

Men's Emphasis Sunday

Sunday
June
28

**"STRONGER TOGETHER BUILT
FOR A KINGDOM IMPACT"**
1 Corinthians 16:13-14

Preacher

Rev. Patrick D. Clayborn, Ph.D.
Senior Pastor, Bethel AME Church
Baltimore, MD



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Welcome To

Bethel AME Church

“The City Hall of Sweet Auburn”

Worship Times:
10:00 am Traditional
2:00 pm Contemporary

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PRESENTS

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

GUARDING OUR MINDS. BUILDING OUR FUTURE.

INFLUENCERS

THE BATTLE FOR THE MIND IS REAL.



SEE.

WHAT WE SEE



HEAR.

WHAT WE HEAR



SCROLL.

WHAT WE SCROLL



PLAY.

WHAT WE PLAY



FOLLOW.

WHO WE FOLLOW



ROBLOX

WE WERE *CREATED* TO *CREATE*.



CREATE.

CODE. DESIGN. BUILD.



EXPRESS.

ANIMATE. EDIT.
TELL STORIES.



WORSHIP.

CONNECT. GROW.
SERVE.



INNOVATE.

ROBOTICS. AI.
INVENT.



TOGETHER.

ALL GENERATIONS.
ONE PURPOSE.



JULY 7-9, 2026

5:30PM - 8:00PM

FUN! FOOD! FRIENDS!
FAITH! FUTURE!
FOR ALL AGES!

REGISTER
TODAY!



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Rev. Patrick D. Clayborn, Ph.D.



Rev. Dr. Patrick D. Clayborn is a vision-driven disciple, preacher, teacher, and author who is committed to building the Kingdom of God by empowering individuals to fully embrace five core values: Spiritual Growth, Service, Stewardship, Evangelism and Education. Through his own passionate worship, dedication to family, friends, and those he pastors, Rev. Clayborn's personal goal is to share and show the love of Jesus Christ with all those he comes in contact with.

Born and raised in Memphis, TN, by two loving and musically gifted parents –John and Lois Clayborn, music has always been an important part of Rev. Dr. Clayborn's life. He participated in school choirs and

bands as a youth and worked in the music department of several churches in his adult years. In addition to music, Rev. Clayborn has always been committed to education. After completing his primary and secondary education in the Memphis City Public Schools, he attended Morehouse College and Georgia Institute of Technology in Atlanta, GA. There, he earned undergraduate degrees in Mathematics and Electrical Engineering respectively.



Once he completed his undergraduate work, he answered the call of God on his life and entered the ministry. Rev. Clayborn pursued ordination in the African Methodist Episcopal Church and served on the ministerial staff of Big Bethel AME Church in Atlanta, GA. He is an ordained itinerant elder. Rev. Clayborn was also on the ministerial staff of St. James AME Church in Newark, NJ, and later served as a pulpit associate at St. Paul AME Church in Columbus, OH.

As he began his ministry, he enrolled in seminary. He then earned the Master of Divinity and Master of Theology from Candler School of Theology at Emory University in Atlanta, GA. Rev. Clayborn also served as an adjunct instructor in the Philosophy and Religion Department of Spelman College. While in seminary, Rev. Clayborn met and married his wife Rev. Dr. Sheri Smith Clayborn.



Rev. Dr. Clayborn also pursued an academic ministry. He went to Drew University in Madison, NJ, and earned the Master of Philosophy and the PhD in Liturgical Studies with a focus on Homiletics. He also served as an adjunct Homiletics instructor at New Brunswick Theological Seminary in New Brunswick, NJ, and served as a Religion Instructor at St. James Preparatory School in Newark, NJ. Rev. Clayborn also taught at Methodist Theological School in Ohio as an Assistant Professor of Homiletics. He then returned to New Jersey and was the Assistant Professor of Homiletics at The Theological School of Drew University in Madison, NJ. Rev. Clayborn assumed his first pastoral assignment at St. John AME Church in Huntsville, AL. and has been the proud pastor of Bethel AME Church of Baltimore, MD since October of 2016. He continues to teach at the collegiate level and serves on various city and community boards, as well as leadership committees for the AME Church in the 2nd Episcopal District.

One of his favorite roles is that of proud father to Patrick, II and daughter Joya. Alongside his wife, ministry partner and best friend, Rev. Dr. Sheri and their loving family, the other things that bring him joy include, serving his church, empowering his community, and being a child of God.

The Order of Liturgy
Sunday, June 28, 2026 @ 10:00 AM
Brother Cornelius Pettway, Worship Leader

Worship in Music.....Johnson-Schofield Male Chorus
Bro. Kelvin Thompson, Director

The Doxology.....AME Hymn #69.....All Worshipers (standing)
Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Call to Worship.....Brother Joshua Young

Leader: I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the Lord.

People: **Our feet shall stand within thy gates, O Jerusalem.**

Leader: Men of God, stand firm in the faith; be courageous and be strong.

People: **We come today ready to worship, ready to serve, and ready to lead according to God's will.**

Leader: Whoever desires to become great among you shall be your servant.

People: **We come as servants of Christ, ready to lead with humility and love.**

Leader: Let all that you do be done in love.

People: **We will love God with all our hearts and love our neighbors as ourselves.**

All: **We are men of impact—built to lead, called to serve, and committed to glorifying God in all we do. Come, let us worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness! Amen.**

The Opening Hymn.....AME Hymn #364 My Hope is Built.....Brother Khamisi Walters

The Prayer of Invocation.....Brother Jory Young
(Prayer chant)

Worship in Music..... Johnson-Schofield Male Chorus
Brother Thompson, Director

The Responsive Scripture Reading.....Psalm 89:1-4..NRSVUE.....Brother Rahjae Jones

Minister: ¹I will sing of your steadfast love, O Lord, forever; with my mouth I will proclaim Your faithfulness to all generations.

People: ²**I declare that Your steadfast love is established forever; Your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.**

Minister: ³You said, “I have made a covenant with my chosen one; I have sworn to my servant David:

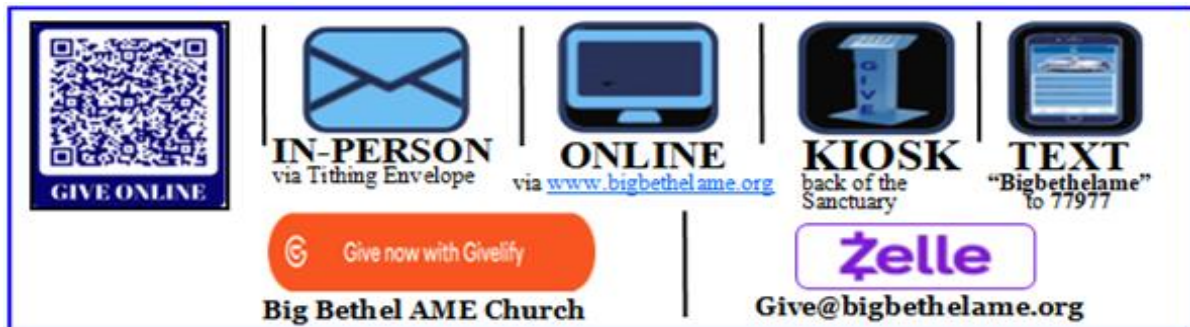
ALL: ⁴**I will establish Your descendants forever and build Your throne for all generations.**

Project 2026.....Brother Keith Burnett

The Announcements and Welcome to Big Bethel..... Brother Morgan Johnson
(Everybody, Hug Somebody)

The Pastor’s Perspective.....The Reverend Dr. Jonathan C. Augustine
Senior Pastor

Christian Stewardship Worship in Giving.....Brother Alvin Francis



The Choral Response.....**All Things Come of Thee**..... AME Hymn #644
“All things come of Thee, O Lord; and of Thine own have we given Thee. Amen”

The Introduction of the Preacher.....Brother Sam Stephens

Worship in Music.....Johnson-Schofield Male Chorus
Brother Thompson, Director

The Proclaimed Word.....The Reverend Dr. Patrick Clayborn
Bethel AME Church - Baltimore, Pastor

The InvitationPastor Jay Augustine

The Remarks.....Brothers Pettway, Johnson, & Young

The Doxology.....AME Hymn #69.....All Worshipers (standing)
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The Benediction.....Rev. Dr. Clayborn



Visitors, please register your attendance on the Big Bethel Guest Registration Form by scanning the QR code to the right. Thank you for worshipping with us. You are always welcome!!!!





UPCOMING EVENTS

YOUTH EMPHASIS MONTH

JULY

2026

JUN-JULY
29-2

Christian Education Leadership Congress

OUR YOUTH AND CHILDREN WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE '100 VOICES' YOUTH CHOIR THROUGHOUT THE DURATION OF THE CONFERENCE

JULY
7-9

Vacation Bible School

OUR YOUTH AND CHILDREN WILL PARTAKE IN FOOD, FUN, AND FELLOWSHIP WHILE LEARNING HOW TO APPLY THE WORD OF GOD INTO THEIR PERSONAL LIVES

JULY
11

Fun Day @ Round 1 Bowling & Arcade

OUR YOUTH AND CHILDREN WILL SPEND SOME BONDING TIME TOGETHER TO KEEP THEM FIRED UP ABOUT Y.E.M.

JULY
12

Graduate Recognition Reception @ 12noon

WE WILL HONOR AND CELEBRATE OUR YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS WHO ARE GRADUATING THIS YEAR FOR THEIR HARD WORK AND DEDICATION.

JULY
17-19

Leadership Training Institute in Montgomery, Alabama

BIG BETHEL AME'S YPD EXECUTIVE BOARD WILL PARTICIPATE IN SEVERAL LEADERSHIP AND FAITH EDUCATION WORKSHOPS

JULY
24-25

YPD Annual Lock-In

OUR YOUTH AND CHILDREN WILL ENGAGE IN MOVEMENT, GAMES, AND MEANINGFUL CONVERSATIONS, STRENGTHENING THEIR RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD

JULY
26

Youth Emphasis Day

OUR YOUTH AND CHILDREN WILL LEAD BBAME CHURCH SERVICE @ 10:00 AM
Preacher: Nathaniel Lolley III of St. Paul AME

JULY
30

Love Feast @ 6:30pm In person

JULY
31

Trinity Team Dinner

OUR YOUTH AND CHILDREN WILL HOST A DINNER TO NETWORK & BOND WITH THE MEN OF THE TRINITY HOUSE, WRAPPING UP Y.E.M.

YPD DIRECTOR TANYIKA BLACK



PROJECT 2026 ARE YOU VOTER READY?



ELECTION DAY
NOVEMBER 3, 2026



THERE ARE **128** DAYS UNTIL ELECTION DAY!
Now is the time to prepare and make sure your voice is heard.

GETTING VOTER READY



Make a **plan to vote** and try to vote early.



Put a reminder on your calendar that Early Voting for the General Election begins **October 13, 2026**.



Remember that during Early Voting, you may vote at **any Early Voting Site** within your county of residence.



Add **Election Day, November 3, 2026**, to your calendar.



Start researching **candidates, issues**, and where candidates stand on the issues that matter most to you.



Always bring a valid government-issued **photo ID** when voting.



Check your voter registration status, polling locations, sample ballot, and other important election information through **Georgia's Secretary of State My Voter Page**:



<https://mvp.sos.ga.gov/s/>



BRING IT!

Always bring a valid government-issued **photo ID** to the poll.



VISIT MY VOTER PAGE FOR ALL YOUR ELECTION INFORMATION!

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THE 5 x 5 CHALLENGE



ASK 5 FRIENDS:

"ARE YOU VOTER READY?"

If the answer is "No":

- ✓ Help them begin the process of becoming voter ready.
- ✓ Share information about voter registration, early voting, and Election Day.
- ✓ Encourage them to make a voting plan.
- ✓ Stay connected and help answer questions or address concerns.



THEN CHALLENGE THEM:

Ask each of your 5 friends to contact 5 more friends and ask: **"ARE YOU VOTER READY?"**



Together, we can educate, engage, and empower our communities for the 2026 General Election.

★ **YOUR VOTE. YOUR VOICE. YOUR FUTURE.** ★
GET VOTER READY TODAY!



Text alerts are here!

Stay connected with Big Bethel—opt in today.



Text **"JOIN"** to **833-472-3188** and follow the prompts.

You're Invited!

THE REAL TAKE OVER

YOUTH EMPHASIS SUNDAY



RECLAIMING OUR GENERATION



Dear Honored Guest,
The Pastor, Youth Ministry, and congregation of Big Bethel AME cordially invite you to join us as a VIP guest for our Youth Emphasis Sunday Worship Service.



This year's theme, "The Real Takeover: Reclaiming Our Generation" reflects our commitment to empowering young people to boldly lead, serve, and make a positive impact for Christ in their homes, schools, communities, and beyond. Through worship, prayer, music, testimonies, and the Word of God, our youth will demonstrate that they are not merely the future of the Church—they are active leaders in the Kingdom today.

Guest Preacher:
Bro. Nathaniel Lolley III



As inspired by 1 Timothy 4:12, our young people are embracing the call to be examples in speech, conduct, love, faith, and purity as they reclaim their generation for God's glory.



DATE
July 26, 2026



TIME
10:00 AM



LOCATION
Big Bethel AME Church
220 AUBURN AVENUE
ATLANTA GA 30303



Your presence would be a tremendous encouragement to our youth as they lead this special worship experience. We would be honored to have you join us in celebrating their gifts, leadership, and dedication to Christ.

Thank you for considering this invitation. We look forward to welcoming you and sharing in a powerful time of worship, inspiration, and fellowship.

Jonathan C. Augustine
Pastor

Tangiba Black
YPD Director



Join us as our youth lead the charge in 'The Real Takeover: Reclaiming Our Generation,' a powerful worship experience where faith, purpose, and leadership come alive!



Daily Morning Prayer Call (1-605-472-5512 Access Code:772576#)Monday – Saturday 6:00 am
Church School.....8:45 am
Traditional Worship Service.....10:00 am
Contemporary Worship Service (THRIVE Next Shift).....2:00 pm
Big Bethel Village Worship by Phone 202-962-1123 673604#.....3:00pm Sundays
Wednesday Virtual Bible Study (ID: 847 251 8679 Password: adultclass).....12:30 noon and 6:00pm
Love Feast.....In-person on Thursdays before Communion Sunday at 6:30pm
Holy Communion.....First Sundays
Discipleship New Members Class.....One Saturday each month-TBA
Board of Stewards.....1st Tuesdays 6:30 pm
Board of Trustees.....2nd Tuesdays 7:00 pm
Baptism.....As Announced

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE HOURS

Monday.....10:00 am—2:00 pm
Tuesday—Friday.....10:00 am—4:30 pm

CHOIR REHEARSALS

Big Bethel Mass Choir.....Tuesdays @ 7:00pm and Saturday @ 10:00am before 1st & 3rd Sunday
Johnson-Schofield Men’s Choir.....2 Mondays before Second Sunday
Babcock-Young Voices of Unity/Big Bethel Chorale.....Wednesday @ 7:00pm and Saturday @ 10:00am before Third Sunday
Bearden-Scott Youth Choir.....2 Saturdays before Fourth Sunday
Big Bethel Praise Ensemble..... 2 Thursdays @ 7:00 pm and Saturday before Fourth Sunday

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