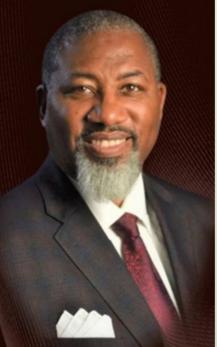
## April, 14, 2024 Guest Pastor



### **Rev. Dr. Anthony Witherspoon** Washington Metropolitan African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church

# 11:00 AM

We exist to connect all people with Jesus Christ. We do this by welcoming enthusiastically, growing deeply and serving courageously.

#### ତ୍ତେ Welcome ୍ର

Children of all ages and their rustling are welcome in our worship services. Activity packets are available at the entrances. Nursery care and Children's Sunday School are located in Whittler Treehouse.

**PRELUDE** "When the Saints Go to Worship" (Donald Lawrence) Voices of Zion

Soloist: Georgette Williams

#### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastors Daniel & Jewell

#### **GREETINGS FROM WASHINGTON AMEZ**

#### +CALL TO WORSHIP

As Jesus approached, a voice cried out,

#### "Have mercy on me!"

Others tried to silence the voice, but it cried out all the more, **"Have mercy on me!"** 

When Jesus heard the voice, he stopped, and he asked, "What do you want me to do for you?" And the voice replied, **"Lord. I want to see."** 

+OPENING HYMN UMH 322 "Up From the Grave He Arose"

#### +UNISON PRAYER

O God of vision and call, we thank you that you do not pass us by. You hear us when we lift our voices to you. And listening to our voices, you stop, and you draw us near, and you ask us what it is that we want you to do for us.

Help us to respond to your question with our hearts as spacious as yours. Open our eyes and ears and minds to what you desire for us in this moment and in this place. Move us from meaninglessness to meaning by the power of your Holy Spirit, for we pray in Christ's name, Amen.

**ANTHEM** "Order My Steps" (Glenn Burleigh)

Soloist: Cynthia Davis

#### INTRODUCTION OF GUEST PREACHER

#### SCRIPTURE READING Luke 18:35-42

Holy Spirit, as we have read this Scripture in our community, humbly interpreting through Reason, varied Experience and Tradition, bless our hearing and understanding. **May our listening be done with love.** 

#### TIME OF PRAYER

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER UMH 895

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

#### INVITATION TO OFFERING

**OFFERTORY** "Jesus Promised" (Tim Carpenter)

To e-give, text "MOUMC" to 73256 or give online using the QR code below.

#### +DOXOLOGY UMH 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

#### **+PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

+CLOSING HYMN UMH 307 "Christ Is Risen"

#### **+INVITATION AND BENEDICTION**

**+POSTLUDE** "St. Theodulph" (Eurydice V. Osterman)





#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### Ministry Spotlight | Green Samaritans

The MUMC Green Samaritans have a heart for God's creation and passion for the work of making both small and big differences in our daily habits. Stop by the Connector desk to see what they are planning for Earth Day!

#### ForColumbia | Registration closes April 15

Register in the Connector today! The ForColumbia volunteer event is on April 27. This annual day of service is ecumenical (57 churches) and well organized; so far there are over 1,200 volunteers and 85 volunteer sites.

#### Saturday Morning Breakfast Café | Saturdays in April (20, 27)

MUMC will be serving again at SMBC starting in April. This year, SMBC is at Room at the Inn. We need eight volunteers on Saturdays in April and June from 7:00 - 9:00 AM. Use QR code to sign up.





#### Festival of Sharing | April

Our FOS focus for April is Family Food Box collections. We are much more effective when we buy in bulk; monetary giving is preferred to individually donated cans. \$26 for a full box of food. Please mark FOS in the memo of your contribution.

#### MUMC/UWF Book Club

Come see what we are reading! Meets every other month, second Wednesdays at 10AM For details, contact June DeWeese - deweesei@missouri.edu

For this week's event calendar, visit moumc.org/calendar.

Submit your connect card and share prayer concerns at moumc.org/comm-card.

#### **CONNECT WITH US!**

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