

1826 • Union Bethel AME Church • 2024

*198th Church Anniversary & Homecoming
Sunday, October 27, 2024 at 10:00 am*



*“I will remember the deeds of the Lord; yes, I will remember
Your miracles of long ago.” Psalm 77:1*

*Celebrating
The Mission, the Milestones,
and the Miracles*

Union Bethel AME Church – 8615 Church Lane – Randallstown, MD 21133

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Union Bethel

African Methodist Episcopal Church

October 27, 2024 – 10:00 a.m.

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

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Welcome

Nathan Eaton

The Doxology

Nathan Eaton

Call to Worship

Terrence and Tyler Burris

Hymn of Praise

“We’ve Come This Far by Faith”

Hymn #412 African American Heritage Hymnal

Terrence and Tyler Burris

Invocation

Andre Eaton

Choral Response

Scripture: St. Mark 10:46-52 NIV

Angela Pompey

Worship of Music

Announcements & Birthday Recognition

Souls to the Polls

Tamelyn Tucker-Worgs

The Occasion

Tina Spears

Acknowledgment of Visitors

Reverend Raymond F. Edmonds, Jr.

Moments of Fellowship

The Pastor’s Words

Reverend Raymond F. Edmonds, Jr.

Offering

Introduction of the Speaker

Reverend Raymond F. Edmonds, Jr.

Sermonic Selection

The Sermon

*Reverend Dr. Jonathan L. Weaver, Presiding Elder
Potomac District, 2nd Episcopal District AMEC*

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

Altar Call Prayer

The Doxology

The Benediction

The Extinguishing of the Candles

Hymn of Praise

“We’ve Come This Far by Faith”

Hymn #412 African American Heritage Hymnal

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Don’t be discouraged with trouble in your life. He’ll bear your burdens and move all misery and strife.

That’s why we’ve come this far by faith leaning on the Lord; Trusting in His holy word, He’s never failed me yet. Oh, can’t turn around, we’ve come this far by faith.

Just the other day I heard a man say he didn’t believe in God’s word; I can say God has made a way. He’s never failed me yet. Thank God, we’ve come this far by faith leaning on the Lord; Trusting in His holy word, He’s never failed me yet. Oh, can’t turn around, we’ve come this far by faith.

Our Guest Preacher

Reverend Dr. Jonathan L. Weaver

*Presiding Elder, Potomac District
Second Episcopal District AME Church*



Reverend Dr. Jonathan Leslie Weaver accepted his appointment to Greater Mt. Nebo African Methodist Episcopal Church in April of 1988. Since that time, the Greater Mt. Nebo Family has increased from 100 members to more than 1,600 and has approximately 50 ministries that serve the church and the greater community. Under Dr. Weaver's leadership, Greater Mt. Nebo purchased 90 acres of land in 1994, where the church currently worships and serves the community.

Reverend Dr. Weaver has a strong belief that one's Christian duty should encompass community outreach. Under Dr. Weaver's leadership, Greater Mt. Nebo's ministries have had many successful projects in the community, such as assisting in The Christmas in April Program, Food & Friends (providing food for persons who are homebound), The Tools for School Program, partnering with community-based violence prevention and re-entry programs, and providing support for victims of abuse. Dr. Weaver's sense of community transcends the borders of Prince George's

County, MD, and the borders of The United States. In 1986 Dr. Weaver was the sole American Delegate to the first Hispanic African Cultural Congress held in Equatorial Guinea. He has led medical mission trips to Rwanda and the Democratic Republic of The Congo. In 1999, Dr. Weaver preached and lectured in Swaziland and served as an official delegate to the Conference on Reconciliation held in Benin that same year. As a result of his willingness to extend his gifts and talents to those abroad, Greater Mt. Nebo has developed close ties in many parts of Africa, partnering with a village in Benin to build a school there and, most recently, supporting the construction of churches in Rwanda, Namibia, and The Democratic Republic of The Congo.

Dr. Weaver is a visionary who uses his gifts to help empower the church community. He is a graduate of St. Mary's Seminary in Baltimore, Maryland, earned a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration from Washington University in St. Louis, Missouri, and has a Master's Degree in Business Administration from the Harvard University Business School in Cambridge, Massachusetts and an Honorary Doctorate Degree from the Sojourner-Douglass College in Baltimore, Maryland.

Dr. Weaver is a recipient of numerous awards, most recently the 2015 Legacy Aware from The Association of the Study of African American Life and History. He currently serves as the National President of the Collective Empowerment Group, formerly known as The Collective Banking Group, an ecumenical association composed of nearly five hundred churches in seven states and the District of Columbia, engaged in economic empowerment initiatives through partnerships with banks and other businesses in their communities.

Reverend Dr. Weaver serves as The Chairman of the Board of Industrial Bank, one of the oldest minority-owned banks in America. Additionally, Dr. Weaver is a member of the Board of Directors of the Second District Religious, Educational, and Charitable Development Projects, an A.M.E. organization that fosters the development of nonprofit programs and projects for spiritual, educational, social, and economic growth and development. He is also the Founder and President of The Pan African Collective, an organization that creates relationships between the faith community and the African and Caribbean Diplomatic community.

In May of 2023, the Right Reverend James L. Davis appointed Reverend Dr. Weaver to serve as the Presiding Elder of the Potomac District!

Married to Pamela Lynn Weaver, Pastor Weaver is the father of two daughters, Jaime and Megan, and the grandfather of three grandsons and one granddaughter.