

*Worship Service
December 31, 2017
First Sunday after Christmas*

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES.....The Acolytes

CALL TO WORSHIP:.....Minister

Leader: "Good Christian folk, rejoice with heart and soul and voice!"

People: Our God has saved us once again!

Leader: God has suffered all our pain.

**People: Earth shook with heaven's groaning until God's thunder broke above.
then God saved us once again!**

All: Christ is born today; Christ is born today!

*INTROIT:.....#685

INVOCATION:.....Minister

Gracious God, in Jesus you were born of flesh that we might be born of spirit.
Let us not, like Esau, be faithless and forsake our birthright. Let us rather be
quicken by the spirit that remakes us in the image of the One who was truly
faithful.

*HYMN:....."Blessed Assurance".....#504

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:.....Minister

Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is one true church, apostolic and universal, whose
faith let us now reverently and sincerely declare. What do we believe?

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ
His only son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost. Born of the Virgin Mary;
Suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, dead and buried, the third day He rose
from the dead He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God, the
Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe
in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of
sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

(Holy catholic church means the church universal not the Roman Catholic Church.)

*GLORIA PATRI

SCRIPTURE LESSON.....Minister

PASTORAL PRAYER.....Minister

WELCOME.....Minister

VIDEO ANNOUNCEMENTS.....A/V Ministry

OFFERTORY PRAYER.....Minister

MINISTRY OF KINDNESS.....WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERING

*OFFERTORY....."All Things Come of Thee O Lord"

PASTORAL REFLECTIONS.....Rev. Brian R. Thompson, Sr., Pastor

PRE-MESSAGE SELECTION.....Mass Choir (8:30 am/11:00 am)

THE MESSAGE.....Rev. Brian R. Thompson, Sr., Pastor

*CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

BENEDICTION

**Please Stand*

**PLEASE REMAIN SEATED UNTIL ACOLYTES FINISH EXTINGUISHING
CANDLES AND LEAVE THE SANCTUARY**

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Announcements

Prayer Line: Our weekly prayer line call is every Monday morning beginning at
7am. The dial-in number is: (712) 770-4010. Access code: 471857.

Please press *6 to mute your line. Pastor Thompson will deliver the prayer.

Simon Temple Apparel - Visit stzc17.itemorder.com to purchase authentic
Simon Temple apparel such as flight jackets, pullovers, sweatshirts, tee shirts,
and golf shirts. Items are available in various colors as well as styles for both
men and women. Get yours now while supplies last!

"How to Study the Bible Course" - Enrollment has begun for those persons who
graduated the Master Life Discipleship Program in 2017. The fourteen-week
class taught by Carolina College of Biblical Studies begins January 9th, 6:30-
9pm in Kingdom Plaza. Contact Rev. L. Newton for applications and further
information.

Simon Temple Texts: If you would like to stay connected with Simon Temple
via text messages, please text the keyword: "simontemple" to short code:
555888 and follow the text instructions.

Dec 31—Today is the last day of open enrollment for boys and girls ages 7-12
who would like to become members of The Simon Temple Energizers. Please
sign up in the church office.

Dec 31—New Year's Eve service will begin at 10:00 pm. Our special musical
guest will be Isabel Davis. Doors will open promptly at 9:00 pm.

Jan 3—Quarterly Conference will begin promptly at 6:30 pm.

Jan 6—The Women of Excellence will have a Vision Casting Brunch in the New
Fellowship Hall at 11:00 am. Bring your 2018 calendars and journals. All
women are invited to come out and join us!

Jan 8—New Members Orientation Class Part 1 will be held in the New
Fellowship Hall at 6:00 pm. If you plan to attend, please sign up electronically
or contact Sis. Gentry in the church office at (910) 867-1182 x 103.

Jan 13—The Men of Zion will meet in the Old Fellowship Hall at 8:00 am. We
welcome all men to attend our first meeting of 2018!

Jan 13—Simon Temple will host the "Good Vibes Only" Concert featuring Young
Saint, Don Bri, GraceLyfe, and Mod-G "The Producer" at 6:00 pm. These artists
are coming together to present Christ through music and promote unity in the
body of Christ for all ages using the three C's: Church, Community & Christ.

Jan 16—Baptism will be held in the New Fellowship Hall at 6:00 pm. If you
desire to be baptized, make sure you have completed the baptismal form in the
church office.

Jan 18—The Marriage Ministry will meet in the New Fellowship Hall at 6:30pm.

Sunday Worship Services: 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
Communion Service: 1st Sunday of every month
Children/Youth Sunday Worship Services: 11:00 a.m. on 1st, 2nd, 3rd & 5th Sundays
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.; Teen Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Children's Church: 8:30 a.m./11:00 a.m.; Nursery provided: 8:30a.m. /11:00 a.m.
Youth Service: 4th Sunday of every month (main Sanctuary)
Bible Study: Wednesday 12 Noon/6:45 p.m.; Teen Bible Study: Wednesday: 6:45 p.m.
Wives Empowerment: 10:00 a.m. (1st Saturday)
Men's Empowerment: 6:30 p.m. (scheduled Tuesdays)
Women's Empowerment: 6:30 p.m. (1st Friday)
Men of Zion: 8 a.m. (2nd Saturday)
Joshua Generation: 10 a.m. (scheduled Saturdays)
Daughters of Excellence: (scheduled events)
Good Samaritan Outreach Ministry: 6:45 a.m. (every Saturday)
Ministry House – Food Pantry & Clothing Closet: 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. (Tuesday/Thursday)

To schedule appointments, please call the church office at (910) 867-1182

Church Office Hours: Monday & Saturday Closed

*Tuesday 9am–6pm *Wednesday 10am–9pm *Thursday 9am–7pm *Friday, 9am–2pm
 Sunday 8:15am – closed during services

Minister on Call after Office Hours for Emergencies concerning “critical incidents, hospitalizations, or death notifications only.” (910) 391-2998

1st Lady Rev. Felica Thompson: www.revfelicathompson.com
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Free To Be Me Radio Talk Show airs every Thursday at noon on WIDU (1600AM)

To submit your “imfreeu2” story email Rev. Felica - imfreeu2@gmail.com

Radio Broadcast, WIDU, 1600, Saturday, 5:30 pm

WIDU Live Broadcast, 1600, Sunday, 11:00 am – 1:00 pm
 CW TV, Channel 2, Sunday, 5:30 am

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Email addresses: info@simontemple.com or pastor@simontemple.com

If you see areas you think we can improve or have concerns you would like addressed, please send them to: memberconcerns@simontemple.com or howarewedoin@simontemple.com. We appreciate and welcome your input.

“I was sick and ye visited me”

Pray for the Sick

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We greet you in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! Welcome to Simon Temple A.M.E. Zion Church. It is truly a privilege and an honor to have you worship with us today. We realize that you could have chosen many places to worship today, but by the divine grace of God we are blessed by your presence. This is the Lord's house and all who come to worship God in spirit and in truth are always welcome! We invite you to become a member of this church by simply coming forth when the invitation to Christian Discipleship is extended.

REV. BRIAN R. THOMPSON, PASTOR

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