

*"Christianity has always insisted that the cross  
we bear precedes the crown we wear."*

— JAMES H. CONE, THE CROSS  
AND THE LYNCHING TREE

## WELCOME TO MOUNT MORIAH

Welcome to Mount Moriah! Established in 1890, this ministry has stood as a physical representation of the hope and determination of the African American spirit. It has served the community as a School, Community Center, Meeting Hall and Spiritual Anchor.

We are a Spiritual Anchor grounded in a liberation tradition operating as a Baptist community of faith.

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# MOUNT MORIAH



MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

## Sunday Worship

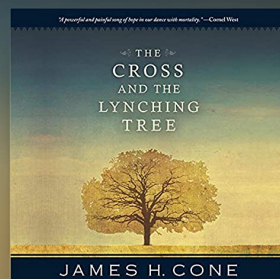
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**"The gospel of Jesus is not a rational concept to be explained in a theory of salvation, but a story about God's presence in Jesus' solidarity with the oppressed, which led to his death on the cross. What is redemptive is the faith that God snatches victory out of defeat, life out of death, and hope out of despair."**

— James H. Cone, *The Cross and the Lynching Tree*



LISTENING ON  
**audible**

The cross and the lynching tree are the two most emotionally charged symbols in the history of the African American community. In this powerful new work, theologian James H. Cone explores these symbols and their interconnection in the history and souls of black folk.

James Hal Cone (August 5, 1938 – April 28, 2018) was an American theologian, best known for his advocacy of black theology and black liberation theology.



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SUNDAY

**4 WAYS TO GIVE**

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**Dweninmmen** is a symbol of strength with humility. Humility is a cherished virtue among the Akans

## Order of Service

**Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

September 25, 2022 | 11:30 AM

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

Lesson Text: Genesis 35:22-26; 38:24-26; 49:10-12; Time of Action: probably between 1897-1857 B.C.; Place of Action: Shechem; Bethel (also called Luz-see Genesis 28:29; 35:6); Bethlehem

**Golden Text: "The sceptre shall not depart from Judah, nor a lawgiver from between his feet, until Shiloh come; and unto him shall the gathering of the people be" (Genesis 49:10).**

### CALL TO WORSHIP

*Doxology* by Thomas Ken (Hymn #18) with *Spirit of the Living God* as a Chant and Libations

### SERVICE OF LIGHTS

The Altar Candles burn throughout September as a focus on our HABITS, ROUTINES, & RITUALS. *Let Praises Rise* by Myron Butler is inspired by our children's children call from the future for us to declare and move in excellence NOW!

*Mount Moriah will utilize all our resources to provide a Christ-centered setting where people in this community can be redeemed to a personal relationship with Christ, reconciled to God and his people, restored to wholeness, to well-being, and revived for a full life involved in service to others. In this church, everyone is welcomed and affirmed. In this community, you can be redeemed, reconciled, restored, and revived.*

### TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory Claim – *I am a consistent Tither, a Bountiful Sower, and a Cheerful Giver. I have confessed my sins; therefore GOD rebukes the Devourer for my Sake, and GOD makes all Grace abound toward me!* Malachi 3:1-11 and II Corinthians 9:5-8

### HYMN OF PREPARATION

*My Soul has been Anchored in the Lord* by Douglas Miller inspired by Psalm 146

### THE PREACHED WORD

Rev. Dr. Francys Johnson

### BENEDICTION

*Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen. Ephesians 3:20-21*

**Lectionary:** Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16 • Amos 6:1a, 4-7 and Psalm 146 • 1 Timothy 6:6-19 • Luke 16:19-31



### FELLOWSHIP DINNER AFTER SERVICE

**ADINKRAHENE**, King of the Adinkra symbols meaning Authority





# September is National Sickle Cell Awareness Month

We invite you to join us for a virtual blood drive to support sickle cell warriors! Did you know that blood transfusions are one of the most critical treatments for sickle cell patients, but less than 10% of Americans donate blood? Did you know that sickle cell patients benefit most from blood transfusions from people of the same race or similar ethnicity, but only five percent of blood donors are of African ancestry? Help us make a difference for SCD patients by pledging to donate blood this month. Click the QR Code for the virtual blood drive!



## Our Blood Saves Lives. Donate Today.

Habits, Routines & Rituals.



**We are what we  
repeatedly do.**

There is no substitute for  
doing the work on you.



As defined by American Psychological Association, a habit is a “well-learned behavior or automatic sequence of behaviors that are relatively situation-specific and over time has become independent of motivational or cognitive influence.” **To put it simply, a habit is a subconsciously repeated behavior.**

One of the most effective tactics for forming habits is following routine. **A routine is a sequence of actions regularly followed to do tasks consistently. It requires conscious effort to create and maintain routines.** But routines don’t have to be boring.

They can be developed into rituals — a more motivating strategy for building habits and getting things done efficiently. **A ritual is a series of actions repeated with a meaningful purpose attached to it.** It’s a routine that includes an intentional focus to give the action meaning.