's Stewardship Month observance. With our theme, "The Power of Faith: Lean In," we invite everyone to explore what it means to lean into the power of faith by truly embracing its power—that is, by showing your faith by your works. It's faith in action.

It's also the message of this year's Stewardship Month scripture from James, ending with the words, "... and I will show you my faith by my works." James 2:14-18 (NKJV)

We're looking forward to shining a spotlight on the many ways church members are leaning into the power of faith. It is our hope that their good works and this year's theme and scripture will inspire all to lean into the power of their faith even more.

Celebrate In Person or Online!

Serving as this year's Stewardship Sunday co-chairs are Ferlandia Townsend and Sybil A. Barbour. The BFC is especially excited about the worship service this year because it will be the first time since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic two years ago that we'll be able to celebrate Stewardship Sunday in person. The service also will be livestreamed on YouTube.



This year's monthlong celebration will include:

- **Testimonials** – Be inspired by personal testimonies of stewardship from members of Nineteenth Street. Enjoy their heartfelt expressions in videos aired during selected services in October.
- **Annual Stewardship Sunday Fundraiser** – Help the BFC raise \$10,000 by October 23 for capital improvement projects identified by the Board of Trustees, specifically, improvements to the sanctuary sound system, administrative office area, and exterior doors, estimated to cost \$115,000. Funds raised also may be used for other capital improvements identified by the board. Give online, by app, or by check or cash. You can give online at 19thstreetbc.org/give. When giving, mark your donation for the "Capital Improvement Project."

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We know it's hard to get excited about building improvements, but having a comfortable and welcoming space for worship and good works is exciting. The BFC is prayerful that the church family will "lean in" and give generously this year as stewards of the wonderful church home God has entrusted to our care.

- **Return of the Coffee, Tea & More Table** –

October is also National Fair Trade Month. Join the BFC on October 9 after service for a celebration of fair trade and stewardship at the BFC's Coffee, Tea & More table, returning for the first time since the pandemic. Fair trade favorites will be available for purchase. It will be a great time to support the Capital Improvement Project and small farmers from around the world, many from the African diaspora.

- **Expanded 90-Day Giving Challenge** – Add the Capital Improvement Project to your regular giving. Take the 90-Day Giving Challenge, now in its third year! Just include a gift (in any amount) for the Capital Improvement Project in your offerings in October, November, and December. The challenge runs from October 3 through December 31, 2022. Use this [link](#) to sign up for the 90-Day Giving Challenge. This year, the challenge will include opportunities to give of time and talent through gifts of service. Watch for details coming soon.

The Building Fund Committee looks forward to celebrating stewardship with church family and friends throughout October and during the 8th Annual Stewardship Sunday worship service on October 23! ❖

Time to Nominate Church Officers for 2023!

October is Stewardship Month when we celebrate the gifts of talent, time, and treasure that we give to support our church. Serving as a church officer is the highest example of stewardship, and we need more members to serve in the important roles that officers perform for our church. Can you think of a Nineteenth Street member who has the skills, commitment, and temperament to be a church officer? If so, now is the time to nominate that person for a 2023 church office.

Be prayerful about whom you may want to nominate for church offices. And before you nominate a person, be sure to obtain their consent. Nominations must be in writing and must include the office, the name and complete contact information of the nominee, and your name and contact information. Please state that the nominee has agreed to be nominated. ***Nominations must be submitted to the church office, ATTN: Nominations Chair, by noon on Tuesday, October 18.***

The 2023 church offices and number of vacancies per office are below:

Board of Deacons - 5
Board of Deaconesses - 5
Board of Trustees - 7
Director of the Board of Christian Education - 1
Church School Superintendent - 1
Church Clerk - 1
Assistant Church Clerk - 1
Treasurer - 1
Assistant Treasurer - 1
Disbursing Officer - 1

For more information, please contact Elvinese Wyche, chair of the Nominations Committee, or the church office at 202-829-2773. ❖

Deadline Nears for Ordering Dinners!

By Deaconess Brenda Lightening-Tolbert

October 7 is the deadline for ordering dinners for the Deaconess Board Grab & Go meal. Dinners will be available for pickup at the church after the Sunday worship service on October 16 from noon until 3 p.m.

The tickets are \$30 per meal with a choice of four entrée options (baked chicken, baked salmon, BBQ ribs, and vegetarian). Each meal comes with macaroni and cheese, green beans, a green salad, a roll, and peach cobbler.



You can buy dinner tickets through Eventbrite [here](#).

You may also order dinners by sending your check or money order, payable to Nineteenth Street Baptist Church, to the church to the attention of Deaconess Gloria Smith. Be sure to note that the payment is for the "Deaconess Board Dinner" and indicate the number of dinners and entrée choices.

Direct donations to the Board of Deaconesses are also welcome. Contact Deaconess E. Louise White, event chair, at 240-398-8980 if you have any questions.

Act before October 7 to get a great meal while also supporting the ministry of the Board of Deaconesses! ❖

[Click here to order Grab & Go meals on Eventbrite.](#)

Let Our Hearts Be Full of Both Thanks *and* Giving!

By Robin Williams

The Church School once again is preparing for its annual Thanksgiving project.

We prayerfully plan to provide 70 or more families with Giant Food gift cards to help cover the costs of their Thanksgiving meals. From Sunday, October 2 through Sunday, October 23, church members can submit the names of needy families or individuals. Please be sure to include all contact information, along with the number of adults and children in the household.

Donations are being accepted now through Sunday, November 13. You may donate by clicking on the [Giving](#) tab on the church website and using Cash App, Givelify, or PayPal. You can also mail a check, payable to Nineteenth Street Baptist Church, to 4606 16th St. NW, Washington, DC 20011. Please include "Church School Thanksgiving Project" and your envelope number on the memo line.

We thank you in advance for your support.

For additional information or to submit the names of needy families or individuals, please contact one of the committee members:

Dorothy Curtis – dorothyjordancurtis@gmail.com

Karen Sidney-Drumgold – karen.drumgold@gmail.com

Robin Williams – robinwilliams1114@gmail.com ❖

Help Us Find Love Pal Alumni

By Virginia C. Lee

The Love Pal Program will observe 30 years of service with a reunion of current and former Love Pal participants on November 26. We need the church family's help to locate and connect with over 150 Love Pals who may no longer be living in the area or affiliated with our church.

If you or anyone you know was a Love Pal or had a child or grandchild that participated in the Love Pal Program, please contact Andrea Bonhomme (Love Pal 1992) at bonhommeag@gmail.com to provide the name, email address, phone number, or any other information that might help us contact them.

Watch for more information about the reunion and how to register for it. ❖

November 26

**Love Pals 30-Year Reunion
1992-2022**

Mix • Mingle • Share Memories

Love Endures Forever for Jarvis Memorial Club

Jarvis Memorial Club Sunday will be observed on October 9 at 10 a.m. with Rev. Jerry C. Cheatham Jr. as the guest preacher. The theme for the service will be "Love Endures Forever."

The Jarvis Memorial Club was established in December 1902 by the late Deacon Henry Jarvis, who was dubbed a dapper dresser. Deacon Jarvis wanted to help ensure that the pastor was always well dressed. In 1983, the club expanded their care to include all the ministerial staff.

The Jarvis Memorial Club aims to show Christian love and kindness throughout the congregation and beyond. Before the COVID pandemic, the club sponsored an annual concert to raise funds for the love tokens it gives to the pastor and ministerial staff. The club will not hold a concert this year and is soliciting donations from the church family to fund gifts.

Please support The Jarvis Memorial Club on October 9 with your presence and donation. ❖



And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

1 Corinthians 13:13

Global Missions Ministry Celebrates Progress and Seeks New Members

“We’ve Come This Far by Faith” was an apt theme for Global Missions Ministry (GMM) Sunday, observed on September 25. GMM leader Phillis Cooke updated the congregation on the important projects undertaken by the ministry in obedience to the Great Commission in Matthew 28:19, “Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.”

Despite the worldwide pandemic, natural disasters, and economic and political atrocities in nations GMM serves, God has opened doors and allowed GMM to continue its work. Through creative initiatives and the generosity of Nineteenth Street members and friends, GMM surpassed its five-year goal and raised over \$106,000 to support VillageMed’s Haiti’s Healthy Child Project. Nineteenth Street member Nancy Quincy, president and founder of VillageMed, spoke about the current challenging conditions in Haiti and showed a video about the architect and the donated land on which a clinic will be built. She expects that they will be able to break ground for the clinic soon.

In addition to the Haiti project, Global Missions Ministry continues initiatives in Burkina Faso, Jamaica, and Nicaragua. Nineteenth Street contributed \$1,790 that was evenly divided between Save the Children and the International Rescue Committee to help the people of Ukraine. GMM plans to continue its very successful annual fundraising walks. Replacing the Haiti Walk 5k will be the GMM Walk 5k.

With so many initiatives to work on, GMM is looking for more members to help do this important work. It is holding a membership drive during the month of October: GO YE—Give of Your Excellence!

New members are welcome to join GMM whether through their professional experience, education, talent, training, skill, Christian experience, or whatever. If you have the heart to participate more integrally in spreading God’s love to other countries, Global Missions Ministry is for you!

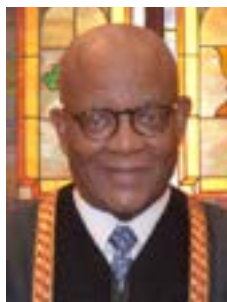
Send an email to globalmissions@19thstreetbc.org and indicate your desire to be a member of this important ministry. ❖



GriefShare — A Ministry of Support and Caring

“The Power of Love”

By Rev. Reginald Townsend, Associate Minister



The Nineteenth Street Baptist Church GriefShare ministry is one of many ministries that demonstrate our church's love for Christ and our community. (Mark 12:31) GriefShare seeks to reach members of our church and community who have lost loved ones due to death. It is a program with direction and purpose comprised of a network of thousands

of grief recovery support groups around the world. Through GriefShare, people find comfort, healing, and hope and learn how to walk the journey of grief and be supported along the way. Nineteenth Street Baptist Church participates in this amazing ministry of faith, hope, and healing to support and encourage participants on their journey. Love gives us the power to move forward despite our loss.

The late Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. said, “One of the great problems of history is that the concepts of love and power are usually contrasted as polar opposites.” Love and power are not separate. They are two parts of the same. Dr. King concluded that “Power at its best is love implementing the demands of justice.”

In his book “The Power of Love,” Episcopal Bishop Michael Curry reminds us that there is something right about love. And there is

a reason for that. The reason has to do with the source of our love for God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit. The ultimate source of love is God Himself, the source of all humanity. God loves even the sinner despite their sin.

Did you know that the hymn “Amazing Grace” was written by English slave trader John Newton, who later became an Anglican minister and abolitionist? Newton wrote,

*The Lord has promised good to me
His word my hope secures
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures.*

It was a living testimony of his transformation from a faithless seaman who helped enslave human beings to a man with deep faith in God's ability to change lives.



“Without faith, it is impossible to please God, for whoever would approach Him must believe that he exists and that He rewards those who seek Him.” (Hebrews 11:6). Life is full of swift transitions, ups, and downs. Having faith means that you have the inner strength and desire to go on, no matter what life throws at you. It might be sickness, pain, or the loss of a spouse, child, or sibling. Disappointments happen in all our lives at some point. The reason death

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hurts so badly is because of love. But the knowledge of God's power and love for each of us can help the broken heart move forward.

Faith in God means understanding that God is love, and faith allows you to see tragedy to the end. There is power in love today. There's power in the Word to help us heal when nothing else can. There's power in love to show us the way to live if we trust God.

Some of the older enslaved people in America's antebellum South understood the dynamic of love and why it has the power to transform. They explained that they sang spirituals, even in the midst of their captivity. One of those spirituals says,

There is a balm in Gilead that can heal the sin-sick soul.

There is a healing balm, something that can make things right.

There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole.

There is a balm in Gilead to heal the sin-sick soul.

Jesus gave up His life on the cross so that we might have everlasting life. His sacrifice was for the good of others and for the well-being of the world.

The GriefShare Ministry provides healing and renewal of hope to the "sin-sick soul" going through the experiences of grief and mourning. (John 3:16-17) The GriefShare curriculum is provided through the Church Initiative located in Wake Forest, North Carolina. The 13 weekly sessions are designed to facilitate discussions regarding an individual's journey of mourning, grief, and faith. The sessions are 90 minutes long and include a 40-minute video. Participants are given a workbook and have short weekly homework assignments for discussion and sharing with the group. The facilitators are clergy, deacons, and lay members with experience in counseling individuals who are grieving.

The highest level of confidentiality is maintained by all GriefShare staff and participants. You can register by calling the Nineteenth Street Baptist Church Office at 202-829-2773 or by emailing us at office@19thstreetbc.org. ❖

Welcome New Members



*McKenzie Sharps
by Baptism*



*Darren Kirby, received as a new member by
Experience of Grace in the spring, chose to
be baptized at Nineteenth Street.*



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Deacon Donald B. Rankin	10/1	Clark Edmond	10/12	Dellareesa M. Banks	10/24
Carolyn Taylor	10/1	Lori Allison Futz	10/12	Dorothy Burgess	10/24
Courtney Duke Foster	10/2	Deborah Heard	10/12	Kim R. Haney-Brown	10/24
Ayesha Williams	10/2	Deacon Joe W. Sudduth	10/12	Trustee Reginald A. Cole	10/24
Charles Agurs Jr.	10/3	Ellen R. Mills Lewis	10/13	Christopher Trotman	10/24
Michael Bowie	10/3	Edith Bullard-Britt	10/14	Bernard Bellamy Sr.	10/25
Gary Datcher	10/4	Mercedes Cornelius-Muwanguzi	10/14	Deacon Michael Leon Nelson	10/25
Wanda Barrett	10/5	Shaylah Nunn Jones	10/14	Triston Thompson	10/25
Deea' Smith	10/5	Claudette Smith	10/15	Tyler Thompson	10/25
Rukiya Bonner	10/6	Monique Cypress	10/16	Maxine P. Bynum	10/26
Delaunte Allen	10/7	Sandra W. Handy	10/18	Sharon Russell	10/27
Michael C. Hayes	10/7	Karyn L. White Sanders	10/18	Deaconess Maureen Young	10/27
Gail Parson	10/7	Randy Woolridge	10/18	Ethan Cypress	10/29
Shirley W. France	10/8	Rev. Christopher O. Crawford	10/19	Lawrence Bruce Hayes	10/29
Robert W. Taylor	10/8	June L. Jackson	10/20	LaCrisha Butler	10/30
Mary Ruth Darlington	10/9	Nikki Weldon Miller	10/20	Sandra W. Patterson	10/31
Natalie Q. Winters	10/9	Barbara DeLaine Jumper	10/22	Charles Sprow Jr.	10/31
Deaconess Barbara Y. Johnson	10/11	Nancy R. Lewis	10/22	Deaconess Brenda	
Cynthia Moore	10/11	Lucille Crawford	10/23	Lightening-Tolbert	10/31
Earl F. Robb	10/11	Cornelius Williams	10/23		

Please notify the church office of additions or corrections.

Weekly Bible Study and Prayer Calls

Every Tuesday:

Intercessory Prayer Conference Calls, led by Ministers,
6:30–7 a.m.

Every Wednesday:

Intercessory Prayer Calls, led by Deaconesses,
noon–12:15 p.m.

Every Thursday:

Prayer Meeting Calls, led by Deacons, 6:30–7:30 p.m.

October 13: Rev. James Crosson preaching

October 27: Rev. Cheryl Coleman Hall preaching

Church's YouTube Channel

Did you know you can still see past livestreamed Sunday worship services, noon Lenten services, funeral/memorial services, and other programs on Nineteenth Street's YouTube Channel? [Check it out.](#) ❖

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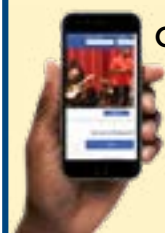
ACCESS NINETEENTH STREET SERVICES

Access **LIVESTREAM** on YouTube at
youtube.com/channel/UCIL8xG5-YbTSRVVx1odHcZA

Access the **PRAYER MEETING** and **PRAYER CALLS** at
605-472-5349, access code 348952#

Access **CHURCH SCHOOL CLASSES** via Zoom

Contact organizers for access to **ZOOM** programs



Check out and follow our social media accounts:



Facebook: facebook.com/Everyblessing.org



Instagram: instagram.com/nsbcdc

Pastor Roberts on the Air

Tune into the Coach Butch McAdams Show on Sunday, October 16 at 12:30 p.m. to hear Pastor Darryl Roberts talk about Nineteenth Street ministries and initiatives.

Listen live on radio stations WOL (1450 AM) and MAGIC (95.9 FM) or listen to live radio streaming on a computer or cell phone by going to woldcnews.com. ❖



October Calendar

Saturday, October 1

Board of Deacons Meeting, Zoom, 9 a.m.
Usher Board's "Jazz on the Lawn," The Earl Ivey Ensemble, 2 p.m.

Sunday, October 2

Church School, Adult Class, in person & Zoom, 9 a.m.
Worship Service, World Communion Sunday, in person & livestream, 10 a.m.
Church School, Primary and Middler, Zoom, 12:30 p.m.

Wednesday, October 5

Senior Ministry Bridge Class, Sisterhood Room, 1-3:30 p.m.
Mass Choir Rehearsal, chapel, 7 p.m.

Saturday, October 8

Building Fund Committee, Zoom, 11 a.m.
Missionary Society Conference Call, noon

Sunday, October 9

Church School, Adult Class, in person & Zoom, 9 a.m.
Worship Service, Jarvis Memorial Sunday, Rev. Jerry C. Cheatham preaching, in person & livestream, 10 a.m.
Church School, Tweens & Teens, Sisterhood Room and Zoom, 10:30 a.m.
Church School, Primary and Middler, Zoom, 12:30 p.m.

Monday, October 10 – Columbus Day, church office closed

Wednesday, October 12

Senior Ministry Bridge Class, Sisterhood Room, 1-3:30 p.m.
Board of Trustees Meeting, Zoom, 7 p.m.
Mass Choir Rehearsal, chapel, 7 p.m.

Thursday, October 13 – Food Pantry Open, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Friday, October 14

Women's Ministry Bible Study, Zoom, 7 p.m.

Sunday, October 16

Church School, Adult Class, in person & Zoom, 9 a.m.
Worship Service, in person & livestream, 10 a.m.
Youth Worship, 10:30 a.m., chapel & Zoom, 10:30 a.m.

Church School, Primary and Middler, Moore Conference Room & Zoom, 10 a.m.

Deaconess Annual Family Dinner, Grab & Go, noon-3 p.m.

Wednesday, October 19

Senior Ministry Bridge Class, Sisterhood Room, 1-3:30 p.m.
Joint Board Meeting, Zoom, 7 p.m.
Mass Choir Rehearsal, chapel, 7 p.m.

Friday, October 21

Church Quarterly Business Meeting, Zoom, 7 p.m.

Saturday, October 22

Progressive Adult Theater Outing, National Theatre, "The Tina Turner Musical," 2 p.m.

Sunday, October 23

Church School, Adult Class, in person & Zoom, 9 a.m.
Worship Service, Stewardship Sunday & Baptism, Guest Preacher Rev. Mark Andrew Jefferson, Ph.D., Virginia Theological Seminary, in person & livestream, 10 a.m.
Church School, Tweens & Teens, Sisterhood Room & Zoom, 10:30 a.m.
Church School, Primary & Middler, Zoom, 12:30 p.m.

Wednesday, October 26

Senior Ministry Bridge Class, Sisterhood Room, 1-3:30 p.m.
Mass Choir Rehearsal, in person, chapel, 7 p.m.

Thursday, October 27 – Food Pantry Open, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Friday, October 28

Homecoming Virtual Worship Service, Guest Preacher Rev. Anika Wilson Brown, pastor, Union Temple Baptist Church, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, October 29

Homecoming YARDFEST, noon-4 p.m.

Sunday, October 30

Church School, Adult Class, in person & Zoom, 9 a.m.
Worship Service, Homecoming & Revival Sunday, Guest Preacher Dr. F. Bruce Williams, senior pastor, Bates Memorial Baptist Church, in person & livestream, 10 a.m.

Information on how to access online services is on page 14.