BETHLEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH

24TH SEPTEMBER

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10:00 AM

Rev. Dr. Darrell K. White Senior Pastor



Rev. Dr. Tracey D. Holley Guest Preacher

7836 Fordson Road | Alexandria (Gum Springs), VA 22306

Order of Worship

Worship Leader

Sister Brenda Faison, Faith Formation Director

Candle Lighting

Brother Calab McCormick & Sister Covii Davids

Call to Worship

*Scripture

Sister Ke'Ashia Daniels

*Congregational Hymn #291 Oh How I Love Jesus

Congregation

Welcome

Sister Arie Trotter & Sister Ramarie Bashir

*Litany Reading

Brother Earl Young

W&FA Ministry Selection

Introduction of Guest Preacher

Rev. Dr. Carver Pace Assistant to the Pastor

W&FA Ministry Selection(s)

Sermon

Rev. Dr. Tracey Dawkins Holley

Invitation to Become a Disciple of Jesus Christ Invitational Hymn

Offering

Offertory Prayer and *Doxology

Deacon Ministry

Prayer Requests

*Benediction



FAITH FORMATION
A JOURNEY FOR LIFE

*Congregation please stand.

Rev. Dr. Tracey Dawkins Holley



is an ordained minister who is thankful to God for "The Call" on her life and for the privilege to serve in the Gospel Ministry.

Born in Detroit, Michigan to the late Bill and late Alma Dawson, she is the younger of two children; a devoted wife of 30 years to Rev. Shelby Holley; and a blessed mother of a 25-year-old son and an 18-year-old daughter.

Dr. Holley is an Adam Clayton Powell Scholarship Recipient and honor graduate of the Samuel DeWitt Proctor School of Theology in Richmond, VA, where she holds both a Master of Divinity degree and a Doctor of Ministry degree. She also holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Communications from Howard University in Washington, D.C.; and a Certificate in Theology and Ministry from Princeton Theological Seminary in Princeton, New Jersey. Additionally, Dr. Holley is blessed to be a Princeton summer fellow of the

Joe R. Engle Institute of Preaching, and a scholarship recipient of the Foundations of Christian Leadership and Developing Strategies in the Midst of Change Programs at Duke Divinity School in Durham, NC.

In 2006, after years of managing operations and sales in the Northern Virginia area for a national staffing and recruiting firm, Dr. Holley transitioned into a full-time, ministry, staff position as Minister of Christian Education at First Mount Zion Baptist Church in Dumfries, VA, where Dr. Luke E. Torian is pastor.

On July 29, 2023, Dr. Holley was installed as the first woman to pastor the Mount Olive Baptist Church in Culpeper, VA, making her the first woman elected to pastor a Baptist Church in the County of Culpeper.

Dr. Holley is a visionary leader with a shepherd's heart, a gifted writer, and a passionate collaborator. She is proud to have been a contributing writer on two proposals that won Prince William County the recognition for being one of the 100 Best Communities for Young People in the nation through America's Promise Alliance, and for her work as a Consultation Partner at Virginia Union University's Center for Lifelong Learning and Leadership. Additionally, she is appreciative to the National Coalition of 100 Black Women for awarding her the Eboné Image Award in the area of religion.

Because of her leadership abilities, commitment to the community, and call to service, Dr. Holley has served on several Board of Directors, including the Baptist General Convention of Virginia; ACTS (Action in Community Through Service); the Board of Regents for Leadership Prince William; and Where DOTS Connect, Inc. Dr. Holley was recently elected to serve as the Secretary in the Clergy Ministry of the Baptist General Convention of Virginia in Richmond, VA. She also serves on the Baptist General Convention's Nominating Committee.

Dr. Holley has a heart for serving local and global communities by sharing the Word of God and by showing the love of Jesus Christ by providing tangible resources for communities in need. She is thankful for spiritual journeys and mission trips to various cities in Italy; Haiti; and the Dominican Republic. Additionally, she is blessed to have planned youth mission trips to Jamaica and the Bahamas.

Being a humble servant, Dr. Holley is thankful for every opportunity extended to her to share the Word of God and the hope that is found in Jesus Christ. Through her sharing, she prays that minds will be renewed and that lives will be transformed by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Dr. Holley is always reminded: "had it not been for the Lord on my side where would I be." She gives all glory and honor to the Lord for the provisions made in her life and for the confidence of knowing that "He who hath begun a good work in [her] will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ." (Philippians 1:6)



Faith Formation Litany

Leader There is one body, one Spirit, one Lord, one baptism, one God and Creator of all...

People We give thanks for the faith of God's people nurtured and nourished in this church.

Leader Creator, when we learn to walk with You, connect to You, our hearts expand. Our perspective expands. Our capacity to love and forgive others expands. You loved us and called us to be disciples from the moment of our creation.

People We thank you, God, for calling us to grow and serve as Christian disciples.

Leader Through the care of our families, the love of Christ, and the nurture of the Christian community, we are **shaped** and strengthened to be true followers of Jesus Christ.

People Heavenly Father, with Your help we will support and encourage one another on this faith journey. We dedicate ourselves to growing daily in the faith. Bless our times of studying Your Word as You mold us into Christian believers who are not ashamed of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Amen.

"Equipping Forgiving Disciples courageously RECONCILING our Calling, RE-IMAGINING the Church, and RECLAIMING our advocacy in the community." (Hebrews 10:22-25 MSG)