

# SERMON NOTES

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Songs we sang:



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Scripture Reading: \_\_\_\_\_

Sermon Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Sermon Text: \_\_\_\_\_

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Write some sentences about the sermon:



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## TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY Saint Paul African Methodist Episcopal Church

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FEBRUARY 23, 2020

## THE NEGRO NATIONAL ANTHEM

### *Lift Every Voice and Sing*

Lift ev'ry voice and sing, Till earth and heaven ring.

Ring with the harmonies of Liberty;

Let our rejoicing rise, High as the list'ning skies,

Let it resound loud as the rolling sea.

Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us,

Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us;

Facing the rising sun Of our new day begun,

Let us march on till victory is won.



Stony the road we trod, Bitter the chast'ning rod,

Felt in the days when hope unborn had died;

Yet with a steady beat, Have not our weary feet

Come to the place for which our fathers sighed?

We have come over a way that with tears has been watered,

We have come, treading our path through the blood of the slaughtered;

Out from the gloomy past, Till now we stand at last

Where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.



God of our weary years, God of our silent tears,

Thou who has brought us thus far on the way;

Thou who hast by Thy might, Led us into the light,

Keep us forever in the path, we pray.

Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met Thee,

Lest our hearts, drunk with the wine of the world, we forget Thee,

Shadowed beneath Thy hand, May we forever stand,

True to our God, True to our native land.

## FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Dereke Kirtley

February 4

Deborah Turner

February 6

Marilyn Collins

February 11

## OUR PRAYER LIST

Armenta Chase

Christine Collins

Lorie Dale

Phyllis Dockies

Lewis Givens

Damon Greene

Jacqueline Greenlee

Rev. Frederick E. Hale

Pearl C. Higgins

Kenneth Howard

Mildred Jones

Richard Kirtley, Jr.

Norman Morton

Betty Moseley

Odes Nash

Thomas Parrish

Mona Amburgey Romine

Rev. James E. Smith

Renee Scott Smith

Russell Thornton

Frances Walker

Anna Williams

Please remember the sick and shut-ins in your prayers. Call, visit, send a card and let them know you care. Also keep in prayer the families of the bereaved.

## CONGREGATIONAL CONCERNS

- TODAY, Black History Month Celebration with our youth presiding. Presiding Elder Golphin is our guest preacher.
- Friday-Saturday, February 28-29, District Conference hosted by St. Paul AME Church, Richmond, KY.
- Membership, Evangelism & Discipleship – Monday, February 24, 2020 @ 6pm
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarterly Conference with Presiding Elder Golphin – Monday, February 24, 2020 @ 7pm
- Choir Rehearsal – EVERY **Thursday at 6:30 PM** .
- Sunday, March 8, Annual Lay Day.
- Sunday, March 29, 172<sup>nd</sup> Church Anniversary.

## REMINDERS

- Please be reminded that the taxation for Church Anniversary of **\$171.00** is payable throughout the year and should be earmarked on your offering envelope as **CA171**.
- Conference Claims per member per month is **\$15.00/\$180.00** per year. Please pay monthly to help meet our Conference assessments.
- The Seed Sowers Project is an ongoing project for the building fund of the church. Sow a seed and watch it grow. Mark on your envelope as “Seed”. For more information contact Sis. Geraldine Brown.
- Mass and Men’s Choir: Please be reminded of your monthly choir dues of \$10.00 per member per month. Also be reminded that Mass Choir rehearsal is every Thursday at 6:30 p.m. unless notified otherwise.
- St. Paul’s CD/DVD Ministry to the Sick and Shut-in: If you desire a CD or a DVD of the worship services, please see Bro. Ellis Collins.
- Need a ride to Church School or Church, please call Sis. Tanya Clark by Saturday at (859) 361-1426.

## YOUR HELP IS NEEDED

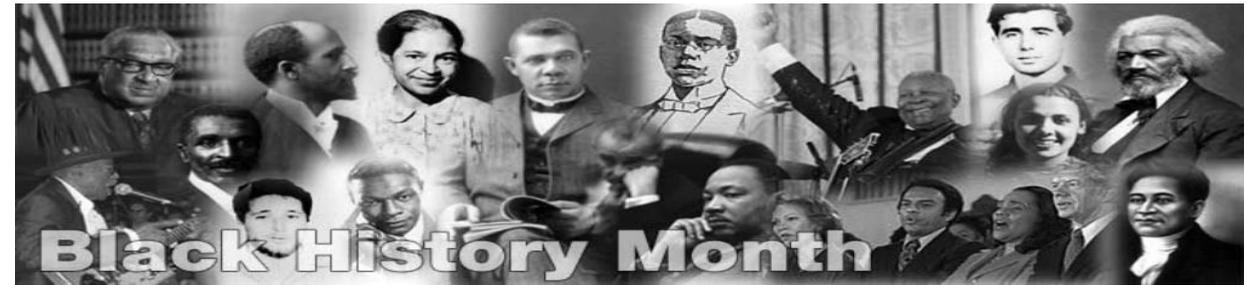
### Calling Post

If you're not part of our Calling Post, then please text or email the Pastor using his contact information on the front of the bulletin. Give him your name, phone number and email address, and we'll make sure you are kept in the loop! *The Calling Post comes on your caller-id as “Oklahoma City”*, phone number (405) 308-4474, so please add that to your contacts as “The Calling Post”. Thank you!!!

- Visit our Saint Paul website to “worship in giving” digitally (visit [spvame.com](http://spvame.com) and you will see the link for “Offerings”), get a copy of our Sunday Bulletin, or see our church calendar.

Sunday School, Sunday Worship and Pastor’s Wednesday Bible Study Call in: 425-436-6260; Access Code: 2913187#. Please mute your phone so others can’t hear you or what’s going on around you. Thank you!! For Sunday School, call in about 7:55 a.m., start promptly at 8:00 a.m.; For Sunday Worship, call in about 9:25 a.m., start promptly at 9:30 a.m.; For Pastor’s Wednesday Bible Study, call in about 6:55 p.m., start promptly at 7:00 p.m.

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*Transfiguration Sunday*

## MORNING WORSHIP - ORDER OF SERVICE

9:30 A.M.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROCESSIONAL.....MINISTERS/CHOIR

PRAYER OF CONCENTRATION

DOXOLOGY.....Praise God from whom all blessing flow;  
Praise Him all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

### THE CALL TO WORSHIP

JAYDEN MATTINGLY

ONE If the LORD had not been on our side — let Israel say —

VOICE:

MANY

VOICES:

**If the LORD had not been on our side when we were attacked, when anger flared like a flash fire against us**

ONE

VOICE:

MANY

VOICES:

If the LORD had not been on our side, our enemies would have swallowed us alive

**Our ancestors would have all perished in the Middle Passage \***

ONE

VOICE:

MANY

VOICES:

Our ancestors would have all died in slavery in the Americas

**If the LORD had not been on our side — let all the people say —  
if the Lord had not been on our side, the flood would have engulfed us**

ONE

VOICE:

Praise the LORD; we have escaped like a bird out of the fowler's snare.

**MANY VOICES:** Praise the LORD, the snare has been broken, and we have escaped.

ONE VOICE: Our help is in the name of the LORD, the Maker of heaven and earth.

**MANY VOICES:** God is our help, the Maker of heaven and earth. Our help is in the name of the LORD, the Maker of heaven and earth.

BASED ON THE 124<sup>TH</sup> PSALM  
Aspects of the "Call to Worship" were developed by  
Rev. Dr. Valerie Bridgeman Davis, Ph.D.

THE MORNING HYMN #549....."LIFT EV'RY VOICE AND SING"

THE INVOCATION.....MAKAI BLACK

**O Lord, give thy servant, this Sunday morning, the eye of an eagle that I may see sin from afar. Put my hands to the gospel pulpit; glue my ears to the gospel telephone and connect me with the Glory in the skies. Illuminate my brow with a holy light that will make the fires of hell look like a tall candle. Bow my head down in humility, in the lonesome valley where the pearl of truth is much needed to be said. Grease my lips with possum oil to make it easy for love to slip out of my mouth... Turpentine my imagination, electrify my brain with the power of the Word. Put perpetual motion in my arms. Fill me full of the dynamite of Thy awful power; anoint me all over with the kerosene of Thy Salvation, and then, O Lord, set me on fire with the Spirit of the Holy Ghost... A-MEN!**

Adapted from "A Prayer for Power" (1889) written by Orrin Stone,  
A minister from South Carolina,  
whose prayer was taken from the book  
*Encyclopedia of Black Folklore and Humor* (1990) by Henry Fielding

THE PRAYER RESPONSE #619....."SPIRIT OF THE LIVING GOD"  
*Spirit of the Living God, Fall fresh on me, Spirit of the Living God, Fall fresh on me. Melt me, mold me, Fill me, use me. Spirit of the Living God, Fall fresh on me.*

SELECTION.....YOUTH CHOIR

THE SCRIPTURE.....NEVEALIZ BROWN  
*(Exodus 24: 12-18; Psalm 2; 2 Peter 1: 16-21; Matthew 17: 1-9 [ICB])*

<sup>1</sup> Six days later, Jesus took Peter, James, and John the brother of James up on a high mountain. They were all alone there. <sup>2</sup> While they watched, Jesus was changed. His face became bright like the sun. And his clothes became white as light. <sup>3</sup> Then two men were there, talking with him. The men were Moses and Elijah. <sup>4</sup> Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good that we are here. If you want, I will put three tents here—one for you, one for

Moses, and one for Elijah." <sup>5</sup> While Peter was talking, a bright cloud covered them. A voice came from the cloud. The voice said, "This is my Son and I love him. I am very pleased with him. Obey him!" <sup>6</sup> The followers with Jesus heard the voice. They were so frightened that they fell to the ground. <sup>7</sup> But Jesus went to them and touched them. He said, "Stand up. Don't be afraid." <sup>8</sup> When the followers looked up, they saw Jesus was now alone. <sup>9</sup> When Jesus and the followers were coming down the mountain, Jesus commanded them, "Don't tell anyone about the things you saw on the mountain. Wait until the Son of Man has been raised from death. Then you may tell."

THE PREFACE....."From all that dwell below the skies;  
Let the Creator's praise arise;  
Let the Redeemer's name be sung,  
Through every land, by every tongue."

THE BLACK HISTORY LITANY MIQUEL BLACK

ONE VOICE: O God, from the beginning of time you have cared for the poor, the neglected, the oppressed, and the outcast, and for this...  
**We Praise Your Name O LORD!**

**MANY VOICES:**  
ONE VOICE: You formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life.  
**MANY VOICES:** When human cruelty reared its ugly head, you sustained your people

ONE VOICE: and made it possible for us to survive the middle passage\*, auction blocks, whipping posts and forced labor.  
**MANY VOICES:** You softened the hearts of many who worked in secret on our behalf

ONE VOICE: You lifted our heads with the message that God sides with the oppressed and delivers the captives.  
**MANY VOICES:** You strengthened our hands to struggle for justice and freedom

ONE VOICE: For all who continue in the struggle for liberation of humankind despite hardship, misunderstanding, and ridicule...  
**MANY VOICES:** We Praise Your Name O LORD! We Give You Thanks! Amen! AMEN! and AMEN!

*Parts of the Litany came from the United Methodist Book of Worship*

THE GLORIA PATRI.....Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.”

MISSIONARY/TITHES/OFFERING.....FINANCE COMMITTEE  
*All things come of thee O Lord, and of thine own, have we given thee. Amen.*

\* **LEARNING MOMENT:** The "Middle Passage" was the journey of slave trading ships from the west coast of Africa, where the slaves were obtained, across the Atlantic, where they were sold or, in some cases, traded for goods such as molasses, which was used in the making of rum. However, this voyage has come to be remembered for much more than simply the transport and sale of slaves. The Middle Passage was the longest, hardest, most dangerous, and also most horrific part of the journey of the slave ships. With extremely tightly packed loads of human cargo that stank and carried both infectious disease and death, the ships would travel east to west across the Atlantic on a miserable voyage lasting at least five weeks, and sometimes as long as three months. Although incredibly profitable for both its participants and their investing backers, the terrible Middle Passage has come to represent the ultimate in human misery and suffering. The abominable and inhuman conditions which the Africans were faced with on their voyage clearly display the great evil of the slave trade.

BLACK HISTORY READING..... NAOMI MAYS

SERMONIC SELECTION/LITURGICAL DANCE .....YOUTH CHOIR

THE MESSAGE....."UP ON THE MOUNTAIN".....PRESIDING ELDER KENNETH J. GOLPHIN  
(Exodus 24: 12-18 and Matthew 17: 1-9)

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP.....MINISTER/CHOIR

ALTAR CALL

WELCOME

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH.....THE APOSTLE'S CREED  
I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord who was conceived by the Holy Spirit born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried. The third day he arose from the dead; he ascended into heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. believe in the Holy Ghost, the church universal, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sin, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting.

DOXOLOGY.....BENEDICTION

-- ANNOUNCEMENTS & HAPPENINGS --

**TEACHING MOMENTS**

*Next Week's Scripture Lessons:*

First Sunday in Lent: Genesis 2: 15-17; 3: 1-7; Psalm 32; Romans 5: 12-19; Matthew 4: 1-11

Church School for ALL Ages – 8:00 am *Every Sunday*

Prayer Meeting – Every Wednesday @ 6:30 p.m.

Pastor's Bible Study – Every Wednesday @ 7:00 p.m.

**MONTHLY MINISTRY MEETINGS**

- Saturday, March 14, 10:00 a.m., Mary Creth Missionary Society
- Saturday, March 14, 12:00 Noon, Lay Organization
- Saturday, March 21, 12:00 Noon, YPD Monthly meeting/Choir rehearsal.
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**Black History Month Word Search**

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| EQUALITY    | FREEDOM  | GREENFIELD   |
| INTEGRATION | JAZZ     | JIM          |
| CROW        | MARCH    | KING         |
| OWENS       | PARKS    | RACISM       |
| RIGHTS      | ROBINSON | SEGREGATION  |
| SLAVERY     | SOUL     | TRUTH        |
| TUBMAN      | TUSKEGEE | VOTING       |



