



A Beloved Community

It's Time For A Cleanse

WORSHIP GUIDE
NOVEMBER 16

Children's Sabbath

Order of Service

REVEREND DR. ANDREW LEE STEPHENS JR.

Gathering Minister Johnathan McGill

Apostles Creed Dulce (Candace) Perez

Call to Worship The Every Sunday Choir

Congregational Song Christian Koranteng / Sydni Lemon

Call To Confession Christian Koranteng / Sydni Lemon

Prayer of Confession Christian Koranteng / Sydni Lemon

Declaration of Forgiveness Pastor

Praise and Worship The Every Sunday Choir

Announcements Pastor

Scripture Readings K'dence Eke

Inspirational Song Funmilayo Eke / Machion Garrison

Sermon Chase Garrison

Invitation/Invitational Dance Christyanna Dennis

Baptism Pastor

Sacrament of Holy Communion Pastor

Communion Hymn Congregation

Charge and Blessing Pastor

Postlude Congregation

Sunday, November 16th 2025

11AM WORSHIP SERVICE

Call To *Worship*



Call To *Confession*

(spoken by children)

**We know that God is still making the world new
— a world where everyone has a home,
and every child can laugh without fear.**

**But sometimes we forget God's dream.
Sometimes we hurt each other,
or walk past someone who needs help.**

**So now, together, we come to say we're sorry.
We come to tell the truth,
because we know God listens,
and God still loves us no matter what.**

Let's pray our prayer of confession together.

Prayer of *Confession*

Children's Sabbath)

God of New Beginnings, you are creating a world where joy replaces sorrow, where every child is safe, and where no one labors in vain. Yet we confess, O Lord, that we have not lived as citizens of your new creation.

We have turned away from the cries of children who hunger, who hurt, who are left without hope.

We have been silent when voices should have spoken, and distracted when compassion should have led us to act.

Prayer of *Confession*

We have accepted violence, poverty, and neglect as if they were unchangeable parts of life—forgetting your promise that all things can be made new.

**Forgive us, Merciful God.
Heal our indifference and stir our hearts again.
Teach us to see every child as our own—each one precious, each one carrying your image.
Let our homes, churches, and communities be places where children laugh without fear and grow surrounded by love, safety, and peace.**

**Renew us, O God, that we may join you in building a world where no one hurts or destroys
on all your holy mountain.**

Amen.

Declaration of *Forgiveness*



Scripture *Reading*

Isaiah 12

¹You will say in that day: I will give thanks to you, O LORD, for though you were angry with me, your anger turned away, and you comforted me. ²Surely God is my salvation; I will trust, and will not be afraid, for the LORD GOD is my strength and my might; he has become my salvation.

³With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. ⁴And you will say in that day: Give thanks to the LORD, call on his name; make known his deeds among the nations; proclaim that his name is exalted.

⁵Sing praises to the LORD, for he has done gloriously; let this be known in all the earth. ⁶Shout aloud and sing for joy, O royal Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.




