## tithes & offering

We stand and declare that we are all cheerful givers. We commit these tithes cheerful givers. We commit these tithes and our offerings to God as our first fruits, our expressions of gratitude for God's goodness. We give because God so loved us that He first gave by sending His only Son to die for our sins. We gladly proclaim that "It is more blessed to give than to receive"; we are blessed to give than to receive as a church formity. as individuals and as a church family. We will continue to give cheerfully to the building up of the Kingdom of God and the work of His church because we know that this is what God desires of His faithful followers.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS—JULY**

- Worship Leaders Training-July 13, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.
- Women's Federation 66th Anniversary and Enrolment Service-July 14, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.
- Sunday School Anniversary Service July 21, 2024
- Leadership Training (small groups)—July 27, 2024

#### MEMBERS TO BE REMEMBERED IN OUR PRAYERS

Sis. Ruby Beckford Sis. Enid Shand

Sis. Enid Coke

Sis. Claire Anderson Sis. Hazel Davis

Sis. Violet McLeary
Sis. Samantha Taylor Brown
Sis. June Dunkley

Bro. Donald Miller Bro. David Levermore

Bro. Frankie Dinnald Rev. and Mrs. Earl & Patricia Morgan

If you can call, visit or say a prayer for these brethren, it would be appreciated tremendously.



Pause on a Tuesday for

Midday Meditation from 11:45 to 12:45

Participate in **Bible Study** on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. on Zoom. Please find the Zoom

link below.

#### NOTES

#### BARBICAN BAPTIST CHURCH

106 Barbican Road, Kgn 8 **Tel:** 876-927-3941 or 876-823-7074 (mobile) Email: barbicanbaptist@gmail.com

Musicians: François Brown (on duty) Oneil Simpson

Brett Blackellar

Sunday School Supt.: Sis. Sharon Earle Edwards

Sunday School: 8:00 a.m.

Join us at: https://tinyurl.com/BBCSundaySchool Meeting ID: 859 2802 5543 Passcode: 113204

New Members' Class: 8:00 a.m.

Join us at: https://us02web.zoom.us/i/88115398995? pwd=VVJWeVdoNmlzVTIEUkpaZ3MvQXRsUT09
Meeting ID: 881 1539 8995 Passcode: 269869

Golden Spring Church: 11:00—12:30 p.m.

Midday Meditation: Tuesday @ 11:45—12:45 p.m. Join us at: https://us02web.zoom.us/ i/81889246904pwd=VU1nMDRaRWhOby9Xa1 RzdiZKVDd1dz09 Meeting ID: 818 8924 6904

Password: 044267

Women's Federation: 2nd Sundays after worship Finance Committee Meeting: Third Tuesdays Prayer Meeting and Bible Study: Wednesdays @6:30 p.m. Join us at https://us02web.zoom.us /i/81318665303?pwd=NEd6bXNIWXJ6Z0Ev ZXIxOEVEV2nOZz09

Meeting ID: 813 1866 5303 Password: 130948 Youth Fellowship: Fridays @ 7:00 p.m.

Praise Team Practice: Saturdays @ 5:00 p.m. Church Council Meeting: Thursday before 1st

Sunday

# Barbican Baptist Church

THE FRIENDLY CHURCH



## Sunday Morning Divine Worship Service & Holy Communion

July 7, 2024

9:15 A.M.

**Church Year Theme:** Keeping Faith With The Word In An **Ever-Changing World: Pursuing Integrity** 

Theme for the Month: Integrity In Neighbourliness



Leader:

Speaker:

**Deacon on Duty:** 

Pastor:

Deacon Dezlin Clarke

Reverend Trevor Edwards

Deacon James Scarlett

**Reverend Trevor Edwards** 

Barbican/Golden Spring Circuit of Baptist Churches

#### APPROACH TO WORSHIP



Leader: We gather today to worship the One who created us.

People: The One who calls us,

Leader: The One who equips us,

People: The One who loves us without end.

All: With joyful hearts, let us worship God.

#### **Choruses of Praise**

- What Shall I Render to Jehovah
- I'm Trading My Sorrows

### Gathering Hymn

# 383 Baptist Praise & Worship

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Immortal, invisible, God only wise, In light inaccessible, hid from our eyes, Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, Almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light, Nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might.

Thy justice, like mountains, high soaring above,

Thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all, life Thou givest, to both great and small.

In all life Thou livest, the true life of all; We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree, And wither and perish but nought changeth Thee.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light, thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight; but of all Thy rich graces this grace, Lord impart; take the veil from our faces, the veil from our heart.

All praise we would render: O help us to see, "Tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee; And so let Thy glory, Almighty, impart. Through Christ in the story, Thy Christ to the heart.

Walter C. Smith (1824-1908)

**Prayer Chorus:** Sweet Hour of Prayer

#### PRAYER OF PRAISE ADORATION & CONFESSION

#### The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, holy holy holy holy be Thy name

Our Father who art in heaven, holy be Thy name.

Thy kingdom come on earth, Thy will be done on earth,

Thy kingdom come on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread (Repeat x 3) And forgive us our trespasses (Repeat) As we forgive those who trespass against us, Forgive us our trespasses.

Do not lead us into temptation (Repeat) But deliver us from all evil, (Repeat)

Amen, Amen, Amen! Amen, Amen!

(Arr. Fr. Richard HoLung)

#### Responsive Reading

Psalm 48:1-14 NRSV

Leader: Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised in the city of our God. His holy mountain,

People: beautiful in elevation, is the joy of all the earth, Mount Zion, in the far north, the city of the great King.

Leader: Within its citadels, God has shown Himself a sure defense.

People: Then the kings assembled, they came on together.

Leader: As soon as they saw it, they were astounded; they were in panic, they took to flight;

People: trembling took hold of them there, pains as of a woman in labour,

Leader: as when an east wind shatters the ships of Tarshish.

People: As we have heard, so have we seen in the city of the LORD of hosts, in the city of our God, which God establishes forever.

Leader: We ponder Your steadfast love, O God, in the midst of Your temple.

People: Your name, O God, like Your praise, reaches to the ends of the earth. Your right hand is filled with victory.

#### Be prepared – (to be your brother and sister's keeper)

"Storms help to make the sailors sturdy, and trials help to make Christians strong in faith." (Charles- Spurgeon)

Preparation is also about being your brother and sister's keeper. My wife and I were heartened when, on Tuesday, our neighbour passed by and advised us to park our vehicles a little away from our house, closer to the end of the carport, in case tiles were blown from the roof, they would not damage the vehicles. This was thoughtful, as we never passed through a hurricane in that house, and neighbourhood, before. He also told us about the common weaknesses of the house, including the roof etc. Other neighbours may need a prescription filled at the pharmacy or a lift to a friend or relative where they may feel safer. Each of us needs to ask how we can be more of a neighbour in a situation like this.

#### Be prepared – (to recognize and accept our limits)

"He stilled the storm to a whisper; the waves of the sea were hushed." (Psalm 107:29)

We must be prepared to accept our limits in a hurricane. This is one of those times when, despite all the preparations we make, we must bear in mind that we cannot see, do and control everything, as God is in control. We can try to reduce the impact of the rain and the wind, but we cannot stop it once it starts.

One of the factors we are told by the hurricane experts why we had a hurricane so early in the season was due to climate change. Hurricanes thrive on high temperatures and the seas have been very hot. Usually, the temperature rises later in the season, after summer, and closer to fall, but we are seeing a phenomenon like Beryl. Is this a situation where human beings can create indirectly the conditions for high temperatures through our consumption patterns, and we are powerless to deal with the consequences? When we can go no further, we need to listen to and obey God.

#### Conclusion

This is the beginning of the hurricane season, and we started with a bang, no pun intended. How prepared are we for the rest of the season? It is not only the season that we need to consider, but how our changing lifestyle has impacted climate change and how climate change has created hurricane monsters. Our response is to be more prepared in every way to respond to the other natural systems which could affect the region. May God help us to remember that He is in control as we place our lives in His hands.

Amen

#### **Your Pastor**



#### **Lessons from Beryl**

Today, as I write this message, I do so with gratitude to God that we were spared the direct fury of the first major hurricane of this season. Apart from being the first hurricane of its strength in June, it also grew from a tropical depression to a full-blown hurricane in less than two days. Another first for Beryl is that it is the earliest storm ever recorded in the Atlantic to reach a category 4, and then 5, with devastating and destructive results.

One got the impression that no one was taking Beryl lightly after seeing what she did to Carriacou, in the Grenadines, two days before. Jamaicans were ready to take this weather phenomenon very seriously.

Some of us were well prepared, others of us were partially prepared, but all of us had some sense, whether prepared or not, that this was not going to be an easy ride. The hurricane came and its eyewall, we are told, passed by Jamaica's southern coastline on Wednesday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>, leaving behind extensive damage in Portland and St Elizabeth. The rest of the island had various damage including loss of parts of roofs, some flooding, down power lines and broken tree branches. This has left many communities without electricity and water. As I write, these are being repaired. It will take a few weeks to assess the full damage, to the country, but we give thanks to God. It could have been worse.

#### Three lessons

#### Be prepared – (physical, mental and spiritual)

"The Lord is good, a refuge in times of trouble. He cares for those who trust in Him." (Nahum 1:7)

The matter of adequate preparation for a hurricane cannot be overstated. It is important to continue to take the guidance provided by the Office of Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Management (ODPEM) seriously. While some people will be more vulnerable than others, the advice is useful. Our preparation should not only be physical, but emotional, mental and spiritual. Waiting out a powerful hurricane can be traumatic. The trauma is increased for children when the adults whom they depend on to protect them are panicking because they are unprepared. It is always helpful to hang out or ride out the storm with friends and family members whose company can help cushion the trauma.

It is in this situation that one's faith becomes alive. Yes, you have prayed, you have confessed whatever sins you need to confess, now what do you do when you hear the howling winds and the raindrops outside beating against your windows like they are demanding entry? In this state, as you cry out to Jesus, silently or loudly, you should also listen to His voice as He calms your heart during all that is happening around you. This is always an occasion for family and friends to huddle together and pray. I am drawn to the young man who lost his life in Kingston. While playing, his ball fell into a gully and he dived in to save it so that he and his friends could continue their fun. What was he thinking when he lost control of not only the ball, but himself, in that boisterous body of water produced by Beryl, heading for the sea? to empty its content? May his soul rest in peace.

Leader: Let Mount Zion be glad, let the towns of Judah rejoice because of Your judgments.

## People: Walk about Zion, go all around it, count its towers,

Leader: consider well its ramparts; go through its citadels, that you may tell the next generation

All: that this is God, our God forever and ever. He will be our guide forever.

All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

#### WORSHIP THROUGH CONGREGATIONAL FELLOWSHIP

Brief Welcome

Announcements

Recognition of Birthdays & Anniversaries – JULY

Tithes and Offering and Doxology

Offertory song: I Will Rejoice in You and Be Glad/It's Raining

Sunday School Minute

Prayer with the Children

#### **Junior Church**

Prayer of Intercession & Thanksgiving

#### **WORSHIP THROUGH PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE**

Scripture Readings

**O.T.**—2 Samuel 5: 1-10

**N.T.**—Mark 6:1-13

Special Selection:

*"Find Us Faithful"* By: Combined Choir

#### **PREPARATION CHORUS**

Bless Thy word unto our hearts And glorify Thy name (rept.) Glorify Thy name (rept.) Bless Thy word unto our hearts And glorify Thy name.



Hymn of Response

# 573 Baptist Praise & Worship

There's a Wildness in God's Mercy

There's a wideness in God's mercy, like the wideness of the sea. There's a kindness in God's justice, which is more than liberty.

There is welcome for the sinner, and more graces for the good. There is mercy with the Savior, there is healing in his blood.

But we make God's love too narrow by false limits of our own, and we magnify its strictness with a zeal, God will not own.

For the love of God is broader than the measures of the mind, and the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind.

If our love were but more simple, we should rest upon God's word, and our lives would be illumined by the presence of our Lord.

Frederick William Faber (1863)

#### PREPARATION FOR THE LORD'S SUPPER

Hymn

# 427 Baptist Hymn Book

> Beneath the Cross of Jesus

**B**eneath the cross of Jesus
I fain would take my stand,
the shadow of a mighty Rock
within a weary land;
a home within the wilderness,
a rest upon the way,
from the burning of the noontide heat
and the burden of the day.

Upon the cross of Jesus mine eye at times can see the very dying form of One who suffered there for me: and from my stricken heart with tears two wonders I confess, the wonders of redeeming love and my unworthiness.

I take, O cross, thy shadow for my abiding place: I ask no other sunshine than the sunshine of his face; content to let the world go by, to know no gain nor loss; my sinful self my only shame, my glory all the cross.

Hymn

# 436 Baptist Praise and Worship

Here, O My Lord

Here, O my Lord, I see Thee face to face; Here would we touch and handle things unseen:

Here grasp with firmer hand eternal grace and all my weariness upon Thee lean.

Here would I feed upon the bread of God, Here drink with Thee the royal wine of heav'n:

Here would I lay aside each earthly load, Here taste afresh the calm of sin forgiv'n.

This is the hour of banquet and of song; This is the heav'nly table spread for me; Here let me feast, and feasting, still prolong The brief, bright hour of fellowship with Thee.

Too soon we rise, the symbols disappear; The feast, though not the love, is past and done:

Gone are the bread and wine, but Thou art

Nearer than ever, still my Shield and Sun.

Feast after feast thus comes, and passes by; Yet passing, points to the glad feast above; Giving sweet foretaste of the festal joy, the Lamb's great bridal feast of bliss and love.

Horatius Bonar (1806-89)

#### ∞ Holy Communion ™



Communion (Invitation, Institution, Consecration, Distribution, Communal prayer, collection)

 $\mathbf{Hymn}$  — In Remembrance of Me

In remembrance of me eat this bread In remembrance of me drink this wine In remembrance of me pray for the time when God's own will is done

In remembrance of me heal the sick In remembrance of me feed the poor In remembrance of me open the door And let your brother in, let him in

Take eat and be comforted Drink and remember too That this is my body and precious blood Shed for you, shed for you

C. T. McCormack

**Covenant Sharing** 

മ Closing Prayer രൂ

#### **CHURCH COVENANT**

Aving been led, as we believe by the Spirit of God, to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Saviour and, on the profession of our faith, having been baptized into the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, we do now, in the presence of God, and this assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into covenant with one another as one body in Christ.

We engage, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit to work together in Christian love; to strive for the advancement of this church, in knowledge, holiness, and comfort; to promote its prosperity and spirituality; to sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline, and doctrines; to contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the church, the relief of the poor, and the spread of the gospel through all nations.

We also engage to maintain family and secret devotions; to religiously educate our children, to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances; to walk circumspectly in the world; to be just in our dealings, faithful in our engagements, and exemplary in our deportment; to avoid all tattling, backbiting, and excessive anger; to seek God's help in abstaining from all drugs, food, drink, and practices which bring unwarranted harm to the body or jeopardize our own or another's faith.

We further engage to watch over one another in brotherly and sisterly love; to remember one another in prayer; to aid one another in sickness and distress; to cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling and Christian courtesy in speech; to be slow to take offence, but always ready for reconciliation and mindful of the rules of our Saviour to secure it without delay.

We moreover engage that when we remove from this place we will, as soon as possible, unite with some other church where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God's Word.



### **JULY 2024**

#### **Birthdays**

03—Sister Sonia Lewis

04-Sister Princess Robinson

o6—Sister Margaret Nevers

11-Sister Jodian Henry

11-Brother William Kirkcaldy Bucknor

12—Sister June Dunkley

14-Brother Wilbert Miller

22-Miss Nickaylia Brown

25-Dr. Sharon Earle-Edwards

25—Brother Ronaldo Russell

26—Sister Vivienne Davidson

28-Sister Althea Bradford-Britton

31—Sister Reanne Spence-Dunn

#### **Anniversaries**

01-Deacon Douglas & Cheryl Levermore

03-Rev. Earl & Patricia Morgan

21-Drs. Eron & Grace McLean

29-Mr & Mrs Richard & Nicole Jackson