

# The Church Gathers for Worship

April 21, 2024 @ 9:35 AM

## Order of Worship

The Prelude..... Musicians  
 The Prayer for the Salvation..... Dea. Cleveland Beaufort & Dea. Wade Garrett  
 The Call to Worship..... Min. Anna Hawthorne

### PRAISE & ADORATION:

The Invocation/Prayer of Confession..... Min. Anna Hawthorne  
 The Prayer Response ..... “The Lord’s Prayer”  
 The Praise Period ..... Praise Team  
 The Greetings ..... Min. Anna Hawthorne

### CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

The Scripture in Response...1 Thessalonians 3:1-13.. Min. Anna Hawthorne

### THANKSGIVING

The Offertory Prayer & Period of Giving ..... Pastor Simmons  
 The Pastoral Reflections..... Pastor Simmons

### HEARING FROM GOD

The Musical Selection ..... Praise Team  
 The Spoken Word..... “How To Face Your Troubles” ..... Pastor Simmons  
 The Call to Salvation..... Pastor Simmons  
 The Hymn of Invitation ..... “Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior”  
 The Call to Prayer.....  
 The Hymn of Benediction ..... “Let the Church Say Amen”  
 The Benediction..... Pastor Simmons

#### HYMN OF INVITATION

#### “Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior”

##### Verse 1

Pass me not, O gentle Savior, Hear my humble cry, While on others  
 Thou art calling, Do not pass me by.

##### Verse 2

Let me at a throne of mercy Find a sweet relief; Kneeling there in  
 deep contrition, Help my unbelief.

##### Verse 3

Trusting only in Thy merit, Would I seek Thy face; Heal my wounded  
 broken spirit, Save my by Thy grace.

##### Verse 4

Thou the Spring of all my comfort, More than life to me, Whom have I  
 on earth beside Thee? Whom in heav’n but Thee?

##### Refrain

Savior, Savior, Hear my humble cry; While on others Thou art calling,  
 Do not pass me by.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

JOIN US SUNDAY MORNINGS AT 9:35 AM IN-PERSON, VIA RFBC APP, FACEBOOK LIVE OR YOUTUBE.

**Attention Members: There will be a Church Business Meeting on Sat., May 11, 2024 @ 9 a.m. in the Choir Room. Thanks in advance for your participation.**

The honor of your presence is requested at the Retirement Celebration in honor of Sis. Yvonne Jennings, our Minister of Music, on Sat., 6/8/2024 at 4 p.m. in the RFBC Family Life Center. Kindly RSVP by 5/23/24 by 1) calling 864-243-3495 #10 or #16 or 2) emailing: rfbc\_admin@reedyforkbaptist.org or 3) by signing up on the RFBC App.

**Please join us as we support Dr. Nekita Sullivan and her small business, Yoga Therapy Bar, climb closer to being awarded a “Community Choice Best of the Upstate Awards”. A link to help you vote daily can be found on the RFBC App.**

Those who will be taking the CPR/AED class this coming Saturday, April 27th are asked to arrive at 8:45 a.m. and wear loose clothes. The class will be held in the Family Life Center between the hours of 9a.m. – 1 p.m. **If you are unable to attend the class at this time, please call Sis Yvonne Posley by Tues, 4/23/24.**

**Attention RFBC Men and Boys 12 yrs. & over. The Greenville Drive game on June 15, 2024, is \$15/person. All monies are to be given to the RFBC Business Mgr., Kimberly Grady during business hours only. The deadline for ticket purchase is May 15, 2024. Please contact Dea. Posley @ 302-724-0131 if you have any questions.**

The next Adopt-A-Highway pick up will be held on Saturday, May 18, 2024. We are looking for volunteers ages 13 and up to serve on this day. All volunteers are asked to sign up by May 17th using this sign up at <https://bit.ly/May2024AAH> . If you have any questions, please contact Tomika Rogers at 864.907.4008 or via email: tomika.rogers@gmail.com.

**The Reedy Fork Center for Community Development’s Summer Enrichment Initiative has limited space available to students entering 1st grade through 8th grade. Registration is now taking place and ends April 30th, 2024. The Enrichment Program also provides Breakfast, Lunch, afternoon snacks and weekly outings. To register online please scan the QR code below.**

The RFBC Scholarship Committee is seeking two (2) high school graduates who will pursue their education at a two-year technical, community college, four-year public, private college, or university. Scholarship applications and guidelines are available at: <https://forms.gle/V5UtbAQmJf14EaSCA>. If you have any questions, please see members of the Scholarship Committee. Scan QR code below.

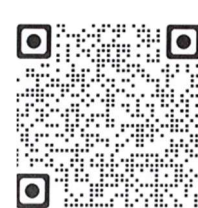
**The Mary Alice Hawthorne Ware Scholarship is seeking the following:**  
 1) high school graduates that will pursue their education at a two-year technical, community college, four-year public, private college, or university 2) students currently enrolled in a two-year technical, community college, four-year public, private college, or university. Scholarship applications and guidelines are available at: <https://forms.gle/3QZfCF8hQ5fc7Mox7> . Scan QR code below.



RFCCD Summer Enrichment



High School Application



College Application

RFBC WEEK AT A GLANCE: APR.21ST – APR.27TH, 2024		
TIME	MINISTRY	LOCATION
<b>SUNDAY, APRIL 21<sup>ST</sup></b>		
6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line	Keylon Wright	267-807-9605, 769-622
8:30 AM	Sunday School	Classrooms
9:35 AM	Sunday Morning Worship	Sanctuary, RFBC App & Facebook Livestream
9:35 AM	Sunday Morning Worship Via Conference Call for those with no internet service	267-807-9605, 769-622
<b>MONDAY, APRIL 22<sup>ND</sup></b>		
6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line	Barbara Hill	267-807-9605, 769-622
9:00 AM – 5:00 PM	Church Office Hours	Administrative Building
<b>TUESDAY, APRIL 23<sup>RD</sup></b>		
6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line	Rosena Wright	267-807-9605, 769-622
9:00 AM – 5:00 PM	Church Office Hours	Administrative Building
<b>WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24<sup>TH</sup></b>		
6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line	Tasso and Sarah Robinson	267-807-9605, 769-622
9:00 AM – 5:00 PM	Church Office Hours	Administrative Building
10:05	Mid-Week AM Bible Study	Room 205
6:00 PM	Sunday School Teachers Mtg.	Room 203
7:05 PM	Mid-Week AM Bible Study	Room 205
<b>THURSDAY, APRIL 25<sup>TH</sup></b>		
6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line	Tomika Rogers	267-807-9605, 769-622
9:00 AM – 5:00 PM	Church Office Hours	Administrative Building
9:00 AM		
<b>FRIDAY, APRIL 26<sup>TH</sup> - CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED</b>		
6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line	Bryan and Erica Splawn	267-807-9605, 769-622
<b>SATURDAY, APRIL 27<sup>TH</sup></b>		
6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line	Angelia Reeder	267-807-9605, 769-622

HOSPITAL/CONVALESCENT CENTER	
SIS. MARY DENNIS	N.H.C MAULDIN
BRO. BOBBY SPURGEON	SAINT FRANCIS HOSPITAL (DOWNTOWN)

PRAY FOR OUR SICK AND SHUT IN			
HOME			
Linda Briggs	Evelyn Burts	Bobby Chapman	Sarah Chapman
Vivian Ann Cook	Brittany Copeland	Ray Dennis	Lonnie Epps
Dorlee Evans	Mary Garrett	Joe G. Hawthorne	Columbus Jackson
Jacqueline S. Jackson	James Jackson	Jared Jackson	Linda Jackson
Yvonne Jennings	Evelyn Kennedy	Betty Laster	David Lewers, Sr
Carla McDaniel	Jennifer McKinney	Amee Nava	Mamie Owens
Connie Robinson	Peggy Sanders	Joyce Shockley	JoAnn P. Sullivan
Jessie Thomason			



## THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The Lord is my shepherd, I will fear no darkness.  
**Congregation:** **We will love one another, as Christ loves us.**  
 Leader: Christ the Good Shepherd, has compassion for all.  
**Congregation:** **We will love one another, as Christ loves us.**  
 Leader: Open your hearts to goodness and mercy today.  
**Congregation:** **We will love one another, as Christ loves us.**  
 Leader: Love, not merely in thought and word, but in truth and action.  
**All:** **We will love one another, as Christ loves us.**

## THE SCRIPTURE IN RESPONSE: 1 THESSALONIANS 3:1-13 NIV

Leader: <sup>1</sup> So when we could stand it no longer, we thought it best to be left by ourselves in Athens.  
**Congregation:** <sup>2</sup> **We sent Timothy, who is our brother and co-worker in God's service in spreading the gospel of Christ, to strengthen and encourage you in your faith,**  
 Leader: <sup>3</sup> so that no one would be unsettled by these trials. For you know quite well that we are destined for them.  
**Congregation:** <sup>4</sup> **In fact, when we were with you, we kept telling you that we would be persecuted. And it turned out that way, as you well know.**  
 Leader: <sup>5</sup> For this reason, when I could stand it no longer, I sent to find out about your faith. I was afraid that in some way the tempter had tempted you and that our labors might have been in vain.  
**Congregation:** <sup>6</sup> **But Timothy has just now come to us from you and has brought good news about your faith and love. He has told us that you always have pleasant memories of us and that you long to see us, just as we also long to see you.**  
 Leader: <sup>7</sup> Therefore, brothers and sisters, in all our distress and persecution we were encouraged about you because of your faith.  
**Congregation:** <sup>8</sup> **For now we really live, since you are standing firm in the Lord.**  
 Leader: <sup>9</sup> How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy we have in the presence of our God because of you?  
**Congregation:** <sup>10</sup> **Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you again and supply what is lacking in your faith.**  
 Leader: <sup>11</sup> Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus clear the way for us to come to you.  
**Congregation:** <sup>12</sup> **May the Lord make your love increase and overflow for each other and for everyone else, just as ours does for you.**  
**ALL:** <sup>13</sup> **May he strengthen your hearts so that you will be blameless and holy in the presence of our God and Father when our Lord Jesus comes with all his holy ones.**

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*Enter to Worship*

*Depart to Serve*

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 1 Thessalonians 3:3 NIV*

## "HOW TO FACE YOUR TROUBLES"

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

### Our Mission

This church seeks to glorify God by **Reaching** people for Christ; providing **Teaching** opportunities for them to grow in Christ; **Serving** the congregation, community, and the world; devoted to enjoying **Fellowship** of one another, and continually **Worshipping** together.

