



The Abyssinian Baptist Church

Founded 1808 • Erected 1923

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Reverend
Dr. Calvin O. Butts, III
Pastor

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“To all those who enter here: Be thoughtful, be silent, be reverent. Before the service, speak to God. During the service, let God speak to you. After the service, speak to others.

9:00 AM

11:30 AM Reverend Dr. Calvin O. Butts, III

Prelude

9:00 AM

11:30 AM Thomas Wright, Jr., Organist
LaFredrick Coaxner, Conductor

Call to Worship

Leader: Who may ascend to hill of the Lord? Who shall stand in His Holy place?

People: Those who have clean hands and a pure heart; who have not lifted up their souls unto vanity.

Leader: Lift up your heads, O ye gates and be ye lifted up ye everlasting doors

People: We lift up the gates of our souls, we open the closed doors of our minds that the King of Glory may come in.

Leader: Who is the King of Glory?

People: The God who lifts us out of the pits of destruction, despair, and confusion; the God who places our feet on a rock to stand.

Leader: As we gather around this baptismal water, we give God thanks for being the glory and lifter of our heads.

All: We give you praise, O God, for the gift of new beginnings, new possibilities, and new life. Amen.

The Lord’s Prayer

Processional *“Blessed Assurance”*

#508

Invocation and Chant

Responsive Reading *“Baptism”*

#59

Gloria Patri

Prayer and Choral Response

“If I Can’t Say a Word”
arr. Donald Lawrence
Soloist: Michael Adams, tenor

Anthem

9:00 AM

11:30 AM The Inspirational Voices of Abyssinian

“Thank You Jesus” Raymond Wise

Pastoral Emphasis

Scripture

Meditation

9:00 AM

11:30 AM The Inspirational Voices of Abyssinian

“God Believes in You” Ted Winn
Soloist: John Stanley, tenor

Sermon and Invitation

Invitational

Offertory:

Offertory Sentences & Selections

9:00 AM

11:30 AM The Inspirational Voices of Abyssinian

“Just As Soon” Beverly Crawford
Soloist: Eunice Newkirk

Doxology

Offertory Prayer

Baptism

Recessional *“Sign Me Up”*

#192

Benediction and Amen

Postlude

BIBLE STUDY • NEW MEMBERS CLASS • PRAYER • BABY BLESSING

Sunday Morning Praying Band – Sundays - 7:00 AM

Sunday Morning Bible Study – 8:45 AM

Monday Afternoon Bible Class – 12:00 PM

Wednesday Mid-Week Manna Service – 7:00 PM

NEW MEMBERS CLASS SCHEDULE • Meets Sundays, 8:30 AM | Blue Room

Class #1 *At the Cross: Jesus and Salvation – February 4*

Class #2 *Faith Foundations: Baptist Polity and Practices – February 11*

Class #3 *The Abyssinian Baptist Church: Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow – February 18*

Class #4 *Giving God Our Best: Worship & Stewardship – January 28*

BABY BLESSINGS

Babies are blessed on the 2nd Sunday of each month in the 11:30 AM worship service.

Parents who wish to have their baby blessed at Abyssinian must attend the Baby Blessing Class. For details/registration, contact Min. Pamela D. Mason, 212.862.7474 Ext. 204. **Next Class: Wednesday, February 14th.**

PRAYER REQUESTS

Members Sick/Shut-In, Recovering • *Aby members Cliff Berry, Ruby McNeal, Ann Sheriff (mother, Martha Nichols), Harriet Harrison (sister), Shelley Westbrook Lassiter, Claudine Rucker, Tom Stevens (homebound), Deacon Eugene Zambouri, Deacon Douglas Solomon, former Trustee Rich Mitchell, Deborah Young (daughter of Aby member, Marcella Maxwell), Rose Hilton (sister-in-law of Aby member, Estelle Hilton Khanna), sister of Deacon Paul Brady, Angelina May, Deaconess Barbara Hines, Rev. Lillian Brown Gold, Deacon Oscar West (father of Ron West), Thomas Bush (mother), Aby Deaconesses Bernice Fife, Jessie Green, Ayikailey Jackson, Mattie Copeland and Olga Dais; Elizabeth Jackson (Kings Harbor Nursing Home, Bx), Ernestine Burgess, Bernice Hardy (Mother of Trustee Board Chair, Alexis Thomas), Dorothy Drayton, E. Denise Perry.*

Bereavement • *The Canaan Baptist Church of Christ Family (passing of former pastor, Reverend Dr. Wyatt Tee Walker), Deaconess Ayanna Zambouri (elder brother, George Albert Smith), Family of the late Mamie Norman, Julius Brown (mother, Aby member Marva Tarrant), Carla Ransom (grandmother, Parthena Mims), Susann Thomas (friend of 50 years, Cynthia Fischer), Deaconess Geraldine Marche (sister), Juanita Jones (Husband, Aby member Cecil Jones), Harriet Harrison (mother and mother-in-law), Pam Owens (father), Gerard Garvin (mother).*

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

To my Pastor, Reverend Dr. Calvin O. Butts III, Ministers, the Official Boards, Naomi Graham, Church Staff and our Abyssinian Baptist Church Family – My family and I would like to express our sincerest gratitude for your thoughtfulness, prayers, and support during the passing of my sister, Lucille Barnes. Your kind expressions of sympathy and gestures of love are deeply appreciated. Please continue to keep our family in prayer. God bless. ~ *Deaconess Geraldine Marche & Family*

To Reverend Dr. Calvin O. Butts, III and my Abyssinian Baptist Church family – My family and I wish to thank everyone for their support and assistance in the passing of our sister, Thelma Cynthia Palmer-Robinson. Your kind expressions of love and gestures were greatly appreciated. May God bless each of you. ~ *Nathan Palmer*



PROGRESS ON THE ABYWEST COMMUNITY CENTER CONTINUES

We continue to make progress on the AbyWest Community Center AND the excitement continues to mount as this amazing effort moves closer to fruition.

WE want you to BECOME a part of THIS Abyssinian legacy BY HELPING US launch our newest initiative towards raising the next \$8 million. TO FIND OUT HOW, visit the AbyWest Development Committee in the lobby following Sunday worship service.

We are grateful for your support and ask you TO HELP US REACH OUR \$12 MILLION GOAL.

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January 21, 2018

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Church Meeting of The Abyssinian Baptist Church of the City of New York, Incorporated, located at 132 Odell Clark Place, in the Borough of Manhattan, State and County of New York, will be held on Sunday, February 4, 2018, at the 9:00 AM worship service for the following purposes:

1. To receive a report of the Pastor of The Abyssinian Baptist Church.
2. To vote to amend Article VII, Section 3 of the Church by-laws to raise the Pastor's age for term of Office from 70 to 75.
3. To elect a Church Clerk and Assistant Church Clerk for one (1) year.
4. To receive the report of the Nominating Committee and any other topic that may be presented for consideration.

OFFICERS WHOSE TERM OF OFFICE EXPIRES:

Sheila S. Boston, Esq., Church Clerk

Deacon C. Vernon Mason, Assistant Church Clerk

All persons eighteen (18) years of age and over, who are subscribers to the support of the Church, are eligible to vote.

DONE BY ORDER OF THE PASTOR:

Reverend Dr. Calvin O. Butts, III
Sheila S. Boston, Esq., Church Clerk

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1. To hear the Annual Report of the Trustees.
2. To elect six (6) Trustees for three (3) years.
3. To receive the report of the Nominating Committee and any other topic that may be presented for consideration.

TRUSTEES WHOSE TERM OF OFFICE EXPIRES:

Stephen R. Johnson
Helena Lewis
Ernest Myrick
R. Kenyatta Punter
Christopher K. Wambu
José Zenon

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DONE BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

Reverend Dr. Calvin O. Butts, III
Alexis Thomas, Chairperson
Sheila S. Boston, Esq., Church Clerk

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

LET'S EXPLORE THE WORD OF GOD TOGETHER...



**"STUDY TO SHOW THYSELF
APPROVED UNTO GOD..."**

II TIMOTHY 2:15

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION FAIR

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4

During First Sunday Fellowship Hour

Learn more about our Christian Education
Opportunities for 2018!

Minister Pamela Mason

Assistant Minister for Christian Education

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MINISTRY



MINISTRY LEADERS MEETING

STRATEGIC PLANNING TOWN HALL

TUESDAY, JANUARY 30
6:30 PM

Your attendance and input are important and greatly valued

Linda Dunham
Chair

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Join us as we wear **RED** for Heart Health on

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2018

Various Screenings Will Be Offered following Worship Services

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|--------------------------|--------------------------------|
| ♥ Abdominal and Thyroid* | ♥ Cholesterol/Glucose - Free |
| ♥ Cancer Gene Test* | ♥ Blood Pressure - Free |
| ♥ Echocardiogram* | ♥ HIV Consultation - Free |
| ♥ Allergy Testing* | ♥ BMI (Body Mass Index) - Free |

***Please bring your insurance card for these tests.**

**Pre-register after each worship service,
or email health@abyssinian.org for more information**



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HOSTS

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2018

HEARING MATTERS IN HEALTHY AGING HEALTH SCREENING & EDUCATION

Breakfast 9:00 AM

Informative Session 10:00

Lunch 11:30 AM

Hearing Screenings 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Mobile testing van located outside the church

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Learn about:

- Signs and types of hearing loss
- Physical, cognitive and emotional impacts of hearing loss
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- Communication strategies to improve comprehension

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Friday, February 2, 2018, THE ABYSSINIAN YOUTH MINISTRY will host **A NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM SLEEPOVER AT LIBERTY SCIENCE CENTER** for youth ages 6-12 (**Remember to bring your sleeping gear!**). Buses leave Abyssinian church on Friday, February 2nd at 5:00 PM. **Parent pick-up begins at 10 AM Sharp on Saturday, February 3,** Cost to attend ~ \$95. For more information, contact Rev. Itang Young, Assistant Minister for Youth, iyoung@abyssinian.org, or call 212.862-7474 x220.



Ice Skating
WITH THE
Young Adults
AGES 22-35
THE STANDARD ICE RINK
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2
6:30 PM
EMAIL: MMIFFLIN@ABYSSINIAN.ORG
TO RSVP

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Abyssinian's GOOD GRIEF MINISTRY offers support to members in seasons of loss and bereavement. **Group-setting meeting takes place on alternating Tuesdays, 7:00 PM in the 1st Floor Nursery** with facilitators: Deacon Dr. Henry McCurtis & Deaconess Dr. Sydney Bush. **Next Session: Tuesday, February 6, 2018.** Contact Reverend Itang Young for required registration at Ext. 220 or via iyoung@abyssinian.org.

On Saturday, February 10th, the **Sister to Sister Book Club** ministry will read and discuss **This African-American Life: A Memoir** by Hugh Price. Gathering takes place in the Fellowship Hall at 10:30 AM.



THE ABYSSINIAN FOOD PANTRY MINISTRY extends deep appreciation to ALL who've made donations to our church's Food Distribution effort. There **remains a need for non-perishables such as: canned vegetables, canned fruits, and canned soup.** Please leave donations of these items at the lobby reception desk any weekday during office hours: (10 AM – 6 PM), and/or on Sundays following worship services. *We thank God for your Spirit of Generosity!*

"I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink"
MATTHEW 25:35



ABYSSINIAN TECHNOLOGY UPDATE

As part of our ongoing efforts to keep The Abyssinian Baptist Church membership on the cusp of the digital age, we invite you to revisit some of our church's key tech options and drivers that have been tailored specifically for our congregation:

ABYSSINIAN.ORG



Our website is a living breathing entity that the entire congregation can use as a tool for engaging in ministry life at Abyssinian. Ministries and Members are invited to send information for placement on our website to: webmaster@abyssinian.org (send info regarding church events, ministry activities, photos, key accomplishments or milestones for the "REJOICE" page, and happenings in our community).

ABY TEXT ALERTS



We use text alerts to inform and remind members of events, change in service times, special worship opportunities, weather updates etc. Here's how you can sign up to receive Aby Text Alerts: **TEXT ABY TO 55469**.

ABY TEXT TO GIVE

Currently, Abyssinian offers the option to "give" during the worship service offertory, by mail, online, during livestream, and through the kiosk located on the church lobby level. **We are introducing the Option to Give via Text.** Now, you can **TEXT TO GIVE** anytime from anywhere!

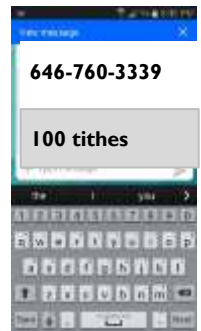


How to set up Text to Give: In the "Recipient Box" type in 646-760-3339. In Message box, enter dollar amount, space, and one of the following key words (for example: 200 tithes or 10 offerings, or 75 abywest).

Initially you will receive a message with instructions to click to a link to setup your device for text giving to Abyssinian. The following steps will take only 5 minutes.

1. Click the link.
2. Login to your SecureGive account
3. Add the information for credit card you want to use for text giving

Next, you'll receive another message instructing you to reply Y to receive messages from that number, then another text asking you to confirm the transaction. You will receive an email confirmation that your phone number is authorized, as well as an email confirming receipt of your gift.



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VENDORS NEEDED

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- ▶ **VENDORS \$30**
- ▶ **BRING OWN TABLE (6FT OR SMALLER)**
- ▶ **WE PROVIDE 2 CHAIRS PER VENDOR**
- ▶ **NO OUTSIDE FOOD OR BEVERAGES**

When: February 10, 2018

**Where: FREDRICK SAMUELS
COMMUNITY CENTER
669 MALCOLM X BLVD
N.Y, N.Y 10037**

Time: 11am - 6pm

Contact: Director Elijah Brooks

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COMMUNITY



UNITED MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION 2018 First Quaterly Session

Convening At Antioch Baptist Church
515 W 125th Street, New York, New York
Reverend Shon T. Adkins, Host Pastor
Reverend Dr. Anthony Lowe, Moderator

Theme: The Church's Call, Commission, and Commitment to Christ
Ephesians 4:1-6

Tuesday, January 30, 2018

- 7:00 PM - Parent Body – Rev. Dr. Anthony Lowe, Moderator – Pastor, Mt. Carmel Baptist Church, Bronx, NY

Wednesday, January 31, 2018

- 5:00 PM - JLS Associate Ministers Division – Rev. Dr. Anthony Lowe, Moderator
- 7:00 PM - Nurses Auxiliary – Rev. Lois Giles, Pastor, Seven Lights Baptist Church, Bronx, N.Y.

Thursday, February 1, 2018

- 9:30 AM - Women's Auxiliary – Rev. Geraldine Harris - Pastor, Greater File Chapel Baptist Church, NY, NY – **Deaconess Eleanor Olive, President**
- 2:00 PM - Women's Auxiliary - Meeting Session
- 7:00 PM - Usher's Auxiliary – Rev. Dr. Demetrius Carolina, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Staten Island, N.Y.

Friday, February 2, 2018

- 5:00 PM - Laymen's Auxiliary – Rev. Lerone Crawford, Day Spring Baptist Church, New York, N.Y.
- 7:00 PM - Minister's Wives and Widows – Rev. Torrence Robinson, Pastor, Gethsemane Baptist Church, Bronx, N.Y.

Boyer Lodge No. 1

Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of New York



Presents

A Black History Month Celebration Program

Keynote Speaker: Reverend Calvin O. Butts

Date: February 24th

Time: 1:00PM

Location: Friendship Baptist Church

144 West 131st Street New York, NY 10027

Ex officio: Worshipful Master Darrell Conyers

Most Worshipful Grand Master Larry Mitchell

ARTS & CULTURE

Who Decides Your Worth? The play, **RELEVANCE**, starts Feb 1st for strictly limited engagement featuring Jane Houdyshell and Pascale Armand. Tix begin at \$30 with code MCCWTGP. Go to: www.mcctheater.org, call 212.352.3101, or at MCC Theater, The Lucille Lortel (121 Christopher Street, NYC). Groups of 10+, contact Marcia Pendelton, 917.334.6492 or via Marcia@walktallgirlproductions.com.

The York Theatre Company *presents* **HALLELUJAH, BABY!** The musical that made Leslie Uggams a Broadway Sensation plays now to February 4, featuring Stephanie Umoh and Vivian Reed. Tix \$30 with code HBABY30. Visit www.yorktheatre.org, call 212.935.5820, or at York Theatre Company, 619 Lexington Avenue (entrance on 54th Street) NYC.

The Second Harlem Classical Music Celebration (HCMC) of Opera Ebony, Three on 3 Upcoming Special Events:

Thursday, February 1, 2018, *Opera Noire of New York, The Harlem Chamber Players and Harlem Opera Theater Performances in recognition of Black History Month.* Four-day Tribute to the African American Spiritual begins with a Master Class led by baritone, Robert Lewis Sims and Choral symposium-workshop with Dr. Roland Carter at Convent Avenue Baptist Church, 425 West 145th Street. Symposium closes in Concert on **Sunday, February 4, 3:00 PM** featuring choir, choral participants and lecturers. Concert is open to the public, Registration: \$45 for music, materials and Saturday lunch. Visit www.facebook.com/threeon3presents for more information.

Saturday, February 10, 3:00 PM, *Concert featuring Jasmine Muhammad, soprano and Christopher Cooley, on piano.* Tickets: \$20. Visit www.bit.ly/Three. Takes place at Mount Morris Ascension Presbyterian Church 15 Mt. Morris Park West, West 122nd Street.

Thursday, February 15, 6:30 PM, *The Harlem Chamber Players' 10th Annual Black History Month Celebration with Andréa Bradford, soprano, Jorrell Williams, baritone, and The Harlem Chamber Players performing works by H. Leslie Adams, spirituals, and Nonet by Samuel Coleridge-Taylor.* Performance is Free/Open to the public, but must RSVP via www.harlemchamberplayers.org or 917.744.6948. Takes place at Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture, 515 Malcolm X Blvd./West 135th Street.

Friday, February 16, 7:00 PM, *Harlem Opera Theater presents "Lift Every Voice and Sing": A Tribute to John Rosamond Johnson.* 2018 marks the 145th anniversary of the composer who wrote the music for "Lift Every Voice and Sing." Performance to feature Ileana Santamaria, soprano; Lucia Bradford, mezzo-soprano; Alexander Mason, tenor; Daniel Rich, baritone, Dr. Gregory Hopkins on piano. Tickets-\$25; Seniors/Students-\$20; Groups (6+ - \$15). For information, visit www.harlemoperatheater.org. Takes place at Miller Theatre of Columbia University, 2960 Broadway at 116th Street.

Sunday, February 18, 3:00 PM, *Three on 3 Presents Harriet Tubman: When I Crossed That Line to Freedom.* Composed by Dr. Nkeiru Okoye, *Harriet Tubman* is a two-act theatrical work that tells of how a young girl born in slavery, becomes Harriet Tubman, the legendary Underground Railroad conductor. Denisha Ballew as Harriet Tubman Baltimore: Tickets: \$30. Visit www.bit.ly/ThreeOn3-Feb18-2018. Takes place at Mt. Morris Ascension Presbyterian Church 15 Mt. Morris Park West at 122nd Street.

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WORSHIP SERVICES

Sunday

7:00 am

9:00 am

9:00 am

9:00 am

9:15 am - 11:00 am

11:30 am

2nd Sunday

11:30 am

Babies Blessed

3rd Sunday

9:00 am & 11:30 am

Communion/Right Hand of Fellowship (11:30 am)

4th Sunday

11:30 am

Baptism

5th Sunday

11:30 am

Youth Sunday

The Praying Band

Bible Class

Sunday School

Worship Service

WE Youth Worship Experience

Worship Service

Wednesday

7:00 pm

Mid-Week Manna



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