



July 3, 2022
9:30 a.m.

PRAISE & ADORATION

Praise & Worship.....Praise Team

Scripture.....Minister

Matthew 8: 1-4

Prayer..... Deacon

Hymn.....#253...“The Blood Will Never Lose its Power”

CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

Church News

Offertory Prayer

Offering/Giving

The Word in Song

CARE & CONCERNS THROUGH PRAYER

Pastoral Concerns/ Recognition of Sick/Prayer Concerns

Altar Call & Prayer.....Minister

The Word in Song

WORSHIP THROUGH INSTRUCTION

****The Sermon.....Pastor-Elect Marc A. Lavarin**

“MINISTRY THAT MATTERS”

Matthew 8: 1-4

*Invitation to Christian Discipleship/ Invitational Selection

If you would like to unite with our Church Family, you can do so during the Hymn of Invitation following the sermon. You may join by Baptism, Christian Experience, Letter, or as an Associate Member.

Presentation of New Members

The Communion Litany

Holy Communion

*Benediction

***PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE and remain standing**

****Please refrain from walking during The Sermon**



To First Calvary Baptist Church
To Pastor-Elect Marc A.
& Minister Barbara F. Lavarin

CHURCH NEWS

FROM PASTOR DAVIS: Come to Bible Study! Join us on Zoom (Meeting ID: 932 281 4455, Password: 573710) and Facebook on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.!

YOU CAN COME BACK TO CHURCH FOR WORSHIP ON SUNDAYS! REMINDING OUR CHURCH FAMILYPLEASE WEAR A MASK TO CHURCH. WE WILL ALSO CONTINUE TO LIVE STREAM WORSHIP VIA THE CHURCH WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK AT 9:30 A.M. EACH SUNDAY UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

QUARTERLY CHURCH CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD ON THURSDAY, JULY 7TH, 7:00 P.M. You can attend in-person (please wear a mask) or via Zoom.

First Calvary is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Quarterly Church Conference

Time: July 7, 2022; 07:00 PM EST

Click on the link below to join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83960406812?pwd=dUlJNkNnYW5YSzhkOFNIMEtXZ25ldz09>

Meeting ID: 839 6040 6812

Passcode: FCBC

OR

Dial by your location

1 301 715 8592 US

Meeting ID: 839 6040 6812

Passcode: 588361

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**BROTHERS, ARE YOU SPIRITUALLY FIT?** It’s Men’s Month! Calling all men....Calling all males...mark your calendar and plan to attend the Men’s Cookout on July 16<sup>th</sup>, the Male Summit meeting on July 18<sup>th</sup>, Men’s Lifebuilders Conference/WORDshop on July 23<sup>rd</sup>, and Celebration of Manhood Sunday/Sacrificial Sunday on July 24<sup>th</sup>. Details to come!

**“HOLD FAST TO FAITH!” Celebrating 31 Years of Pastoral Ministry at First Calvary for Pastor Fredrick A. Davis!** Mark your calendars for Saturday, August 27<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, August 28<sup>th</sup> for a special brunch event and Sunday Worship as we celebrate the Pastoral Ministry of Pastor Davis. Brunch seats (Saturday, 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.) are \$15 (12 and up, 11 and under free). VISIT THE CHURCH WEBSITE to reserve brunch seats and email [lindsay@firstcalvary.org](mailto:lindsay@firstcalvary.org) for more information. SEATS ARE MOVING FAST....DON’T WAIT... YOU MAY MISS IT!

**LET US PRAY:** MATURE ADULTS, AGE 60 & UP, join “Noon Day” midweek prayer & devotion, **EVERY WEDNESDAY at 12:00 p.m.** Call **712-432-1000**, enter access code **616729948#**. Others are invited to attend as well.

**THE HOUSE THAT PRAYS TOGETHER...:** Join the Prayer Conference Call on Wednesdays at 7:00 a.m. (712-432-1001, code "494132935#"). This call will be led by Pastor Elect Marc A. Lavarin.

**Come to Intercessory Prayer on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays, 7:00 a.m.- Zoom Access: Meeting ID: 874 6010 4604, Passcode: 386584.**

**The Church Office and Building are still on limited access during the week. Please be prepared to practice “Social Spacing”, and YOU WILL NEED TO STILL WEAR A MASK.**

The Abbreviated FC Mission Statement:  
*E<sup>3</sup>: Empower spiritual lives, Enhance quality of life, & Evangelize the lost*

THE DEACON’S MESSAGE

Have you ever encountered someone that seems to radiate with a shining face all the time? Is it difficult for you to be happy, to get that shine? If you spend more time searching externally for things to make you happy rather than tapping into the undercurrent of joy that flows from your soul it will be difficult to shine...difficult to smile. When we know God, our outlook on life is full of vitality. Even though we will encounter problems they will never overpower the knowledge we possess that tells us God is real and intimately concerned about our well-being. Numbers 6:24-26 (NIV) reads *“The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace.”* Read this passage to help you remember God is able to do all these things and you will tap into the wellspring of joy God has already placed within you. I am sure God hopes to see your shining faces amongst the crowd.

STEWARDSHIP STATISTICS

| Our Tithes & Offerings must be \$36,810.84 per Sunday to meet our budget. Thank you for giving! |                                        |                        |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|------------------------|
| June 26, 2022                                                                                   |                                        |                        |
| Bible Study <b>N/A</b>                                                                          | Sunday School <b>61</b>                | New Members <b>N/A</b> |
| In-Person Worship <b>220</b>                                                                    | Worship Service (Streaming) <b>280</b> |                        |
| Tithes and Offering                                                                             | \$14,013.23                            |                        |
| Sacrificial Offering                                                                            | \$1,182.00                             |                        |
| Food Pantry                                                                                     | \$65.00                                |                        |
| Scholarship                                                                                     | \$50.00                                |                        |
| Children’s Church                                                                               | \$10.00                                |                        |
| Sunday School                                                                                   | \$21.00                                |                        |
| Online Giving                                                                                   | \$17,904.24                            |                        |
| Total Giving                                                                                    | \$33,235.47                            |                        |

HEALING AND RECOVERY

**Remember our sick & shut-in members with prayers, cards, visits, & calls and share this information with the Pastor and Deacons. Contact the church office with sick & shut in information.**

| HOSPITAL & CARE FACILITY    |                                                                                     |       |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|
| Sis. Dorothy Blakeney       | <b>Parkview Health &amp; Rehab Center</b><br>1716 Legion Road Chapel Hill, NC 27517 |       |
| Sis. Rochelle Nelums        | <b>Pruitt Health</b><br>Erwin Road 27707                                            |       |
| Min. Patricia Mason         | <b>Duke University Hospital</b>                                                     |       |
| Bro. Michael Wilson         | <b>Tower Rehab</b><br>3609 Bond Street Raleigh, NC 27604                            |       |
| AT HOME CARE                |                                                                                     |       |
| Sis. Mary Bailey            | 1505 Palmers Grove Church Rd, Hillsbrough                                           | 27278 |
| Bro. Danny Blackwell        | 1 Lucas Drive                                                                       | 27703 |
| Sis. LaQuinta Blackmon      | 1109 Rosedale Avenue                                                                | 27707 |
| Sis. Betty Borden           | 718 Wortley Drive                                                                   | 27713 |
| Min. Rosa Centry            | 2417 Faucette Avenue                                                                | 27704 |
| Bro. Albert “JR” Davis      | 806 Hounds Chase Road                                                               | 27703 |
| Sis. Helen Forte            | 1304 Cozart Street, Unit 306                                                        | 27704 |
| Sis. Wilhemenia Foster-Long | 309 Pearson Drive                                                                   | 27713 |
| Sis. Shirley Jackson        | 2420 Glenbrook Drive                                                                | 27707 |
| Sis. Louise Jones           | 1218 Cornell Street                                                                 | 27707 |
| Sis. Mary Liverman          | 4302 Stonehenge Rd., Greensboro                                                     | 28406 |
| Bro. Frank Lloyd            | 7 Gwendolyn Circle                                                                  | 27703 |
| Sis. Princess Matthews      | 1127 Briar Rose Lane, Apt. 103                                                      | 27704 |
| Bro. Morris Richmond        | 105 Leacroft Way                                                                    | 27703 |
| Dea. John Smith             | 1405 Timber Wolf Drive                                                              | 27713 |
| Sis. Conya Thorpe           | 2801 Ross Road                                                                      | 27703 |
| Bro. Kevin Young            | 1027 Moreland Avenue                                                                | 27707 |

MINISTRY MEETING SCHEDULE

| CFLR –Community Family Life Center at Lyon Park<br>CFR –Conference Room CRM -Choir Room<br>CR I -Classroom 1 CR II -Classroom 2 CR III -Classroom 3<br>FH – Fellowship Hall LIB – Library Sanct-Sanctuary |                                                           |            |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| SUNDAY                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                           |            |
| 7:00 am                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Intercessory Prayer Service (4 <sup>th</sup> Sun)         | Sanct      |
| 9:30 pm                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Discipleship Orientation Class                            | LIB        |
| 1:15pm                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Health & Wellness Ministry (2 <sup>nd</sup> Sun)          | CR I       |
| 1:15 pm                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Evangelism Ministry (2 <sup>nd</sup> Sun)                 | CR II      |
| 1:15 pm                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Daughters of Calvary (3 <sup>rd</sup> Sun)                | CR II      |
| 1:15 pm                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Computer Ministry (2 <sup>nd</sup> Sun)                   | CR III     |
| 4:00 pm                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Associate Ministers (each 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sun)            | CR II      |
| 5:00 pm                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Deacons & Trustee Ministry Mtg. (2 <sup>nd</sup> Sun)     | CR III/LIB |
| 6:30 pm                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Official Leadership Team (2 <sup>nd</sup> Sun)            | FH         |
| MONDAY                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                           |            |
| 6:00 pm                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Tots of Praise Rehearsal (after 1 <sup>st</sup> )         | CRM        |
| 6:30 pm                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Psalms 150 (after 3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Sun)  | CRM        |
| 6:30 pm                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Young Adult Choir (after 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sun)             | CRM        |
| 6:30pm                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Children’s Church Committee (after 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sun)   | LIB        |
| 6:30 pm                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Sunday School Teachers (1 <sup>st</sup> Mon)              | CR I       |
| 6:30 pm                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Calvary’s Anointed/Vessels of Praise                      | FH/Sanct   |
| 7:00pm                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Entrepreneur Ministry (TBA)                               | CR III     |
| 7:00pm                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Visionary Ministry (3 <sup>rd</sup> Mon)                  | LIB        |
| 7:30pm                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Male Chorus (after 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sun) | CRM        |
| 7:30pm                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Young Adult Choir (before 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sun)            | CRM        |
| TUESDAY                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                           |            |
| 6:00pm                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Scouting Ministry (every other Tues)                      | ALL AREAS  |
| 6:30pm                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Hospitality Ministry (2 <sup>nd</sup> Tues)               | CR I       |
| 6:30pm                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Praise Team                                               | CRM        |
| 6:30pm                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Circle of Care (COC) (2 <sup>nd</sup> Tues-Quarterly)     | LIB        |
| 6:30pm                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Beauty for Ashes                                          | LIB        |
| 7:00pm                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Male Summit (Tuesday after 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sun)           | LIB        |
| 7:30pm                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Music Council (2 <sup>nd</sup> Tues)                      | CR II      |
| 7:30pm                                                                                                                                                                                                    | The Encouragers (1 <sup>st</sup> Tues)                    | CR III     |
| WEDNESDAY                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                           |            |
| 12:00pm                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Noon Day Prayer                                           | Conf. Call |
| 6:30pm                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Youth Bible Study                                         | Zoom       |
| 7:00pm                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Bible Study                                               | Zoom/FB    |
| THURSDAY                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                           |            |
| 6:00pm                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Nursery Ministry (1 <sup>st</sup> Thurs)                  | Nursery    |
| 6:30pm                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Calvary’s Anointed/Vessels of Praise                      | FH/Sanct   |
| 6:30pm                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Beautification Committee (2 <sup>nd</sup> Thurs)          | CR I       |
| 6:30pm                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Couples’ Ministry (4 <sup>th</sup> Thurs)                 | CR II      |
| 6:30pm                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Youth Council (4 <sup>th</sup> Thurs)                     | CR I       |
| 6:30pm                                                                                                                                                                                                    | ACT Ministry (3 <sup>rd</sup> Thurs)                      | CR I       |
| 6:30pm                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Young Adult Ministry (3 <sup>rd</sup> Thurs)              | CR II      |
| 7:00pm                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Singles in Love with Christ (4 <sup>th</sup> Thurs)       | LIB        |
| 7:00pm                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Sunday Service Choir Rehearsal                            | CRM        |
| 7:30pm                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Drama Ministry                                            | CR III     |
| SATURDAY                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                           |            |
| 9:30am                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Pearls of Praise (2 <sup>nd</sup> Sat)                    | CRM        |
| 10:00am                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Scholarship Ministry (before the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sun)     | CR II      |
| 10:00am                                                                                                                                                                                                   | PROJECT F.I.N.E.                                          | CFLR       |
| 10:00am                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Onesiphorous Prison Ministry (3 <sup>rd</sup> Sat)        | CR I       |
| 10:30am                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Deaconess Ministry (1 <sup>st</sup> Sat)                  | LIB/Sanct  |
| 11:00am                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Senior Missionary Ministry (3 <sup>rd</sup> Sat)          | LIB        |
| 11:00am                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Senior Usher & First Aid Ministry (2 <sup>nd</sup> Sat)   | CRM/ Sanct |
| 11:30am                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Culinary Arts Ministry (4 <sup>th</sup> Sat)              | LIB        |



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

July is here and what we have been praying for and believing for is here! We are entering a New Season of Ministry at First Calvary. My brothers and sisters, we welcome Pastor Elect Marc A. Lavarin to Leadership! We are excited to have him and Minister Barbara F. Lavarin join us at First Calvary. Let us pray and encourage them as well as pray for our entire Church, our Staff, and our Leadership, in the coming days, weeks, and months. This is a new time for all of us...and God is faithful. This is HIS DOING.....so let's see what HE is going to do!

Speaking of doing.... I been doing some packing to prepare for Pastor Elect Lavarin's arrival. Thank you to Sister Sandi Burton and Sister Wanda Cooper....and of course a big shout out and thank you to our Office Manager/Executive Administrator, The One & Only, Sister Dennise Lindsay, for all the logistical help, packing, organizing, and wrapping done over the past few weeks. It was QUITE a project....41 years' worth of Ministry work (cause I been in this particular office for 12 years of my 31 at First Calvary and 41 overall)...sermons, papers, books, folders, notebooks, clothes, what nots, artwork, pictures, CDs, DVDs—even some VHS ☺....and bags....LOTS of bags! There was even a “book brigade” helping...the duo of Squires and Gadson from our 7Fold bulletin group and Land from our Food Pantry...and there were quite a few books for them to sort and put away. It was all a lot...and it allowed me to do a lot of remembering...look where He brought me from! To God Be The Glory!

Well again let me say, July is here...and its Manhood Month at First Calvary! Calling all men!! We need you! “Brothers, It’s Time to Get Spiritually Fit!” Get ready for the Men’s Cookout coming on July 16<sup>th</sup> and on July 23<sup>rd</sup>, the Lifebuilders Conference Men's WordShop and Celebration of Manhood Sunday/Sacrificial Sunday will occur to close out the month...and along with that, we encourage and invite men of all ages to join the Male Summit, which meets on the Tuesday after the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays. This month, we will discuss Chapter 2 in our book, Spiritually Fit to Run the Race...and there are a few left for \$5 in the Church Office. Join us for prayer, bread and fellowship. While we are talking about men, we recognize one of our Staff Men...Brother Daniel McFadden celebrated a Workaversary...with 8 years of employment service at First Calvary! Congratulations, Brother McFadden!! First Calvary, never forget that we are AN EXCITING CHURCH EXCITED ABOUT ITS MISSION!

FROM THE PASTOR-ELECT'S DESK

First Calvary, what a joy it is to begin our journey together as Pastor and people. Barbara and I could not have imagined that God would smile upon us in this incredible way. God has truly favored us to be united to this amazing congregational family. Over the last few months, we’ve spent a number of days in prayer and fasting for our time together. It’s truly an amazing gift to see that today we are truly living in our answered prayers!

I can’t go on any further without taking the time to acknowledge and thank Pastor Fredrick and Mrs. Judy Davis! What a phenomenal, God fearing, loving, and gracious team! They are #GOALS! Pastor Davis has led faithfully for over 31 years here at First Calvary and we would not be who we are if it was not for his pastoral leadership, integrity, and commitment to the call of God on his life! He will FOREVER be a part of our church family, and we will NEVER miss a moment to honor and love on him and Mrs. Judy!

As we begin, I invite your prayers! Together we can go further and we must do everything in our power to stick together! I have no doubt that God has major plans for First Calvary, and I’m excited for us to discover them together as we continue the rich legacy of ministry excellence and community service! As I promised you last year, my goal is to look, listen, learn, and love. I pray that God will grant us opportunities to observe each other, hear each other's stories, learn from each other, and love one another! I couldn’t be prouder to be your Pastor-Elect!

Because of Calvary,  
Pastor-Elect Marc Lavarin

MANHHOD MONTH

July 2022

|        |          |                                    |
|--------|----------|------------------------------------|
| SUN 3  |          | Worship Service                    |
| 4      | 9:30 AM  | Stream on Facebook & Website       |
| 6      |          | <b>INDEPENDENCE DAY</b>            |
| 7      |          | <b>CHURCH &amp; OFFICE CLOSED</b>  |
|        | 7:00 PM  | Bible Study                        |
|        |          | Via Facebook & Zoom                |
|        | 7:00 PM  | <b>QUARTERLY CHURCH CONFERENCE</b> |
|        |          | Via Zoom or in-person              |
| SUN 10 | 9:30 AM  | Worship Service                    |
|        |          | Stream on Facebook & Website       |
| 13     | 7:00 PM  | Bible Study                        |
|        |          | Via Facebook & Zoom                |
| 16     | 11:00 AM | <b>MEN’S COOKOUT</b>               |
|        |          | Whipporwill Park                   |
| SUN 17 | 9:30 AM  | Worship Service                    |
|        |          | Stream on Facebook & Website       |
| 20     | 7:00 PM  | Bible Study                        |
|        |          | Via Facebook & Zoom                |
| 23     | 9:00 AM  | <b>LIFEBUILDER’S CONFERENCE</b>    |
|        |          | <b>MEN’S WORDSHOP</b>              |
| SUN 24 |          | <b>CELEBRATION OF</b>              |
|        |          | <b>MANHOOD SUNDAY</b>              |
|        |          | <b>SACRIFICIAL SUNDAY</b>          |
|        | 9:30 AM  | Worship Service                    |
|        |          | Stream on Facebook & Website       |
| 28     | 7:00 PM  | Bible Study                        |
|        |          | Via Facebook & Zoom                |

| TODAY’S MINISTRY THROUGH SERVICE |                                                                                                                                                  |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Music:                           | Praise Team                                                                                                                                      |
| Director of Music Ministries:    | Minister Michael Dotson                                                                                                                          |
| Senior Church Musician:          | Brother Tony Rhodes                                                                                                                              |
| Percussionist:                   | Brother Andre Sanders                                                                                                                            |
| Saxophonist:                     | Brother Lynwood Jones                                                                                                                            |
| Videographers:                   | Sister Hilary Fearington/<br>Dr. Toni McIntosh                                                                                                   |
| Audio Team (1 per Sunday):       | Brother Ivan Holloway/ Deacon Darryll<br>Gadson/ Deacon Xavier Cason/ Brother<br>Michael Hill/ Deacon Calvin Squires/<br>Brother Derrick Garrett |

**FACEBOOK:** *First Calvary Baptist Church, Durham, NC*  
If you are having a medical procedure, or are sick at home for over a week, please contact the church office so that Pastoral contact can occur as soon as possible or at your request.

“ENHANCING & EQUIPPING DISCIPLES  
TOWARDS MISSIONAL CHANGE”



"An Exciting Church Excited About Its Mission"



New Beginnings...Continued Blessings.



*Celebrating the Arrival of  
Pastor-Elect  
Marc A. Lavarin*

Manhood Month

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July 3, 2022

SUNDAY-Worship- 9:30am ♦ Sunday School-11:00am  
WEDNESDAY-Bible Study-7:00pm







**FIRST CALVARY  
BAPTIST CHURCH**  
PRESENTS



**PASTOR FREDRICK A. DAVIS**

**PASTORAL** *Celebration*

**"Hold Fast to Faith"** Hebrews 10: 23

"Celebrating 31 years of Pastoral Ministry  
at First Calvary for Fredrick A. Davis"

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 27, 11:00AM, \$15**

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 28, 9:30AM**

**AT FIRST CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH**

Join us for a Celebration Brunch at First Calvary on Saturday  
and Worship Service on Sunday. Sunday service is in person  
and via the Church website. Masks required at both events.  
Visit [www.firstcalvary.org](http://www.firstcalvary.org) for brunch reservations by August 10th.

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for more information.

**PASTOR-ELECT MARC A. LAVARIN**

Pastor-Elect Marc Antoine Lavarin most recently served as an Assistant Minister at the historic Alfred Street Baptist Church in Alexandria, VA, under the leadership of the Rev. Dr. Howard-John Wesley. **He is the Pastor-Elect of First Calvary Baptist Church in Durham, NC.**

As a proud Bostonian, Pastor-Elect Lavarin completed his undergraduate studies at Northeastern University, graduating cum laude with a Bachelor of Science degree in Political Science, concentrating in Public Policy and Administration.

Upon graduating, he was selected to be a part of Teach for America's Massachusetts cohort, where he taught 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade History. While teaching, Pastor-Elect Lavarin earned his Master of Education degree from Boston University. After two years of teaching, Pastor-Elect Lavarin submitted to the call of ministry by completing his Master of Divinity degree at Duke University. At Duke, Pastor-Elect Lavarin received the Martin Luther King Jr. scholarship, granted to incoming students committed to the work of social justice.

Upon the completion of his degree, Pastor-Elect Lavarin was ordained at the Evangelical First Haitian Baptist Church of Worcester, Massachusetts, under the direction of his father, Rev. Antoine Lavarin. Currently, Pastor-Elect Lavarin is pursuing a Doctorate of Ministry degree in Educational Leadership from Virginia Theological Seminary concentrating on the influence of the Black Church on K-12 education. Pastor-Elect Lavarin is a published author, with his newest book chapter contribution *"Let the Schoolhouse Say Amen: The Pedagogical Congruency Between the Black Church and Critical Literacy"*, set to be published by Information Age Publishing Company. Pastor-Elect Lavarin's passion lies at the intersection of faith, education, and policy, where he hopes to inspire communities to be moral and ethical agents of change.

Pastor-Elect Lavarin is married to his best friend, Barbara Lavarin, who hails from Brooklyn, NY and is an ordained minister and gifted poet. Together they hope to inspire communities and people to discover their potential and purpose!





# Happy Birthday July 2022

## SPECIAL RECOGNITION TO OUR SENIORS 70+

|                             |    |         |                          |    |         |
|-----------------------------|----|---------|--------------------------|----|---------|
| Sister Linda Dixon          | 74 | July 1  | Brother Cleveland Hinton | 79 | July 13 |
| Sister Dorothy Blakeney     | 99 | July 3  | Trustee Charles Street   | 72 | July 22 |
| Sister Andrea Jones         | 71 | July 3  | Sister Elnora Shields    | 85 | July 22 |
| Sister Cecelia Steppe Jones | 76 | July 4  | Sister Pearl Jones       | 80 | July 23 |
| Sister Beverly Smith        | 70 | July 7  | Sister Linda Breeze      | 76 | July 26 |
| Sister Theresa Murrell      | 84 | July 9  | Sister Mamie Sheppard    | 89 | July 27 |
| Sister Josephine Whitfield  | 77 | July 11 | Sister Lillie Trice      | 78 | July 27 |
| Brother Marshall Hill       | 74 | July 12 | Sister Affie Gibson      | 76 | July 28 |
| Sister Ursula Howard        | 70 | July 12 | Brother Lynwood Jones    | 71 | July 28 |
| Brother Cleveland Hinton    | 79 | July 13 |                          |    |         |

### July 1

Carrie Baines  
Shanitta Edwards  
April Graves  
Joseph Monroe  
Shedrick Poole, Jr.

### July 2

Samuel Kearney  
Stephan Jackson  
Eddie White IV

### July 3

Ronald Bethea  
Robert White

### July 4

Malachi Cain  
Rosalyn Galloway  
Wilhelmenia Thornton

### July 5

Bryan Melvin  
Min. Tracy Ross  
Aiesha Truesdale

### July 6

Min. Betty Brown  
Roderickous McGhee  
Dea. Kevin G. Montgomery  
Teresa Sanders  
Gunetta Tillman  
Davion Martin

### July 7

Maggie Bryant  
Imani Hawley  
Rhonda McDonald

### July 8

Keely Ogden  
Sheena Riddick

### July 10

Jakeem Bradford  
Bryan Brandon

### July 11

Wanda Cooper  
Pastor Fredrick A. Davis

### July 12

Daisy Vinson

### July 13

Deacns. Brenda Gore  
Mary Morris  
Sharon Thomas

### July 14

Damian Fields II  
Marcy Taylor

### July 15

Matthew Douglas, Jr.

### July 16

Jailine Langley  
Princess Matthews  
Paige Montana  
Shakena Spellmon

### July 17

Deborah Breese  
Nakeshia Pulley Melvin

### July 18

Patrilla Carson  
Angela French  
Danyell Hinton  
Lasaundra Vines

### July 19

Pastor William Booth

### July 20

Patsy Lyons  
Thomas Massey  
Kendall Cash

### July 21

Clara Davis  
Jermaine Quick

### July 22

Deacns. Cynthia Cason  
Noah Langley  
Jade McClain  
Paulette Stephens  
Amy Trice

### July 23

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## A LITANY FOR THE LORD'S SUPPER

I Corinthians 11:23-34 (NRSV)

**Leader:** For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when He was betrayed took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

**People:** In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

**Leader:** Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be answerable for the body and blood of the Lord. Examine yourselves, and only then eat of the bread and drink of the cup.

**People:** For all who eat and drink without discerning the body, eat and drink judgment against themselves. For this reason many of you are weak and ill, and some have died.

**Leader:** But if we judged ourselves, we would not be judged. But when we are judged by the Lord, we are disciplined so that we may not be condemned along with the world. So then, my brothers and sisters, when you come together to eat, wait for one another.

**All:** If you are hungry, eat at home, so that when you come together, it will not be for your condemnation. About the other things I will give instructions when I come.

