

Union Bethel

African Methodist Episcopal Church
The Twenty-Third Sunday After Pentecost – Liturgical Color is Green

Lillian M. Dorsey Missionary Society & UPD Annual Day
Sunday, November 16, 2025

Welcome

Richard Sheppard

The Doxology

Richard Sheppard

Call to Worship

Lois Britton

Hymn of Praise

“How to Reach the Masses”- Hymn #221

AMEC Hymnal

Lois Britton

Invocation

Tyler Burris

Choral Response**Scripture: Luke 21:5-15**

Beverly Schulnerbrandt

The Occasion

Trina Pugh

Worship of Music**Announcements****Acknowledgment of Visitors****Moments of Fellowship****The Pastor’s Words****Offering****Introduction of the Speaker**

Amanda Bosley

Sermonic Selection**The Sermon**

Reverend Jerri D. Edmonds

Union Bethel AME Church

Invitation to Christian Discipleship**Altar Call Prayer****The Doxology****The Missionary Benediction****The Extinguishing of the Candles****Hymn of Praise: “How to Reach the Masses” #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.”

REVEREND JERRI D. EDMONDS



Rev. Jerri D. Edmonds was born and raised in Baltimore, Maryland. She is the second of three children of Garfield and Ruth Hudson. She received her early education in the Baltimore City Public School System. She received a B.A. in Information Science and Systems from Morgan State University, a Masters of Business Administration from Morgan State University and a Master Certification in Database Administration from the University of Maryland. She received the Master of Theology degree from The Ecumenical Institute of Theology (E.I.) at the St. Mary's Seminary & the University of Maryland. Rev. Edmonds is a retiree of her beloved alma mater, Morgan State University.

Reverend Edmonds, along with her husband Rev. Raymond F. Edmonds, Jr. began the Gethsemane Ministry in October 1995, which is now the Gethsemane A.M.E. Church in Baltimore, MD. She

acknowledged her call to preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ in September 1997 and preached her trial sermon in June 1998. She was ordained an Itinerant Deacon in April 2002. In October 2008, the Edmonds team was assigned to Falls Road A.M.E. Church. At Falls Road, Rev. Edmonds served as the Ministerial Liaison to the Music and Fine Arts Ministries, Director of the Women's Ministry, Director of the Prayer Ministry, and Director of the following choirs: Youth and Young Adult, United Voices, Combined Choirs and the Praised Team. In July 2022 the Edmonds team was assigned to Union Bethel A.M.E. Church. At Union Bethel Rev. Edmonds serves as the Minister to Women and the Director to the Youth and Young Adult Choir. In April 2024 she was ordained an Itinerant Elder.

Reverend Edmonds has a passion for empowering God's people to become all that He has called them to be through the Word of God and is committed to edifying the body of Christ by any means necessary.

The Reverends Edmonds are the proud parents of a son and daughter-in-love Raymond 3rd and Brianna and a loving daughter Cierra.

Her favorite scripture is Philippians 4:13, 'I can do all things through Christ which strengthens me.' She loves the Lord and prays that she will always be a vessel that He can use for His glory.