

God Our Father
Christ Our Redeemer
The Holy Spirit Our Comforter
Humankind Our Family

FIRST EPISCOPAL DISTRICT AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH



Founder's Day Celebration — 2023 —

CONFERENCE YEAR THEME:

"A TRANSITIONING CHURCH"

"Behold, I will do a new thing; now it shall spring forth; shall ye not know it? I will even make a way in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert." ~ Isaiah 43:19

February 9-11, 2023



OPENING WORSHIP EXPERIENCE

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2023
7:00 PM

**The Rev. Dr.
William D. Watley, Ph.D.**
Saint Philip AME Church
Atlanta, Georgia



MORNING GLORY MEDITATION

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2023
8:30 AM

The Rev. Dr. David K. Allen
Bethel Tabernacle AME Church
Brooklyn, New York



HOUR OF POWER

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2023
12:00 NOON

**The Rev. Dr.
Deborah K. Blanks**
Mount Pisgah AME Church
Princeton, New Jersey



FRIDAY EVENING WORSHIP EXPERIENCE

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2023
7:00 PM

**The Rev. Dennis C.
Dickerson, Ph.D.**
Professor of History,
Vanderbilt University
Retired Historiographer/
Executive Director AMEC Dept.
of Research and Scholarship



"THE SENDING FORTH"

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2023
12:00 NOON

The Rev. M. Lloyd Guyton
Pastor, Saint Paul AME Church
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania



The Rev. Dr. Charles F. Boyer

*"Remembering the AME Past and Imaging the AME
Future" & "Reflections on Richard Allen and The
Making of Early American Methodism"*

The Rev. Dr. Charles F. Boyer
*"Transformational Local Ministry:
Faith Facilities & Financial Resources"*



THE RIGHT REVEREND JULIUS HARRISON McALLISTER, SR.
PRESIDING PRELATE

MOTHER JOAN MARLA McALLISTER
EPISCOPAL SUPERVISOR

THE REVEREND DR. STANLEY G. SMITH
HOST PRESIDING ELDER

THE REVEREND MARK KELLY TYLER, PH.D.
HOST PASTOR



FOUNDER'S DAY 2023

Agenda/Schedule

Thursday, February 9, 2023

- 10:00 AM **Board of Examiners**
Chairpersons, Deans and Secretaries
Renaissance Room
- 11:00 AM **Presiding Elders Meet with Bishop**
Bishop's Conference Room
- Church School Meeting**
Salon B
- 2:00 PM **Women's Missionary Society Meeting**
Salon B
- Christian Debutante Meeting**
Salon A
- 2:30 PM **Women In Ministry Meeting**
Renaissance Room
- Sons of Allen Meeting**
Salon C
- 3:00 PM **Christian Education Meeting**
Salon D
- The Rev. Dr. D. Albert Turk Ministry of Evangelism Meeting**
Salon A
- 4:00 PM **Lay Organization Meeting**
Salon B
- Health Commission Meeting**
Health Area
- Clergy Family Organization Meeting**
Renaissance Room
- 7:00 PM **Opening Worship Experience**
THE REVEREND WILLIAM D. WATLEY, PH.D.,
Preaching
Pastor, Saint Philip AME Church
Atlanta, Georgia

Friday, February 10, 2023

- 8:30 AM **Morning Glory Meditation**
THE REVEREND DR. DAVID K. ALLEN,
Preaching
Pastor, Bethel Tabernacle AME Church
Brooklyn, New York
- 9:15 AM **The Bishop Speaks**

- 9:30 AM **Plenary Session I**
Topic: "Remembering the AME Past and Imaging the AME Future"
Presenter: The Reverend Dennis C. Dickerson, Ph.D.
Professor of History, Vanderbilt University
Retired Historiographer/Executive Director
AMEC Dept. of Research and Scholarship
- 11:00 AM **Plenary Session II**
Topic: "Reflections on Richard Allen and The Making of Early American Methodism"
Presenter: The Reverend Dennis C. Dickerson, Ph.D.
- 12:00 Noon **Hour of Power**
THE REVEREND DR. DEBORAH K. BLANKS,
Preaching
Pastor, Mount Pisgah AME Church
Princeton, New Jersey
- 1:00 PM **Lunch (On Your Own)**
- 3:00 PM **Plenary Session III**
Topic: "Transformational Local Ministry: Faith Facilities & Financial Resources"
Presenter: The Reverend Dr. Charles F. Boyer
Pastor, Mount Zion AME Church
Trenton, New Jersey
- 4:30 PM **Break**
- 7:00 PM **Friday Evening Worship Experience**
THE REVEREND DENNIS C. DICKERSON, PH.D.,
Preaching

Saturday, February 11, 2023

- 9:00 AM Praise and Worship
- 9:30 AM **Presentation of Winning Essays, Posters and DVDs**
The Reverend Lashonna L. Smith, Chairperson
First Episcopal District Board of Christian Education
The Reverend Jay B. Broadnax, Executive Director
First Episcopal District Board of Christian Education
- 10:30 AM **Plenary Session IV**
Panel Discussion: "We Cannot Go Back: The Post Pandemic AME Church in the First Episcopal District"
- 12:00 Noon **"The Sending Forth"**
THE REVEREND M. LLOYD GUYTON,
Preaching
Pastor, Saint Paul AME Church
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania