

# SERMON NOTES

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Sermon Scripture/Text: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Points to Remember:

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Conclusion: \_\_\_\_\_

What will I do as a result of this message?

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*Pray and meditate on His word!*



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Enter to Worship

Depart to Serve



*“The servant came back and reported this to his master. Then the owner of the house became angry and ordered his servant, ‘Go out quickly into the streets and alleys of the town and bring in the poor, the crippled, the blind and the lame.’” Luke 14:21 (NIV)*

**“GO OUT QUICKLY”**

*Come walk with us; we will do thee good!*



## Word from our Pastor

*Praises be unto God for all the great things He hath done!*

As we transition into this second month of 2024 it is imperative that we not waste one moment of time looking in the rear-view mirror of what we have left behind.

Though it is important that we examine our past. However, we must not succumb to it, but press forward to a greater and brighter future.

As I share this greeting we are already into this month. February has been labeled as the Love and Black History month. It is the shortest month on the calendar. Therefore, many will assume

that we don't have to love long or reflect on our history beyond this period. I must disagree! We must not cease to Create a Culture of Christ through love, to embrace and learn our rich history or continue to reach the unchurched for Christ. As we embrace our history and the culture of love, we must remember how our creator set the example for both love and history.

"God showed his great love...by sending Christ to die...while we were still sinners." Romans 5:8 NLT. "God showed his great love...by sending Christ to die...while we were still sinners." And when He did, He changed all the rules. Jesus said, "Now I am giving you a new commandment: Love each other...Just as I have loved you" (John 13:34 NLT); "Love others as much as you love yourself" (Matthew 22:39 CEV); "Love...without hoping to get anything back" (Luke 6:35 NCV).

When you're concerned about the well-being of others, you usually have to sacrifice." Another author adds: "For a while I was angry at love...it wasn't all it was cracked up to be. It didn't last. It wasn't worth it. The deeper it went, the more it hurt. Love was irrational, complicated, elusive, and unreliable. And I was done with it. Little by little the Lord healed my heart. My anger...began to fade...Now I...see it's humanity that scars and strangles love...'Love comes from God' (1 John 4:7 NIV), and it's worth it, whatever the cost. No matter what damage has been done in the name of love, we're

incomplete without it." As we embrace, engage and embody this culture, our rich history and reaching the unchurched for Christ, let us not get distracted by sideline activity that may divert our focus of reaching our ultimate goal of loving one another as Christ has loved us!

Blessings, Peace and Love  
Pastor Simmons

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REMINDER: Don't forget to sign the Attendance Card located on the clipboard in the back of the pew.

We, the family of the late Fredia McDaniel would like to say thank you to our church family and friends for your cards, calls, food, text messages and visitation during our time of bereavement. Everything was greatly appreciated. The McDaniel/Golden Family

**Attention Parents and Guardians of RFBC:** Please submit your child's 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Report Card to the Administrative Assistant's Office by February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Student recognition will be held on Sunday, February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Students must be present to receive their award. Contact Sis. Thaya Posley

Please help support our Girl Scouts fund their annual trip. Girl Scout cookies will be available for purchase on Sundays following the church service. Cookies sales will begin Sunday, February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024 and continue each Sunday through March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024.

Suicide Prevention Training Workshop to increase personal awareness of participants and teach the skills to recognize the risks even when no signs are present. To be held March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9am – 3pm, 111 Hillcrest Drive, Easley, SC. This event is free and includes lunch for participants. Contact Min. Simone Teage 864-484-3244

Those who are trained in CPR and First Aid are asked to meet with Sis. Yvonne Posley after today's service on February 4<sup>th</sup> in the Health room.

Souvenir Journals of our church's 172<sup>nd</sup> anniversary are available to purchase through the RBC App, or in person, for \$20. Please contact Sis. Kimberly Grady if interested.

JOIN US SUNDAY MORNINGS AT 9:35 AM VIA RFBC APP, FACEBOOK LIVE, AND THE PRAYER LINE NUMBER (Call-In #: 267-807-9605, Access Code: 769-622) FOR SUNDAY WORSHIP!!

### Mission Statement



### Our Vision

#### "Reaching The Unchurched for Christ"

*"Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day." Acts 2:41 (NIV)*

*"Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely, I am with you always, to the very end of the age." Matthew 28:18-20 (NIV)*

### Our Values

#### Together we Serve through:

- † **Worshipping God alone**
- † **Loving God and One another**
- † **Respecting ALL People**
- † **Remaining Humble**
- † **Practicing Honesty and Integrity**
- † **Living Morally**
- † **Striving for Excellence in everything we do!**
- † **Sharing in Generosity through Time, Talent, and Money**
- † **Being Non-Hypocritical**
- † **Being Non-Judgmental**
- † **Not Holding Grudges**
- † **Forgiving Others**

# The Church Gathers for Worship

The Lord’s Day: February 4th, 2024 @ 9:35 AM

## Order of Worship

The Ordinance of Baptism-----9:15 AM in the Sanctuary  
 The Prelude -----Musicians  
 The Prayer for the unchurched-----Dea. Cleveland Beaufort and Dea. John Harris  
 The Call to Worship -----Minister Anna Hawthorne

### Praise & Adoration:

The Invocation/Prayer of Confession ----- Minister Anna Hawthorne  
 The Prayer Response ----- “The Lord’s Prayer”  
 The Praise Period ----- Sis. Linda Faye Sullivan  
 The Greetings ----- Minister Anna Hawthorne

### Confession & Forgiveness:

The Scripture in Response----- *Luke 14:15-24 (NIV)* ----- Minister Anna Hawthorne

### Thanksgiving:

The Offertory Prayer & Period of Giving ----- Pastor Simmons  
 The Pastoral Reflections ----- Pastor Simmons  
 The Recognition of February Birthdays & Anniversaries ----- Pastor Simmons

### Hearing from God:

The Musical Selection ----- Praise Team  
 The Spoken Word ----- “Go Out Quickly” ----- Pastor Simmons  
 The Hymn of Discipleship ----- (Instrumental) ----- “I Surrender All”  
 The Call to Prayer ----- Minister Reginald A. Logan, Jr.  
 The Church Covenant in Response ----- Minister Reginald A. Logan, Jr.  
 The Presentation of New Members  
 The Right Hand of Fellowship ----- Clergy & Deacons  
 The Presentation of Bibles, Certificates, & Envelopes ----- Dea. Cleveland Beaufort  
 Dea. John Harris  
 The Ordinance of the Lord’s Supper ----- Pastor Simmons & Deacons  
 The Hymn of Benediction/Benediction ----- Pastor Simmons

*2024 Goal: Reaching the Unchurched for Christ*

Ward #	Deacons	Phone #
1 & 3	Wade C. Garrett	967-3634
	Jimmy Cecil	277-2750
	Kenneth Robinson	243-3098
4 & 6	Cleveland Beaufort	864-371-9293
	Casper Posley	438-1428
	Anthony Hill, 1 <sup>st</sup> Vice Chairman	277-6463
5 & 8	Jackson Bruce, Secretary	864-947-7919
	Jeffrey Sligh	967-3998
	Eugene Williams	906-8305
7 & 9	Bradley Robinson, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice Chairman	252-8528
	Gary Cook, Asst. Secretary	421-5116
	Lonnie Hawthorne, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Vice Chairman	906-5644
10 & 11		
	John Harris	553-3591
	Kelvin Young, Chairman	757-9887
<b>Deacons Emeriti</b> <i>We give honor to those who have served us over the years.</i>	Rodger Burton, Sr.	963-5173
	Roy C. Cook	243-3651
	Ray Dennis	277-3662
	Jerry Earl	414-1852
	Joe G. Hawthorne	243-2704
	David Lewers, Sr.	243-4077
	Beattie Robinson	269-7667

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Clarence & Joannette Henderson (43)	2/9	Eddie & Queen Madden (41)	2/10
Eugene & Selina Williams (28)	2/10	Darnell & Joann Flemmings (44)	2/15

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

John Harris	2/3	Carolyn Booker	2/5	Cormica Sherman	2/5
Hattie Harris	2/5	Denise Cleveland	2/6	Tausha McMorris	2/7
Queen Madden	2/8	Jacqueline Kim Makins	2/8	Cynethia Allison	2/10
Shellie Garrett	2/10	Joannette Henderson	2/10	Pam Kazer	2/12
Harelda Morrison	2/12	Roy C. Cook	2/13	Dyiamond Henderson	2/13
Destin Sayles	2/13	Barbara Harris	2/14	Jaquan Williams	2/14
Sydney Young	2/15	Sonya Brown	2/17	Penny Robinson	2/17
John W. Rogers, Jr.	2/18	Paula Sullivan	2/18	Rodney Miller	2/20
Mason Young	2/21	Alex Hawthorne	2/22	Wanda Debnam	2/23
Taylor Parrott	2/24	Venus Shaw	2/24	Kennedy Grayden	2/25
Una Green	2/25	Tameka Pyles	2/26	Yolanda Williams	2/26
Audrey Madden	2/27	Brandon Sweeney	2/27		

*Leader:* Have you not known? Have you not heard? Has it not been told to you from the beginning?

**Congregation:** **The Lord is the everlasting God the creator of heaven and earth.**

*Leader:* God sits above the circle of the earth and stretches out the heavens like a curtain.

**Congregation:** **Those who wait for the Lord shall mount up with wings like eagles.**

*Leader:* They shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and faint not.

*All:* **How good it is to sing praises to our God.**

### Scripture in Response: Luke 14:15-24 (NIV)

*Leader:* <sup>15</sup> When one of those at the table with him heard this, he said to Jesus, "Blessed is the one who will eat at the feast in the kingdom of God."

**Congregation:** <sup>16</sup> Jesus replied: "A certain man was preparing a great banquet and invited many guests.

*Leader:* <sup>17</sup> At the time of the banquet he sent his servant to tell those who had been invited, 'Come, for everything is now ready.'

**Congregation:** <sup>18</sup> "But they all alike began to make excuses. The first said, 'I have just bought a field, and I must go and see it. Please excuse me.'

*Leader:* <sup>19</sup> "Another said, 'I have just bought five yoke of oxen, and I'm on my way to try them out. Please excuse me.'

**Congregation:** <sup>20</sup> "Still another said, 'I just got married, so I can't come.'

*Leader:* <sup>21</sup> "The servant came back and reported this to his master. Then the owner of the house became angry and ordered his servant, 'Go out quickly into the streets and alleys of the town and bring in the poor, the crippled, the blind and the lame.'

**Congregation:** <sup>22</sup> "'Sir,' the servant said, 'what you ordered has been done, but there is still room.'

*Leader:* <sup>23</sup> "Then the master told his servant, 'Go out to the roads and country lanes and compel them to come in, so that my house will be full.'

*All:* <sup>24</sup> **I tell you, not one of those who were invited will get a taste of my banquet."**



## The Lord's Supper Servers

### Piano Side

*Deacon Cleveland Beaufort*

### Organ Side

*Deacon John Harris*

## 365 Intercessory Prayer Group Schedule

Day	Date	Time	Member/Household Assigned	Call-In
Sunday	2/4/24	6:33 AM	Maxie & Alice Burton	267-807-9605 Code: 769-622
Monday	2/5/24	6:33 AM	Simone Teague	267-807-9605 Code: 769-622
Tuesday	2/6/24	6:33 AM	Linda Faye Sullivan	267-807-9605 Code: 769-622
Wednesday	2/7/24	6:33 AM	Nadine Sullivan	267-807-9605 Code: 769-622
Thursday	2/8/24	6:33 AM	Bryan & Erica Splawn	267-807-9605 Code: 769-622
Friday	2/9/24	6:33 AM	Yolanda & Jamilya Williams	267-807-9605 Code: 769-622
Saturday	2/10/24	6:33 AM	Jeanette Chapman	267-807-9605 Code: 769-622

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Ray Dennis	3 Deer Creek Drive, Piedmont, SC 29673	864-277-3662
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Dorlee Evans		
Mary Garrett	149 Gunter Road, Piedmont, SC 29673	864-243-5289
Joe G. Hawthorne		
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Jackie Jackson		
James Jackson	816 S. Garrison Road, Simpsonville, SC 29680	
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Linda Jackson		
Evelyn Kennedy	See Sis. Gail Samons	
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Carla McDaniel	109 Sweeney Road, Simpsonville, SC 29680	
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Amee Nava	See Sis. Gail Samons (Daughter)	
Mamie Owens		
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Convalescent Center		
Mary Dennis	N.H.C. Mauldin	

*"And they entered into a covenant to seek the Lord God of their Fathers with all their heart and soul." (II Chronicles 15:12)*

**Minister:** What common experience leads us into spiritual fellowship and covenant relations with God and one another?

**Congregation:** Having been led, as we believe, by the Spirit of God, to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior; and on the profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost; we do now, in the presence of God, angels, and this assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into covenant with one another, as one body in Christ.

**Minister:** By what pledge do we turn from the ways of the world?

**Congregation:** With this view, we engage to strive for the advancement of this church in knowledge, holiness, and comfort; to promote its prosperity and spirituality, to sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline, and doctrines.

**Minister:** What vows do we gladly make as stewards of that which God has entrusted to us?

**Congregation:** To contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the church, the relief of the poor, and the spread of the gospel to foster Christian education and missions throughout all nations.

**Minister:** For the sake of our home and loved one, what tasks do we humbly assume?

**Congregation:** We engage to maintain family and secret devotions; to religiously educate our children; and to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances.

**Minister:** For the sake of the unsaved for whom Christ died to what manner of life and conversation are we solemnly pledged?

**Congregation:** To walk circumspectly in the world; to be just in our dealings, faithful in our engagements, and exemplary in our deportment; to avoid all tattling, backbiting, and excessive anger; to abstain from the sale and the use of intoxicating drinks as a beverage, and to be zealous in our effort to advance the kingdom of our Savior.

**Minister:** Since One is our Master, even Christ and all we are brethren, by what fraternal ministries are we to strengthen each other and adorn the teachings of our Lord?

**Congregation:** We further engage to watch over each other in brotherly love and watchfulness; giving and receiving admonition with meekness and affection; to remember each other in prayer; to aid each other in sickness and distress; to cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling and courtesy in speech; to be slow to take offense, but always ready for reconciliation, and mindful of the rule of our Savior, to secure it without delay.

**Minister:** For the good of our own Spiritual development, and for the best interest of the Master's kingdom, what do we promise to do if we move beyond the reach of this church?

**Congregation:** We moreover engage that when we remove from this place, we will, as soon as possible, unite with some other church of this faith, where we can carry out the spirit of this Covenant and the principles of God's Word.

**All: Humbly confessing our past sins, we pray for grace and strength to keep these, our holy vows, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

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## February 2024 Calendar

28	29	30	31	1	2	3
				6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Li. -6:30 PM Praise Team Rehearsal	6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Li.	6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Li. -9:00 AM Deacons & Deacon Wives Meetings -11:00 AM Children/Youth Chior Rehearsal -11:00 AM Deacon Wives - Valentines Day Brunch -12:00 PM Golden Age Ministry Meeting
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Li. -8:30 AM Sunday School -9:35 AM Worship Service	6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Li. -11:00 AM Staff Meeting -6:00 PM Advisory Meeting	6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Li. -6:30 PM Praise Team Rehearsal	6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Li. -10:05 AM Bible Study -6:00 PM S.S. Teachers Mtg -7:05 PM Mid-Week Srvc.	6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Li.	6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Li.	6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Li. -9:00 AM Blood Drive -9:00 AM Ushers Ministry Meeting -11:00 AM Children/Youth Chior Rehearsal
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