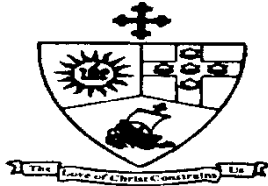




**THE METHODIST CHURCH IN THE
CARIBBEAN AND THE AMERICAS-
JAMAICA DISTRICT PROVIDENCE
CIRCUIT**



District Theme:

*"SPREADING SCRIPTURAL HOLINESS TO REFORM THE
NATION -----BEGINNING WITH ME"*

DISTRICT PRESIDENT
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CIRCUIT SUPERINTENDENT
Rev'd Dr. George Mulrain

**PROVIDENCE CIRCUIT
ON-LINE WORSHIP SERVICE
15th LORD'S DAY AFTER
PENTECOST
Sunday, September 13, 2020
8:30 a.m.**

PREACHER
Pastor Veronica McKenzie

ORDER OF WORSHIP

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The Lord is near to the heartbroken
and saves the crushed in spirit

Response: My soul shall make her boast in the
Lord, the afflicted shall
hear and be glad

WELCOME

**Opening Hymn "Joyful, Joyful we adore Thee" VIP
#5**

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| <p>1. JOYFUL, joyful, we adore thee,
God of glory, Lord of love;
hearts unfold like flowers before
thee, opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;
drive the dark of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness,
fill us with the light of day!</p> | <p>2. All thy works with joy surround
thee, earth and heaven reflect thy
rays, stars and angels sing around
thee, centre of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
flowery meadow, flashing sea,
chanting bird and flowing fountain,
call us to rejoice in thee.</p> |
| <p>3. Thou art giving and forgiving,
ever blessing, ever blest,
well-spring of the joy of living,
ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our brother,
all who live in love are thine;
teach us how to love each other,
lift us to the joy divine.</p> | <p>4. Mortals, join the mighty chorus
which the morning stars began;
love divine is reigning o'er us,
binding all within its span.
Ever singing, march we onward,
victors in the midst of strife;
joyful music leads us sunward,
in the triumph song of life.</p> |

PRAYER OF ADORATION

We come before You acknowledging your Awesome Power Majesty and Might. You put us to bed last night and it was You and You alone who awakened us this morning to fresh air, sunshine and new life. In You we praise and acknowledge You as Creator, Father Son and Holy Spirit. As we worship You help us to forget our troubles and trials and allow us to worship You in sincerity and in truth. In Jesus Name we pray. Amen.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious loving faithful God we acknowledge our unworthiness of your goodness but we come as your children to seek your forgiveness for our wrong doings. For the times when we have been unkind to our sisters and brothers, when we have failed to fulfil promises we have made to You and to others. Lord forgive us and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. We pray in Your Name and for Your sake. Amen

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners hear then the Good News. If we confess our sins He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Response: Thanks be to God

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Almighty God, we thank You for loving us as You do. Thank You for the freedom You give us to worship You, for

families, friends, jobs, health and protection from disasters, dangers and despair. Lord thank You for everything . In Jesus Name we pray. Amen.

Hymn "Now thank we all our God" VIP #9

1. NOW thank we all our God,
With hearts and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things has done,
In whom his world rejoices;
Who from our mothers' arms
Has blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love,
And still is ours today.
2. O may this bounteous God
Through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts
And blessed peace to cheer us;
And keep us in his grace,
And guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills
In this world and the next.
3. All praise and thanks to God
The Father now be given,
The Son, and him who reigns
With them in highest heaven,
The one eternal God
Whom earth and heaven adore,
For thus it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.

RESPONSIVE READING: PSALM 114

Leader: When Israel went out from Egypt, the house of Jacob from a people of strange language,

Cong: Judah became God's sanctuary, Israel his dominion.

Leader: The sea looked and fled; Jordan turned back.

Cong: The mountains skipped like rams, the hills like lambs.

Leader: Why is it, O sea, that you flee? O Jordan, that you turn back?

Cong: O mountains, that you skip like rams? O hills, like lambs?

Leader: Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord, at the presence of the God of Jacob,

Cong: Who turns the rock into a pool of water, the flint into a spring of water.

Epistle: Romans 14:1-12

14 Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarrelling over opinions. ² Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. ³ Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgement on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. ⁴Who are you to pass judgement on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand. Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. ⁶Those who observe the day, observe it in honour of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honour of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honour of the Lord and give thanks to God. We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. ⁸If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. ⁹For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living. Why do you pass judgement on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgement seat of God. ¹¹For it is written, 'As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God.' ¹²So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

Response: Thanks be to God

Gospel: Matthew 18:21-35

Then Peter came and said to him, 'Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?' ²² Jesus said to him, 'Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times. 'For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. ²⁴ When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; ²⁵and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. ²⁶ So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything." ²⁷ And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. ²⁸ But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow-slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, "Pay what you owe." ²⁹ Then his fellow-slave fell down and pleaded with him, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you." ³⁰ But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he should pay the debt. ³¹When his fellow-slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly

distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. ³² Then his lord summoned him and said to him, “You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. ³³ Should you not have had mercy on your fellow-slave, as I had mercy on you?” ³⁴ And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he should pay his entire debt. ³⁵ So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.’

Reader: This is the Gospel of Christ
Response: Praise be to Christ Our Lord

MESSAGE: Corpses in the Corridor

Hymn “There is a Name I love to hear” VIP #41

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| 1. THERE is a name I love to hear
I love to sing its worth;
It sounds like music in mine ear,
The sweetest name on earth. | <i>O, how I love Jesus
(3 times)
Because he first loved
me</i> |
| 2 It tells me of a Saviour’s love,
Who died to set me free;
It tells me of his precious blood,
The sinner’s perfect plea. | |
| 4. It tells of One whose loving heart
Can feel my deepest woe,
Who in each sorrow bears a part,
That none can bear below. | |

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Closing Hymn “My hope is built on nothing less”
VIP #201A

BENEDICTION

Birthdays this week:

15th – Bro. Peter Legister ; 17th – Bro. Jordan Steer; 18th –
Bro. Barrington Boothe;

