



We warmly **welcome** everyone to our  
Worship Service.  
May God continue to richly bless each of you.



**Please continue to pray for:**

Cecilia Adderley, Brenda Albury, Hubert Albury,  
Christopher Burrows, Michelle Butler, Jacqueline  
Cartwright, De'Ann Darville, Doris Hanna,  
Gaylene Higgs, Agnes Johnson, Helen Johnson,  
Deborah Knowles, Deloris Knowles, Lady Holly  
Knowles, Deneiro Lightbourne, Betsy Pinder,  
Andy Sands, Bruce Sands, Darrin Sands, Linda  
Sands, Marion Seymour, James Storr, Clio Sweeting  
and Sheran Sweeting.



Please keep in your prayers **Karen and Phillip  
Pinder and Megan Martin** as both Phillip and  
Megan are preparing for surgery.



**PANTRY DONATION MINISTRY TEAM** for  
June include **Ruth Cash, Linda Pritchard** and **Marion  
Seymour**. Thank you for your kind donation.

**NAOMI CHRISTIE HOME** Outreach  
Ministry is inviting interested persons to join  
the roster by contacting Anne Lever at 425-  
3066 or email [simplysweet29@hotmail.com](mailto:simplysweet29@hotmail.com).  
The Ebenezer Women's Fellowship will be  
donating the meal for June. We thank them  
for their kind donation.



**BIRTHDAY GREETINGS** (July 3<sup>rd</sup> - July  
9<sup>th</sup>, 2022) go out to Neil Wright (4<sup>th</sup>), Beverley  
Roberts (6<sup>th</sup>), LaPetra Rolle (6<sup>th</sup>), Frank  
Williams (7<sup>th</sup>) and all who celebrate their  
birthday this week!



**Church Attendance**  
June 26, 2022 - 107

**Next Sunday - July 10, 2022**  
Preacher: Rev. Milton Lightbourne



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Sunday, July 3, 2022  
11:00 am Worship Service  
**Holy Communion Sunday**



**For I know the plans  
I have for you,"  
declares the Lord.  
"Plans to prosper you,  
not to harm you,  
plans to give you  
hope and a future."  
Jeremiah 29:11**



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# ORDER OF SERVICE

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Welcome and Announcements - Mr. Earl Pinder

## Call To Worship

Leader: We all gather this morning, appreciating our freedom to worship God.

People: **May God continue to bless the Church of Christ in this nation.**

Leader: We draw near to God, Who rules over all nations.

People: **May God continue to bless The Bahamas and all the countries in the world.**

Leader: We ask to live in harmony and peace together with all persons of good will.

People: **May God continue to establish peace on earth and help us understand that it begins in our hearts.**

All: **We come now to worship the God, Who is ever present with us. Amen!!**

Opening Hymn *"All Creatures Of Our God "* #28 vs 1- 5

## Affirmation For Independence

During this month of independence, we affirm we are not alone in the Commonwealth of The Bahamas and in God's world.

We believe in God, the Creator and Sustainer of these islands, given to us as gifts from God, where we have been privileged to live, work, serve and rear our families.

We believe in Jesus Christ, God's Son, the Word made flesh, Who came to reconcile and renew us through His death.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Giver of Spiritual life, through Whom we come to know and worship, the Father and Son.

We believe we are members of Christ Church, established here in The Bahamas, to proclaim the Good News to all and show God's love through our work, witness and mission.

We affirm that the Triune God is among us, as we celebrate another year of independence and acknowledge God's Presence, Provision and Protection, will be ours in the present and for the future. Amen!

## Doxology (Traditional)

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow.

Praise Him all creatures here below.

Praise Him above ye heavenly host,

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## Prayer Chorus

God is so good, God is so good

God is so good, He's so good to me!

He answers prayers, He answers prayers

He answers prayers, He's so good to me!

## Pastoral Prayer

Mr. Ronald Atkinson

## The Lord's Prayer (Sung By All)

## Offertory Hymn

**"O God Of Bethel"**

#607

(Children leave for Children's Chapel)

## Offertory Prayer

Miss Arhianna Knowles

## 1<sup>st</sup> Scripture Reading

Jeremiah 29:4-8

Mrs. Anne Lever

## Selection

Miss Asari Mackey

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Scripture Reading

1 Timothy 2:1-4

Miss Tamika Clare

## Hymn Of Faith

**"Lead On O King Eternal"**

(See Insert)

(Collection For The Caring Fund)

## Sermon

Rev. Milton Lightbourne

## Communion Hymn

**"I Am Thine O Lord"**

#746 vs 1&2



## THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION



## Closing Hymn

**"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"**

#615

## Mission Statement

To Worship God Joyfully, Offer Christ Faithfully

Promote Growth Hopefully, Serve Others Lovingly

## Benediction

Rev. Milton Lightbourne

## Benedictory Response

*Draw me nearer, nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,  
To the cross where Thou hast died;*

*Draw me nearer, nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,  
To Thy precious, bleeding side.*

## LEAD ON, O KING ETERNAL

Lead on, O King Eternal, the day of march has come;  
Henceforth in fields of conquest, Thy tents will be our home.  
Thro' days of preparation, Thy grace has made us strong;  
And now, O King eternal, we lift our battle song.

Lead on, O King Eternal, till sin's fierce war shall cease,  
And holiness shall whisper the sweet amen of peace.  
For not with swords' loud clashing, nor roll of stirring drums,  
With deeds of love and mercy, the heavenly kingdom comes.

Lead on, O King Eternal, we follow, not with fears;  
For gladness breaks like morning, where'er Thy face appears.  
Thy cross is lifted o'er us, we journey in its light;  
The crown awaits the conquest, lead on, O God of might.

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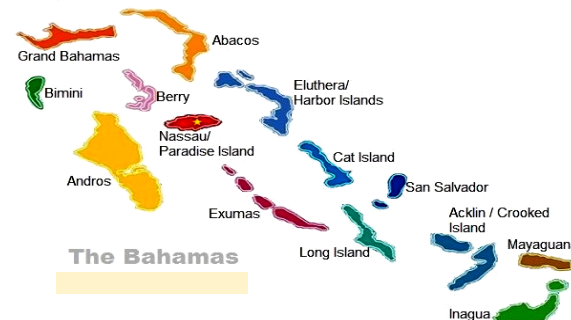


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