

The Shiloh Spirit



The Reverend Dr. Wallace Charles Smith
Senior Minister



The Pastor's Pen

Today is Epiphany Sunday, the Sunday when the church commemorates the extension of Jesus' ministry to the non-Jewish world.

The scripture that is used each year to mark this season is the Gospel of Matthew the 2nd chapter, verses 1 through 12. In this text, wise men, astrologers from the east (probably Persia) journey from their home to Bethlehem, guided by a star, to pay homage to the child the stars proclaimed as King of the Jews.

This story was marked with drama. Herod, the Judean king, asked the Wise Men to inform him of where the baby could be found so that he might also worship him. As we know, Herod's goal was not to pay homage but to kill this pretender and insure he would never gain access to throne. However, the wise men were warned in a dream not to go back to Herod's palace but to return home another way.

Gentiles being welcomed into the fellowship of faithfulness may not seem like much to us in today's world, but in the time of Jesus it was unheard of. The term Epiphany has a connotation of thinking of or discovering a surprising new concept. It is what we might call in common parlance an "ah ha" moment. To us the notion that non-Jews could be inheritors of God's Sonship is taken for granted. Epiphany reminds us that the message of Jesus to the entire world was an "ah ha" moment. It was a time when each of us, regardless of our ethnic, cultural or racial background, was grafted into the family of God

The season of Epiphany is often celebrated with light. As Isaiah stated in the 60th chapter of his book, the people who walked in darkness have seen a great light. In Ephesians the 4th chapter an imprisoned Paul says, *it is for preaching to the Gentiles that I am in these chains.*

Epiphany reminds us that wonderful churches like Shiloh all the way to the Vatican in Rome would not exist if Jesus Christ had not brought His message to not just Jews, but to the entire world.

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Sunday, January 2, 2011

Reading Through The Bible

*Epiphany-January 2 (Gold/White):
Isaiah 60:1-6; Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14;
Ephesians 3:1-12; Matthew 2:1-12*

*1st Sunday of the Year – January 9
(White)
Isaiah 42:1-9; Psalm 28; Acts 10:34-43;
Matthew 3:13-17*

*2nd Sunday of the Year – January 16
(Green)
Isaiah 49:1-7; Psalm 40:1-11; 1
Corinthians 1:1-9; John 1:29-42*

*3rd Sunday of the Year – January 23
(Green)
Isaiah 9:1-4; Psalm 27:1, 4-9; 1
Corinthians 1:10-18; Matthew 4:12-23*

New Members Received by Social Reapers Circle



This Week at Shiloh



Sunday, January 2, 2011

Unity Service – 10:00 a.m.

Holy Communion

DCCF Credit Union	LL/FLC
Combined Adult Church School Classes	Sanctuary
Combined Middle School & Senior High Church School Classes	TF/FLC
Combined Children's Church School Classes	LL/FLC
Youth Church (10:00 a.m.)	COH/FLC
Guest Hospitality (<i>Social Reapers Circle</i>)	TF/FLC
HBCU Council Meeting	Library/FLC
Nurses Unit Meeting	LL/FLC

Week of Prayer



Monday, January 3, 2011

FLC Facilities Closes at 2:00 p.m.

Tuesday, January 4, 2011

10:00 – Deaf & Hard of Hearing Outreach Program	LL/FLC
4:00 – Male Youth Project	Gym/FLC
5:30 – Messiah Concert Committee Chairs Meeting	TF/FLC
6:00 – Tornado Taekwondo	RBC/FLC
6:30 – <i>Week of Prayer Worship & Prayer Service</i>	Sanctuary

Wednesday, January 5, 2011

10:00 – Deaf & Hard of Hearing Outreach Program	LL/FLC
11:45 – Mid-Week Bible Study	Mezzanine Conference Room/FLC
12:00 – DC Christian Federal Credit Union	LL/FLC
1:00 – Senior Citizens Club Meeting	HH/FLC
4:00 – Male Youth Project	Gym/FLC
6:30 – <i>Week of Prayer Worship & Prayer Service</i>	Sanctuary
7:00 – <i>Al-Anon Family Matters Meeting</i>	COH/FLC

Thursday, January 6, 2011

10:00 – Deaf & Hard of Hearing Outreach Program	LL/FLC
10:00 – Needle Arts & Knitting	HH/FLC
4:00 – Male Youth Project	Gym/FLC
6:15 – Bible Institute – <i>“Have You Considered My Servant Job? – Part 2”</i>	Sanctuary
7:30 – <i>Week of Prayer - Prayer & Praise Service</i>	Sanctuary

Friday, January 7, 2011

Administrative Office & Family Life Center Closes at 2:00 p.m.

6:00 – Youth Bible Study	COH/FLC
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Saturday, January 8, 2011

9:00 – 100 Black Men Saturday Leadership Academy	Gym/FLC
9:00 – Tornado Taekwondo	RBC/FLC
10:00 – Deacon Ministry Meeting	Deacons' Room
10:00 – Village Council Meeting	TF/FLC
10:00 – Boy Scout Meeting	Library/FLC
11:00 – Deaconess Board Meeting	LL/FLC
12:30 – Children's Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room
1:30 – Youth Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room
2:00 – New Generation of Praise Dancers	LL/FLC

Sunday, January 9, 2011

Prayer Day Baptism

DCCF Credit Union	LL/FLC
Jonathan Sunday School Class	Sanctuary/Balcony
Middle School Class	Gym/FLC
Elementary Class	LL-A/FLC
Upper Elementary Class	LL-Front/FLC
Nursery & Pre-K Classes	LL-B/FLC
Senior High Class	LL-Rear/FLC
Alpha Church School Class	Gym/FLC
Caleb Church School Class	Sanctuary/P Street Side-Rear
E.L. Harrison Church School Class	COH/FLC
Ever Ready Church School Class	Conference Room-Above Library - Gym/FLC
Excelsior Church School Class	Sanctuary/Center
Genesis Church School Class	Library - Gym/FLC
John A. Miles Church School Class	Library – Gym/FLC
Littlejohn Church School Class	Gym/FLC
Silent Mission Church School Class	Gym/FLC
Waldron/Gill Church School Class	Gym/FLC
Walker Memorial Church School Class	Gym/FLC
Young Adult Church School Class	TF/FLC
New Members Workshop (9:30 a.m.)	Rm. 216/FLC
Guest Hospitality (<i>Torch Bearers Circle</i>)	TF/FLC
Adah Circle Meeting	LL/FLC
Berean Circle Meeting	HHS/FLC
Bethel Circle Meeting	COH/FLC
Faith Circle Meeting	HHN/FLC
Hill Climbers Circle Meeting	Gym/FLC

Discipleship News

Thank You Note

Dear Pastor Smith and Members of Shiloh – We would like to thank you for your kind expressions of sympathy in the loss of our mother, Darlene Thomas. Words cannot express our gratitude for the love, prayers and support we received from the deacons, deaconesses, the Excelsior Circle and other members. We have found healing in God's tender embrace and in knowing others held us up in prayer. We ask that you continue to keep our family in prayer

Barron and Edith Harvey

Circles Leading Prayer & Praise Service (Thursday Evenings)

*January 6Silent Mission & Social Reapers Circles
January 13 Sunshine & Torch Bearers Circles*

Circles Receiving New Members

*January 2Social Reapers Circle
January 9 Torch Bearers Circle*

Circles Serving Breakfast

*January 2Mt. Sinai Circle
January 9Naomi Circle*

New Members Workshop

The Winter Session of the New Members Workshop begins Sunday, January 9, 2011 (9:30 a.m. – Room 216). All new members who joined after November 2010 and those who were unable to attend the Fall session are encouraged to attend this workshop.

THE USHERS' CORNER JANUARY 2011

For Training, call Charlotte Bolton-Hicks (301) 499-0628

Sunday, January 2 – ALL USHERS (Unit #2 in charge)
10 a.m. Unity Service

Thursday, January 6 – Unit #2 Serves
6:15 p.m. Bible Institute – 7:30 p.m. Prayer & Praise

Sunday, January 9 – Unit #4 Serves

Thursday, January 13 – Unit #4 Serves
6:15 p.m. Bible Institute 7:30 p.m. Prayer & Praise

Sunday, January 16 – Unit #5 Serves

Meet the Trustees

Gilbert Smith, Chair
Dr. Rochelle Hardy, Vice Chair
Zelma Coleman, Secretary
Maudine Cooper
Jo Fisher-Hall
Ralph Lee
Charles Lowery
Gregory Prioleau
Donald Richardson
Patricia Stephenson
Christine Clark, Emeritus

email: trustees@shilohbaptist.org

Come meet the Trustees in Heritage Hall after the Unity service today. Learn more about what the Trustees are doing on behalf of Shiloh.

Info For Those 55+

Come.....see what you are missing! Join the Sensational Seniors Club. The club meets on Wednesdays from 1:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. in Heritage Hall. Scrumptious meals, wonderful fellowship, fun, information that Seniors need to know, deepening our spirituality and much, much more. For more information, please contact one of the following: Lois H. Brown (202/529-1044); Deacon Memory Griffin (202/332-6341); Deaconess Carrie Dublin (202/529-8660) or Elois Lawson (202/829-3906).



Dear Friends:

Shiloh Baptist Church is a unique house of worship, filled with blessed and prosperous people, grateful to a most gracious and loving God. On behalf of Dr. Hattie Davis and the entire Worship and Music Ministry, I humbly and sincerely *thank you* for your overwhelming gesture of love and gift of sharing on the occasion of Shiloh's "Bring a Gift Sunday."

Because of your generosity, approximately 400 children woke up to a toy this Christmas! We partnered with five organizations to assist us in this worthy cause, namely, the Shiloh Family Life Center Child Development Center, Seaton Elementary School, and the Ramona Center for Battered Women with Children, the Mary McLeod Bethune Day Academy Public Charter School and the Family Life Center Human Service Center. *To God be the Glory!*

Again, thank you for your favorable response in sharing the gift of giving. It is my prayer that God's richest blessings are yours with ten thousand beside.

"Give and you will receive. Your gift will return to you in full, pressed down, shaken together to make room for more, running over, and poured into your lap." Luke 6:38

God Bless,
Thomas Dixon Tyler

DVDs Available

DVDs of Senior Choir Messiah Concert are available today from Dr. Hattie Davis.

Brotherhood of Shiloh Men

Hosts the Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Prayer Breakfast

Saturday, January 15, 2011
9:00 a.m.

Reservations may be made today at the Event Center
Donation - \$35.00

Contact Persons:

Ed Washington (301/839-1624)
Bob Bates (301/855-2036)
Vernon Oakes (202/415-2062)
Elias Kibler (202/544-6883)

Proceeds will support the Male Youth Enhancement Program

Memorial Contributions & Tributes

Claim The Victory Campaign

In Loving Memory
Of
Our Mother

Margaret Thomas

Juanita O. Coye Bailey
Deacon John R. Bailey, Son-in-law
The Coye/Thomas Family
\$500.00

In Loving Memory
Of

Our Mother & Grandmother

Sadie Pettigrew Gadberry

On the occasion of her birthday – December 28

Vera G. Hunter – Daughter
Frieda Hunter – Granddaughter
Tenisha Easterly Harrison – Great Granddaughter
\$ 500.00

In Loving Memory
Of
My Daughter

Robbin Yvette Lyon

Who departed on December 29, 1992
You are always in my heart

Stephanie Lyon – Mother

In Loving Memory of Our Mother/Wife

Susie Lyon

Who departed on May 11, 1999
Our mother, friend and wife

Deborah Scott- Daughter
Sheila Lyon – Daughter
Beverly Lyon Mercer – Daughter
Stephanie Lyon – Daughter
William Ruffin Lyon, Jr. – Son
William Ruffin Lyon, Sr. – Husband
Nina Lyon Bennett – Daughter

\$100.00

Gifts

Cirtie Mae Turner Memorial Trust

In Memory of Ada Wilson

Mother
November 10
\$1,000.00

In Memory of Willie Wilson

Brother
May 25
\$1,000.00

*In Memory of
Reverend E. L. Harrison*

Pastor
November 4
\$500.00

*In Memory of
Cirtie Mae Turner*

March 14
\$2,000.00



**It is not too late!
Join the Shiloh Gospel Choir in Nassau
Bahamas July 21-25, 2011!**

Church members and friends are invited to join the Shiloh Gospel Choir when they travel to Nassau Bahamas on July 21-25, 2010. Relax and enjoy a lovely vacation on the island of Nassau and then join the choir in Sunday worship services at Grant's Town Wesley Methodist Church. The trip package cost starts at \$975 (based on double occupancy) including roundtrip airfare, hotel accommodations, meal plan, transfers, tour option, and more. Accommodations will be at the beautiful Wyndham Resort on Cable Beach. Children package rates are also available. Group airline arrangements are from Washington National Airport. A deposit of \$350 is required immediately to hold a reservation. All participants should have paid a total of \$550 per person by January 15, 2011. Contact Otis Harris, Muriel Lewis, Aldith Coleman or Geormine Stanyard-Crawford for more information and payment. Payments may also be mailed and made to DeGeor Services, PO Box 26462 WDC 20001. Passports are required for travel.



Church School Lessons At-A-Glance

A Future for God's People

These five lessons present a study of selected texts from Isaiah 45-53. They proclaim God's message of the coming salvation for Israel.

January 2 – *I Am Your Redeemer* (Isaiah 44:21-26) God created Israel and promised not to forsake His chosen people. He freed them and forgave them of their sins.

January 9 - *Turn to Me and Be Saved* (Isaiah 45:18-24a) God is distinguished from all other gods. He is the Creator, Savior, and Truth-speaker. He keeps His promises and people proclaim that He is the source of all righteousness and strength.

January 16- *Reassurance for God's People* (Isaiah 48:14-19, 21-22) God is a teacher and a guide. Peace and righteousness are promised to those who obey His words

January 23 – *The Servant's Mission in the World* (Isaiah 49:1-6) God chose His Servant to redeem His people. The Lord honored the Servant and strengthened Him. God also said that the future Redeemer will do more than restore Israel; He will enlighten Gentiles and bring the salvation of God to the whole earth.

**JOIN US EVERY SUNDAY
at 9:30AM in The Tuning Fork
for the New
YOUNG ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS
20-30-40's Welcome!**

If young Christians are going to grow in Christ and maximize their blessings from the word, they **MUST** be intentional about seeking understanding, education and power from the word, through study and fellowship.

The Young Adult Ministry of Shiloh invites you to join a **New Sunday School Class: Let's Talk About God**. Join us each 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th Sunday in the Tuning Fork (just inside the Family Life Center) for a lively conversation and exchange, biblical lessons and education which will enrich and empower you through the week. Immediately following first service and prior to second service, at 9:30AM, join your peers and the adults of Shiloh for a young and energized discussion of how to apply God's word to our lives today. Bring your thoughts, challenges and questions. As young adults with professional, family, financial, grad school/educational, relationship, marriage, children or any other issues, benefit from the support of your peers and the power of the word to provide you the whole armor of Christianity. Put down your procrastinations and make knowledge and power through God's word your priority. Be ready to grow as the Bible says...

Proverbs 3:1 Wisdom Bestows Well-Being

- ¹ *My son, do not forget my teaching, but keep my commands in your heart,*
² *for they will prolong your life many years and bring you peace and prosperity.*

Add Young Adult Sunday School, to your schedule and be blessed each week. Contact: Reverend Jasmyn Bowden, Tracey Walker (202-427-5717) or Jamil Smart (240-601-1920) for more information. See you at 9:30AM for New YA Sunday School!!

