

24th Sunday After Pentecost

Readings: Psalm 145:1-2, 8-11, 13-14
2 Thessalonians 1:11-2:2, Luke 19:1-10

Our Lord is a lover of souls, the Liturgy shows us today. As we sing in today's Psalm, He is slow to anger and compassionate towards all that He has made.

In His mercy, our First Reading tells us, He overlooks our sins and ignorance, giving us space that we might repent and not perish in our sinfulness (see 2 Peter 3:9).

In Jesus, He has become the Savior of His children, coming himself to save the lost (see Isaiah 63:8-9; Ezekiel 34:16).

In the figure of Zacchaeus in today's Gospel, we have a portrait of a lost soul. He is a tax collector, by profession a "sinner" excluded from Israel's religious life. Not only that, he is a "chief tax collector." Worse still, he is a rich man who has apparently gained his living by fraud.

But Zacchaeus' faith brings salvation to his house. He expresses his faith in his fervent desire to "see" Jesus, even humbling himself to climb a tree just to watch Him pass by. While those of loftier religious stature react to Jesus with grumbling, Zacchaeus receives Him with joy.

Zacchaeus is not like the other rich men Jesus meets or tells stories about (see Luke 12:16-21; 16:19-31; 18:18-25). He repents, vowing to pay restitution to those he has cheated and to give half of his money to the poor.

By his humility he is exalted, made worthy to welcome the Lord into his house. By his faith, he is justified, made a descendant of Abraham (see Romans 4:16-17).

As He did last week, Jesus is again using a tax collector to show us the faith and humility we need to obtain salvation.

We are also called to seek Jesus daily with repentant hearts. And we should make our own Paul's prayer in today's Epistle: that God might make us worthy of His calling, that by our lives we might give glory to the name of Jesus.

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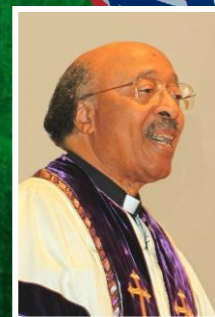
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Mission Sunday

24th Sunday After Pentecost
Sunday, October 30, 2016



Reverend Dr. Earl Leslie Bledsoe
Interim Pastor

Announcements

TODAY AT 12:15 P.M.

Bus departs for The Life Changing Healing Church, 28929 Three Notch Road, Mechanicsville, MD where Reverend Betty Overton Atchinson is the Pastor. Reverend Bledsoe will preach, choir will render music, and ushers to serve..

November 2 at 6:45 P.M.
November 2 at 7:30 P.M.
 November 3 at 6:00 P.M.
November 3 at 7:00 P.M.
 November 4 at 6:00 P.M.
November 5 at 9:00 A.M.
 November 7 at 6:30 P.M.
November 9 at 11:00 A.M.

Bible Study – Reverend Dr. Earl Bledsoe
Prayer and Praise
 Ushers meeting
Sanctuary Choir rehearsal
 Children/Youth Mass Choir rehearsal
Media committee meeting
 150th Church Anniversary committee meeting
Aging with Grace Senior Citizens travel to Westwood Baptist Church, 915 Glenburnie Road, Richmond, VA. Reverend Michael R. Lomax will preach. No van service.

November 9 at 6:45 P.M.
November 9 at 7:30 P.M.
 November 12 at 8:30 A.M.
November 12 at 11:00 A.M.
 November 13 at 3:30 P.M.

Bible Study – Reverend Dr. Earl Bledsoe
Prayer and Praise
 Men’s Fellowship meeting – Golden Corral
Choral Ensemble rehearsal
 Ushers Anniversary – Rev. Alvin T. Armstead, Jr. and the First Union Baptist Church – Dill Rd. will be our special guests

November 14 at 6:00 P.M.
 November 16 at 11:00 A.M.
November 16 at 6:45 P.M.
 November 16 at 7:30 P.M.
November 17 at 12 noon

Trustee meeting
 Aging with Grace Senior Citizens meeting cancelled
Bible Study – Reverend Dr. Earl Bledsoe
 Prayer and Praise
Aging with Grace Senior Citizens travel to 31st Street Baptist Church, 823 N 31st Street, Richmond, VA 23223. Van departs 10:15 a.m.

November 17 at 7:00 P.M.
November 18 at 7:00 P.M.
 November 19 at 8:30 A.M.
 November 19 at 10:00 A.M.
November 20 at 10:00 A.M.

Sanctuary Choir rehearsal
Church Anniversary History Night Symposium
 Deacon’s meeting
 Deaconess meeting
150th Church Anniversary Service – Reverend Bledsoe preaching Lunch immediately following service
150th Church Anniversary service – Reverend James Pryor, Jr. and the Mount Vernon Baptist Church family will be our special guests

November 21 at 6:00 P.M.
November 23 at 11:00 A.M.
 November 23 at 6:45 P.M.
 November 23 at 7:30 P.M.
 November 26 at 11:00 A.M.

Commission on Finance meeting
Aging with Grace Senior Citizen meeting cancelled
 Bible Study cancelled
 Prayer and Praise cancelled
 Choral Ensemble rehearsal

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THE MUSICAL INTERLUDE

The Stewardship Challenge/Prayer..... Deacon Ann Stafford
 “1 Corinthians 16:1-2”

THE MUSICAL OFFERING/TITHES/OFFERINGS

(*Benevolence*).....In Unison
 “Psalm 24” *KJV*
 (*MORTGAGE*) Ushers/Deacons/Congregation
 “Praise Him!”
 (*Tithes/General*)..... Ushers/Deacons/Congregation
 “We’ve Come This Far by Faith” **No. 529**

The Offertory Prayer Deacon George Willcox

The Offertory Response.....**No. 559**
 “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

The Hymn of Preparation The Volunteer Choir
 “Lead Me, Guide Me” **No. 233**

The Sermon **Reverend Dr. Earl Leslie Bledsoe**
 Interim Pastor
"SECTION I – TABLE LESSONS FROM JESUS IN A SURRENDERED POSTURE"

THE INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

The Invitational Hymn**No. 364**
 “Since Jesus Came Into My Heart”

The Benediction/Grace Reverend Dr. Bledsoe

The Choral Response Volunteer Choir/Congregation
 “The Threefold Amen” **No. 553**

The Postlude..... “Let the Church Say AMEN”

The Church School..... **9:30 A.M.**
 Deacon Arthur W. Byrd, Jr. – Superintendent

