

# The Shiloh Spirit



*The Reverend Dr. Wallace Charles Smith*  
Senior Minister



## *The Pastor's Pen*

The Old Testament Lectionary text, Exodus 17:1-7, and the Gospel text, John 4:5-42, both focus around water. For Moses, the problem was a people fresh from slavery that had not learned to negotiate their freedom. Although they had seen the miraculous signs from God as they exited Egypt, pillars of cloud and fire, plagues against Pharaoh, and the parting of the Red Sea, they were now faced with the basic need – water. They felt they were about to die of dehydration.

Navigating the arid conditions of a fierce desert would be difficult enough with sufficient supplies of water; without, death was a certainty in a very short time. The people were ready to stone Moses because of what they thought was all of their imminent deaths. The resolution came when God instructed Moses to use the same rod he had used to part the Red Sea to strike a rock. Subsequently water gushed forth and Israel's thirst was satisfied.

In the New Testament the text again focuses on water, but of a much different type. Jesus and the disciples have crossed into Samaria, the land of their hated rivals, the Samaritans. As the disciples have gone into the village to secure food, a woman came to the well to fill her buckets. Completely uncharacteristic of a Jewish rabbi who would have had no dealing with a single woman, Jesus asked her for a drink. She resisted, as Jews and Samaritans had no contact with each other. Jesus' response to her touched off a theological discussion of timeless value. He said, *if you knew who asked you for a drink, you would have asked him for living water.*

Lent is the season when our thirst for a deeper life is at its apex. The response for our quest for water is to come to Jesus, who is the water of eternal life. Our promise is, when we drink from that fountain we never thirst again.

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Sunday, March 27, 2011

### Reading Through The Bible

*3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent – March 27 (Violet)*  
*Exodus 17:1-7; Psalm 95; Romans 5:1-11; John 4:5-42*

*4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent – April 3 (Violet)*  
*1 Samuel 16:1-13; Psalm 23; Ephesians 5:8-14; John 9:1-41*

*5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent – April 10 (Violet)*  
*Ezekiel 37:1-14; Psalm 130; Romans 8:6-11; John 11:1-45*

*Passion/Palm Sunday – April 17 (Red)*  
*Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 31:9; Philippians 2:5-11; Matthew 26:14-27:66*

*New Members Received by*  
*Eula Mae Harrison Circle*



# *This Week at Shiloh*

## **Sunday, March 27, 2011**

### *Scholarship Sunday*

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 .....	Mezzanine Conference Room - 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 Fellowship (9:30 a.m.) .....	HH-South/FLC
Guest Hospitality (Eula Mae Harrison Circle) .....	TF/FLC
Alpha Circle Meeting.....	RBC/FLC
Friendly Circle Meeting.....	COH/FLC
Omega Circle Meeting.....	Gym/FLC
Torch Bearers Circle Meeting.....	Gym/FLC
Willing workers Circle Meeting .....	Gym/FLC
Whetts/Tabitha Missionary Group Meeting.....	Library/FLC
Children/Youth Choir Rehearsal.....	Choir Room

### **Monday, March 28, 2011**

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

11:00 – Funeral Services for Verda L. Kennedy (Viewing – 10:00 a.m.) .....Sanctuary

### **Tuesday, March 29, 2011**

10:00 – Deaf & Hard of Hearing Outreach Program .....

11:00 – Funeral Services for Deacon Emeritus Vatus Greyhouse (Viewing – 10:00 a.m.).....Sanctuary

4:00 – Male Youth Project..... Gym/FLC

6:00 – Taekwondo Class..... RBC/FLC

6:30 – Senior Choir Rehearsal .....

7:15 –Wallace Charles Smith Young Adult Ensemble Rehearsal.....Choir Room

### **Wednesday, March 30, 2011**

10:00 – Deaf &Hard of Hearing Outreach Program .....

11:45 – Mid Week Bible Study.....Deacons' Room

1:00 – Senior Citizens Club Meeting..... HH/FLC

4:00 – Male Youth Project..... Gym/FLC

6:30 – Gospel Choir Rehearsal .....

7:00 – **Al-Anon Family Matters Meeting** .....

**Thursday, March 31, 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
6:30 – Prayer & Praise Service .....	Sanctuary
7:15 – Bible Institute – <i>More Than The Mardi Gras</i> – Reverend Lewis Anthony, Instructor .....	Sanctuary

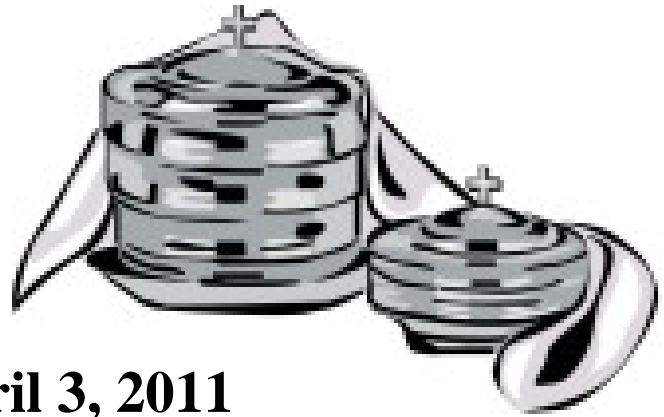
**Friday, April 1, 2011**

**Administrative Office & Family Life Center Facilities Close at 2:00 p.m.**

6:00 – Children and Youth Bible Study .....	HH/FLC
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**Saturday, April 2, 2011**

9:00 – Taekwondo Class .....	RBC/FLC
9:00 – <b>100 Black Men SLA</b> .....	Gym/FLC
9:30 – WiFi Café .....	TF/FLC
10:00 – Usher Board Bulletin Preparation .....	LL/FLC
10:00 – Deacon Ministry Meeting .....	Deacons’ Room
10:00 – Boy Scout Meeting .....	Library/FLC
10:00 – Social Justice Ministry Meeting .....	COH/FLC
1:00 – Tennis at Shiloh Drill Session .....	Gym/FLC
2:30 – New Generation of Praise Dance Rehearsal .....	LL/FLC



**Sunday, April 3, 2011**  
**Unity Service – 10:00 a.m.**

*Holy Communion*

DCCF Credit Union .....	LL/FLC
Combined Adult Church School Classes .....	Sanctuary
Combined Middle School and Senior High School Classes .....	TF/FLC
Combined Children’s Sunday School Classes .....	LL/FLC
Youth Church (10:00 a.m.) .....	COH/FLC
Guest Hospitality ( <i>Ever Ready Circle</i> ) .....	TF/FLC
HBCU Council Meeting .....	Library/FLC
Nurses Unit Meeting .....	LL/FLC
YACS Meeting .....	HHN/FLC

# Discipleship News

## *Baby Dedication*

*Congratulations to Bakari Salim-Gyasi Walker (Rasheki Kuykendall-Walker & DeVaun Walker – parents) who was dedicated to the Lord on Sunday, March 20, 2011. We pray that Bakari will grow to be a strong Disciple of Christ.*

## *Sympathy*

*Our deepest sympathy is extended to the family of Deacon Emeritus Vatus Greyhouse and Verda L. Stokes (Phoebe Circle) in the loss of her mother, Verda L. Kennedy (Ruth Circle).*

### **Circles Receiving New Members**

March 27 ..... Eula Mae Harrison Circle  
April 3..... Ever Ready Circle  
April 10 ..... Excelsior Circle

### **Circles Serving Breakfast**

March 27 ..... Social Reapers Circle  
April 3 ..... Sunshine Youth Circle  
April 10 ..... Torch Bearers Circle

## Reminder

All requests for the publication of articles in the Shiloh Spirit **must be submitted** directly to the administrative office. Documents may be left in the mailbox labeled “S” at the Security Desk (lobby of the Family Life Center) or e-mailed to [muriellewis@shilohbaptist.org](mailto:muriellewis@shilohbaptist.org). The deadline for all material must be received by **12:00 Noon** on the Monday prior to the requested publication date. **Don't Forget- Maximum words = 250**

### IMPORTANT MESSAGE

Any persons having possession of a Shiloh “Greeter” badge is asked to please return it to Deacon Joan Allen or the Security Desk.

## Ushers' Corner March/April

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

**Sunday, March 27 – Unit #5 Serves**

**Tuesday, March 29 –Usher Board Meeting  
6:00 p.m. – Executive Board  
7:00 p.m. – General Board & Signing Training**

**Thursday, March 31 – Unit #5 Serves  
7:15 p.m. – Bible Institute – Reverend Lewis Anthony**

**Sunday, April 3 – Unit #6 Serves  
10:00a.m. –Unity Service**

**Thursday, April 7- Unit #6 Serves  
7:15p.m. – Bible Institute – Reverend Lewis Anthony**

**Sunday, April 10 – Units #1/3 Serve**

**Thursday, April 14 – Units #1/3 Serve  
7:15p.m. –Bible Institute – Reverend Lewis Anthony**

**Sunday, April 17 – Unit #2 Serves (Palm Sunday)  
4:00 p.m. Gospel Choir Anniversary – ALL USHERS  
(Begin White Uniforms)**

**April 18-21 – Stations of the Cross  
12:00 Noon each day – ALL USHERS**

**Thursday, April 21- ALL USHERS  
7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Service  
Shiloh at Metropolitan Baptist Church**

**Friday, April 22 – ALL USHERS  
12:00 Noon – 3:00 p.m. – Good Friday Service**

**Sunday, April 24 –Unit #4 Serves  
Easter Sunday  
6:00 a.m. – Sunrise Service (Baptism)  
10:00 a.m. – Morning Worship**

**Tuesday, April 26-General Usher Board Meeting  
6:00 p.m. – Executive Board  
7:00 p.m. – General Board**



## CAMP GENIUS

The Henry C. Gregory III Family Life Center Foundation presents "Camp Genius", an educational and high-quality enrichment program in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM), April 18 – 22<sup>nd</sup>. Camp Genius will provide a STEM based learning program for children in grades one through six during their spring vacation and will also:

- 1) inspire students by showing them real-world problem solving applications;
- 2) expose students to fascinating technologies they may not have yet encountered;
- 3) promote the highest standards of creativity, responsibility, confidence, independence and reliance where children are immersed in varied hands-on experiences that draw upon their natural sense of curiosity and
- 4) enhance the creative decision making and problem solving skills all children have.

Parents are encouraged to register children, ages 6 – 11 for this program to take place during Easter/Spring Break. Whether or not children have been exposed to STEM subjects before, they will leave Camp Genius with a strong foundation in the STEM subject areas.

The Family Life Center Foundation is not only seeking Camp Genius participants but the services of highly motivated and talented educators and volunteers to join the STEM team. Individuals who are passionate about STEM based learning and who desire to make a significant difference in the lives of children will find Camp Genius a wonderful outlet for service. Camp Genius teachers will be responsible for facilitating the STEM curriculum; developing hands-on activities that broaden STEM learning, creating cultural experiences, and stimulating children's curiosities. STEM educators must be certified to teach and should have at least 2 years of experience working with children ages 6 – 11. Educators will receive compensation up to \$200/per day based on experience and must be available on April 15<sup>th</sup> for training and on April 18 – 22<sup>nd</sup>, 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Parents, children, interested teachers and volunteers are encouraged to visit [www.campgenius.org](http://www.campgenius.org) for more information and Camp Genius Registration. Educators are required to complete the online application which can be emailed with a cover letter and resume to the Camp Genius Program Director, Mrs. Kahlil Kuykendall-Bryant at [kahlil.kuykendall@flcfoundation.org](mailto:kahlil.kuykendall@flcfoundation.org). Questions about Camp Genius can also be directed to Clay Gregory (202/497-2730) or Reverend Crystal Kuykendall (301/299-2057).

## LENTEN WORSHIP SCHEDULE

### LENTEN STUDY CLASSES

**March 17, 2011 – April 14, 2011 • 6:30 p.m.**

Rev. Dr. Lewis M. Anthony, teacher

"More than the Mardi Gras" (continuation)

### 21 DAYS of PASSION and INTIMACY with GOD

#### THE DANIEL FAST ~ THE NOONDAY DIAL-UP SERVICE

**Sunday, April 3, 2011 – Easter, April 24, 2011**

"Feed your Soul, Strengthen your Spirit, Renew your Body"

#### STATIONS of the CROSS

**April 18-21, 2011, 12 noon**

#### PALM SUNDAY PRAISE SERVICE

**Sunday, April 17, 2011 • 4:00 p.m.**

Gospel Choir Concert – "A Great Day"

Phillip Carter, Guest Director

with Special Guest, *Kefas* Gospel Choir (Copenhagen, Denmark)

#### MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE

**Thursday, April 21, 2011 • 7:00 p.m.**

Shiloh Baptist Church at Metropolitan Baptist Church

Rev. Wallace Charles Smith, D.Min, preaching

Wallace Charles Smith Young Adult Ensemble, singing

#### GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

**Friday, April 22, 2011 • 12:00 noon**

*The Seven Last Words of Christ*

Rev. Dr. Lewis M. Anthony • Rev. Dr. Velma Smith

Rev. Larry Owens, Jr. • Rev. Corey A. Thompson

Special music provided by the Senior Choir

#### EASTER SUNDAY

**April 24, 2011**

Sunrise Service, **6:00 a.m.** (Baptism) • Worship Service , **10:00 a.m.**

## OneBody Sign Up: Last Session

Two months have passed and we are now at the last **OneBody** sign up session on March 27, after the 10:55a worship service

First, let's start by saying this is not the same "membership update" sign up session that occurred two years ago. This final session is your last chance to sign up for **OneBody**, Shiloh's new communication tool. **YOU CAN ONLY TAKE ADVANTAGE OF WHAT IT OFFERS IF YOU SIGN UP.** (**OneBody** is exclusive to Shiloh members.) We have listened to your requests during the past two years.

**OneBody** is a Church Management tool developed for Christian life and attempts to fulfill your requests.

- You asked for a **list serve** so all the members could be sent an email at the same time—**OneBody** fulfills this request. However, you must have an email account and join **OneBody** to receive the messages.
- You asked to have the ability to **update your membership** information—**OneBody** will let you update your own profile when needed. Members will see the changes as soon as you hit save.
- You asked for a **church-wide calendar**—**OneBody** now houses Shiloh's yearly church-wide calendar.
- You asked is there a way for your "**small group**" and/or **committees to communicate with each other**—**OneBody** is populated with a list of Shiloh's small groups so they can communicate privately with its members.
- You asked for a **social networking site**—**OneBody** has the ability for Shiloh members to communicate with each other one-to-one or as "friends."
- You asked for the **church directory** that gets printed yearly—**OneBody** now has a church directory that you can print anytime; and it is updated in real-time (as soon as a change occurs.) Not only is there a church directory, but also a **pictorial directory** and **business directory**.

If that isn't enough to make you want to join, then let us tell you what you're missing...

- Official Shiloh messages (church closings, special announcements)
- Death and funeral announcements
- Circle Information
- Prayer Requests
- **OneBody** Tips
- Learning more about your fellow church member

Last, if you are still unsure, stop by during the last sign up session to see it in action.

## CHRISTMAS IN APRIL

The members of Adah Circle will host its annual Christmas In April celebration on April 10, 2011, from 1pm – 3pm at the lovely McLoone's Pier House, located at 141 National Plaza Building, the National Harbor Place. Adah Circle invites members of the congregation, your family and friends to join with us in what promises to be a wonderful event with much good food, good fellowship and the opportunity, if you have not already, to experience this very nice addition to the Washington, D.C. Metropolitan Area, provided by the National Harbor Place that overlooks the Potomac River. Please see an Adah Circle member for tickets and/or stop by the event center after worship service today.

## D.C. Hall of Fame

The Washington, D.C. Hall of Fame Society is pleased to announce its 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Washington DC Hall of Fame Awards program to be held on Sunday April 10, 2011, at the L'Enfant Plaza Hotel, 480 L'Enfant PLaza, Southwest, Washington, D.C. This year, our fifth Pastor, the late Reverend Henry C. Gregory, III will be posthumously inducted in the D.C. Hall of Fame in the area of religion. The program begins at 4:30 p. m. For ticket information, please contact Dr. Janette Hoston Harris at 202-726-6300 or at her e-mail address: [Jhharrisassoc@aol.com](mailto:Jhharrisassoc@aol.com).

## Assistance Needed

Seeking individual who has expertise and resources to assist a Senior member of our congregation in obtaining affordable Senior Housing (official list of residences in the District of Columbia, help with completing applications, and general guidance, etc.) If you are willing to assist, please contact Deacon Diana Roach immediately (202/635-3132 or [droach3325@aol.com](mailto:droach3325@aol.com))



## The Celebration

A vision is an aspiration of a future state or where one wants to be at some point in the future. Victory Village is a vision—a future state for Shiloh. For a number of years, Pastor Smith spoke about Victory Village holistically. The groundbreaking ceremony in September 2010 and the quest for a general contractor to build the Wallace Charles Smith (WCS) Community Service Building bring Victory Village closer to reality.

The anniversary celebration highlights two significant milestones for Shiloh within the last 20 years: (1) the visionary leadership of Pastor Smith, and (2) the Victory Village project, specifically the impending construction of the WCS Community Service Building. These two milestones are so interconnected that we coupled them for this celebration.

We are soliciting the business community, partners, and stakeholders for sponsorship contributions to build the WCS Community Service Building. All contributions from corporate sponsors are for the inaugural benefit gala only and will be directed to the Victory Village Development Corporation.

We also are sending letters seeking contributors for greetings and advertisements for a souvenir journal. Funds from these contributors will be used to underwrite celebratory expenses and planned activities. These funds are directed to Shiloh Baptist Church (Memo: Pastor’s Anniversary Committee). Our goal is to remain conscientious of our congregants’ giving and their commitments to other events.

## Pastor’s Anniversary Committee

The Pastor’s Anniversary Committee (PAC) is off to an awesome start. Preliminary planning with subcommittee chairs has been underway for some time. The full PAC met Tuesday, March 15, 2011, and discussed plans to offer an exciting suite of activities for everyone to enjoy. Activities are being planned for the Shiloh family, friends, Shaw community, partners and stakeholders. While the full details of each activity are still being formulated as of this writing, a few gold nuggets are offered below.

Prayer and Praise Service	June 2
Youth Activity	June 4
Seniors’ Luncheon	June 17
Reception and Gala	July 15

Worship Service	July 17
Community Event	July 30

## Reflections

Shiloh Baptist Church has had a number of ‘firsts’ under Pastor Smith. Some of our new members may not be aware of them so we are sharing a few.

- Reverend Desire’ Grogan was the first woman to be ordained in Shiloh’s history;
- The first four women ordained as deacons were Sonja Y. Ray, Diana M. Roach, Constance P. Tate, and Dr. Aurelia Downey (deceased);
- ‘Those Cookin’ Men at Shiloh,’ with men demonstrating their culinary skills. This event also was an occasion to collect canned goods and blankets for the homeless;
- *The Sunday Roll Call* was a publication for and about Shiloh members;
- *Veterans’ Recognition Sunday* to honor all of Shiloh’s members who served in the armed forces; and
- Inauguration of the **SHILOH Spirit**

We are truly blessed. How many ‘firsts’ do you recall? Leave your ‘firsts’ marked **PAC** in the mailbox labeled “P” at the Security Desk (lobby of the Family Life Center) or send an email to [pac20@shilohbaptist.org](mailto:pac20@shilohbaptist.org).

## Six-Word Memoir

If you were asked to write Pastor Smith’s memoir in six words, how would describe his 20-year journey at Shiloh? *Punctuation marks and special characters do not count.* Leave your six-word memoir marked **PAC** in the mailbox labeled “P” at the Security Desk (lobby of the Family Life Center) or send email to [pac20@shilohbaptist.org](mailto:pac20@shilohbaptist.org).

*20th Pastoral Anniversary Committee*

