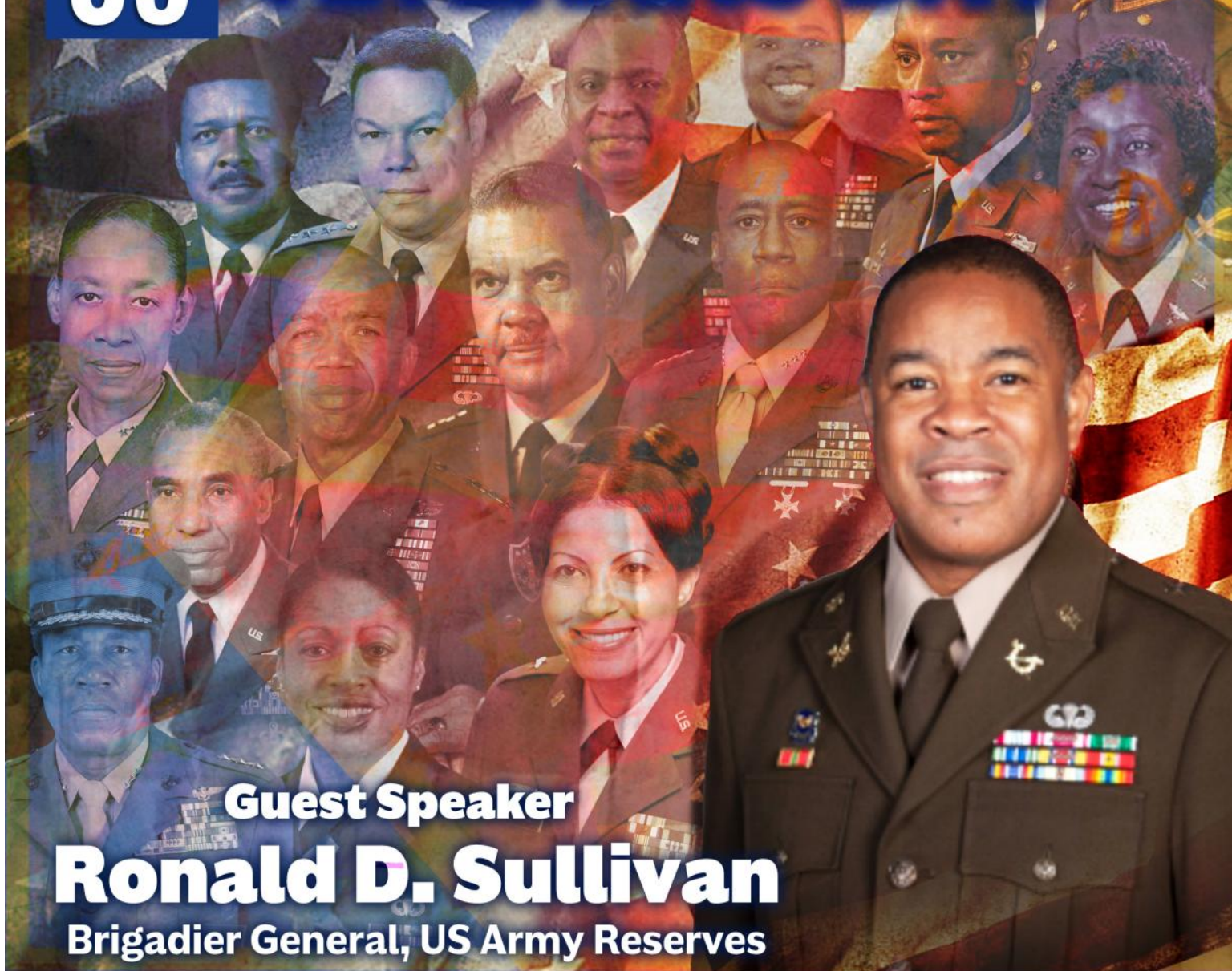


**Sunday  
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# VETERANS DAY



**Guest Speaker**

**Ronald D. Sullivan**

**Brigadier General, US Army Reserves**

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**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2025**

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# RONALD D. SULLIVAN

## Brigadier General, USAR

Brigadier General Ronald D. Sullivan recently completed a tour as a General Officer Support Team Member in the Office of the Chief of the Army Reserve (OCAR). His previous assignments in the U.S. Army Reserve include: Chief Judge for U.S. Army Court of Criminal Appeals (IMA) (Virginia); Staff Judge Advocate for the 377th Theater Sustainment Command (Louisiana); Deputy Commanding Officer (East) of the U.S. Army Reserve Legal Command (Maryland); Commander of the 87th Legal Operations Detachment (LOD) (Utah); Command Judge Advocate for the Central Medical Area Readiness Group (Illinois); Deputy Commander of the 2nd LOD (Louisiana); Deputy Team Leader & Team Leader of the 1st LOD (Texas); Assistant General Counsel at the Army Air Force Exchange Service (Texas); and his first Army Reserve assignment, in 2006, was as a Training Officer at the U.S. Army Trial Defense Service, Defense Counsel Assistance Program (Virginia).

In his civilian capacity, Brigadier General Sullivan is a Senior Counsel at the law firm Clark Hill, PLC, where he practices in Government Contracts and Regulatory Law, and is a Senior Director in the Clark Hill Public Strategies Group. Previously, he was the Chief of Acquisition, Personnel and Ethics Law for the U.S. Army Futures Command, (now, Transformation and Training Command) Office of the Staff Judge Advocate (Austin, Texas).

Brigadier General Sullivan was raised in San Antonio, Texas. He earned his Bachelor of Business Administration (Information Systems) degree from Howard University and was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the U.S. Army in 1993. He earned his Juris Doctor degree from The University of Kansas, School of Law in 1996.

Brigadier General Sullivan served on Active Duty from 1996 to 2005. His initial assignment was at the 10th Mountain Division (LI) & Fort Drum (New York), where he completed assignments in: Legal Assistance, International and Operational Law, and Military Justice (Trial Counsel). In June 1999, he transferred to the Army Trial Defense Service, at Fort Meade (Maryland), where he was a Trial Defense Counsel and OIC. In July 2001, he transferred to the Contract Appeals Division (Virginia) where he served as a Trial Attorney. From 2003 to 2005, he served as the General Crimes Team Chief for the DoD Defense, Office of Military Commissions, Office of the Chief Prosecutor assigned to the Pentagon - he was a lead prosecutor on the U.S. v. David Hicks prosecution team, a case tried in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

Brigadier General Sullivan's military education includes a Masters in Strategic Studies from the U.S. Army War College. He is also a graduate of the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College, The Combined Arms and Services Staff School, The Judge Advocate Officer Basic and Advanced Courses, and The U.S. Army Airborne School.

Brigadier General Sullivan is licensed to practice law in Texas and Kansas. He is admitted to practice before the United States Supreme Court and in multiple federal courts. His military awards and decorations include: The Defense Meritorious Service Medal, The Army Meritorious Service Medal (with 4 Oak Leaf Clusters), the Army Commendation Medal (with 3 Oak Leaf Clusters), and the Parachutist Badge.

Brigadier General Sullivan and his wife, Nicholle Floyd Sullivan, Esq., live in Austin, Texas and they have two sons, Brandon and Collin.



# Veteran's Day Observance @ Big Bethel AME Church

The Presentation of the Colors.....Sister Elizabeth Smith (Air Force)  
Brother Keith Halford (Air Force)

The Singing of the National Anthem.....LCDR Jennifer Smith, (US Public Health Service)  
A.M.E. Hymn # 570—O Say, Can You See (The Star-Spangled Banner)

The March Out.....Sister Elizabeth Smith (Air Force)  
Brother Keith Halford (Air Force)

Worship in Music ..... Johnson-Schofield Male Choir  
Sister Monique Griffiths, Director

The Doxology ..... All Worshipers (standing)

The Call to Worship.....The Reverend Dr. Jonathan C. Augustine

Leader: Today, we gather to honor the men and women who have given their all for God, country, and the spirit of selfless sacrifice. Veterans Day is a reminder of the brave souls who stood ready to defend not only our nation's freedom but the very values we hold dear.

**People: We pay tribute to those who, in answering a call greater than themselves, stepped into the unknown to protect our homes, our families, and our way of life. Their sacrifices have been in service to a vision of freedom, justice, and unity that speaks to the soul of this nation. We honor each veteran's courage, their unyielding commitment, and the lives they have shaped through their dedication.**

Leader: For our veterans, faith and duty intertwined, guiding them through challenges that most of us can only imagine. They embodied the strength of a nation that finds its heart in service to others. It is through their sacrifices that we find peace, and through their bravery, we find hope for a future rooted in gratitude and respect.

**All: On behalf of a grateful nation, we say thank you to our veterans. May we never forget that our freedoms have been built upon their sacrifices and that the strength of our nation endures through their courage. God bless our veterans, God bless America, and may we always strive to honor their legacy.**

The Opening Song of Praise.....AME Hymn #215 I've A Message From The Lord.....Brother Tony Jones, Jr. (Navy)

The Prayer of Invocation .....Dr. Christopher Parker (Marines)  
(Prayer Chant)

The Scripture Reading .....(Hebrews 9:24-28) .....Sister Cami Nelson (Army)

Worship in Music .....Johnson-Schofield Male Choir

**The Preface to the Decalogue.....(In the Tune of AME Hymn #258)**

From all that dwell below the skies, let the Creator’s praise arise;  
let the Redeemer’s name be sung, through every land by every tongue.

**The Summary of the Decalogue.....Sister Cami Nelson (Army)**

Hear what Christ our Savior said: “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets”.

**The Gloria Patri.....AME Hymnal #626**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

**The Veterans Litany.....LCDR Jennifer Smith, (US Public Health Service)**

Leader: Let us give thanks to God for the land of our birth with all its chartered liberties. For all the wonder of our country’s story:

**People: We give you thanks, O God.**

Leader: For leaders in nation and state, and for those who in days past and in these present times have labored for the commonwealth:

**People: We give you thanks, O God.**

Leader: For those who in all times and places have been true and brave, and in the worlds common ways have lived upright lives and ministered to their fellows:

**People: We give you thanks, O God.**

Leader: For those who served their country in its hour of need, and especially for those who gave even their lives in that service:

**People: We give you thanks, O God.**

Leader: O almighty God and most merciful Father, as we remember these your servants, remembering with gratitude their courage and strength, we hold before you those who mourn them. Look upon your bereaved servants with your mercy. As this day brings them memories of those they have lost awhile, may it also bring your consolation and the assurance that their loved ones are alive now and forever in your living presence.

**The Presentation of the Veterans**

**Welcome** to Big Bethel .....**The Philippian Ministry**  
**(Everybody, Hug Somebody)**

**The Worship Through Creative Expression.....Kwanza Sol Dance Ministry**  
**Sister Rosalyn Johnson, Director**

**The Announcements ..... The Reverend Dr. Lairalaine M. White**

The Pastor's Perspective .....Pastor Jay Augustine

Worship in Giving: Tithes & Offering..... Brother Tony Jones, Sr.



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The Presentation of the Guest Speaker..... Pastor Jay

The Music of Preparation..... Johnson-Schofield Male Choir

The Proclaimed Word .....Brigadier General Ronald D. Sullivan  
General Officer Support Team Member in the  
Office of the Chief of the Army Reserve (OCAR)

The Invitation and Prayer.....The Reverend Gwen Senatle

The Doxology..... All Worshipers (standing)

The Benediction.....Brigadier General Sullivan



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!!!!

Light refreshments will be served in the fellowship hall immediately after worship.



# Saluting Our Veterans



|                         |                  |
|-------------------------|------------------|
| Arthur Maddox           | Air Force        |
| Brandon Brownlee        | Army             |
| Camille Nelson          | Army             |
| Charles Wesley Moore    | Army             |
| Charles Schofield       | Army             |
| Christopher Henry Adams | Marines          |
| Christopher Parker      | Marines          |
| David Lewis             | Army             |
| Elizabeth Smith         | Air Force        |
| Gary Johnson            | Army             |
| Gregory Hood            | Air Force        |
| Gregory Kendall         | Army             |
| Herman O. Chandler      | Air Force        |
| James H. Patterson      | Army             |
| James Rudd              | Air Force        |
| Jarius Wilson           | Air Force        |
| Jennifer Smith-Grant    | US Public Health |
| Joel Boykin, III        | Navy             |
| John Henry, Jr.         | Army             |

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|-----------------------|-----------|
| John Jordan           | Air Force |
| Jonathan C. Augustine | Army      |
| Joseph Patterson      | Army      |
| Joseph Purter         | Army      |
| Keith Burnett         | Marines   |
| Keith Halford         | Air Force |
| Leslie Page           | Army      |
| Marion Hopkins        | Air Force |
| Marshal McCloud       | Army      |
| Michael Brown         | Army      |
| Michael Stephens      | Army      |
| Raleigh Durden        | Navy      |
| Robert Aikens, Jr.    | Air Force |
| Ronald Thomas         | Air Force |
| Sean Alexander Bogan  | Air Force |
| Tony Jones            | Army      |
| Tony Jones, Jr.       | Navy      |
| Vanessa Williams      | Army      |



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# ***Men's Mental Health***

## **AWARENESS WORKSHOP**

**Tuesday, Nov. 11th (Veteran's Day)**  
**7:00PM-8:30PM**

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**Big Bethel AMEC and Trinity UMC  
Sunday, November 09, 2025  
12:30 – 2 p.m.**

**📌 Volunteer at 265 Washington Street, Atlanta, Ga 30303**

Trinity Table provides food for the homeless in a hospitable setting that affirms the dignity and worth of those in need.

The Bethel Trinity Partnership Ministry and Usher Board #1 champions the work of this program and is asking Big Bethel members to donate, volunteer to serve hot meals and provide to-go lunch bags to support Trinity Table.

**Volunteer to Serve Hot Meals  
this Sunday at 12:30 p.m.**



**BETWEEN NOW AND SATURDAY,  
bring cases of bottled water and  
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the Fellowship Hall  
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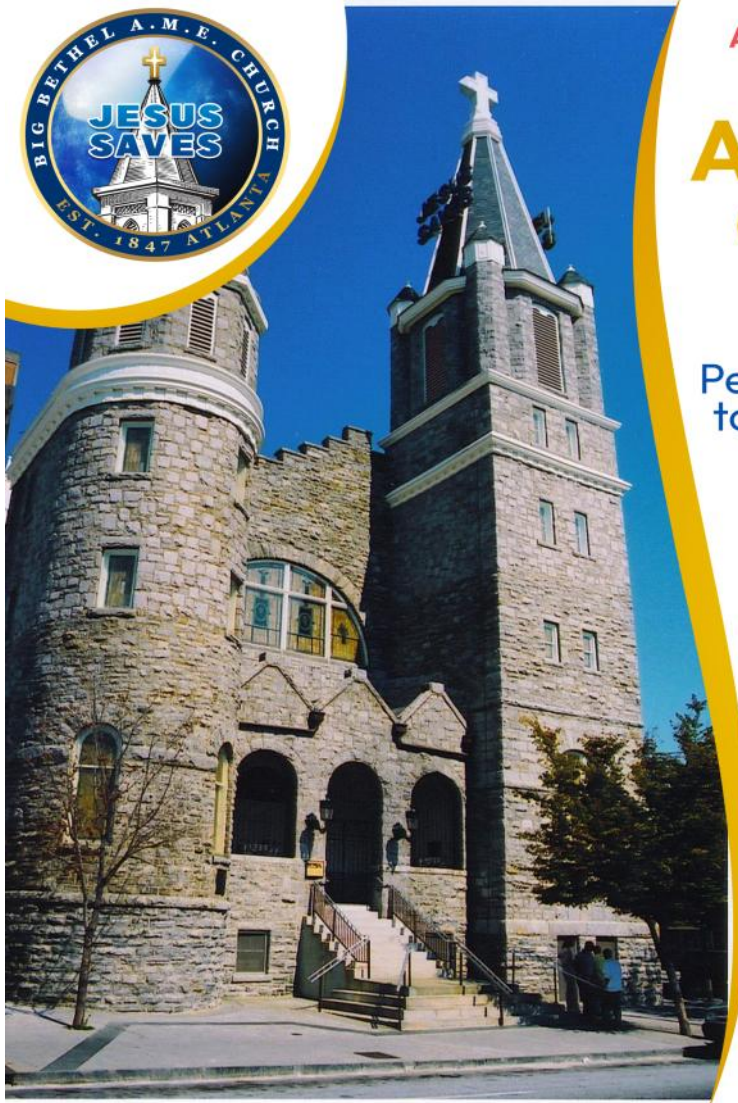


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## SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Daily Morning Prayer Call (1-605-472-5512 Access Code:772576#).....Monday - Saturday, 6:00 - 6:30 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).....12:00 noon and 6:00 PM  
Love Feast.....8:00 am Saturday before First Sunday  
Holy Communion.....First Sundays  
Discipleship New Members Class.....8:45 am 1st, 2nd, & 3rd Sundays  
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 .....Wednesday @ 7:00pm and Saturday @ 10:00am before First Sunday  
Johnson-Schofield Men's Choir..... 2 Saturdays 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.....2Thursdays @7:00 pm and Saturday before Fourth Sunday

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