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Us...*

*The  
Observance of*

The Life and Ministry of  
THE REV. DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

Sunday, January 16, 2022

10:00 am

Speaker:

BRANDON BARKSDALE, AECST

WORSHIPPING WITH US:

JACK AND JILL OF AMERICA, INC.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MD CHAPTER (JJMCMC)

**If you are physically unable to attend,  
please join us virtually via our website, YouTube, or Facebook pages.**

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# THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

A Celebration of the Life and Legacy  
of The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Sunday, January 16, 2022

10:00 AM.



## 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.

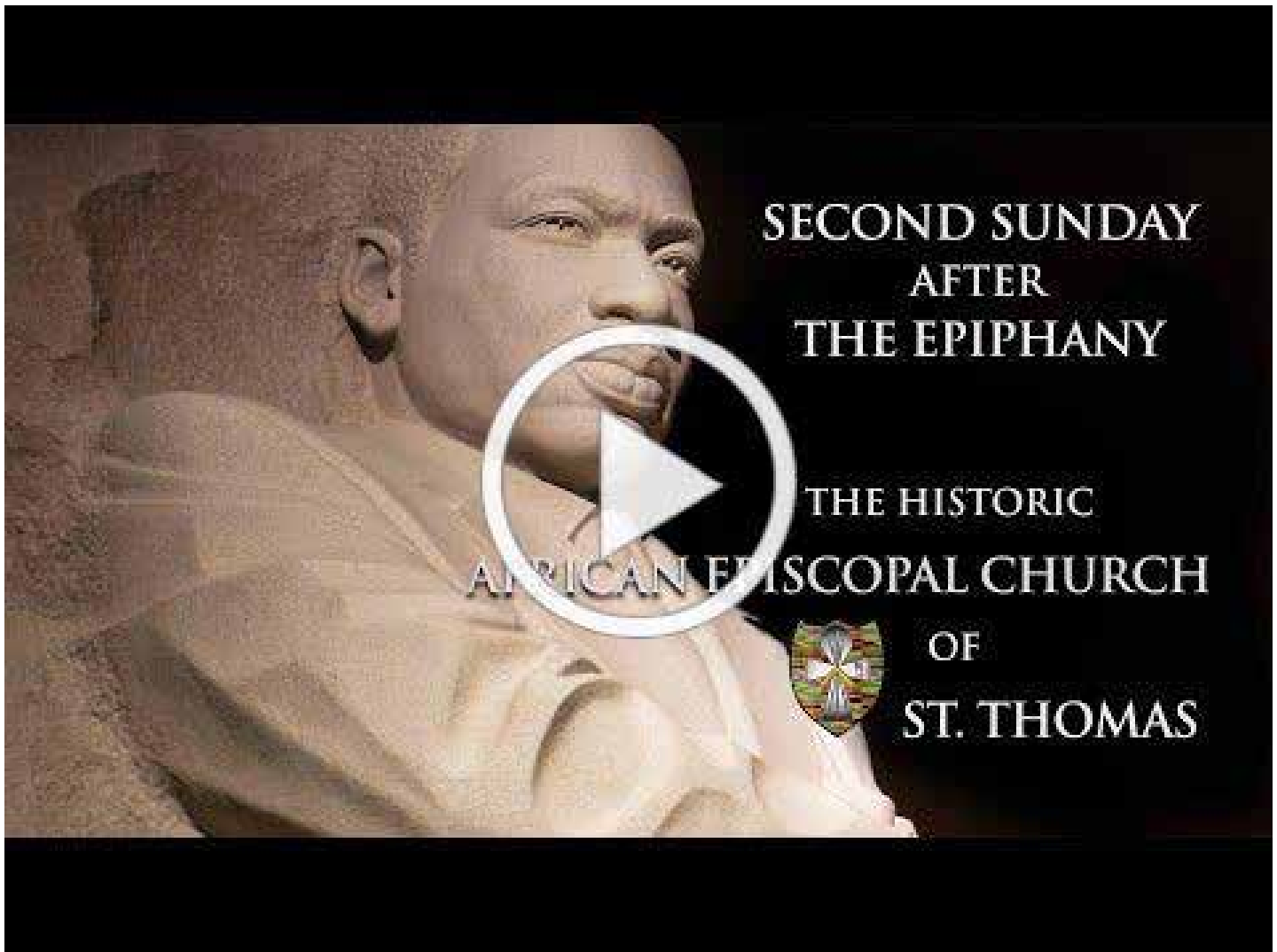
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## SAINT THOMAS IS OPEN FOR IN-PERSON SERVICE

Masks are **MANDATORY** for all in attendance. Hand sanitizer is 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.

Please click on the link provided for the [Order of Service](#) for today's service.

**AN INVITATION TO WORSHIP:  
Second Sunday after the Epiphany &  
“MLK, Jr. Observance”**



<https://youtu.be/y7Zj-Jp2zho>

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**AECST LIVE STREAM**

Please join us for Worship on the St. Thomas [website](#), the [Live Service](#), or on our Facebook [page](#) or [Youtube](#) every Sunday morning at 10:00am. You can also watch [Past Services](#).

## **“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

Grace and Peace to you from God on this The Second Sunday after the Epiphany:

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! May Jesus reveal himself to you during the Season of Epiphany.

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

## OUR GUESTS TODAY ARE FROM



**JACK AND JILL**  
of America, Inc.

### **Jack and Jill of America, Inc. Montgomery County, MD Chapter Jack and Jill of America, Inc.**

**Jack and Jill of America, Inc.** was founded January 24, 1938 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania by twenty Mothers under the leadership of Marion Stubbs Thomas. They came together to discuss creating an organization to provide social, cultural and educational opportunities for youth between the ages of 2 and 19. We are dedicated to nurturing future Leaders by supporting children through leadership development, volunteer service, philanthropic giving and civic duty. Jack and Jill is divided into more than 230 local chapters within 7 geographical regions in the United States.

#### **Montgomery County, Maryland Chapter**

In October 1962, the Jack and Jill of America, Montgomery County, MD Chapter (JJMCMC) was chartered with Henrietta Franklin as the chapter organizer. Over the years, JJMCMC has become an integral part of the Montgomery County, MD community, exposing children to educational and cultural opportunities, extolling the importance of community service, and helping them develop leadership skills and life-long friendships.

#### **JJMCMC Group V Annual Civil Rights History Tour**

JJMCMC Group V is comprised of mothers with children in middle school. Prior to COVID-19, during the MLK weekend for four consecutive years, Group V embarked on an annual Civil Rights History Tour to various locations to obtain rich cultural experiences in our African American history. Previous tours included trips to: Birmingham, Montgomery, and Selma, AL; New Orleans, LA; Memphis, TN; Gullah culture in Charleston and Johns Island, SC.

This year we are excited to continue this tradition with a visit to the birthplace of Jack & Jill and experience Philadelphia's deep African American history. Our tour includes visiting:

### **Museum of the American Revolution**

The museum uncovers and shares compelling stories about the diverse people and complex events that sparked America's ongoing experiment in liberty, equality, and self-government.

### **African American Museum in Philadelphia (AAMP)**

The African American Museum in Philadelphia is the first institution built by a major United States city to house and interpret the life and work of African Americans.

### **Johnson House Historic Site**

Johnson House sits right along Germantown Avenue and is Philly's only accessible and intact stop on the Underground Railroad.

### **Marian Anderson Historical Society & Museum**

A renowned opera singer of the 20th century, Marian Anderson called this three-story house her home in Philadelphia.

### **African Episcopal Church of St. Thomas (AECST)**

The first black Episcopal Church in the United States. Originally established as the African Church, The African Episcopal Church of St. Thomas was founded in 1792 by and for persons of African descent to foster personal and freedoms and self-determination.

JOIN US FOR A

# **free** COVID-19 VACCINE COMMUNITY CLINIC

To sign up text the word **READY** to the number below. You can also call the number.

The number is **267-263-7472**

## LOCATION:

**James Rhoads School**  
**4901 Parrish St**  
**Philadelphia, PA 19139**

## DATE:

**Monday, January 17**

## HOURS:

**11am-2pm**

Pfizer, Moderna, and J&J vaccines will be available including the vaccine for ages 5-11! Booster shots available for ages 12+!

Getting vaccinated is one of the best ways to protect yourself and your loved ones from COVID-19!

### Who qualifies for the vaccine?

All individuals age 5+ are eligible to receive Pfizer. Individuals must be age 18+ to get the Moderna or J&J vaccine.



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The Community.**

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# **free** COVID-19 VACCINE COMMUNITY CLINIC

To sign up text the word **READY** to the number below. You can also call the number.

The number is **267-263-7618**

## LOCATION:

**Overbrook High School  
5898 Lancaster Ave  
Philadelphia, PA 19131**

## DATE:

**Monday, January 17**

## HOURS:

**11am-2pm**

Pfizer, Moderna, and J&J vaccines will be available including the vaccine for ages 5-11! Booster shots available for ages 12+!

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## ALTAR FLOWERS

To order flowers, please return the form with payment to  
Alfreda Brockman or Clare Mae Daniels.

(Please **do not** place in the collection plate or give to the  
church office). Thank you

I would like to place flowers:

\_\_ on the High Altar - \$60.00

\_\_ on the Absalom Jones Altar - \$50.00

\_\_ on the Columbarium - \$40.00

(Please PRINT)

a) In Memory of \_\_\_\_\_ b) In Thanksgiving for \_\_\_\_\_

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

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### SPEARHEAD EMAILS

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

[https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/su/uKQiY6t/](https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/su/uKQiY6t/spearheadsignup)

[spearheadsignup](https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/su/uKQiY6t/spearheadsignup) 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.

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## A FEW QUOTES AND PARAPHRASES ON “VIRTUAL WORSHIP”

“Virtual and live stream worship have been, and will continue to be, a blessing to the church. However, by no means can it substitute coming and physically receiving the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist (Communion).”  
(Fr. Martini Shaw’s recent Homily)

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“Online Masses and Spiritual Communion do not represent the church. The faithful not gathered to receive the Sacraments is not the church. Jesus’ disciples always lived their relationship with the Lord in Community. They gathered, around the sacrament, at the same table, as a sign of community”. (Pope Francis’ recent message)

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“If you are unable to receive the Sacrament, by reasons of extreme sickness or physical disability; or when being present at a celebration is absolutely impossible, it is possible to open yourself to God’s grace and blessing”.  
(Episcopal Church Book of Common Prayer).

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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.

### **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.



**May I Have  
Your  
Attention  
Please**

**ATTENTION ALL GUILDS,  
MINISTRIES AND  
ORGANIZATION PRESIDENTS:**

The Annual Parish Meeting  
is Sunday, **February 27, 2022.**

Please have end of the Year  
Reports submitted for the

Annual Parish Meeting no later than **February 14, 2022.**

Your 2021 reports should be 1 (one) page and include:

Officers, Your vision, 2021 activities and meetings, plans  
for Re-Imagining in 2022 and any other information you  
would like to share. Please send to Gladyce at:

1792@aecst.org. The deadline for reports is:

Monday, **February 14, 2022.**

During the Annual Meeting, selections will be made for  
Vestry, Auxiliary Vestry, Schuylkill Deanery and Delegates  
to the Diocesan Convention. Nominations will be accepted  
**December 20, 2021** through **January 23, 2021.** Nominee's  
bios will be in the Newsletter on January 30, 2022.

Nominees should be available for Vestry Meetings on the  
3rd Thursday evening of each month.

They must also:

1. Be 18 years of age or older.
2. Have been a member of St. Thomas a minimum of  
nine (9) months prior to their nomination and
3. Paid their 2021 pledge in full by December 31st, 2021.

For information about nominating someone, please  
contact one of the members of the nominating committee  
at the email link below:

**[Richard Jones](#), [Deborah Camp-Frye](#) or [Cynthia Muse](#).**

## **VIRTUAL CHURCH SCHOOL**

Church school will meet by ZOOM on Sundays at noon. 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 [Dottie Archey](mailto:Dottie.Archey@stthomasparish.org) for more information.

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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.

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## **NEW MEMBERS/ CONFIRMATION CLASS**

Attention All New Members Adults and Youth: Have you been confirmed yet? The bishop will be making his Visitation to St. Thomas in 2022. Classes will begin **Monday, February 14th at 7pm**. They will be Zoom classes facilitated by Fr. Shaw and Fr. Jay. There are eight(8) meetings before the Bishop's visit We are in the process of forming a New Member / Confirmation Class of 2022. Please contact Gladyce DuBrey in the Parish Office to add your name. More information coming.

## **DAILY RECOMMENDED BIBLE READINGS**

Readings For  
The Second Sunday after the Epiphany  
**January 16th**

First Reading: [Isaiah 62:1-5](#)

[Psalm 36:5-10](#)

Second Reading: [1 Corinthians 12:1-11](#)

The Holy Gospel: [John 2:1-11](#)

The Third Sunday after the Epiphany  
**January 23rd**

First Reading: [Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10](#)

[Psalm 19](#)

Second Reading: [1 Corinthians 12:12-31a](#)

The Holy Gospel: [Luke 4:14-21](#)

### **Week of 1/17/2022**

Monday - [Mark 3:7-19a](#)

Tuesday - [Mark 3:19b-35](#)

Wednesday - [Mark 4:1-20](#)

Thursday - [Mark 4:21-34](#)

Friday - [Mark 4:35-41](#)

Saturday - [Mark 5:1-20](#)

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## UPCOMING SUNDAYS IN JANUARY

### January 16th

Observance of the Life and Ministry  
of the Rev. Dr. Martin L. King, Jr  
Speaker: Brandon Barksdale

### January 23rd

Church School / Youth Adult Sunday

### January 30th

Health Ministry Sunday  
First Sunday Morning Ministry and appearance  
of our St. Thomas Voices of Comfort Choir

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### AECST BIBLE STUDY WITH FR. JAY

Tuesday Evening Bible Study will resume via Zoom at 7:00PM. If you are interested in joining a lively, interactive Bible study group, contact Fr. Jay via email/ [associate-priest@aecst.org](mailto:associate-priest@aecst.org) to be included on our membership list serve. You will receive the Zoom link and our weekly lesson plan to prepare – in advance - for the week's meeting.

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

### **IN THE HOSPITAL**

Leatrice Snowden - Abramson Rehab.

### **RECOVERING AT HOME**

Inez Turner, Edita Gauthney, Dorothy Smith, Kenneth Dow, Leotta Griffith. Alice Bowman-Cropper.

### **PLEASE KEEP IN PRAYER**

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, Isadora "Gwen" Francis, Francina Norris.

### **WE PRAY FOR**

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

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Our condolences to Audrey and Michael Pyles (and family) on the death of her husband, **Warren Pyles** (Michael's father). There will be a viewing on January 19, 2022, 10-11am service to follow at the Clarence Johnson Funeral Home, 805 Longacre Blvd., Yeadon PA, 19050. May the soul of Warren rest in peace and rise in eternal glory. Please pray for the family.

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### **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.

## STEWARDSHIP NEWS

### FROM THE RECTOR

You should have received your Third Quarter Statement of the Stewardship year. I am urging everyone to please assure that your 2021 Pledge is current. If you have questions, please contact the Fiscal Administrator, Jeanette Jeffrey in the Fiscal Office from 9:30 AM-2:00 PM Monday -Thursday. Thanking you in advance for the many ways that you share your Time, Talents and Treasures toward the ministries of St. Thomas Church.

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

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### 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](#).



# 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

## **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.

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.

If you have moved and have not sent your new address to the church office at 215-473-3065 or email, please do so 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 with this.

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) Sunday Offering Plate
- 2) Mail in your check or money order to the church.  
Please use the following address:  
The African Episcopal Church of St. Thomas  
c/o Fiscal Administrator.  
6361 Lancaster Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19151
- 3) 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**.
- 4) 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.
- 5) Church website - **[Online Giving](#)**  
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.

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

Walter & Patricia Bantom

Judith Simkins Booth

Conchetta Brewer

William Burke

Sharon Cotton Bullock

Ronnie Collins

Deadra Cannon

Albert Dandridge, Esq.

Clara Mae Daniels

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Barry and Deborah Camp-Frye

Deborah Harrison

Linda Holmes

D. Lynn Joell

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Frank Johnson

Kelvin & Pamela Johnson

Richard Jones

Gregory Lyles

Cynthia Muse

Jonathan Muse

Darryle & Judith Tillman

Ingrid Bernadette Wyche

## 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
Michael & Dorothy Archey	Kevin Carter
Jean Armstrong	Phyllis Cater
Jeanne Arnold	Suzanne Closson
Cedric Babb	Lynada Coleburn Bryant
Paul Bach & Julie Hergenrather	Tracy Collins, MD
Natasha Bagwell	Terry Corson
Terri Barber	Gwendolyn Cottman
Ola Bass	Andrea Cummings
Brenda Battle	Carl & Mary Dean
Catherine Bell	Elizabeth Derr
Susan Ben	Dr. Rollo Dilworth
Deborah Billups	Patrick and Musu Doe
Deborah Booker-Matthews	Dr. Barbara Douglass
Guy Booth	Andrew & Lisa-Renee Dumas
Ricardo Bostic	William & Quincina Edmonds
I. Page Bowser	Adinah Edwards
Theresa Bramwell	Lynette Edwards
Lorita Brockington	Roy & Patricia Ellison
J.R. & Alfreda Brockman	Rashid Faisal
Jean Brogden	Larry & Deidre Farmby
Carmen Brown	Loretta Fergueson
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Marilyn Brown	Wendella Fox & Herb Wetzel
Phyllis S. Brown	Isedora (Gwen) Francis Norman
Robert and Jayne Brown	& Nikki Franke
William H. Brown, III	Edita Gauthney
Sandra Bryant-Milller	Elaine Gillison
Carmella Bullock	Barbara Glenn

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2022 Faithful Giving Cards.

Swanie Goldsmith	Robert Hugh
Christopher Golson	Dr. Diana H. Hutchins
Eugene & Marie Golson	Kim Hyde
Clarice Grant	Donald & Patricia Hunt
Arlene Gray	Diann Jacox
Linda Greaves	Simone Jeffers
Austin Green	Bobby Johnson
Carole Williams Green	Jenelle Wilson Johnson
Michelle Green	Lemont Johnson
Leotta Griffith	Sheryl Johnson
Tyrone & Teleia Gunby	Vernetta Johnston
Thomasina Hack	Bettie Jones
Joan P. Hall	Clarence Jones
Stephen Hannum	Donna Jones
Sharon Lawrence Harper	Kelly & Tracy Jones
Leslie Harris	Mary Ann Jones
Roosevelt & Gail Harris	Robert & Joyce Jones
Walter & Nicole Harris	Sheila Jones
Joyce Harrison	Tyrone Keller
Richard & Gwenda Hart	J. Reggie & Sherilynn Kimble
Gregory Hayes	Jurdina Koilor
Maurice Hays	Kathleen Lacey
Rene Hayes	Paula Lamb
Denise McDaniel Henderson	Gwendolyn Langford
Quentin Heyward	Nancy Conway Lee
Erica Hill-Yates	Louise Lewis
Angela Holloway	Steven & Jameela Lewis
Karl Holloway	Monica Lewis-Jones
Patricia Holmes	Karen Leys
Merle Hopson	Kimberly Lloyd
Fleta Howell	Adrienne Logan

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2022 Faithful Giving Cards.

C. Adjoa Love-Dorsey	Dolores Redmond
James Lowe, Jr.	Clarence Rice
Winston Lowe	Caryn Rivers
Patricia Lynch	Victoria Rivers
Constance Lyons	Rosalind Roberts Smalls
Sheila McCullough	Rosalind Rodriguez
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Denise McKinney-Gibson	Sandra Rushin
Regina Meacham-Devero	Mercedes Sadler
William Meek	Dr. Barbara Savage
Deidre Milanes	Georgia Sawyer
Jann Minor	Richard & Rebecca Scales
Colin Mitchell	Lois Schmidt
Donald Moore & Dorothy	Deborah Seay
Roberts	Stephanie Seay
Elsie Moto	Gordon & Gloria Sedziafa
B. Mueni Mwanzia	Leah Sheppard
Vincent & Lisa Napoleon	Arlene Singletary
Lisa New	Velva Smalls
Francina Norris	William Smalls
Deborah Otey	Anita Smith
Samuel & Deidre Patterson	Catherine Stafford
Andrea Petrocelli-Fields	H. Lynn Starr
Kim Phillips	Irving Stevenson
Mary Ann Phillips	Joseph Stevenson
Simone Polland	Joyce Stewart
Stephen Pugh	Shelly & Ann Stewart
Audrey Pyles	Brandon & Rashanda Stiff
Karen Ragland	Art & Michelle Sudler

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2022 Faithful Giving Cards.

Carolyn Summers	Karen Vaughn
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Linda Tapper Smith	Barbara Wiley
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Rosita Taylor	R. Seth Williams
Teri Taylor	Dorothy Willis
Gloria Thomas	Arleatha Wilson
Calvin Thompson	Lorna Wilson
Teri Tillman	Charlene Wiltshire
Harold Townsend III	Denise Wing
Arnott Trotman	Diane Wilkfield
Justin & Lee Anne Trotman	Shirley Winkfield
Louise Trotman	Edgar Wise
Elizabeth Trulear	Wanda Wood
Gladys Tucker	Lisa Woodley
Howard Tucker	Paula Wright
Joe Tucker & Alycia Horn	Harold Yates
Inez Turner	Elaine Young
Robin Vann-Lynch	





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The African Episcopal Church of Saint Thomas is a Christ-centered community that welcomes all people. This community embraces and executes the core values of our founder, the Reverend Absalom Jones: leadership, morality, spirituality, equal rights, education, liberty, charity, justice, humanitarianism, self-determination, self-respect, and freedom.

St. Thomas is an open, Christ-centered community of faith in which the Gospel is taught, lived and spread.

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