

Impacting the World with the Word!

Date: <u>December 14, 2025</u>

Listen and hear the message from God's Word. Use the following information to make some notes. Go over them through the week. Let God's Truth crystallize in your life.

Scripture/Text: Isaiah 35: 3-4

Sermon Title: A Message to Those With Fearful Hearts

Main points of the Sermon:

I. BE	
II. DO NOT	
III. YOUR GOD	!
What shall I do as a result	of this sermon:

Prayer Concerns

We continue to lift our church family in prayer. We pray for the healing & restoration of these names listed below.

Ricardo Adkins Walter Ash Elnora Burton Sheila Clemons Johnie Darnell Eddie Flowers Vincent Fowler Maurice Franklin Carl Good Margaret Good Bradley Graves

Claudette Harrison Sherry Howard Howard Hunt Brenda Iwobi Albertine Jennings Marrine Jones Lula McCray Melody Miller Cynthia Owens Kellie Pitts Carol Smart Atty. Jerry Wells
Robin Wells
Frances Wimbley
Bill Winston
The Bereaved,
The Infirmed &
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"RISE UP & SING"



December 14, 2025

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Bishop Francine A. Brookins, Presiding Prelate, 5th Episcopal District Rev. Miriam Burnett, M.D., Episcopal Supervisor, 5th Episcopal District Rev. Karla J. Cooper, EdD Presiding Elder, Midwest South District

REV. DR. V. GORDON GLENN III, Pastor

Rev. Robbin Davis, Itinerate Deacon (Pastor at Halls Chapel—Newton) Rev. Akiki "Daisy" Kabagarama, Local Elder (Supply Pastor at Bethel-Winfield) Bro. Harry O. Willis, Licensed Exhorter Bro. James Douglas, Licensed Exhorter Sis. Albertine Jennings, Music Ministry

> "God Our Father, Christ Our Redeemer Holy Spirit Our Comforter Humankind Our Family"

Our prayers are with you always....

Enter to Worship/Depart to Serve



ORDER OF SERVICE December 14, 2025 Third Sunday of Advent: JOY! 10:30 A.M.

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"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"

Call to Worship

Leader: I was glad when they said unto me, let us go into the house of the Lord, our feet shall stand within Thy gates, O Jerusalem. (Psalm 122:1)

People: For a day in Thy courts is better than a thousand. I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than to dwell in the tents of wickedness. (Psalm 84:10)

Leader: Because of the house of the Lord our God I will seek Thy good. (Psalm 122:9)

People: Those that be planted in the house of the Lord, shall flourish in the courts of our God. (Psalm 92:13)

Leader: Blessed are they that dwell in Thy house, Lord, I have loved Thy habitation, the place where Thy honor dwelleth. (Psalm 84:4)

People: For the Lord is in His holy temple, let all the earth keep silence before Him. (Habakkuk 2:20)

Leader: Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in Thy sight, O Lord, my strength and my Redeemer.

(Psalms 19:14)

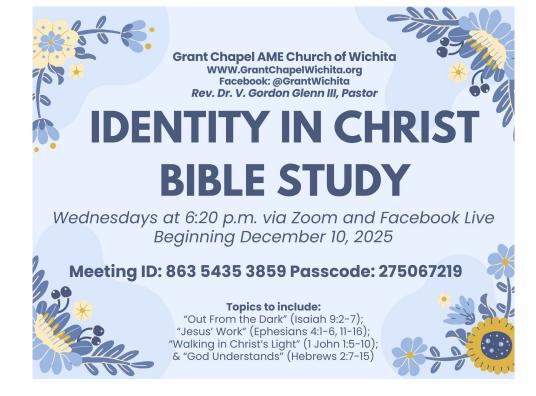
People: O sing unto the Lord a new song, for He has done marvelous things. Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all the earth, sing praises. (Psalm 98: 1, 4)

Opening Hymn: #115 "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

Morning Prayer & Scripture: Psalm 146

Intro to the Decalogue

Leader: From all that dwell below the skies, let thy Creator's praise arise. Let thy Redeemer's name be sung, Through every land by every tongue.



IN CASE YOU WERE WONDERING...

A *class* is a small group that meets regularly for the purpose of building the church community and growing into a deeper understanding of God by: promoting connectivity within the congregation, offering close, committed, and accepting relationships, and offering teachings in a small-group setting.

Class Leaders are persons assigned to each class. Class Leaders are appointed annually by the Pastor. They shall serve for one year and may be appointed as long as their conduct is satisfactory. Class Leaders are "called" disciples. They are called because they have shown certain qualities in their lifestyles that reflect the Spirit of Christ.

Your 2024-2025 Class Leaders are:

Ramona Kee-Adams, Kim Locks, Harry Willis, Frankie Conley & Sherry Howard

Announcements

Join us for Church School each Sunday morning before worship at 9 a.m. There is a class for everyone. "Christ the Savior," next week's lesson, is lifted from Luke 15:3-7 and Romans 5:6-10. There is a class for you!

Carol Smart is our Church School Superintendent.

The Wednesday 12 Noon in-person Bible Study led by Rev. Davis will resume this week and the 6:20 p.m. Study, led by Pastor Glenn will continue our *new* study this week via Zoom and Facebook Live:

Meeting ID: 863 5435 3859 Passcode: 275067219

The Youth Choir rehearses on Thursdays at 5:30 p.m. and the Adult Choir rehearses on Fridays at 5:30 p.m. *Join us!*

Our local Women's Missionary Society is collecting canned goods & non-perishables for our on-going food drive to help those in hunger and is also sponsoring our annual "Holiday Outreach" in the season of giving. 25 gift cards have been provided for needy families immediately following worship in the Fellowship Hall.

Pastor Glenn sends out messages of inspiration and information on a regular basis via e-mail. If you are not receiving these e-mails, please let Pastor Glenn know by e-mailing him at: rev_glenn@yahoo.com.

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Did you invite someone to church this week? Did you <u>call</u> someone you missed seeing <u>last</u> Sunday? People: (singing) From all that dwell below the skies, let thy Creator's praise arise. Let thy Redeemer's name be sung, Through every land by every tongue.

~ THE SUMMARY OF THE DECALOGUE ~

Hear what Christ our Savior saith, "thou shall love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

GLORIA PATRI: "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.

~ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING CEREMONY~

First Reader: In the midst of our waiting and longing for God to make the world right again, we cling to the truth that God has saved, God is saving, and God will save. So today, we join our voices with the prophet Isaiah, who calls us to live in the joy of the truth of God's salvation.

All: We choose to believe that the day is coming when "the ransomed of the LORD shall return and come to Zion with singing; everlasting joy shall be upon their heads; they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away" (Isaiah 35:10).

Second Reader: We light this candle of joy as a sign of the Truth that sets us free to live in joy as we wait and work for the day when all creation will flourish together.

Light the third candle (pink) of the Advent wreath.

Morning Announcements/Welcoming of Our Guests

Musical Selection

Missionary/Benevolent Offering

Response: "In the name of the Triune God, May the Spirit of Christian Missions, enter every heart. This we ask in Jesus' Name. Amen."

Musical Selection

Children are invited to join us in the nursery for a special lesson just for you.

Morning Message: Pastor Gordon Glenn
"A Message to Those With Fearful Hearts" - Isaiah 35:3-4

Invitation & Altar Call

If you'd like to begin a personal relationship with Jesus today, please pray this prayer:

"Lord Jesus, I invite You into my life. I believe You died for me and that Your blood pays for my sins and provides me with the gift of eternal life. By faith I receive that gift, and I acknowledge You as my Lord and Savior. Amen."

Tithes & Offering

Safe, On-line Giving is available through Givelify and CashApp (\$GrantWichita)

Response: "All things come of Thee, O Lord, and of Thine own have

we given Thee. Amen"

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Benediction—Pastor Glenn

Three Reasons Why You Need Jesus:

Jesus loves you! He desires to have a relationship with you and give you a life full of joy and purpose. Why do you need Him in your life?

- **1. Because you have a past.** You can't go back, but He can. The Bible says, "Jesus Christ the same yesterday and today and forever" (Hebrews 13:8). He can walk into those places of sin and failure wipe the slate clean, and give you a new beginning.
- **2.** Because you need a friend. Jesus knows the worst about you, yet He believes the best. Why? Because He sees you not as you are but as you will be when He gets through with you. What a Friend!
- **3. Because He holds the future.** Who else are you going to trust? In His hands you are safe and secure today, tomorrow, and for all eternity. His Word says, "For I know the plans I have for you... plans for good and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope." (Jeremiah 29:11-12a.TLB)

THE MISSION of the AME Church is to minister to the social, spiritual, and physical development of **all** people.

THE VISION

At every level of the Connection and in every local church, the AME Church shall engage in carrying out the spirit of the original Free African Society, out of which the AME Church evolved: that is, to seek out and save the lost, and to serve the needy. It is also the duty of Church to continue to encourage all members to become involved in all aspects of church training.

THE PURPOSES

The ultimate purposes are:

- make available God's biblical principles,
- spread Christ's liberating gospel, and
- provide continuing programs which will enhance the entire social development of all people.

OUR BELIEFS:

WE BELIEVE AND TEACH GOD'S PLAN OF SALVATION
AS GIVEN IN THE BIBLE.

FIRST — You Need to Be Saved!

"For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God." Romans 3:23. "Except one be born again they cannot see the kingdom of God." John 3:3.

SECOND – You cannot Save Yourself!

"not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us." Titus 3:5.

<u>THIRD</u> – Jesus Has Provided for your Salvation!

"[Jesus] Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness—by whose stripes you were healed." 1 Peter 2:24.

FOURTH - You Must Accept Jesus for Salvation!

"Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved." Acts 16:31.

"that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation." Romans 10:9-10

FIFTH -Now is the Time to Accept Jesus as Savior!

"Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation."

Il Corinthians 6:2

"As the Holy Ghost says, today if you will hear His voice, do not harden your heart." - Hebrews 3:7-8