



## **THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

Sunday, November 28, 2021

10:00 AM

### **THE HISTORY OF THE ADVENT WREATH AND CANDLES**

The word "Advent" is derived from the Latin word "adventus", meaning "coming," which is a translation of the Greek word parousia.

Most know Advent today as a time of anticipation and expectation of the birth of Christ.

Advent lasts for four Sundays leading up to Christmas. The Advent season not only symbolizes the waiting for Christ's birth but also for his final return.

The Advent wreath was created out of evergreens, symbolizing everlasting life in the midst of winter and death as the evergreen is continuously green. The circle reminds us of God's unending love and the eternal life He makes possible.

## **THE ADVENT WREATH**

is a symbol of the season, with a candle lit each of the four Sundays leading up to, and on Christmas Day. The light of the flickering candle flames reminds us who Jesus is: “In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind”. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.” (John 1:4-5).

## **THE FIRST CANDLE**

that we light on Sunday, which is purple, symbolizes hope.

It is sometimes called the “Prophecy Candle” in remembrance of the prophets, especially Isaiah, who foretold the birth of Christ.

It represents the expectation felt in anticipation of the coming Messiah.

Additional decorations, like holly and berries, are sometimes added. Their red color points ahead to Jesus’ sacrifice and death on the cross, shedding his blood for our sins.

The most common Advent candle tradition, however, involves four candles around the wreath. A new candle is lit on each of the four Sundays before Christmas.

Each candle represents something different, although traditions vary. Often, the first, second, and fourth candles are purple; the third candle is rose-colored. A fifth white candle is placed in the middle of the wreath and is lit on Christmas Day to celebrate Jesus’ birth.

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## **FROM THE RECTOR**

Whoever you may be and where you may find yourself experiencing life's journey, do know that you are always welcome at St. Thomas Church.

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## **ST. THOMAS IS OPEN FOR IN-PERSON SERVICE**

Due to CDC and Diocesan recommendations, we can only accommodate 150 people in the church. All others will be directed to Anderson Hall. There will be a sign-in sheet. Masks are MANDATORY for all in attendance. Seating will be spaced. Please check the signs on each pew before you enter. Hand sanitizer will be available. The ventilation system has been changed to let in outside air.

We request that all in attendance be VACCINATED. Unvaccinated individuals are requested to watch the service via [LIVE STREAM](#).

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## **PLEASE JOIN US FOR**

[WORSHIP LIVE STREAM](#) on the St. Thomas website, on [Facebook](#) or [Youtube.com](#) every Sunday morning at 10:00 AM.

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## **“WELCOME TO THE MOTHER CHURCH”**

“Enter His gates with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praise. Give thanks unto Him and bless His name”

Psalm 100:4

### **A NOTE FROM THE RECTOR**

Greetings My Dearest Sisters and Brothers,

Grace and Peace to you from God on this First Sunday in Advent. Today we welcome our guest Celebrant, The Rev. Dr. Charles (Chaz) L. Howard. He is University Chaplain and Vice President for Social Equity & Co-Immunity, University of PA and Assisting Clergy at the Philadelphia Episcopal Cathedral. Fr. Shaw is away on Thanksgiving Holiday.

On behalf of the Clergy, Wardens, Vestry and People of God, welcome to the historic African Episcopal Church of St. Thomas, founded in 1792 as the first black Episcopal Church in the U.S.A. The first rector of this historic parish, The Rev. Fr. Absalom Jones was also the first black Episcopal priest in the nation.

Our parish boldly proclaims the reconciling Gospel of Jesus Christ. We are an active, mission-minded and growing church family. Whoever you are and wherever you may find yourself on your spiritual journey of faith, you are always welcomed at St. Thomas' Church, where we are joyfully and enthusiastically committed to Jesus' message of love, hope, prayer, acceptance and faith. Today, as you worship in this place, may you experience and feel the presence of the Lord, and may you leave feeling renewed, refreshed and revived. Again, welcome!

Faithfully,

The Very Rev. Canon Martini Shaw,  
17th Rector and Dean  
of the Schuylkill Deanery

## **A PASTORAL NOTE**

Grace and Peace to you.

I pray that this communication finds you well. Recent news reporting re: COVID19 has caused me great concern, especially for our dear brothers and sisters who have not been fully vaccinated against COVID19. If you are unvaccinated, I ask you to prayerfully consider being vaccinated ASAP. Please spread the word regarding the importance of being fully vaccinated.

Please receive this note as a symbol of my deep concern and love. And let us continue to pray for those infected with and affected by the virus.



## **THANKSGIVING OFFERING**

Please place your special Thanksgiving offering in the collection plate, mail or online giving with the Givi app. Indicate that it is for "Thanksgiving", Thank You.

**Congratulations!**

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**THE WOMEN'S BOARD OF  
LANKENAU MEDICAL CENTER**

invites you to attend

**The Thirty-Fourth Annual  
"Tree of Life"**

A Virtual Lighting Ceremony

**Monday, November 29, 2021 6:30PM**  
and our Facebook page.

**CONGRATULATIONS**

to Fr. Shaw, our Rector and two other honorees  
Join them by watching Live on our Website  
and our Facebook page.

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**Mark Your Calendar!**

**CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE**

Friday, December 24th  
7:00 P.M.





## **CONGRATULATIONS!**

This July, Tynecia Wilson won the 2021 Miss Caribbean U.S. after only three days to prepare. This pageant competition was founded by the Miss Caribbean U.S. Beauty Pageant, INC. (a local non-profit organization that uplifts the Caribbean community). After 21 years of this pageant tradition, Tynecia becomes the first Miss USA to win the title of Miss Caribbean U.S. while competing against 6 other Caribbean island representatives. Tynecia hopes to continue her pageantry, and one day compete for Miss America."

## **THE PANDEMIC HAS EMPOWERED THE CHURCH TO RE-IMAGINE**

Please join our rector in RE-IMAGINING.

We will Re-imagine new ways to view our relationship  
with Jesus Christ.

We will Re-imagine new ways to proclaim the Gospel.

We will Re-imagine new ways to feed and nurture others.

We will Re-imagine new ways to evangelize  
and grow the church.

We will Re-imagine new ways to serve  
our seniors and youth.

We will Re-imagine new ways of community  
outreach and service.

We will Re-Imagine new ways to engage in  
social justice and politics.

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### **THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM**

is now being scheduled. If you or someone you know wish to be baptized, please go to our website [www.aecst.org](http://www.aecst.org), go to "About The AECST". Use the drop down to click on [Holy Baptism](#). All the information about baptism and the [electronic online Application Form](#) can be found there.

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**THE AFRICAN EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS  
MEN'S MINISTRY AND FELLOWSHIP**

**A MAN...  
FOR ALL SEASONS**

**MEN'S DAY CELEBRATION  
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2021  
THE REV. DR. THOMAS G. SNOWDEN- HOMILIST**

\*Please make a special Men's Day Donation  
based on your comfort level of \$25, \$50, \$75, or \$100.

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## **THE CIRCLE OF PRAYER MINISTRY**

Please join us for the Circle of Prayer Ministry Call  
on Monday, November 29, 2021.

Thank you Fr. Shaw, Swanie Goldsmith,  
Dr. Rollo Dilworth, Carla Spates, Bobby Tillman,  
Cynthia Muse, the members and all others who  
continue to participate and support our weekly  
Circle of Prayer Call.

We look forward to our next prayer session.  
We start promptly at **6:30 AM**.

We encourage you to reach out to us at  
[circleofprayer@aecst.org](mailto:circleofprayer@aecst.org) to submit prayer  
requests or if you are interested in leading the  
Intercessory Prayer, offer a prayer(s) or  
provide a meditation in song.

The teleconference call number is: **605-313-6361**.  
The access code is **268105**. **Prayer is the Answer!**



**PLEASE DO NOT PARK  
on the Carport ramp!**

This is a fire code violation.  
Thank you!



### **ATTENTION ALL MEN:**

Please be a part of our Chorus for  
Men's Day on **December 5th**.  
Rehearsal: **Saturday, December 4th**,  
at 10:00 AM.

**ST. THOMAS  
CIRCLE  
OF  
PRAYER MINISTRY**

**PLEASE JOIN  
US WEEKLY FOR  
MONDAY MORNING  
PRAYER CALL**

**AT 6:30 AM**

**THE TELECONFERENCE NUMBER IS:  
(605) 313-6361 CODE: 268 105**

**YOU ARE WELCOME TO SEND  
AN INTERCESSORY PRAYER  
REQUEST TO:**

**[CIRCLEOFPRAYER@AECST.ORG](mailto:CIRCLEOFPRAYER@AECST.ORG)**

**PHYLLIS B. CATER \* DAPHNE GILSTRAP  
FACILITATORS**

**THE VERY REV. CANON MARTINI SHAW  
RECTOR**



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**ALTAR FLOWERS**

The Cornucopia or Horn of Plenty on the Altar today is a symbol of our Thankfulness and Gratitude to God.

We **DO NOT** place flowers on the altar during Advent, except for Rose Sunday, Dec. 12th.

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**TO ORDER ROSE SUNDAY FLOWERS,**

please send in information with payment to the church c/o Clare Mae Daniels or Alfreda Brockman at:  
St. Thomas Church, 6361 Lancaster Ave., Phila. PA 19151

I would like to place flowers on:  
the High Altar \$55.00.  
the Absalom Jones Altar \$50.00.  
the Columbarium \$40.00.

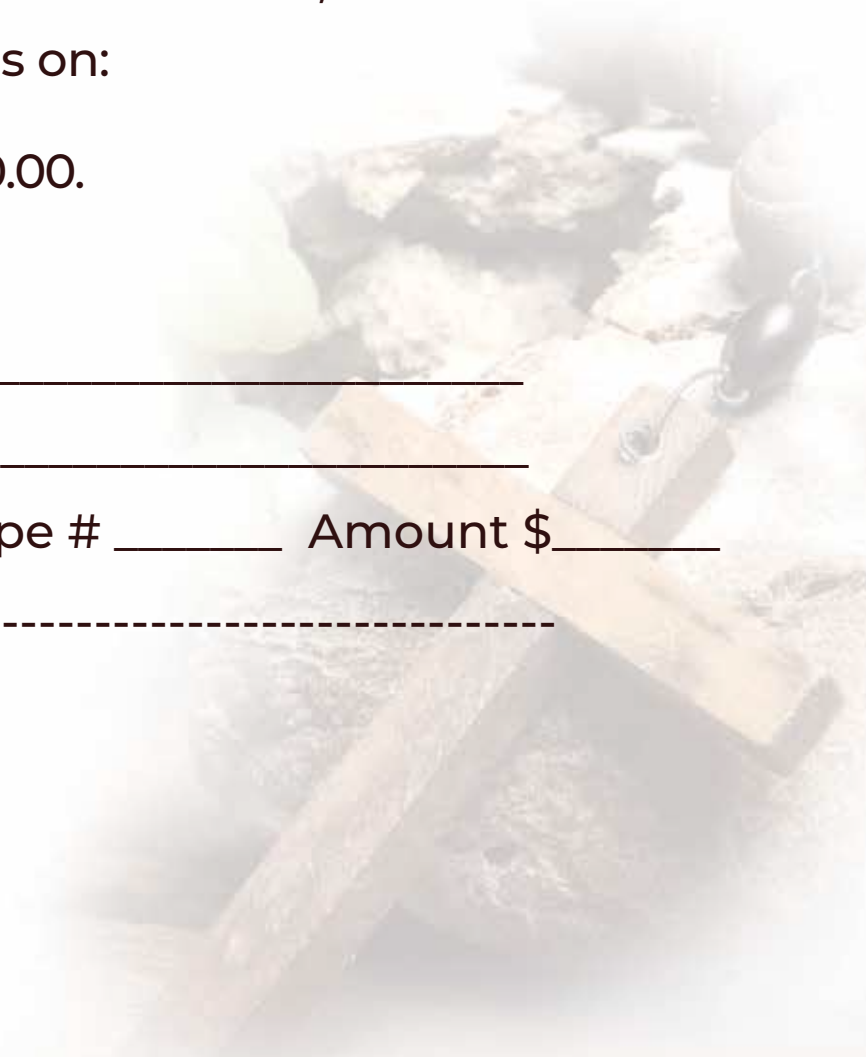
**(Please PRINT)**

a) In Memory of \_\_\_\_\_

b) In Thanksgiving for \_\_\_\_\_

Given by \_\_\_\_\_ Envelope # \_\_\_\_\_ Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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Your gift of Christmas poinsettias and altar arrangements will help beautify the church for the holidays, and will be a beautiful tribute to your loved ones, or a token of Thanksgiving for a blessing received. Please (Print) send to Alfreda Brockman or Clare Mae Daniels c/o St. Thomas Church, 6361 Lancaster Ave., Phila. Pa 19151 and include the information below.

**DEADLINE : MONDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2021**

Christmas Flower Donations

Please Print All Names. 5 names per plant.

I would like to place flowers on:  
the High Altar @ \$125.00.  
the Absalom Jones Altar @ \$85.00.  
the Columbarium @ \$45.00.  
Purchase a Poinsettia @ \$25.00.

A) In memory of \_\_\_\_\_

B) In Thanksgiving for \_\_\_\_\_

Given by \_\_\_\_\_

Envelope # \_\_\_\_\_ Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to donate towards the Christmas greenery (Any amount) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## **CHRISTMAS TREE ADOPTION**

Our Christmas Tree is up for adoption.

Donation is \$40.00.

List up to 10 loved ones. Please fill out the form below and return to Alfreda Brockman, Clare Mae Daniels St. Thomas Church, 6361 Lancaster Ave., Phila. PA 19151.

Please do not place in the collection plate.

**DEADLINE: MONDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2021**

Please circle one: In memory of or In Thanksgiving for.  
(PLEASE PRINT)

Given by \_\_\_\_\_ Envelope # \_\_\_\_\_

Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to donate towards the Christmas greenery.

(Any amount) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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## **THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION**

Have you been confirmed yet? The bishop will be making his visitation to St. Thomas in 2022. We are in the process of forming the Confirmation Class of 2022. Please contact Gladyce DuBrey in the Parish Office to add your name.



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The African Episcopal Church  
of  
St. Thomas  
Church School  
is

**BACK!**



Calling ALL AECST  
Students K-12, Parents and Teachers

WELCOME TO A NEW AND EXCITING YEAR  
OF ADVENTURE IN OUR CHRISTIAN JOURNEY  
- LEARNING AND LIVING THROUGH CHRIST

**KNOW JESUS.**

**CHANGE THE WORLD!**

**JOIN US**

**THE AECST CHURCH SCHOOL**

**EVERY SUNDAY AT NOON**

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED.

Please register using our AECST Church School Registration Link  
<https://forms.gle/nat7CGEYd7WNcS6X8>

Once you register, you will receive the Zoom link to attend.  
All parents and church school aged children  
are encouraged to attend.

If you need more information please contact  
Dottie Archey at 215-474-2815  
or you can send an email to  
[churchschool@aecst.org](mailto:churchschool@aecst.org) for more information.

## **WELCOME BACK VIRTUAL CHURCH SCHOOL!**

Church school will meet by ZOOM Sundays, at noon. You can still register your child using AECST Church School [Registration Link](#).

Once you register, you will receive the Zoom link to attend Church School. All parents and church school aged children are encouraged to attend. If you need more information please contact Dottie Archey at 215-474-2815 or you can send an email to [churchschool@aecst.org](mailto:churchschool@aecst.org) for more information.

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## **YOUR OPINION MATTERS!**

Hello! We want to provide the best possible Church School experience for the children of AECST. We desire to continue building a foundation of faith in our young people that they can take wherever God leads them.

AECST Church School would like to determine where best to direct our energy.

Please complete the short survey below to assist in this endeavor. Your feedback is very helpful to the ongoing Church School program at AECST. We want you and your child/children to love and cherish the program that is offered.

[Please click here for the survey.](#)

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## **SPEARHEAD EMAILS**

If you are not receiving the Spearhead emails, or have someone else you wish to receive, please visit

<http://eepurl.com/djyGiD> to subscribe. Your information will NEVER be shared or sold and you can **UNsubscribe** at anytime by following the instructions provided at the bottom of every email message.



**Register  
NOW!**



**AECST  
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**Wednesday, December 8, 2021, 7 - 8 PM**

**COVID Vaccine for Children:  
Facts and Misconceptions**

**A Discussion About Children (5 - 11 Years Old)  
Moderated By Mayla Henderson-Jackson**

**Panelists:**

**Lynn Starr, M.D.**

**Rochelle Teachey, M.D.**

**And Darryle Tillman, Pharm.D**

**Register in advance for this meeting:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYufu-rpzluGtzlOF1yAY4WjwX6LWHU6W5S>

**After registering, you will receive a confirmation email  
containing information about joining the meeting.**

**Dottie Archey**

**Church School Superintendent**



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# *The Bishop's Ball*

FOR YOUTH IN THE DIOCESE

Food, photo booths, and dancing will make this a night to remember. Come dressed to impress.

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The African Episcopal Church of St. Thomas  
Philadelphia

RSVP to [bivey@diopa.org](mailto:bivey@diopa.org)

5-9  
PM

## DAILY RECOMMENDED BIBLE READINGS

**Readings For  
The First Sunday of Advent  
November 28st**

First Reading: [Jeremiah 33: 14-16](#)  
[Psalm 25: 1-9](#)

Second Reading: [1 Thessalonians 3: 9-13](#)  
The Holy Gospel: [Luke 21: 25-36](#)

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### **Week of 11/29/2021**

Monday - [Luke 20: 1-8](#)

Tuesday - [Luke 20: 9-18](#)

Wednesday - [Luke 20: 19-26](#)

Thursday - [Luke 20: 27-40](#)

Friday - [Luke 20: 41-21:4](#)

Saturday - [Luke 21: 5-9](#)

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**The Second Sunday of Advent  
December 5th  
Men's Day**

First Reading: [Malachi 3: 1-4](#)  
[The Song of Zechariah](#)

Second Reading: [Philippians 1: 3-11](#)  
The Holy Gospel: [Luke 3: 1-6](#)

## UPCOMING SUNDAYS IN NOVEMBER/DECEMBER

**November 28th**

The First Sunday in Advent

**December 5th**

The Second Sunday in Advent

Men's Day - Theme "A Man for All Seasons"

**December 12th**

The Third Sunday in Advent (Rose Sunday)

**December 19th**

The Fourth Sunday in Advent

Church School Christmas Presentation



### **AECST BIBLE STUDY**

Tuesdays at 7:00 PM via Zoom.

if you are interested in joining a lively,  
interactive Bible Study group,

contact Fr. Jay via email at

[associatepriest@aecst.org](mailto:associatepriest@aecst.org)

to be included on our membership list.

You will receive the link and our weekly lesson plan  
to prepare in advance for the week's meeting.

## **THE ST. THOMAS GOSPEL CHOIR WANTS YOU!**

For the 14th year our St. Thomas Gospel Choir has been asked to join the Philly Pops Christmas Spectacular at The Kimmel Center for 8 shows and all are invited to join in!

Rehearsal dates are: Wednesday, November 10, 17 and 24. For further information please call 484-816-STGC (7842)

For tickets call: **215-893-1999** and use the code "Chorus" for the discount by phone or online only at [phillypops.org](http://phillypops.org).

*(This code can also be used for ANY future concerts presented by the POPS.)*

Concerts featuring: Scarlett Strallen, Vocalist

Hugh Panara, Vocalist

Charlie Albright, Guest Artist

The Philly POPS Festival Chorus

The Philadelphia Boys Choir and

The African Episcopal Church of St. Thomas Gospel Choir

### **Concert Dates and Times**

Friday, Dec. 3rd - Sold Out

Saturday, Dec. 4th - 3pm

Wednesday, Dec. 8th - 8pm

Friday, Dec. 10th - 3pm

Saturday, Dec. 11th - 3pm

Wednesday, Dec. 15th - 8pm

Friday, Dec. 17th - 3pm

Saturday, Dec. 18th - 3pm

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### **DO YOU PLAY A MUSICAL INSTRUMENT?**

Have you ever thought about using that talent to glorify God in worship? Please prayerfully consider joining our St. Thomas Jazz Ensemble. The Ensemble will offer musical selections for Christmas Eve Mass.

If interested, please contact Gladyce in the Parish Office ASAP to get details on upcoming scheduled rehearsals.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS WHO ARE:**

**IN THE HOSPITAL**

Leotta Griffith, Dorothy Smith, Kenneth Dow

**RECOVERING AT HOME**

Harold Yates, Alice Bowman-Cropper, Inez Turner.

**PLEASE KEEP IN PRAYER**

Suzanne Closson, Shirley Caldwell, Adinah Edwards, Shirley Winkfield, Robert Brown, Stephanie Williamson, Linda Holmes, Ridart "Butch" Farmer, Georgia Sawyer, Joan Hall, Rosalind Roberts Smalls, Dr. Thomas Snowden, Leatrice Snowden, Isadora "Gwen" Francis, Bernadine Abad Francina Norris.

**WE PRAY FOR**

those who are Incarcerated and their families, as well as those affected by their actions.



**ST. THOMAS COLUMBARIUM INURNMENT**

If you have a loved one who has passed away in the last year and would like to schedule a St. Thomas Columbarium Inurnment, please contact the church office at 215-473-3065.

## FROM THE RECTOR

Greetings My Dearest Sisters and Brothers,  
Grace and Peace to you.

Let me first express enormous gratitude to you for your commitment and dedication to stewardship. Because of your continued and amazing support during the past Pandemic year, we have been able to accomplish so much around our church in upgrades and beautification, both inside and outside.

As we look forward to coming out of the Pandemic, we can now further focus our attention and energies on Re-Imagining ministry. This will require your continued and increased support.

I ask that you, using the chart below to assist you, prayerfully fill out your 2022 Faithful Giving Card. Please place it in the offering plate, postal mail, or electronically use our Faithful Giving. [Pledge Form](#) on our website.

Again, thanks so much for your continued support to the ministries of our amazing parish.

“To whom much is given, much is required”. Luke 12:48

Faithfully,  
The Very Rev. Canon Martini Shaw,  
17th Rector and Dean  
of the Schuylkill Deanery

# A CHART TO ASSIST US WITH OUR FAITHFUL GIVING

Holy Scripture commends a minimum tithe of  
(10% of our earnings)

Where are you on your spiritual journey?  
Annual Faithful Giving

Yearly Income	2%	5%	10%
\$10,000.00	\$200.00	\$500.00	\$1,000.00
\$15,000.00	\$300.00	\$750.00	\$1,500.00
\$20,000.00	\$400.00	\$1,000.00	\$2,000.00
\$25,000.00	\$500.00	\$1,250.00	\$2,500.00
\$30,000.00	\$600.00	\$1,500.00	\$3,000.00
\$40,000.00	\$800.00	\$2,000.00	\$4,000.00
\$50,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$2,500.00	\$5,000.00
\$60,000.00	\$1,200.00	\$3,000.00	\$6,000.00
\$70,000.00	\$1,400.00	\$3,500.00	\$7,000.00
\$80,000.00	\$1,600.00	\$4,000.00	\$8,000.00
\$90,000.00	\$1,800.00	\$4,500.00	\$9,000.00
\$100,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$10,000.00
\$110,000.00	\$2,200.00	\$5,500.00	\$11,000.00
\$120,000.00	\$2,400.00	\$6,000.00	\$12,000.00
\$150,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$7,000.00	\$15,000.00
\$175,000.00	\$3,500.00	\$8,750.00	\$17,500.00
\$200,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$20,000.00



## **CAPITAL BUILDING IMPROVEMENT CAMPAIGN**

Thank you to all who have contributed to the fund. Everyone is asked to please make a minimum sacrificial gift of \$40 per month. Please use the envelope from your packet or place Building Fund in the Memo section of your check or click The Donation Button or Capital Improvement [Donation Button](#) on our website.

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## **IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM STEWARDSHIP**

The 2022 offering envelopes are now ready for you to pick up in Anderson Hall. If you're unable to pick them up on Sundays after church you may do so Monday through Friday from 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM. If you have a parishioner who lives near you who can't get to church, perhaps you can pick theirs up as well.

If you have moved and have not sent your new address to the church office, call 215-473-3065 or [email](#) us ASAP. The church has received many returned mailings because of bad addresses. We would appreciate your new address, phone number and email address. Thanks so much for your help.

You can now complete your pledge card by mail or on our website via the online [Pledge Form](#)

If you have decided to use the Givi App or [Online Giving Donations](#), please email me at [stewardship@aecst.org](mailto:stewardship@aecst.org) with your name and envelope number.

Thank you very much.

Judy Tillman, Stewardship Committee

## WAYS TO CONTINUE TO BE FAITHFUL TO GOD AND THE CHURCH THROUGH STEWARDSHIP

“To whom much is given, much is required.” Luke 12:48

1) Mail in your check or money order to the church.

Please use the following address:

The Historic African Episcopal Church of St. Thomas  
c/o Fiscal Administrator.

6361 Lancaster Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19151

2) Use the **Givi app**. If you don't already use the app and don't have an account, it's easy to obtain.

Please click the links below for the type of device you own to download the **givi app (givi IOS App)** for your Apple (iPhone, iPad, or iPod touch) or **(givi Android App)** for your Android device.

If you have any questions, please speak with **Deadra Cannon, 215-844-6115**.

3) Bring your check directly to the Parish Office during regular business hours. After business hours, drop your envelope in the door mail slot located on the front patio of the Absalom Jones House.

4) Church Website: <http://www.aecst.org/donations.htm>.

Simply select the button/s on the page that represents where you'd like your payment to be applied, i.e. your pledge, the AJ House, Easter, etc.

NOTE: please remember to enter your envelope number in the Customer ID field, if you are a member of St. Thomas when filling out your online giving information.

## **2022 FAITHFUL GIVING CARDS**

If you have not submitted your Faithful Giving Card, please place your card in the offering plate today.

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### **Thank you!**

To the following people who have submitted their 2022 Faithful Giving Cards.

#### **Clergy, Vestry, Auxiliary Vestry Leadership**

Fr. Martini Shaw

Fr. Gerald Collins

Ronnie Collins

Deadra Cannon

Albert Dandridge, Esq.

Clare Mae Daniels

Johanna Daye

Barry and Deborah Camp-Frye

Deborah Harrison

D. Lynn Joell

Kelvin & Pamela Johnson

Brenda Johnson Best

Frank Johnson

Richard Jones

Cynthia Muse

Jonathan Muse

Darryle & Judith Tillman

Judith Simkins Booth

## **Thank you!**

To the following people who have submitted their  
2022 Faithful Giving Cards.

Joyce Adams	Ted Bythewood
Patricia Akins	Shirley Caldwell
Constance Anderson	Cornelia Camp
Jeanne Arnold	Kevin Carter
Cedric Babb	Phyllis Cater
Paul Bach & Julie	Lynada Coleburn Bryant
Hergenrather	Terry Corson
Walter & Patricia Bantom	Gwendolyn Cottman
Terri Barber	Carl & Mary Dean
Brenda Battle	Elizabeth Derr
Catherine Bell	Dr. Rollo Dilworth
Susan Ben	Patrick and Musu Doe
Deborah Billups	Dr. Barbara Douglass
Deborah Booker-Matthews	William & Quincina Edmonds
Guy Booth	Lynette Edwards
I. Page Bowser	Rashid Faisal
Theresa Bramwell	Larry & Deidre Farmby
Conchetta Brewer	Loretta Fergueson
Lorita Brockington	Wendella Fox & Herb Wetzel
J.R. & Alfreda Brockman	Isadora (Gwen) Francis
Jean Brogden	Norman & Nikki Franke
Carmen Brown	Edita Gauthney
Robert and Jayne Brown	Elaine Gillison
Marilyn Brown	Barbara Glenn
Phyllis S. Brown	Swanie Goldsmith
William H. Brown, III	Christopher Golson
Sandra Bryant-Milller	Eugene & Marie Golson
Carmella Bullock	Clarice Grant
Sharon Cotton Bullock	Arlene Gray
William Burke	Linda Greaves

## **Thank you!**

To the following people who have submitted their  
2022 Faithful Giving Cards.

Austin Green	Reggie & Sherilynn Kimble
Carole Williams Green	Jurdina Koilor
Michelle Green	Paula Lamb
Thomasina Hack	Steven & Jameela Lewis
Joan P. Hall	Karen Leys
Stephen Hannum	Kimberly Lloyd
Sharon Lawrence Harper	Gwendolyn Langford
Roosevelt & Gail Harris	Nancy Conway Lee
Joyce Harrison	Monica Lewis Jones
Richard & Gwenda Hart	Adrienne Logan
Gregory Hayes	James Lowe, Jr.
Maurice Hays	Gegory Lyles
Rene Hayes	Constance Lyons
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