

First Gethsemane Baptist Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, February 18, 2024 at 10:10am

Dr. Joshua A. Harris, Sr., Pastor

Throwback Sunday

Call to Worship.....Rev. Wanda Mitchell Smith

Scripture (Litany).....Rev. JoAn McClendon

PrayerDea. Richard Price

Praise & Worship.....1st G Choir

Video Announcements / Pastoral Observations

The Passing of the Peace

Selection.....1st G Choir

Sermon.....Pastor Joshua A. Harris, Sr.

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

Offertory Appeal

Welcome Visitors

Lord's Supper / Communion

Benediction.....Pastor Joshua A. Harris, Sr.

WAYS TO GIVE

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First Gethsemane
Church
PO Box 21872
Louisville, KY 40221

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Baptist Church"

In-Person on Sundays



A trustee will be at the
church from 9am –
12pm on Sundays for
you to drop-off your
tithe or offerings.

Church Announcements

Prayer Requests:

- Continue to pray for all of our bereaved families as well as those on our prayer list:
- Our community and the senseless shootings that have occurred just this past week.

Other Announcements:

- Our Black Marketplace Expo will be held next month on Feb. 25. Any persons interested in showcasing their business, please see Dea. Larry Harper. SPREAD THE WORD!
- SAVE THE DATE for the next “Women at the Well” Bible Study on Saturday, March 2nd at 10am.
- Greeters & Ushers will have an in-person meeting on Saturday, Feb. 24 at 12pm. Asking all Greeters, Ushers and those who want to be a part of either of these ministries, please plan to attend.
- Tickets for the Retirement Celebration for Rev. Bush will go on sale next Sunday. Asking for \$50 per person. Just as he has been a blessing to us, we want to be a blessing to him.
- The Asclepius Initiative (pronounced: uh·sklee·pee·uhs) is hosting a FREE VIRTUAL event to help you better understand the medical bills you receive and how to catch any costly errors on Tuesday, February 27th at 7pm. For more information, see Rev. Wanda Mitchell Smith.
- “Wrapped in Books!” Book Drive for Infants, Toddlers, and Preschoolers at the Teenage Parent Program/TAPP. This is a collaborative partnership with Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.
- We will be collecting books thru Sunday March 17. The collection box is located in the Welcome Center. Please reach out to Sis Bridges if you have any questions.
- Make sure to pick up your 2024 Vision Forward booklet after the service concludes from the ushers. Inside, you'll find crucial information and updates that will help you stay connected with our plans and activities for the year ahead.
- Graduating Seniors - Applications for the Eleanor Hutchinson Scholarship are available at the Tech Table and on our website. Due date is May 19 at midnight. Be sure to pick one up
- (1st G Inspires) - CONGRATULATIONS to Sis. Dana Price for being selected as 1 of 47 women to participate in the prestigious Alice Houston Women's Leadership Class of 2024! The program is designed to accelerate and sustain the growth of mid-level women leaders into positions of influence! For the next 6 months, these women will dive deeper into skills such as strategic problem-solving, effective communication, how to drive change and result
- We want to make you aware of multiple bills currently passing through the Kentucky State Legislature. These bills specifically target the homeless, the poor, JCPCS, the elderly, and low-income housing with the intended effect of rolling back the clock to the 1950s and erasing the gains made by our people. encourage your congregations to contact their Senate and House representatives to express their opposition to these bills. We believe the combined efforts of our congregations will not be so easily dismissed. When you leave today, you will receive a handout with information about these bills and how we can collectively respond so our voice is heard.

Passing of the Peace/ Fellowship Period - This is where we greet our neighbors with a smile, take a selfie and share it on social media using the hashtag #reIMAGINE1stG



FIRST GETHSEMANE
CHURCH

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

FEBRUARY 2024

THEMED SUNDAY'S

FEB
4TH

GREEK/COLLEGE SUNDAY
(Represent your BGLO or College)

FEB
11TH

"SUPER SOUL SUNDAY"
(Represent your favorite Sports Team)

FEB
18TH

THROWBACK SUNDAY
(Traditional Sunday's Best Attire)

FEB
25TH

HERITAGE SUNDAY
(Wear your African Attire)



The BLACK MARKET PLACE EXPO

Sunday February 25th
12-3pm

1221 FIRST GETHSEMANE AVE 40208

Vendor tables available for \$50



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LENTEN SERMON SERIES

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WORSHIP EXPERIENCE

GROW with Us

ON CAMPUS AND ONLINE

SUNDAY SCHOOL @ 9 AM

SUNDAY WORSHIP @ 10:10 AM

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS TOGETHER @ 6:30 PM

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February is Heart Health Month!

It's Cooking Time

Join us for a Slow Cooking Class
on Tuesday 2/27 from 5-6:30p

Email Director@1stgcfcd.org to
reserve a spot.

Frist 15 families represented will
receive a free slow cooker at the
end of the class



LINE DANCING LESSONS

Instructor: Loretta Gillenwater



Thursdays 6-8pm
1221 First Gethsemane Ave

Church Announcements

1st G presents

RETIREMENT

Celebration

27 years of Service

Friday, March 22, 2024

7:00 P.M. - 11:00 P.M.

First Gethsemane Baptist Church
1159 Algonquin Pkwy, Louisville, KY 40208
(in the Newly Renovated 1st G Worship Center)



For Rev.
Keith A. Bush, Sr.

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LENT 2024 GUIDE



THE ROAD TO THE RESURRECTION

WHAT IS LENT?

This year Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 14th and concludes on Holy Saturday, March 30th. Lent is 40 days long, not including Sundays.

Significant Days

- Ash Wednesday (February 14th)
- Palm Sunday (March 24th),
- Holy Week (March 24th-March 30th),
- Maundy Thursday (March 28th),
- Good Friday (March 29th),
- Holy Saturday (March 30th),
- Easter Sunday (March 31st)

WHAT IS THE MEANING OF LENT?

Lent invites us to make our hearts ready for remembering Jesus' passion and celebrating Jesus' resurrection. Although a solemn time, it is also a hopeful, expectant time of prayer and fasting before acknowledging/celebrating Jesus' death and then His subsequent defeat of sin and the grave on Easter.

This is a period of time where we can strive to abandon idolatry (which is putting anything in our lives above God) as well as the "self-sufficiency" of our ego, and to acknowledge our need of the Lord and his mercy.

The Lenten season is set aside for self-examination, spiritual renewal, and growth.

F.A.S.T.

- **FORGO** an item or habit, sacrificially, that is part of your normal routine. (Ex. Fried foods, alcoholic beverages, social media, etc.)
- **ADOPT** a new spiritual discipline that will enhance your quality of life. (Ex. Therapy, meditation, exercise, solitude, etc.)
- **STRENGTHEN** your devotional life by setting aside at least 30 minutes per day for prayer and reflection.
- **TREASURE** sharing is a critical theme in the Lenten season. Be disciplined in your spending, save, and set aside a sacrificial offering above and beyond your normal giving and give it on Easter Sunday.

CORPORATE PRAYER SCHEDULE

Times/Conference Call Schedule

- Every Wednesday at 8 AM
- Every day of Holy Week
- Sunday March 24th at 8 pm
- Monday, March 25th -Saturday, March 30th at 8 am

Conference Call Information

Dial (267) 807-9598 Enter Access Code: 481-771-646

To listen to the recording Dial (267)807-9599 Access Code: 481-771-646

ADDITIONAL OBSERVATIONS

Please Note that during the Lenten Season we will be abstaining from meat on Ash Wednesday and every Friday of Lent. Fish is allowed during this time!

LENT BIBLE READING PLAN

(40 DAYS not counting Saturdays)

This Lent reading plan walks through each of the four Gospels during the Lent season. What better way to prepare for Easter than to read the complete story of Jesus' birth, life, death and resurrection?

- DAY 1 MATTHEW 1-3
- DAY 2 MATTHEW 4-6
- DAY 3 MATTHEW 7-9
- DAY 4 MATTHEW 10-MATTHEW 12
- DAY 5 TAKE A BREAK
- DAY 6 MATTHEW 13-MATTHEW 14
- DAY 7 MATTHEW 15-MATTHEW 16
- DAY 8 MATTHEW 17-MATTHEW 18
- DAY 9 MATTHEW 19-MATTHEW 20
- DAY 10 MATTHEW 21-MATTHEW 22
- DAY 11 MATTHEW 23-MATTHEW 24
- DAY 12 TAKE A BREAK

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- DAY 41 JOHN 13-JOHN 14
- DAY 42 JOHN 15-JOHN 16
- DAY 43 JOHN 17-JOHN 18
- DAY 44 JOHN 19-JOHN 20
- DAY 45 JOHN 21
- DAY 46 1 CORINTHIANS 15
- DAY 47 IT'S EASTER!

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- DAY 13 MATTHEW 25-MATTHEW 26
- DAY 14 MATTHEW 27-MATTHEW 28
- DAY 15 MARK 1-MARK 3
- DAY 16 MARK 4-MARK 6
- DAY 17 MARK 7-MARK 9
- DAY 18 MARK 10-MARK 12
- DAY 19 TAKE A BREAK
- DAY 20 MARK 13-MARK 14
- DAY 21 MARK 15-MARK 16
- DAY 22 LUKE 1-LUKE 3
- DAY 23 LUKE 4-LUKE 6
- DAY 24 LUKE 7-LUKE 9
- DAY 25 LUKE 10-LUKE 12
- DAY 26 TAKE A BREAK

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- DAY 27 LUKE 13-LUKE 14
- DAY 28 LUKE 15-LUKE 16
- DAY 29 LUKE 17-LUKE 18
- DAY 30 LUKE 19-LUKE 20
- DAY 31 LUKE 21-LUKE 22
- DAY 32 LUKE 23-LUKE 24
- DAY 33 TAKE A BREAK
- DAY 34 JOHN 1-JOHN 2
- DAY 35 JOHN 3-JOHN 4
- DAY 36 JOHN 5-JOHN 6
- DAY 37 JOHN 7-JOHN 8
- DAY 38 JOHN 9-JOHN 10
- DAY 39 JOHN 11-JOHN 12
- DAY 40 TAKE A BREAK

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evolve502 COMMUNITY & FAMILY NIGHTS

Join Evolve502 and partners for a new event series aimed at bringing the community together and learning how to engage with local resources and child enrichment programs.

Each event will be from 6-7:30 p.m. at First Gethsemane Church/Center for Family Development.

Monthly activities include:

- A discussion with local groups sharing information about community resources
- Enrichment activities for kids while adults attend the resource sessions.
- FREE FAMILY DINNER!



Register here using the QR code!

**FEB
08**

Enrichment: Kids View
Food: Kezzy's Catering
Speaker: LMG Office of Philanthropy

- The Louisville Metro Government Office of Philanthropy will discuss their early learning initiative, as well as other community programs.

**MAR
07**

Enrichment: Jerald Smith Science
Food: Lucretia's Kitchen
Speaker: Everybody Counts

- Everybody Counts will present information about the opportunities they offer to graduating seniors through various partnerships.

**APR
04**

Enrichment: The Little Loomhouse
Food: Bearno's
Speaker: Jefferson County Public Schools

- JCPS will provide information that is applicable to parents and families of students of various ages.

Questions? Email nataliew@evolve502.org

Hosted by Evolve502, Everybody Counts, and First Gethsemane CFD

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NEED A RIDE TO CHURCH!



Call or Text the church office at (502)635-7906 by Friday at 4pm

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EVENT SPACE FOR RENT

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TODAY**

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**“TO GROW PEOPLE IN CHRIST
THAT WILL GROW PEOPLE FOR CHRIST”**



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WORSHIP TIMES

SUNDAY SCHOOL: 9:00 AM
SUNDAYS @ 10:10 AM
KIDZ ZONE @ 10:10 AM

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BIBLE STUDY:

WEDNESDAYS @ 6:30 PM
SWEET HOUR OF PRAYER:
THURSDAYS @ 12:00 PM