

CELEBRATION OF CHRISTIAN WORSHIP

JANUARY 8, 2012

EPIPHANY SUNDAY



Celebrating 90 Years of Christian Witness:
"Remembering Our Past, Shaping Our Future"
Psalm 90: 1-2, 12, 17

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

8:30 A.M. CHURCH SCHOOL & DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING

10:00 A.M. CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

BAPTISM & HOLY COMMUNION (1ST SUNDAY)

INFANT DEDICATION (2ND SUNDAY)

RIGHT HAND OF FELLOWSHIP (3RD SUNDAY)

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP (1ST, 3RD, 4TH AND 5TH SUNDAYS)

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION FOR ALL AGES - CHURCH SCHOOL CLASSES

ADULT CLASSES- SANCTUARY, OVERFLOW, LOWER LEVEL

YOUNG ADULT CLASS- PARSONAGE

YOUTH CLASS- GYMNASIUM

CHILDREN CLASSES- LEVEL TWO AND NURSERY

TIPS FOR GROWTH SCHEDULE

(TABERNACLE IN PRAYER & STUDY)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11, 2011

PRAYER 6:30 P.M.—7:00 P.M.

Devotional & Prayer Leaders: Reverend Paul Owens

Deacon Reacy Armstrong & Deacon Carl Ballard

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: "Be Still My Soul"

THE CALL TO WORSHIP*

The Reverend Don Darius Butler

HYMN OF ENTREATY*

"O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal home.

A thousand ages in Thy sight
Are like an evening gone;
Short as the watch that ends the night
Before the rising sun.

Thy Word commands our flesh to dust,
"Return, ye sons of men:"
All nations rose from earth at first,
And turn to earth again.

Like flowery fields the nations stand
Pleased with the morning light;
**The flowers beneath the mower's hand
Lie withering ere 'tis night.**

THE INVOCATION*

Deacon James Bond

SUNG RESPONSE*

"O Lord, Have Mercy"

Oh Lord, have mercy
Oh Lord, have mercy
Oh Lord, have mercy
Have mercy on me

Oh Lord, I need you
Oh Lord, I need you
Oh Lord, I need you
Have mercy on me

TABERNACLE AT WORSHIP

RESPONSIVE READING*

Casey Bingmon

“WISDOM”

Leader: Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom.

People: Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world?

Leader: For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness our proclamation, to save those who believe.

People: He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption,

Leader: In order that, as it is written, "Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord."

People: If any of you is lacking in wisdom, ask God, who gives to all generously and ungrudgingly; and it will be given you.

Leader: Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom.

People: But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth.

Leader: But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy.

All: O the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!

TABERNACLE AT WORSHIP

MORNING HYMN*

1. Time is filled with swift transition
Naught on earth unmoved can stand
Build your hopes on things eternal

Hold to God's unchanging hand

2. Trust in Him who will not leave you
Whatsoever years may bring
If by earthly friends forsaken
Still more closely to him cling

GREETING & LIFE IN THE COMMUNITY

PASTORAL GREETING & PASSING THE PEACE

CHORAL MUSIC

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD: READING & PROCLAMATION OF THE HOLY SCRIPTURES

A READING FROM JOB 14:1-14

A READING FROM PSALM 90:1-12, 17

A READING FROM EPHESIANS 5:8B-16*

CHORAL RESPONSE*

CALL TO THE OFFERING

CHORAL MUSIC

THE SERMON

"Hold to God's Unchanging Hand"

3. When your journey is completed
If to God you have been true
Fair and bright your home in glory
Your enraptured soul will view

*Hold to His hand, God's unchanging hand
Hold to His hand, God's unchanging hand
Build your hope on things eternal
Hold to God's unchanging hand*

Tameka Martin

Pastor Butler

The Children's Choir

Deacon Gerald Childs

Caleb Vega

The Reverend Amanda Gray

"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"

Craig Gant

The Children's Choir

Pastor Butler

TABERNACLE AT WORSHIP

OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD: INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

THE INVITATION*

“Only What You Do For Christ Will Last”

You may build great cathedrals large or small,
you can build skyscrapers grand and tall,
you may conquer all the failures of the past,
but only what you do for Christ will last.

*Remember only what You do for Christ will last.
Remember only what you do for Christ will last,
only what you do for Him will be counted at the end;
only what you do for Christ will last.*

You may seek earthly power and fame,
the world might be impressed by your great name,
soon the glories of this life will all be past,
but only what you do for Christ will last.

Though your armies may control each hemisphere,
and your orbits out in space cause men to cheer,
your scientific knowledge may be vast,
but only what you do for Christ will last.

Though your song and prayers are heard and praised by man,
they've no meaning unless you've been born again,
sinner, heed these words, don't let this harvest pass,
for only what you do for Christ will last

PASTORAL PRAYER*

The Reverend Berta Harrison

FROM WORSHIP TO WITNESS: THE SENDING FORTH/BENEDICTION

PARTING HYMN*

“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

2012 CHURCHWIDE THEME & LITURGICAL NOTE

TABERNACLE 2012 CHURCH-WIDE THEME:
"REMEMBERING OUR PAST, SHAPING OUR FUTURE"
PSALM 90: 1-2, 12, 17

¹ Lord, you have been our dwelling place throughout all generations. ² Before the mountains were born or you brought forth the whole world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God. ¹² Teach us to number our days, that we may gain a heart of wisdom. ¹⁷ May the favor of the Lord our God rest on us; establish the work of our hands for us—yes, establish the work of our hands.

Attributed to Moses, Israel's most iconic figure, Psalm 90 finds the poet musing about the eternity of God and the brevity of life. From beginning to end, our lives are spent under God's constant watch. Neither the past nor the future are separated from God's being. Since life is so brief, and its living so laborious, the psalmist desires to be taught how to wisely appropriate the time that is his so it may be regarded as faithful stewardship. The musing concludes with a request for divine favor and assistance to accomplish the work which wisdom brings forth.

The year 2012 is the 90th anniversary year of Tabernacle Community Baptist Church in the city of Milwaukee. Since 1922 successive generations of worshippers have carried the faith of this congregation in work and witness before God and the community. The celebration of this milestone year will remember the faithful stewardship of pioneering members of our church, honoring their sacrifices and lifting their exemplary witness before those to whom they are unknown. The legacy bequeathed to us from them is a sacred trust, and we are responsible for carrying and securing it for generations yet unborn.

Another important feature of this year's celebration will be the public presentation of the church's ten-year strategic plan for the centennial: *Tabernacle 100 & Beyond: One Church, One Vision, One Voice*. The entire membership is invited to support and participate in the events of the banner year.

Epiphany (Gr. *epiphaneia*, "manifestation") In general, an appearance of the divine. Specifically, a church festival of January 6 celebrating the visit of the Magi to Jesus as a divine manifestation to Gentiles. Epiphany Sunday is the Sunday between January 2 and January 8, on which the Christian Church celebrates the feast of Epiphany. It recognizes the revelation of Jesus Christ to the entire world (Matthew 2). White is the liturgical color for Epiphany.

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		8142 W, Granville Rd.	53224
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. 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

LEADERSHIP CONCLAVE

Jan. 11 TIPS for Growth & Awana
Resume 6:30 pm

Jan. 14 Leadership Conclave
9:00 am — 2:00 pm

Jan. 16 Office Closed
Martin Luther King, Jr.
Day

Jan. 17 Ushers Ministry Meeting
6:00 pm

Jan. 18 TIPS for Growth & Awana
6:30 pm

Jan. 19 Martin Luther King Event
Congregation Beth Israel
7:30 pm

Jan. 20 Teachers Meeting
9:00 am

Jan. 22 **Pastor Butler's 30th Birth-**
Day

Jan. 24 Deacons Meeting

Jan. 25 TIPS for Growth
6:30 pm

The first leadership conclave for 2012 is scheduled for Saturday, January 14, 9:00am - 2:00pm in the lower level. All ministry leaders, along with their co-leaders, ministers, deacons and trustees are expected to be present. Titular leaders should prepare a report measuring the completion of 2011 ministry goals..

FREE BIRTH CERTIFICATES

Free birth certificates to aid in obtaining a voter ID are now available at the Milwaukee County Courthouse, 901 N. 9th Street, Room 103. If you are in need of a birth certificate you need to bring mail with your name and street address on it and another form of ID such as a school/work ID.

NASHVILLE BUS TRIP UPDATE

The estimated cost of the trip (bus + hotel with double occupancy) is \$163.73 per person. The deadline to make a final decision about whether you want to go to Nashville is Sunday, January 15, 2012. There is still room on the bus if you did not sign up previously. I will be in the library each Sunday to add or remove folks from the trip list.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TABERNACLE'S NEW WORSHIP TIMES

Please note our new 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

USHER MINISTRY

This is a reminder that the Usher Ministry will meet on Tuesday, January 17, at 6:00 p.m.

AWANA CLUB MINISTRY

We will reconvene on Wednesday, January 11, 2012 at 6:30 pm. Parents are encouraged to bring their children and youth to Awana, so that they may come to know, love and serve Jesus Christ.

LITURGICAL DANCE UNIT

During last year's Choir Day, Pastor Butler commissioned a liturgical dance unit of the Music & Worship Arts Ministry, and selected Tawanda Harrington as coordinator and choreographer. This dance unit is now ready to receive members who are gifted in dance or wish to discern their gifts of dance. Members (all ages) who are interested in exploring this ministry opportunity should contact the coordinator at 614.1805.

30TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

Many members have expressed an interest in doing something to celebrate the birthday for our beloved Pastor. If you would like to give Pastor Butler a gift card, the following suggestions are offered:

1. JoS A. Bank
2. Neroli Aveda Salon & Spa
3. Johnston & Murphy

Pastor Butler's birthday is Sunday, January 22..

OFFICE HOURS: MONDAY - FRIDAY 10:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.
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SERVANT STAFF

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Mr. John Wesley - Financial Secretary	414-562-1129
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Pastoral Care Needs	414-217-8748

ASSOCIATE CLERGY

The Reverend Paul Owens - Pastoral Associate	414-463-9822
The Reverend Monroe Meeks - Pastoral Associate (Retired)	414-383-3922
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The Reverend Pauline Brand - Associate Minister	414-442-3183
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
The Reverend Berta Harrison - Associate Minister	414-562-1129
The Reverend Charles Nichols - Associate Minister	414-562-1129
The Reverend Waynette Spain - Associate Minister	414-562-1129

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