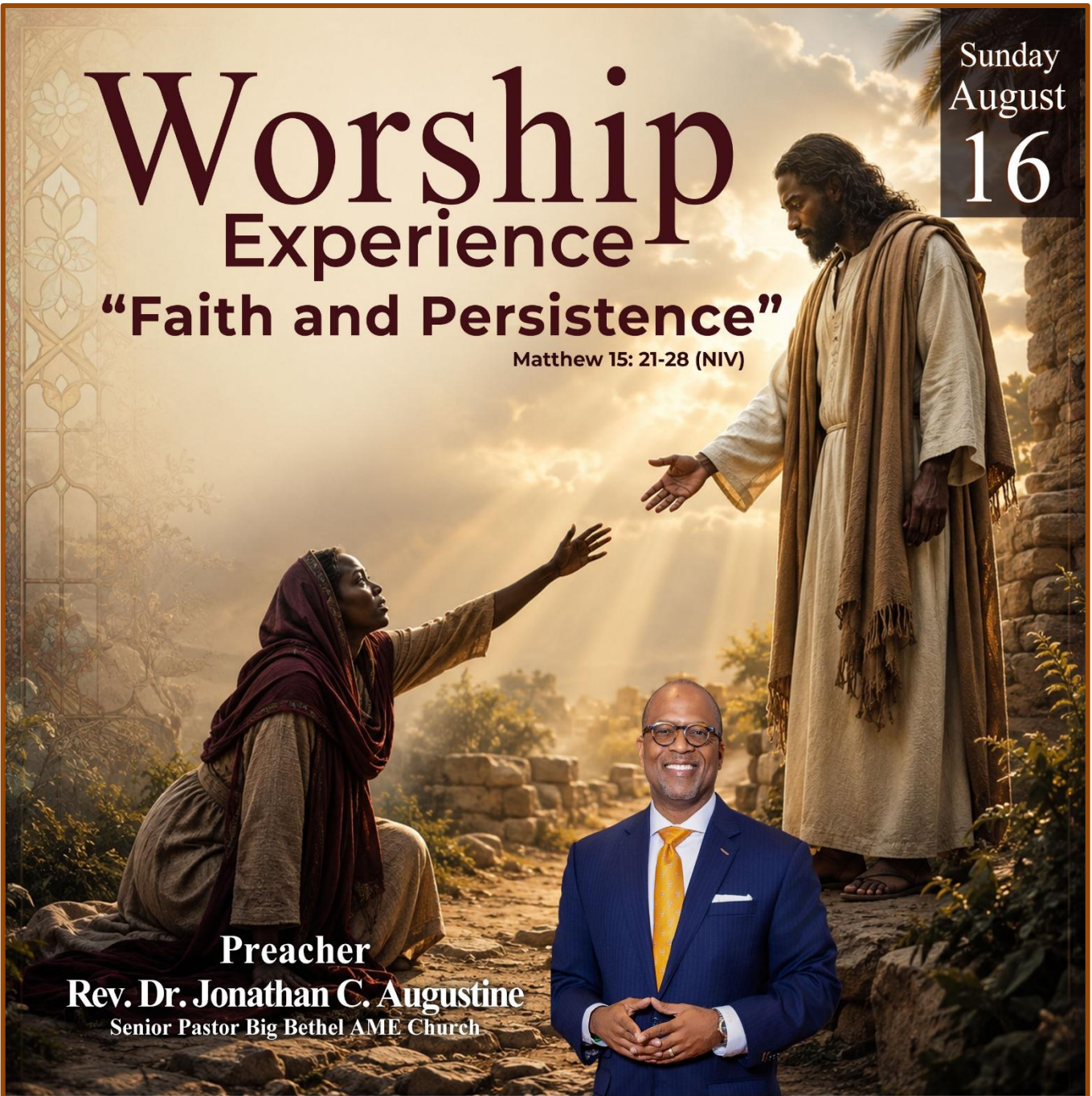


Worship Experience

"Faith and Persistence"

Matthew 15: 21-28 (NIV)

Sunday
August
16



Preacher

Rev. Dr. Jonathan C. Augustine

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"Faith in Action"

PRAYER BREAKFAST

Kick-Off

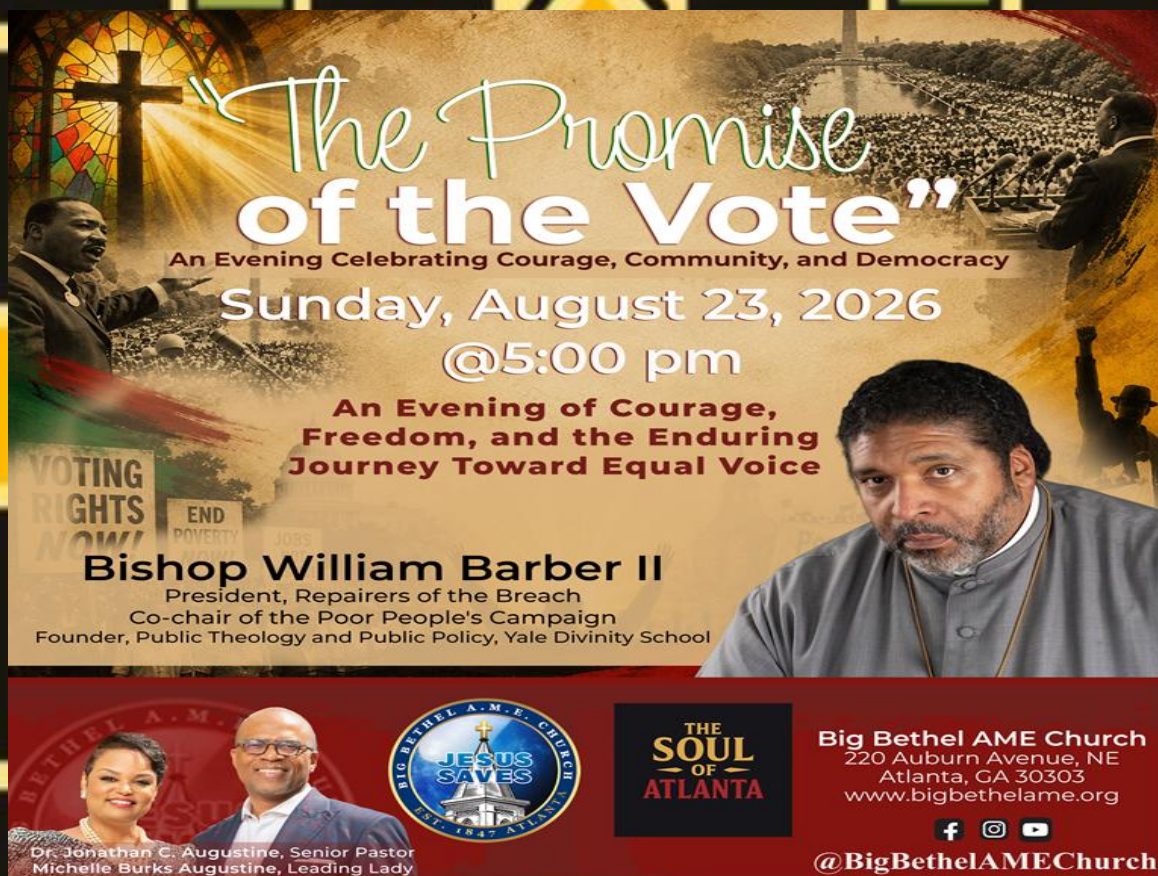
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Saturday, August 22, 2026
Big Bethel AME Church
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10:00 am to 12:00pm
Tickets \$35.00

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"The Promise of the Vote"

An Evening Celebrating Courage, Community, and Democracy

Sunday, August 23, 2026

@5:00 pm

An Evening of Courage, Freedom, and the Enduring Journey Toward Equal Voice

Bishop William Barber II
 President, Repairers of the Breach
 Co-chair of the Poor People's Campaign
 Founder, Public Theology and Public Policy, Yale Divinity School

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★ PROJECT 2026 ★ KNOW YOUR LOCAL GOVERNMENT



MAYOR

The Mayor is an elected leader who represents the residents of a city and helps set the direction of city government.

WHAT DOES THE MAYOR DO?



Provides leadership for the city



Proposes budget priorities



Helps shape priorities for city programs and services



Represents the city and its residents



May have additional executive responsibilities depending on the city's form of government



CITY COUNCIL

City Council members are elected to represent residents and make decisions about policies, budgets, services and the future development of the city.

WHAT DOES THE CITY COUNCIL DO?



Passes city ordinances and policies



Approves the city budget



Establishes short- and long-term priorities



Oversees city programs and services



Makes decisions involving zoning and land use



Regulates certain business activities through local ordinances and licensing



Addresses matters involving public health and safety



May hire or oversee a city manager, depending on the city's form of government

WHY YOUR LOCAL VOTE MATTERS

Decisions made by your Mayor and City Council can directly affect your everyday life—from roads and public safety to parks, housing, development, transportation and other city services.



- ✓ **KNOW THE OFFICE.**
- ✓ **KNOW THE CANDIDATES.**
- ✓ **KNOW THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES.**
- ✓ **MAKE YOUR VOTE COUNT.**

OUR COMMUNITY. OUR FUTURE. OUR VOTE.

★ ★ ★ CHECK. PLAN. VOTE. MAKE IT COUNT! ★ ★ ★

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The Order of Liturgy
 Sunday, August 16, 2026 @ 10:00 AM
 The Reverend Dr. Jonathan C. Augustine, Presiding Liturgist

Worship in Music.....Johnson-Schofield Male Chorus
 Brother Cornelius Pettway, 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 Opening Hymn.....AME Hymn #215 I've A Message from the Lord...The Reverend Charmain R. Purvis

The Prayer of Invocation.....The Reverend Monica C. Jones PhD
 (Prayer chant)

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

The Responsive Scripture Reading..... Psalm 133 NRSVUE.....The Reverend Jessica N. Buford
 Minister: ¹ How very good and pleasant it is when kindred live together in unity!
People: ² **It is like the precious oil on the head, running down upon the beard, on the beard of Aaron, running down over the collar of his robes.**
ALL: ³ **It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion. For there the Lord ordained his blessing, life forevermore.**

Project 2026.....Supervisor Dorothy J. Young

The Announcements and Welcome to Big Bethel.....Sister Charita Walters
 (Everybody, Hug Somebody)

Worship through Creative Expression.....Signs of Praise Ministry
 Brother Jory Young, Director

The Pastor's PerspectiveThe Reverend Dr. Jonathan C. Augustine,
 Senior Pastor

Christian Stewardship Worship in Giving.....The Reverend Gwen Senatle

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Blood Drive

Sunday, August 23, 2026

9am – 2pm

Fellowship Hall



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To schedule your appointment to donate, please visit

www.redcrossblood.org and enter the sponsor code: **BBAMEC**.

Please eat a good meal and drink plenty of fluids prior to your donation.

August **EVENTS**

2 **COMMUNION SUNDAY**

8 **BACK TO SCHOOL BASH 11AM-3PM**

9 **BACK TO SCHOOL SUNDAY 10AM**

11 **LEADING LADY MICHELLE'S BIRTHDAY**

14-15 **NAD CHURCH SCHOOL CONVENTION**
TURNER CHAPEL, MARIETTA

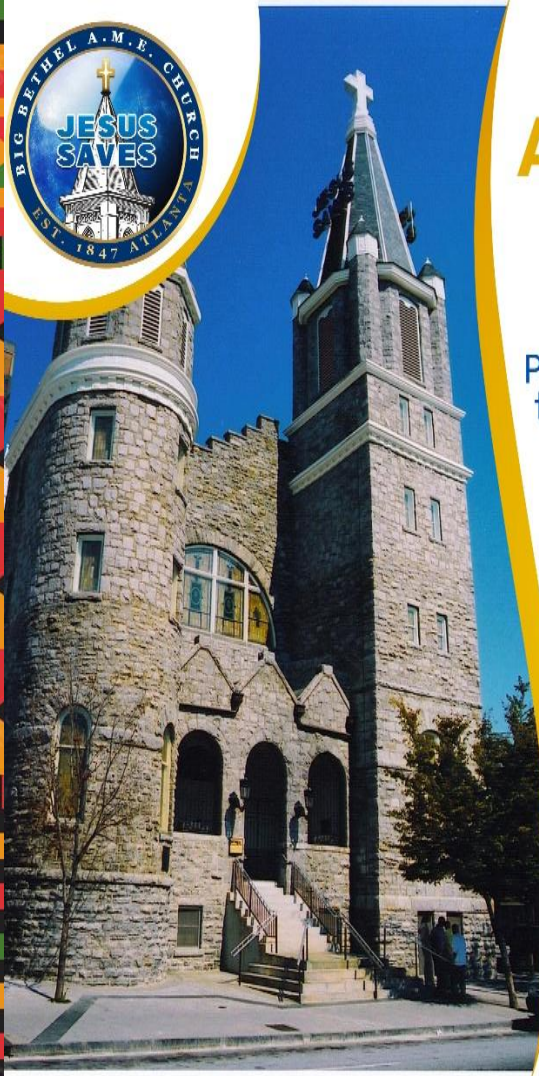
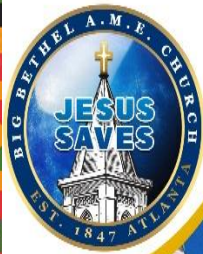
16 **THIRD SUNDAY 10AM**

21 **BEAUTY SHOP TALK/LADY MICHELLE BDAY PARTY**

22 **SOCIAL JUSTICE PRAYER BREAKFAST 10AM**

23 **SOCIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY 10AM & 5PM**
ARC BLOOD DRIVE 9AM-2PM

30 **FIFTH SUNDAY 10AM**



ATTENTION

Big Bethel Members

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SERVING IN TODAY'S WORSHIP EXPERIENCE

Acolytes/ Stewards	Altar Servers- Sisters Clarissa Carmichael & Jennifer Smith Line Leaders – Sisters Shirley Simmons & Shirlynn Bulls Counter – Ade Kamson		
Choir	Johnson-Schofield Male Chorus~ Brother Cornelius Pettway	Trustees	Brother Floyd Baxter & Brother Keith Halford
Philippians	Sister Charita Walters	Ushers	Samuel H. Giles Usher Ministry
Stewardesses	<i>Bussey-Watson Stewardess Ministry</i> Sisters Jewell Foster & Corene Jordan	AV Ministry	Sister Phyllislorena Smiley & Brother Brandon Collins
Finance Team	Sisters Linda Williams, Olivia Alston, & Juanita Aiken; Brothers Tony Jones, & Bro. Joe Patterson		

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.....Monthly Specified Saturdays -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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