Union Bethel

African Methodist Episcopal Church Sunday August 24, 2025 – 10:00 a.m.

The Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost | Liturgical Color is Green

Welcome

Eunice Reaves

The Doxology

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Call to Worship

Vera Dillard

Hymn of Praise

"How to Reach the Masses" Hymn #221

AMEC Hymnal"

Vera Dillard

Invocation

LaHuse McFadden

Choral Response

Scripture: St. Luke 13:10-17

Bennie Purnell

Worship of Music

Announcements/Birthday Recognitions

Acknowledgment of Visitors

Moments of Fellowship

The Pastor's Words

Offering

Sermonic Selection

The Sermon

Reverend Dr. Linda E. Mouzon (Ret.)

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

Altar Call Prayer

The Doxology

The Benediction

The Extinguishing of the Candles

"How to Reach the Masses" Hymn #221, AMEC Hymnal

Words: Johnson Oatman, Jr.—Tune: B.B. Beall

How to reach the masses, those of every birth, for an answer Jesus gave the key: "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto Me." (Refrain)

Oh! The world is hungry for the Living Bread Lift the Savior up for them to see; Trust Him and do not doubt the words that He said, "I'll draw all men unto me." (Refrain)

Don't exalt the preacher, don't exalt the pew, Preach the gospel simple full and free; Prove Him and you will find the promise is true, "I'll draw all men unto Me." (Refrain)

Lift Him up by living as a Christian ought, Let the world in you the Savior see. Then all will gladly follow Him who once taught, "I'll draw all men unto Me." (Refrain)

Refrain

Lift Him up, Lift Him Up Lift the precious Savior up, Still He speaks from eternity, "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, Will draw all men unto Me."

Our Guest Preacher

The Rev. Dr. Linda E. Mouzon (Ret.)



The Rev. Linda Ellard Mouzon was born in Washington D.C. She began her Christian training at Allen A.M.E. in southeast Washington. Most of her Christian education was at Brown Memorial A.M.E. Church, Washington D.C. where she was active in several ministries. After moving to the Baltimore area, Rev. Mouzon affiliated with Bethel A.M.E. Church. In 1993, she transferred her membership to Union Bethel A.M.E. Church Randallstown. In 1995, Rev. Mouzon responded to her call to ordained ministry in the A.M.E. Church. She was ordained an itinerant deacon in 1999 and an elder in 2001.

She received her first pastoral appointment April 28, 2012 to New Birth African Methodist Episcopal Church. Under her leadership the church moved from worshipping in an elementary school in Rockville Maryland to Baltimore County Maryland. During the 65th session of the Washington Annual Conference, New Birth A.M.E. Church was approved for a name change to Fair Havens A.M.E. Church. On June 22, 2015, Fair Havens A.M.E. purchased a permanent home at 4416 Fairhaven Avenue, a two story 6,800 square foot building on a half-acre lot in Curtis Bay, Maryland.

In April 2021 at the 71st session of the Washington Annual Conference, Rev. Mouzon superannuated. Rev. Mouzon is a graduate of the D.C. public school system. Her academic achievements include a BA in psychology from Dickinson College, an MA in theology from St. Mary's Seminary, and an MS and PhD in Pastoral Counseling from Loyola University Maryland where she was inducted into the Alpha Sigma Nu Honor Society. She was presented with the Dr. Barry K. Estadt Medal for Excellence in Pastoral Counseling which is awarded to the graduating doctoral student who demonstrated commitment to advancing spiritual therapy and exceptional academic and research achievement.

Currently, Rev. Mouzon is mental health therapist with a private practice, Holistic Counseling Services. Her research program evaluations for Duke Leadership., the CME Church, and the Gift of Black Theological Education and Black Faith Traditions and a pastoral study funded by Louisville Institute. She serves as the Project Director for the Second Episcopal District's grant initiatives. In her previous career she was employed as Director of the Baltimore City Juvenile Services Department, and later as Executive Director of the Maryland Social Services Administration, where she oversaw child welfare and family reunification programs.

Rev. Mouzon is married to one of the finest gentlemen that God ever created, Henry F. Mouzon, Jr. Most importantly, Rev. Mouzon is a servant of God through the grace and mercy of Jesus Christ. Her hope is that you "pray for her so that whenever she opens her mouth words may be given her so that she can fearlessly proclaim the mystery of the Gospel." (Eph. 6:19).