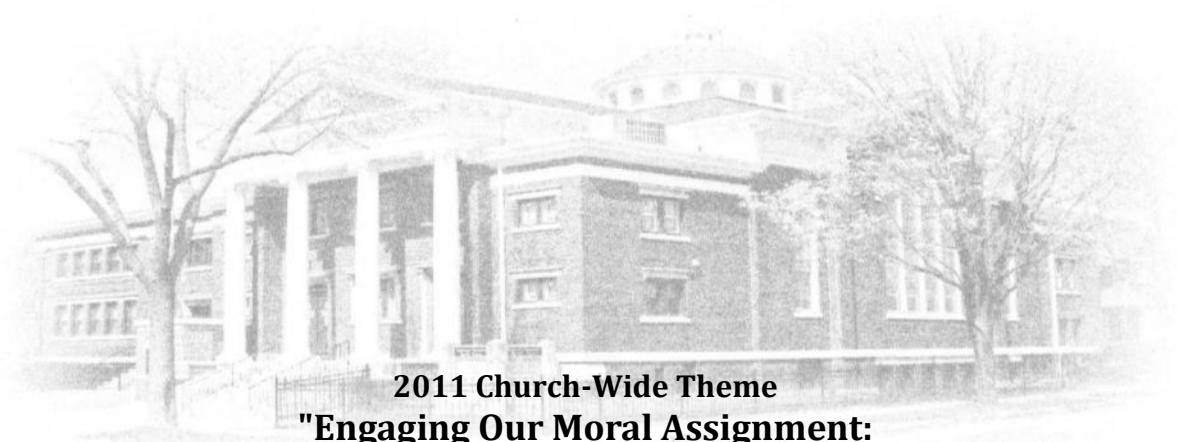


CELEBRATION OF CHRISTIAN WORSHIP

DECEMBER 11, 2011

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT



2011 Church-Wide Theme
**"Engaging Our Moral Assignment:
Proclaiming Release and Recovery"**
Isaiah 58:6; 61:1-2; and Luke 4:18-19

TABERNACLE COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH
2500 WEST MEDFORD AVENUE
MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN 53206
THE REVEREND DON DARIUS BUTLER, M.Div., PASTOR

WELCOME TO TABERNACLE COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH

A preaching, teaching, healing community of faith Matt. 4:23

**We are grateful for your presence and invite you to participate in our
worship, program and service life.**

Our Sunday Worship Schedule

7:45 A.M. CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP (2ND & 4TH SUNDAY)

9:00 A.M. CHURCH SCHOOL & DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING

10:30 A.M. CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

10:30 A.M. BAPTISM & COMMUNION (1ST SUNDAY)

10:30 A.M. INFANT DEDICATION (2ND SUNDAY)

10:30 A.M. RIGHT HAND OF FELLOWSHIP (3RD SUNDAY)

Church School Education for all ages - Class Locations

Adult - sanctuary, overflow, lower level

Young Adult - parsonage

Youth - level two and gym

Children - level two and nursery

Children's Worship - lower level

TIPS FOR GROWTH SCHEDULE

(TABERNACLE IN PRAYER & STUDY)

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2011

PRAYER 6:30 P.M.—7:00 P.M.

Prayer Leader: Rev. Amanda Gray

Devotions: Deacons Leotha Stanley & Charles Snowden, Jr.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY/AWANA (CHILDREN AND YOUTH)

7:00 P.M.—8:30 P.M.

Pastor Don Darius Butler, Facilitator

*Stand as you are able

***Worshippers may enter.

Respectfully silence pagers, cellular phones
and similar devices while in the Sanctuary.

THE LORD IS IN HIS HOLY TEMPLE, LET ALL THE EARTH KEEP SILENT BEFORE HIM

THE MINISTRY OF PREPARATION: THE GATHERING

CENTERING AND MEDITATION: "O Come, O Come Emmanuel"

*O come, thou Dayspring, come and cheer
Our spirits by thine advent here;
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night,
And death's dark shadows put to flight.*

*Rejoice! Rejoice!
Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.*

THE CALL TO WORSHIP*

The Reverend Don Darius Butler

HYMN OF ENTREATY*

"Emmanuel"

Come, come let us adore Him,
kneel down before Him,
worship and adore Him.

Emmanuel, Emmanuel,
Emmanuel, Emmanuel
We worship You.

LIGHTING OF THIRD ADVENT CANDLE

Diana Galindo & Caleb (10:30 am)

*We light this candle as a symbol of joy.
May the joyful promise of your presence,
O God, make us rejoice in our hope of salvation.
O come, O come, Emmanuel!*

THE INVOCATION

Deacon Charlie McCullum (7:45 am)
Deacon Bobby Morrow (10:30 am)

SUNG RESPONSE

"Jesus, Name Above All Names"

Jesus, name above all names,
Beautiful Savior, glorious Lord.
Emmanuel, God is with us,
Blessed Redeemer, Living Word.

TABERNACLE AT WORSHIP

RESPONSIVE READING*

Joan Snowden (7:45 am)

Jalah Wallace (10:30 am)

"Joy"

Leader: Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth, burst into jubilant song with music; make music to the Lord with the harp, with the harp and the sound of singing.

People: **With trumpets and the blast of the ram's horn--shout for joy before the Lord, the King.**

Leader: Let the sea resound, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it. Let rivers clap their hands.

People: **Let the mountains sing together for joy; let them sing before the Lord, for he comes to judge the earth.**

Leader: He will judge the world in righteousness and the peoples with equity.

People: **You have made known to me the path of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence, with eternal pleasures at your right hand.**

Leader: And the ransomed of the Lord will return. They will enter Zion with singing; everlasting joy will crown their heads.

People: **Gladness and joy will overtake them, and sorrow and sighing will flee away.**

Leader: They will come and shout for joy on the heights of Zion; they will rejoice in the bounty of the Lord--the grain, the new wine and the oil, the young of the flocks and herds.

People: **They will be like a well-watered garden, and they will sorrow no more.**

Leader: Sing to the Lord, you saints of his; praise his holy name. For his anger lasts only a moment, but his favor lasts a lifetime;

All: **Weeping may remain for a night, but rejoicing comes in the morning.**

TABERNACLE AT WORSHIP

MORNING HYMN*

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee,
God of glory, Lord of love,
Hearts unfold like flowers before thee,
Opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;
Drive the dark of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness,
Fill us with the light of day!

All thy works with joy surround thee,
Earth and heaven reflect thy rays,
Stars and angels sing around thee,
Center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
Flowery meadow, flashing sea,
Chanting bird and flowing fountain,
Call us to rejoice in thee.

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

Thou art giving and forgiving,
Ever blessing, ever blest,
Well-spring of the joy of living,
Ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our brother,
All who live in love are thine;
Teach us how to love each other,
Lift us to the joy divine.

Mortals, join the mighty chorus
Which the morning stars began;
Love divine is reigning o’er us,
Binding all within its span.
Ever singing, march we onward,
Victors in the midst of strife;
Joyful music leads us sunward,
In the triumph song of life.

GREETING & LIFE IN THE COMMUNITY

Wilma Mottley (7:45 am)
Sequoia Martin (10:30 am)

PASTORAL EMPHASIS & PASSING THE PEACE

Pastor Butler

CHORAL MUSIC

The Children’s Choir

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD: READING & PROCLAMATION OF HOLY SCRIPTURES (10:30 AM)

A READING FROM ISAIAH 61:1-4, 8-11

Deacon Alfred Seuell

A READING FROM PSALM 126

Pinkie Williams-Wesley

A READING FROM JOHN 1:6-8, 19-28*

The Reverend Waynette Spain

CHORAL RESPONSE*

“Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow”

CALL TO THE OFFERING

Gerald Hyler (7:45 am)
Rudolph Martin (10:30 am)

TABERNACLE AT WORSHIP

CHORAL MUSIC

The Children's Choir

LITURGICAL DANCE

Tawanda Harrington

THE SERMON

Rev'd Charles Nichols (7:45 am)

Pastor Butler (10:30 am)

OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD: INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

THE INVITATION*

"I Still Have Joy"

Pastor Butler

I still have joy; I still have joy!
After all the things I've been through,
I still have joy!
I still have joy; I still have joy!
After all the things I've been through,
I still have joy!

PASTORAL PRAYER*

The Reverend Grace Belin

FROM WORSHIP TO WITNESS: THE SENDING FORTH/BENEDICTION

PARTING SONG*

"God Be With You

God be with you, God be with you
God be with you, 'til we meet again
God be with you, God be with you
God be with you, until we meet again

If we never more shall meet
If we never more shall greet
God, be with you, 'til we meet again
Keep on working for the Master
He'll be with you here and after
God be with you, until we meet again

SENDING FORTH & BENEDICTION*

Pastor Butler

A PASTORAL WORD FOR ADVENT

This Saturday, for the second consecutive year, Tabernacle will sponsor "No Child Without Christmas," an outreach initiative to children of our church and the immediate surrounding community. Inspired by a similar program that was once a part of the ministry life of home congregation in Nassau, I thought to replicate this ministry opportunity here in our church. The contextual realities of the respective neighborhoods are alike, i.e., transient and impoverished communities plagued with multiple manifestations of social pathologies, and the ministry prescription is the same: outreach, outreach, and, yes, more outreach. Just as we do with our Summer Youth Program, Vacation Bible School, Neighborhood Outreach, and the Food Pantry, we engage this ministry as a service to our neighboring constituents. By now, you should get a sense that community engagement is a priority of my pastoral ministry, especially at this time of year. People who have had a difficult year dealing with various setbacks and circumstances should find in us a community of hope and love. This initiative helps us to make good on this commitment. I thank all who have donated gifts and monetary support and encourage others to join us for the program.

Have a wonderful week of peace!

Advent, the beginning of the Church Liturgical Year, begins on the fourth Sunday before Christmas Day, which is the Sunday nearest November 30, and ends on Christmas Eve (Dec 24). The focus of the entire season is the celebration of the birth of Jesus the Christ in his First Advent, and the anticipation of the return of Christ the King in his Second Advent. Thus, Advent is far more than simply marking a 2,000 year old event in history. It is celebrating a truth about God, the revelation of God in Christ whereby all of creation might be reconciled to God. That is a process in which we now participate, and the consummation of which we anticipate.

Historically, the primary sanctuary color of Advent is purple. This is the color of penitence and fasting as well as the color of royalty to welcome the Advent of the King. The purple of Advent is also the color of suffering used during Lent and Holy Week. This points to an important connection between Jesus' birth and death. The nativity, the Incarnation, cannot be separated from the crucifixion. The purpose of Jesus' coming into the world, of the "Word made flesh" and dwelling among us, is to reveal God and His grace to the world through Jesus' life and teaching, but also through his suffering, death, and resurrection. To reflect this emphasis, originally Advent was a time of penitence and fasting, much as the Season of Lent and so shared the color of Lent.

Dennis Bratcher

<http://www.crivoice.org/cyadvent.html>

OUR SICK AND SHUT-IN

HOME

Sis. Arza Armstrong		4064 N. 25th St.	53209
Sis. Lovell Bledsoe		4686 N. 76th St.	53218
Mo. Clara Gardner		3951 N. 14th St.	53206
Sis. Alzator (Corky) Fourston		2410 N. 25 th St.	53206
Sis. Lorraine Fields		3422 N. 40 th St.	53216
Sis. Addie Hodges	N79W16127	Longwood/Meno Falls	53051
Rev. John Hicks		2229 N. 36 th St.	53206
Bro. Odis Hill		4164 N. 62 nd St.	53216
Sis. Marie Lassiter		6460 N. 67 th St.	53223
Sis. Altha M. Myrick		6151 W. Bradley Rd.	53223
Bro. Stanley Patterson		4641 N. 27 th St.	53209
Bro. Dutchie Pugh		8113 W. Townsend	53222
Sis. Helen Christine Rogers		6345 W. Leon Tr.	53218
Sis. Beatrice Richardson		1304 W. Hadley St.	53206
Sis. Rosemary Triplett		5147 N. 28th St.	53209
Bro. Thomas Webb		1818 W Juneau Av.	53233

NURSING/CONVALESCENT HOME

Sis. Willie Mae Carthran	Golden Living Center	6735 W. Bradley Rd.	53223
Sis. Irma Jean James	Seven Oaks Rehab.	6263 N. Green Bay Av.	53209
Sis. Marvis Johnson	Mill Way N. H.	8534 W. Mill Rd.	53223
Sis. Eddie B. Jones	Golden Living	1300 W. Silver Spring	53220
Sis. Nora Moore	Birchwood	9632 W. Appleton	53225
Sis. Beverly Pitt	Bayside Manor	9020 N. Port Wash.	53223
Bro. Fred Williams	Golden Living Center	6735 W. Bradley Rd.	53223
Sis. Ida Williams	Golden Living Center	6735 W. Bradley Rd.	53233

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Today** Third Sunday of Advent
Church goes to Community Baptist. Pastor brings the Word. Choir sings. All ministries/members are invited to attend.
3:00 pm
- Dec. 14** TIPS for Growth
6:30 pm
- Dec. 15** Meeting of Joint Board of Officers 6:00 pm
- Dec. 17** No Child Without Christmas gift-giving program.
11:00 am
Quarterly Church Fellowship 1:00 pm
- Dec. 18** Children's Christmas program during Church School.
- Dec. 21** TIPS for Growth
6:30 pm
- Dec. 25** Christmas Day
- Dec. 30** Candlelight Vigil for Homicide Victims
- Dec. 31** Watch Night Fellowship & Worship 8:00 pm

LAY READERS

We are in the process of finalizing the church's list of lay readers for 2012. Lay readers lead various acts of worship in our Sunday and special weekday services. Members who are interested in becoming lay readers should call the church office to sign up. We are especially looking for children, youth and young adults. This is a wonderful opportunity to use your talents in the service of the Lord.

PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

LAST CHANCE TO HAVE YOUR PICTURE INCLUDED IN THE PICTORIAL DIRECTORY!

If you did not have your picture taken by Olan Mills to be included in the Pictorial Directory, the Pictorial Committee will be taking missing photos on the following date and time:

Sunday, December 18th

8:30 am – 9:30 am

Pictures will be taken downstairs during Sunday School hours only. Pictures will be taken on first come first serve basis so there is no need to sign-up.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TABERNACLE'S NEW WORSHIP TIMES

Beginning **Sunday, January 1, 2012** Tabernacle Community Baptist Church will observe the following worship schedule:

Sunday Schedule

8:30am-9:30am: Church School Classes

9:40am-9:50am: General Assembly

10:00am: The Celebration of Worship

Wednesday Schedule

5:30pm-6:25pm: Common Meal

6:30pm-8:30pm: TIPS for Growth
& Awana

Let's plan and prepare for this transi-

CHURCH TRIP TO NASHVILLE

Tabernacle has been invited to worship with Fifteenth Avenue Baptist Church as they celebrate their 127th church anniversary. We are chartering a bus for the trip. We will leave on May 18, 2012, and return on May 20, 2012. If you would like to travel with us, please sign up with La Keisha Wright Butler after church today in the library. You may also call her at (262) 309-6203 to register. Deadline to register is December 18, 2011. Please register even if you do not plan to ride the bus.

USHER MINISTRY CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Ushers Ministry Christmas Social will be held on Saturday, January 7, 2012, at the Radisson Hotel Milwaukee West, 2303 North Mayfair Road from 6 to 9 p.m. Tickets are \$35.00 and you are invited to come and share an evening of dining, singing Christmas carols and gift exchange with friends and family.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR TCBC CHILDREN

During this holiday season, Tabernacle wishes to support the children of members who are experiencing financial difficulties. We want to ensure that no child goes without a gift for Christmas. If you have or know of children (up to age 17) who fall into this category, please call Helen Wallace at 871-9227 (home) or 562-1129 (church). All information received will be kept confidential.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Any child who has a Christmas speech must be at rehearsal the next few Saturdays to recite their speech for the Christmas Program. We are still in need of adults for non-speaking roles during the play. Please contact Joan Snowden.

OFFICE HOURS: MONDAY - FRIDAY 10:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.
PHONE: 414-562-1129 FAX: 414-562-4713
WWW.TCBCHURCH.COM

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Ms. Gloria Pitchford-Nicholas - Coordinator MATC Partnership	414-297-7993
Mr. Jonnie Johnson - Custodian	414-562-1129
Benevolent Needs	414-218-2031
Pastoral Care Needs	414-217-8748

ASSOCIATE CLERGY

The Reverend Paul Owens - Pastoral Associate	414-463-9822
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The Reverend Phyllis Cain-Thornton - Associate Minister	414-562-1129
The Reverend Donna Childs - Associate Minister	414-807-7520
The Reverend Amanda Gray - Associate Minister	414-759-9767
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The Reverend Charles Nichols - Associate Minister	414-562-1129
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