

WORSHIP GUIDE  
JUNE 29

*Juneteenth*



*I Want  
More*



# Order of Service

REVEREND DR. ANDREW LEE STEPHENS JR.



|                            |                                 |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Gathering                  | Minister Johnathan McGill       |
| Call To Worship            | Minister James Junior Koranteng |
| Praise and Worship         | The Every Sunday Choir          |
| Call To Confession         | Pastor                          |
| Prayer of Confession       | Minister James Junior Koranteng |
| Declaration of Forgiveness | Pastor                          |
| Apostles Creed             | Minister James Junior Koranteng |
| Congregational Song        | The Every Sunday Choir          |
| Announcements              | Pastor                          |
| Offering                   | Pastor                          |
| Scripture Readings         | Minister James Junior Koranteng |
| Inspirational Song         | The Every Sunday Choir          |
| Sermon                     |                                 |
| Invitation                 | Pastor                          |
| Charge and Blessing        | Pastor                          |
| Postlude                   | Congregation                    |



*Sunday, June 29th 2025*

11AM WORSHIP SERVICE



# Call To *Worship*

God, who rules the universe, calls us;  
Christ, who took up his cross, calls us;  
Holy Spirit, who frees us body and soul, calls us.

Let us faithfully answer  
by worshiping the triune God.







# Call To *Confession*

Christ Jesus did not call down destruction  
upon those who rejected him.  
How much more will he show mercy  
to those who seek forgiveness?



# Prayer of *Confession*

O God, Holy Trinity,  
help us to confess our sins.  
You give us a place in your creation,  
and you intend that we live in love  
with all that you have made.  
We confess that we abuse what you give us.  
By our thoughts, actions,  
and the meditations of our hearts,  
we show how enslaved we are  
to life made corrupt by sin.  
Far from walking in the Spirit,  
we stumble on paths that lead to death.  
O Fire of heaven,  
have mercy on us.  
Satisfy the longings of our souls  
by taking us up into your Spirit  
that we may love our neighbor.  
Rekindle our desire  
to follow our Savior, Jesus Christ,  
whose passion for obeying you  
leads us to our inheritance,  
which is your promised kingdom.  
To you and the Son and the Spirit,  
One God,  
be all worship and praise  
now and forever. Amen.



# Declaration of *Forgiveness*

The crucified Christ has set us free  
to live in the Spirit of life.  
Hear the good news of the gospel.  
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.  
and the Son and the Spirit,  
One God,  
be all worship and praise  
now and forever. Amen.







## What is Juneteenth?

The holiday's origin story begins in Galveston, Texas, which was the western-most area of the Union in 1865. When enslaved people there were told of their emancipation on June 19, 1865, they had technically already been freed two-and-a-half years prior, when President Abraham Lincoln issued the Emancipation Proclamation on January 1, 1863. Slaveholders in Texas had kept the information to themselves, extending the period of violent exploitation of enslaved African Americans. The following year, in 1866, a celebration was had in Texas, the first Juneteenth observance to recognize freedom from slavery in the U.S.

### **Exodus 3:7–8 Exodus 3:7–8**

Then the Lord said, “I have indeed seen the misery of my people in Egypt... So I have come down to rescue them from the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land into a good and spacious land...”



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