

Union Bethel

African Methodist Episcopal Church

Sunday November 17, 2024 – 10:00 a.m.

The Twenty-Sixth Sunday After Pentecost – Liturgical Color is Green

Missionary Annual Day

Lillian M. Dorsey Missionary Society & The Young People's Department

Welcome

Andrew Johnson

The Doxology

Andrew Johnson

Call to Worship

Tami Harris

Hymn of Praise

“How to Reach the Masses” #221

Tami Harris

Invocation

Valerie Cherry-Jones

Choral Response

Scripture: St. Mark 13:1-8 NIV

Amanda Bosley

Worship of Music

Announcements

Presentation

“Premature Baby Awareness”

Zeta Phi Beta Mu Xi Zeta Chapter

The Occasion

Trina Pugh

Acknowledgment of Visitors

Moments of Fellowship

The Pastor's Words

Rev. Raymond F. Edmonds, Jr.

Offering

Introduction of the Speaker

Terrance Burriss

Sermonic Selection

The Message

Sister Renee Brooks, President

Washington Conference Branch

Women's Missionary Society

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

Altar Call Prayer

The Doxology

The Benediction

The Extinguishing of the Candles

Hymn of Praise “How to Reach the Masses”

Hymn #221 AMEC Hymnal - Words and Tune: Johnson Oatman, Jr.

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.”

Union Bethel AME Church | Reverend Raymond F. Edmonds, Jr., Pastor

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Our Guest Speaker: Sister Renee Brooks

*President, Washington Conference Branch Women's Missionary Society
Second Episcopal District, AME Church*



Sister Renee is an active member of Reid Temple African Methodist Episcopal Church in Glenn Dale, MD.

On May 4, 2023, she was elected President of the Washington Conference Branch (WCB) Women's Missionary Society (WMS) of the African Methodist Episcopal Church having oversight of over 80 churches in the Washington metropolitan area

She has served as an officer at various levels of the Women's Missionary Society including Chair of the Celeste Duckette Area, Third Vice President of the Washington Conference Branch, locally as the President of the Queen Jefferson

Women's Missionary Society for eight years, First Vice President and Third Vice President with responsibility for membership and recruitment. She also currently serves as the Director of the Employment Assistance Ministry and Ministry Lead for the Helps Council at Reid Temple. In addition, Renee previously served as Second Vice President of the James L. Parker Lay Organization.

Sister Renee's experience in work and community includes training, outreach, and advocacy. She has developed various workshops and facilitated Human Trafficking forums. She is an advocate for homeless women, men, children, the elderly and human trafficking survivors. While employed at the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), she served as a Senior Financial Manager for over twenty years. During her tenure at EPA, she was an expert trainer for Federal Travel Regulations and implementation of financial accounting systems. During her tenure at the Bureau of Public Debt (BPD), she developed a brochure for income tax reporting for marketable securities. This brochure was the first in the history of the Agency.

She has served the Washington metropolitan community for over 35 years in leadership roles and in community service. In her community, she served as the President of the Crowne Meadows Homeowners Association in Forestville, MD for ten years, where she worked with community leaders and residents. She also served as President of the Cameron Grove Condominium Association for eight years. Renee is also a member of the Prince Georges County Human Trafficking Board of Directors and Araminta, a human trafficking agency helping survivors.

Renee's favorite scripture is Proverbs 3:5-6, Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.