# 9th Episcopal District AME Church Sons of Allen 2024 Annual Men of Valor Conference



Theme: Learning from past experiences to be a better example!

Scripture: Romans 15: 4

# Saturday Worship Service March 16, 2024

# Saint John's

African Methodist Episcopal Church 807 Madison Ave, Montgomery, AL 36104

Brother Donnell Caffey, Host President
Reverend Roosevelt Williams, III, Host Pastor
Brother Kenneth Strong, Montgomery Selma District Coordinator
Brother Kenneth Strong, Alabama River Region Conference Coordinator
Brothers Terry Jones & Robert Turner, 9<sup>th</sup> District Coordinators
Presiding Elder Reverend Jacqueline L. Denson, Montgomery-Selma District
Reverend Sherita M. Seawright, Episcopal WMS Supervisor
Bishop Harry L. Seawright, Presiding Prelate Ninth Episcopal District

# Worship Leader, Brother Kenneth Strong Alabama River Region Conference Coordinator

**Doxology:** "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow" No. 647

Call to Worship: Brother Keith Houston, St. John's - Montgomery

LEADER: I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord!" Our feet have been standing within your gates, O Jerusalem!

PEOPLE: For a day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere. I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of wickedness.

LEADER: For the sake of the house of the Lord our God, I will seek your good.

PEOPLE: They are planted in the house of the Lord, they flourish in the courts of our God.

LEADER: O Lord, I love the habitation of your house, and the place where your glory dwells.

PEOPLE: But the Lord is in his holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before him.

LEADER: Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer.

PEOPLE: O sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things! Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all the earth, sing praises!

**Hymn of Praise:** "Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine" No. 450 Blessed Assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine! Heir of salvation, purchase of God, Born of His spirit, washed in His blood.

Perfect submission, perfect delight, visions of rapture now burst on my sight; Angels descending, bring from above Echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

Perfect submission, all is at rest; I in my Savior am happy and blest, Watching and waiting, looking above, Filled with His goodness, lost in His love.

Refrain: This is my story, this is my song, Praising my Savior all the day long; This is my story, this is my song, Praising my Savior all the day long.

**Prayer:** Brother Steve Phillips, Gains Chapel, Phenix City

Musical Selection: St. John's AME Church Men Choir

Scripture Reading: Reverend Kerry W Broadus, Sr., St. Mark - Brighton

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St. John's AME Church Men Choir

The Offering:

**Brothers Robert Turner & Terry Jones**9th Episcopal District Co-Coordinators

**Introduction of the Bishop:** 

Reverend Roosevelt Williams
St. John's - Montgomery

Sermonic Hymn:

"Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus"

No. 440

'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, Just to take Him at His word; Just to rest upon His promise, Just to know, "Thus saith the Lord."

O how sweet to trust in Jesus, Just to trust His cleansing blood; Just in simple faith to plunge me Neath the healing, cleansing flood!

Yes, 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus, Just from sin and self to cease; Just from Jesus simply taking Life and rest, and joy and peace.

I'm so glad I learned to trust Thee, Precious Jesus, Savior, friend; And I know that Thou art with me, Wilt be with me to the end.

Refrain: Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him! How I've proved Him o'er and o'er! Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! O for grace to trust Him more!

#### The Preached Word:

Bishop Harry L. Seawright

Invitation to Christian Discipleship: "Just As I Am, Without One Plea" No. 258

Presiding Elder Willie Eugene Marshall, Ozark Troy District

Just as I am, without one plea, But that Thy blood was shed for me, And that Thou bidst me come to Thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come!

Just as I am, and waiting not To rid my soul of one dark blot, To Thee whose blood can cleanse each spot, O Lamb Of God, I come, I come!

Just as I am, though tossed about With many a conflict, many a doubt, Fightings and fears within, without, O Lamb of God, I come!

Just as I am, Thou wilt receive, Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve; Because Thy promise I believe, O Lamb of God, I come, I come!

#### **Announcements & Closing Remarks:**

Benediction:

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