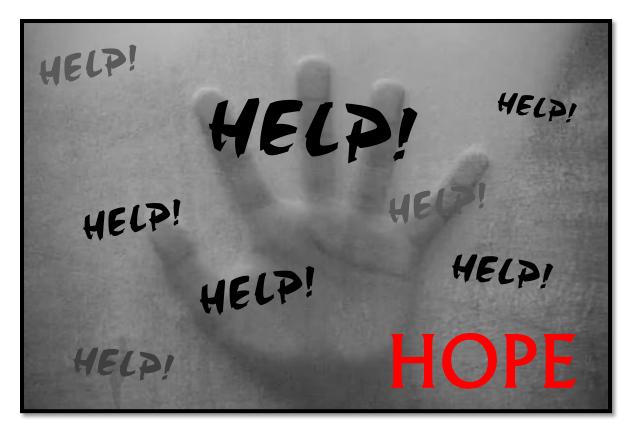


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"Passionate Worship"

¹ Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all ye lands. ² Serve the LORD with gladness: come before his presence with singing. (Psalm 100:1-2)

In spiritually passionate communities, there's a palpable, noticeable, distinguishable, observable 'air of expectancy' as people gather for worship. Musicians, ushers, greeters, and other hosts arrive early; and with care and eagerness they prepare together, encouraging one another. They genuinely delight in one another's presence, and they give attention to the smallest of details to make the service go well for worshipers.

The gathering congregation, even when it includes many first-time visitors, never feels like a crowd of strangers. There's a unifying anticipation, a gracious and welcoming texture to the way people speak, act, and prepare. The pastor, music leaders, and worshipers expect something important to take place, and they're eager to be part of it.

They expect God to speak to them while they experience God's presence, forgiveness, hope, or direction. Singing together, joining voices in prayer, listening to the Word, confessing sins, celebrating the sacraments, they intermingle their lives with each other, and they connect to God.

Expectancy pervades the congregation, the active passion to serve God and to love one another. You can feel it. Authentic, engaging, life-changing worship derives from the experience of God's presence, the desire of worshipers for God's Word, and the changed heart people deliberately seek when they encounter Christ in the presence of other Christians. An hour of passionate worship changes all the other hours of the week.

A Challenge for today: Learn to prepare your own heart before attending worship. Rather than looking for performance, search actively for what God desires to say to you through the music, prayers, scripture, sermon, sacrament, and fellowship. And listen to the sermon to discover that passionate worship is not just vertical but it is multi-directional.

TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Please check the church website, now our 'virtual church,' and your email regularly for ongoing updates. www.wesleyumcchicago.org

SPIRITUAL THEME FOR NOVEMBER: "Give Thanks in Everything"

ORDER OF WORSHIP

COLOR: GREEN

Scripture for the month:

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"Be thankful in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you who belong to Christ Jesus."

1 Thessalonians 5:18 NLT

Call to Worship		
Invocation		
Scripture	Ezekiel 37:1-14	see video, or page 4
Psalm of Praise	Psalm 76	see video, or page 5
Announcements		
Offering		
Pastoral Prayer		
Sermon Series	Views From the Valley	Rev. Charles A. Woolery, Sr.
Today's Message	"I Need Hope"	
Invitation to Christian Dis	cinleshin	

itation to Christian Discipleship

Affirmation of Faith

Benediction

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE				
Morning Worship (11/8/20)	75 (views)			
Worship Call "	30 (callers)			
Sunday School "	13 (callers)			
Prayer Group	4 (callers)			
Bible Study (AM: 10 PM: 6)	16 (views/calls)			
TOTAL	138			

Morning Scripture Ezekiel 37:1-14 (NKJV)

¹The hand of the LORD came upon me and brought me out in the Spirit of the LORD, and set me down in the midst of the valley; and it *was* full of bones.

² Then He caused me to pass by them all around, and behold, there were very many in the open valley; and indeed they were very dry.

³ And He said to me, "Son of man, can these bones live?"

So I answered, "O Lord GOD, You know."

⁴ Again He said to me, "Prophesy to these bones, and say to them, 'O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD!

⁵ Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: "Surely I will cause breath to enter into you, and you shall live.

⁶ I will put sinews on you and bring flesh upon you, cover you with skin and put breath in you; and you shall live. Then you shall know that I am the LORD." ' "

⁷ So I prophesied as I was commanded; and as I prophesied, there was a noise, and suddenly a rattling; and the bones came together, bone to bone.

⁸ Indeed, as I looked, the sinews and the flesh came upon them, and the skin covered them over; but there was no breath in them.

⁹ Also He said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, son of man, and say to the breath, 'Thus says the Lord GOD: "Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live." ' "

¹⁰ So I prophesied as He commanded me, and breath came into them, and they lived, and stood upon their feet, an exceedingly great army.

¹¹ Then He said to me, "Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They indeed say, 'Our bones are dry, our hope is lost, and we ourselves are cut off!'

¹² Therefore prophesy and say to them, 'Thus says the Lord GOD: "Behold, O My people, I will open your graves and cause you to come up from your graves, and bring you into the land of Israel.

¹³ Then you shall know that I *am* the LORD, when I have opened your graves, O My people, and brought you up from your graves.

¹⁴ I will put My Spirit in you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken it and performed it," says the LORD.'"

Psalm of Praise Psalm 76

(R) Let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like flowing streams.

¹ In Judah God is known, whose name is great in Israel,

² whose abode has been established in Salem, whose dwelling place is in Zion.

³ There God broke the flashing arrows, the shield, the sword, and the weapons of war.

⁴ You are glorious, more majestic than the everlasting mountains.

 ⁵ The stouthearted were stripped of their spoil; they sank into sleep;
all the soldiers were unable to use their hands.

> ⁶ At your rebuke, O God of Jacob, both rider and horse lay stunned.

(R) Let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like flowing streams.

⁷You indeed are to be feared! Who can stand before you when once your anger is roused?

> ⁸ From the heavens you uttered judgment; the earth feared and was still,

⁹ when God arose to establish judgment to save all the oppressed of the earth.

¹⁰ Surely human wrath shall praise you; the residue of wrath you will gird upon you.

¹¹ Make vows to the LORD your God, and keep them; *let those who surround God bring gifts to the One to be feared,*

> ¹² who cuts off the spirit of monarchs, and makes the rulers of the earth afraid.

(R) Let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like flowing streams.

PASTORAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please check your email weekly for a full list of announcements, scripture readings and updates.

- Multiple ways to worship! Our worship services are now available online! Go to: www.wesleyumcchicago.org and click/tap SUNDAY SERMON. The videos are also available on other platforms, such as our church app (see SERMONS), our YouTube channel (Wesley UMC Chicago), and will be posted on our Facebook page each Sunday afternoon (@WesleyUMCChicago). For those who prefer a more personal experience, join the Weekly Worship Conference Call at 10:30 am each Sunday! Call-in info: 1-425-436-6348: code 672500#
- Do you have the *GivePlus+* app? Electronic giving just got easier!! Vanco's *GivePlus+* app makes it as easy as 1-2-3! Just download the **GivePlus+** app, (click for **Apple**, or **Google**) complete your login and profile using your email address and password, provide your bank information and that's it! You can setup a recurring payment or enter the amount each time.
- NEW FEATURE! GivePlus+ also allows you to make contributions with a quick text message! Simply send a text to our <u>DEDICATED</u> text number, 1-833-595-0705, with the amount you would like to contribute. Make sure to include the dollar sign before the amount. Example: \$25. Within a few minutes, you'll be sent a text with a link to register. Click on the link and enter your cardholder name and credit or debit card information. Once your registration is complete, you will receive a text verification and a receipt via email.
- **Gillespie Elementary School Mentorship Program** Wesley has established a partnership with Gillespie Elementary School to mentor and tutor students. Program details are still being defined. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Pastor Woolery.

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Isis Gainey	November 1 st	Heustis Williams	November 17 th
Billie Longmire	November 1 st	Donya Lomax	November 19 th
Eric Geralds	November 4 th	Daphne Hickman	November 20 th
Lucinda Kemp	November 4 th	Kimberly Plaxico	November 20 th
Gail Sampson	November 4 th	Tenola Plaxico	November 22 nd
Devion Hayes	November 5 th	Kai Gilmore	November 24 th
DeMarlo Dulaney	November 6 th	Saralyn Hicks	November 24 th
Maia Stinson	November 8 th	LaTasha Finley	November 25 th
Raynard Gainey	November 10 th	Deborah Lomax	November 25 th
Mary Moss	November 12 th	Niaundra Moss	November 26 th
Clarence Rogers, III	November 13 th	Margarette Williams	November 27 th
Tempest Kidd	November 17 th	Dortha Willis	November 27 th
Marielle Ndam	November 17 th	Denise Lewis-Richardson	November 30 th

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

PRAYER LIST

Below is this week's prayer list. Please keep these persons in your prayers!

(* = Church	member,	followed b	y Class Number)
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SHUT-IN		
*Minnie Thompson (20)	*Bessie Alford-Moore (18)	
*Lucille Sanders (16)	*Doris Anderson (1)	
*Clarence Sanders (16)	*Spencer Plaxico (17)	
*Barbara Shepherd (18)	*Jessie Stokes (19)	
*Eric Geralds (3)	*Helen Tuck (7)	
*Fred Williams (20)		

	GENERAL	
*Callie Dulaney & Family (12)	*Daphne Hicks and Family (10)	Katherine Thompson
*LaRue Grizzard (4)	Byron Agnew, Jr.	Shatarah Ridley
*Y. Shorter-Darden & Family (4)	Sam Agnew	David Williams
*Gloria Banks (20)	Nannie Agnew	Owen McPherson
*Doris Echols (16)	Juanita Weatherspoon	James Williams
*Mary Alice Lovely & Family (19)	Annie Lois Robinson	James Taylor
*Diamond Jones (12)	Jessica Smith Crenshaw	James Curtis
*Trinity Jones (12)	Joyce Chisem-Davis	The Baker Family
*Lawrence Moore (13)	Carolyn Ransom	Anna Young
*Wilena Campbell-Watkins (5)	Sylvia Nichols	Dorothy Williams
*Mark Garrett (5)	Milton Kellum	Lois Tucker
*The Plaxico Family (17)	Rosie Howard	Katherine Evans
*Denise Richardson (20)	Natesha Smith	Carl Frazier
*Clarence Rogers, II & Family (4)	James Sanders	Robert A. Watkins
*Jessie Gilmore (16)	Joanna Lennhardt	Aaron Thomas, Jr.
*Maurice & Faye Smith (17)	Martha Muhs	Michael Miller
*Theresa Bradshaw (12)	Muriel Bolden	Angel Acosta
*The Hudson/Bradshaw Families	Gregory Simms	Tammy Pompeo
(7 1 12)		
*The Moss Family (13)	Norbert Sanders	Sharon Cruikshank
*Darlene Clark and Family (1)	Brittany Porter	Vinelle Myrie
*Lorraine Forbes and Family (3)	Rhonda Monique Miller	Alexandria Ward
*Charles & B.J. Curtis and Family (3)	Ashley Parks	Davion McNeal
*Betty Jenkins and Family (5)	Kathy Jenkins	Willie Moore
*Dorothy Williamson and Family (10)	Rebecca Merkson	Peaches Clark
*Donna/Deborah Lomax and Family (13)	John Anderson	Larry Clark
*Odis & Lucinda Franklin Family (20)	Jerry Simmons	Justin York
*Ena Davis (1)	Rochelle Johnson	Russell York
*Gwendolyn Watkins (7)	The Ford & Robinson Families	Percy & Essie Hayes
*Doris Thompson (19)	Mila Kuntu	Mildred Forest
*Helen York and Family (5)	Ron Birton	Takia Yearby
*Dawn Funches-Fox and Family (10)	Aiden Combs	The Anderson Family
*Chester Plaxico (17)	Mae Gilliams Fizer & Family	The Marshall Family
*Julia Porter (5)	Rashaud Thompson	Archie Weddington
*Barbara Sanders (3)	Leslie Carey Kirk	
*The Family of Lucious Smith (12)		
*The Family of Heustis Williams (1)		
*The Family of Sandra Lewis (16)		

SUNDAY MORNING

Foot Health

The feet are, essentially, the foundation of a healthy body. Taking measures to keep your feet healthy and pain-free and can be easier than you think.

Healthy feet are important for feeling good and staying active. Neglecting your feet can lead to pain and other a voidable foot problems. Use the following tips to keep your feet protected and in tip top shape:

Keep your feet clean and dry. Healthy feet start with good hygiene.

Examine your feet. Scaling or peeling could be a sign of athlete's foot. Nail discoloration could indicate nail fungus.

Don't attempt to file down, remove, or shave calluses or corns. Filing these off can cause ulcers and other issues.

Cut toenails properly. Avoid trimming nails too close to the skin. This can cause painful ingrown toenails.

Protect your feet outside and in public places.

Be sure to wear shoes at the gym, in locker rooms, public pools, etc. Avoid walking barefoot outside as it can cause injury or infection.

Choose breathable footwear. Wear shoes that allow air to circulate, such as those made of fabrics.

Wear shoes that fit properly. Shoes that are too tight can cause long-term foot problems. Choose comfortable shoes with plenty of room.

Know when to see a doctor. Seek help from a doctor to prevent minor problems and injuries from becoming major ones.

Information provided by EverydatyHealth.com and dLife.com

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Please **NOTIFY** the church office of ALL meetings or events scheduled in the

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Please check bulletin and emails **regularly** for schedule changes.

church buildings.

S	M	Т	W	Т	F	S
1 9 am Sunday School Call 1.605.475.4000 Access code: 260259# Call-in number: 1.425.436.6348 Access code: 672500# <i>All Saints Day</i>	2	3	4 Remote Bible Study 11 am 1-312-626-6799; Mtg ID: 2951017709# (Call/email the church for ZOOM video link)	5 Remote Prayer Group 11 am Call-in number: 1.425.436.6348 Access code: 672500#	6	7 UMM Meeting (via Zoom) 9 am
8 9 am Sunday School Call 1.605.475.4000 Access code: 260259# Remote Worship & 10:30 am Call Call-in number: 1.425.436.6348 Access code: 672500#	9	10	11 Remote Bible Study 11 am 1-312-626-6799; Mtg ID: 2951017709# (Call/email the church for ZOOM video link)	12 Remote Prayer Group 11 am Call-in number: 1.425.436.6348 Access code: 672500#	13	14 UMW Meeting via Zoom Conference 10 am
15 9 am Sunday School Call 1.605.475.4000 Access code: 260259# Remote Worship & 10:30 am Call Call-in number: 1.425.436.6348 Access code: 672500#	16	17	18 Remote Bible Study 11 am 1-312-626-6799; Mtg ID: 2951017709# (Call/email the church for ZOOM video link)	19 Remote Prayer Group 11 am Call-in number: 1.425.436.6348 Access code: 672500#	20	21 Calendar Planning Meeting
22 9 am Sunday School Call 1.605.475.4000 Access code: 260259# Remote Worship & 10:30 am Call Call-in number: 1.425.436.6348 Access code: 672500#	23	24	25 Remote Bible Study 11 am 1-312-626-6799; Mtg ID: 2951017709# (Call/email the church for ZOOM video link)	26 Happy Thanksgiving!	27	28 Board of Trustees Mtg 9 am (via Zoom)
29 9 am Sunday School Call 1.605.475.4000 Access code: 260259# UMM Day Service & 10:30 am Call Call-in number: 1.425.436.6348 Access code: 672500#	30	1	2 Remote Bible Study 11 am 1-312-626-6799; Mtg ID: 2951017709# (Call/email the church for ZOOM video link)	3 Remote Prayer Group 11 am Call-in number: 1.425.436.6348 Access code: 672500#	4	5 UMM Meeting (via Zoom) 9 am

Social Commentary

Black Chicagoans Celebrate VP-elect Kamala Harris' Monumental Moment in Black History

By Maudlyne Ihejirika



Phones started ringing Saturday morning, a zillion messages before I turned on my cell. With that many balloon and party horn images, I didn't have to flick on the TV to hear anchors declaring the Joe Biden-Kamala Harris ticket had surged ahead in vote counting, and the Democratic ticket was now the projected winner. The excitement and relief expressed by Black friends nationwide this weekend was echoed across Chicago on Monday. "First of all, it's a miracle, against the history of prejudice and discrimination that Black people have experienced in this country since slavery," said Beverly Addison, 67, of Englewood, waiting for her daughter to come out of the bank at 815 W. 63rd St., in the heart of Englewood. "America has always tried to keep Black people down, as if we are not all human — whether pink, yellow, Black, white, blue or green," she said. "So to have the first Black woman vice president is such an incredible moment in history, and particularly meaningful for me as a Black woman."

Michael Tidmore, 58, a community activist with the Teamwork Englewood community organization, agreed. "It's just been wonderful to see the impact," said Tidmore, as he left the Whole Foods at the corner of 63rd & Halsted. "The election of Kamala Harris has inspired a lot of people in this community, particularly women and millennials and Generation Z'ers who now know that barrier has been broken for them," he said. Harris, the U.S. senator from California who'd run for president before folding her campaign in December, was the first Black American woman and first South Asian American ever to grace a major party ticket. Of mixed race heritage, her mother, a renowned biologist who died of colon cancer in 2009, was born in Chennai, India, emigrating to the United States in the late '50s to attend a doctoral program at the University of California at Berkeley. There, she met Harris' father, Donald Harris, who had emigrated from Jamaica. Her parents divorced when Harris was 7, and she and her sister were raised by her mother. Harris' mixed-race heritage made her the first South Asian American to serve in the U.S. Senate when she was elected in 2016, and the second Black woman — Chicago's Carol Moseley Braun was the first. Previously, Harris was the first Black American and first woman to be elected California's attorney general, in 2010.

Little Known Black History Fact

Eddie Kendricks



The late **Eddie Kendricks** was a founding member of The Temptations and, despite being a tenor, sang with one of the most notable falsettos in R&B.

Edward James Kendricks was born on December 17, 1939 in Union Springs, AL. His family moved to Birmingham's Ensley neighborhood when he was young, which is where he met singer and future founding Temptations member Paul Williams. With fellow vocalist Kell Osborne, the group relocated to Cleveland and then Detroit, then at the time named The Primes. After finding some success in the city's fast-moving scene and being the source of a spin-off group that featured Diana Ross and future The Supremes, the group signed with Berry Gordy's Motown imprint and were renamed.

As The Temptations, the original lineup consisted of Kendricks, Williams, Otis Williams, Melvin "Blue" Franklin, and Elbridge "Al" Bryant. According to accounts, Bryant didn't enjoy the rigors of practicing and performing and decided to work as a milkman instead. David Ruffin, an aspiring singer, impressed the group and was added to the so-called "Classic Five" lineup. While the group began finding their stride as a group, the tensions within began to flare up. Ruffin was fired from the group and replaced by Dennis Edwards in the late '60s.

The issues with the group also extended to Williams, who battled with alcoholism and other issues and was forced to leave the group. Kendricks was also frustrated with the new direction of the group during this period and under the urging of Ruffin, Kendricks went solo in 1971. After some mild success, Kendricks broke on the charts in 1973 with his hits "Keep On Truckin'" and "Boogie Down" but by 1978 and with his voice waning due to chain smoking, his career was winding down.

In '80's, Kendricks reconnected with David Ruffin and the pair sang with Hall and Oates for a live album recorded at The Apollo. The two also recorded an album together and joined the rest of the group in being inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 1989. Kendricks and Ruffin also made a pact to record music but in 1991, Ruffin passed from a drug overdose and Kendricks was diagnosed with lung cancer.

Eddie Kendricks passed from the disease in 1992. He was 52.

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	Sunday School 9 am – Conf Call:	1.605.475.4000 Code: 260259#	Scan the QR code on the left to donate to Wesley via smartphone or other mobile device!

Wesley's 66th Church Anniversary!

This year we will celebrate **Wesley's 66th Church Anniversary**! We are so very grateful for the years of service to this community, yet we know there is still much left to be done.

We've kicked-off our **66th Church Anniversary Pledge Drive**, "Building for the Future." Program details will be shared periodically via email. Please prayerfully consider participating in this sacrificial giving program. These special gifts can be given in a single payment or in installments over several months. We need your sober commitment to support our church and serve the Lord through this ministry!

2020 Daily Bible Readings (One Year Bible Reading Plan) Week of November 15th – November 21st

November 15

Ezekiel 31:1-32:32 Hebrews 12:14-29 Psalm 113:1-114:8 Proverbs 27:18-20

November 16

Ezekiel 33:1-34:31 Hebrews 13:1-25 Psalm 115:1-18 Proverbs 27:21-22

November 17

Ezekiel 35:1-36:38 James 1:1-18 Psalm 116:1-19 Proverbs 27:23-27 2020 Vision: *"The Year of the Child"* (Matthew 19:14)

November 21

Ezekiel 42:1-43:27 James 5:1-20 Psalm 119:1-16 Proverbs 28:6-7

November 18

Ezekiel 37:1-38:23 James 1:19-2:17 Psalm 117:1-2 Proverbs 28:1

November 19

Ezekiel 39:1-40:27 James 2:18-3:18 Psalm 118:1-18 Proverbs 28:2

November 20

Ezekiel 40:28-41:26 James 4:1-17 Psalm 118:19-29 Proverbs 28:3-5