## **CALENDAR**

Children & Adult Bible Study Classes 9:30 a.m.

Committee Meetings

Board of Trustees 3rd Saturday
Membership Committee 4th Sunday
Music Committee 3rd Sunday
Standing Committee 2nd Sunday
Communion 1st Sunday
Food Pantry 4th Saturday

<u>DONATIONS/TITHES</u> can be made on our website or ZELLE to-treasurer@flatbushtompkins.org

## TO JOIN US ON LINE SUNDAY SERVICE

Web Site - www.flatbushtompkins.org,

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Passcode 197420 Find your local number:

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## Contact Information Weekday Office Hours

Tuesday, Wednesdays, and Fridays 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Reverend Forde office hours are on Wednesdays from 10 am to 4 pm. Reverend Forde's telephone number is 929-519-3242 email address is rev.forde@flatbushtompkins.org

## **Telephone Numbers**

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## REVEREND DOREEN FORDE, INTERIM MINISTER

The mission of the church is to provide a place to worship and learn the will of God, to share in Christian fellowship showing encouragement and love to each other, gaining spiritual strength for our personal needs and, as disciples of Christ, to communicate our love to all people by deeds and action.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 5, 2025

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## FLATBUSH-TOMPKINS CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

## Sunday, January 5, 2025

## Reverend Doreen Forde, Interim Minister

**Edris Sewell** 

Liturgist

\* please stand if able

Prelude

Rachel Kaufman

\*Opening Hymn # 250 Break Thou the Bread of Life

\*Call to Worship

God gathers us from the farthest parts of the earth. God brings together a great variety of people.

Surely God will meet us here. Surely God will save the people.

Some come weeping, in need of consolation. Some are confused, needing to find a straight path.

> We are a great company of seekers. All have stumbled and need a blessing.

Come with radiant delight before our God. Come with joyous dancing and singing.

> God offers us life in a watered garden. God bring us hope and gladness and abundance.

\*Introit

We Remember You

\*Invocation and Lord's Prayer (debt...debtors)

\*Psalter # 736

Isaiah 12: 2-6

\*Gloria Patri

Welcome and Announcements

**Pastoral Prayer** 

**Prayer Response** 

Praise You

Offering

Anthem

Fix Me. Jesus The Chancel Choir

\*Doxology

**Prayer of Dedication** 

Reception of Members (insert)

Scripture Reading

Gospel Lesson

Philippians 4: 1-9 (Pew Bible p. 1071)

Hymn of Preparation (insert)

Lord, Help Me to Hold Out

Sermon

Lord, Fix My Mind

Invitation of Christ

Hymns of Invitation #413

Sweet Hour of Prayer

# 421

Dear Lord and Father of Mankind

Communion Collect

Agnus Dei

**General Confession** 

Almighty and most merciful Father we have erred and strayed from Thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts.

We have offended against Thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done.

But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare thou those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore thou those who are penitent, according to Thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord.

And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of Thy Holy Name. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Words of Institution

**Holy Communion** 

Sharing the Bread

Passing the Cup

Parish Relief Offering

Selection

We Three Kings The Chancel Choir

**Dedication of Offering** 

Choral Response # 438

We Give Thee But Thine Own

\*Closing Hymn # 22

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

\*Benediction

\*Response

Lord Dismiss Us with Thy Blessings

Postlude

Rachel Kaufman

Music Ministry

Elisabeth Stevens., soprano Malcolm Payne, baritone Diego Valdez, tenor

Nicole Osmolovskaya, alto

The Chancel Choir

Rachel Kaufman, pianist

## LORD, HELP ME TO HOLD OUT

...those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere... they will be blessed in their doing.



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The greeters this morning are Lloyd and Cynthia Maxwell.

## Welcome and Announcements

We welcome you to our service of worship this morning. We are so pleased that you have come here to fellowship with us today. We encourage you to greet each other and join us for fellowship after service.

A very Happy Birthday to our January birthday celebrants: Cynthia Maxwell ((2<sup>nd</sup>), Ahli Fox (4<sup>th</sup>), Andre Johnson-Brown (6<sup>th</sup>), Davida Davis (6<sup>th</sup>), Adrienne Booker (7th), Christopher Casimir (12th), Malik Wormsby (18th), Sheila Duffy (20<sup>th</sup>). Girlene Clark (21<sup>st</sup>), Morgen Flowers-Ryan (23<sup>rd</sup>), Catherine Jordan (25th), Rev. Joe N. Brown (30th).

## **Prayer Requests**

Behind all words and gestures, behind all thoughts and feelings, there is an inner center of prayer where we can meet and help one another in the presence of God. Let us remember in prayer -

Lion Alkebulan, requested by Davida Davis J.W. Eady, uncle of Sylvia White Maria Hodges, \* Janet Baugh, a friend of the Matthew Family Thelma Borden,\* James Brannon, nephew of Janice Thomas Linell Collins Jacobs, father of Desiree Jacobs Munnelly Audrey Mills, wife of Wilbert Mills Demetrice Mills, brother of Wilbert Mills Edris Sewell,\* for healing Joy Charles, sister of Janice Thomas Eddie Stockton, requested by Emerald Haynes Laura Harris\* and family Nancy Van Raalte, aunt of Rachel Kaufman Jean Jackson, sister of John Jackson Claudia Rollins-Carrington Iotha Floyd\*

Winston Haynes and Kenyon Haynes, in Barbados, father and brother of Annette Strawder and Sonia Clarke Justine Johnson, son of Rev. Julie Johnson Staples William Stevens, brother of Elisabeth Stevens

Ella Brandon\* Mary and Floyd Mitchell\* Anthony Davis\* Lorraine Young\* Patsy Gordon,\*for healing Avenal Haynes\* Lillie Clacher\* Rev. Joe N. Brown Cathleen Reid\* Florence Robinson\* Enid Williams\* Joan Regis\* Nora White Roderick Applewhaite Cynthia Hall\* Jovcelvn McCalla\* Adrienne Booker\* Lisa Lynch, in Barbados, friend of Sonia Clarke Kaylani Best Creese Kiandra Mays upon death of fiancee

Please contact the Church Secretary at chenze@flatbushtompkins.org with your prayer requests. Persons will be listed until the end of a month.

## Acknowledgment of Visitors Building on Strengths Identified by the SWOT Analysis

On Saturday, January 11, 2025, at 10:00 AM, the members of FTCC are invited to the first in a series of discussions on ways we can use our strengths to seize opportunities to move the church forward. All members are encouraged to attend. The meeting will be hybrid.

## **Adult Sunday School**

The Adult Sunday School will meet each Sunday from 9:30 - 10:45 a.m. in the large parlor on the main floor. Lessons are available as you enter. The zoom link is on the back of the bulletin. Come on in and join us.

## Pastor's Bible Study

Reverend Forde's Bible Study will be every Thursday at 7 p.m. We meet via Zoom. The Meeting ID is 962 8600 6608 Pass code is 197420

**Pennies for the Building Fund.** You are invited to deposit your pennies into the large bottle on the table at the East 19<sup>th</sup> Street entrance.

The **Women's Ministry** is having a Day Out on Friday, February 21, 2025. An outing is planned to the Hunterdon Playhouse (in New Jersey) to enjoy *Dr. K's Motown Revue*. For additional information speak with a member of the Women's Ministry.

## Contributions for Sunday, December 29

In-Service Giving	Amount		
Church Support	\$	1,712.00	
Benevolence		30.00	
College Fund		100.00	
Building Fund		325.00	
Christmas Gifts		250.00	
Sub-Total	\$	2,471.00	
Online Giving	A	Amount	
Church Support	\$	120.00	
Sub-Total	\$	120.00	
Total In-Service & Online	\$	2,537.00	

## Community Meetings at Church

NA Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 10:30 - noon AA Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.
Flatbush Tenants Association
Community Emergency Response Team

# FLATBUSH-TOMPKINS CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH



## SATURDAY JANUARY 4TH @ 10AM

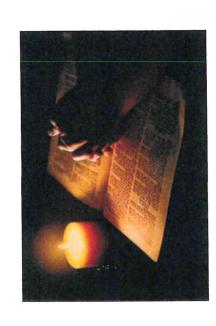
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Facilitated by: Florence Robinson

A declaration of who God is

Prayer, petition, or entreaty in favor of another

A Submission of His authority



Lifting up the needs and Concerns of others to God With Selfless Love

Matt.- 20: 20-23-The mother of Zebedee's sons make a request on behalf of her children

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## **Reception of New Members**

All persons presenting themselves for membership in FTCC will be asked to assent in the following covenant:

## The Covenant

Confessing your reverent love for God, our Heavenly Father, and your faith in Jesus Christ, our Savior, you are here in the presence of God and His people that you may enter into the fellowship and communion of this church. You promise and covenant with God and the Church to walk together with your Christian Brothers and Sisters in the truth and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ. You agree to treat the members of this church with Christian affection, to share in the work and worship of this church, and the faith and devotion of the church universal. You engage to submit to the government and practice of this church, to support its services and ordinances, and at all times to seek to promote its efficiency, purity, and peace. In your daily life, you will endeavor to follow in the good ways of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Trusting in the grace of God, do you this covenant and engage?

To which the answer shall be made .... I do.

The Welcome by the Church

We, then, the members of this church, affectionately receive you into out communion, and welcome you with you into our fellowship. We promise to walk with you in Christian love, to promote as far as in us lies, your welfare, and to fulfill to you the law of Christ Jesus, our Lord. May the God of eternal covenant keep us firm and loyal to the end, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

The following persons will be received into church membership this morning:

Charmaine O. Deshong Clotaire Jean-Louis Jude Marie Jean-Louis