

ECUMENICAL SERVICE

Friday, July 8, 2016
8:00 P.M.

Bishop Reginald Thomas Jackson
Worship Leader

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Bishop Reginald Thomas Jackson

Bishop Jackson This is the day that the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

People: We give you thanks, O Lord.

Bishop Jackson For these 200 years the Lord, God Almighty has been with us

People: We give you thanks, O Lord.

Bishop Jackson This is the day when our brothers and sisters of the ecumenical community share with us to celebrate the vision of our Founder, Richard Allen, and those who helped birth the African Methodist Episcopal Church.

People: We give you thanks, O Lord.

Bishop Jackson: For those who have served so faithfully in leadership positions as Bishops, General and connectional Officers, Missionaries, Laity, Youth and Members,

People: We give you thanks, O Lord.

All: O give thanks unto the Lord for He is good and His mercy endures forever.

THE OPENING HYMN

Bishop Violet L. Fisher
United Methodist Church, Retired

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee
AME HYMNAL NO. 757

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!

All thy works with joy surround Thee,
Earth and heaven reflect Thy rays,
Stars and angels sing around Thee,
Center of unbroken praise;
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
Flowery meadow, flashing sea,
Chanting bird and flowing fountain,
Call us to rejoice in Thee.

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.

Mortals, join the mighty chorus,
Which the morning stars began;
Father love is reigning o'er us,
Brother love binds man to man.
Ever singing, march we onward,
Victors in the midst of strife;
Joyful music leads us sunward
In the triumph song of life.

THE INVOCATION

Reverend Robina M. Winbush
Associate Stated Clerk
Presbyterian Church, USA

THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC

THE SCRIPTURE

Psalm 133

Mrs. Kathryn M. Lohre
Director Ecumenical Relations
Evangelical Lutheran Church

THE WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Bishop John Franklin White
President, Council of Bishops
African Methodist Episcopal Church

THE GREETINGS

Dr. James Crockett
Associate General Secretary
National Council of Churches

Bishop Teresa E. Snorton
President
Pan Methodist Commission

The Right Reverend Wayne P. Wright
The Episcopal Church
Delaware Diocese

Brigadier General Scott Dingle
United States Army

THE INTRODUCTION OF GUEST PREACHER **Bishop Gregory Gerald McKinley Ingram**
Host Bishop

THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC

THE MESSAGE

Reverend Dr. J. Louis Felton
Pastor, Mount Airy Church of God In Christ
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

THE MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

Bishop Clement Willie Fugh

THE BENEDICTION

Bishop Linwood Rideout
Union American Methodist Episcopal Church