

St. Paul's Baptist Church

West Chester, PA





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Our Founding Mothers

Very little is known about the first Black Baptists in West Chester, Pennsylvania. However, we do know that on January 29, 1887, a meeting was advertised in a local newspaper to be held at 307 East Market Street. Under the leadership of Rev. H. B. Price, meetings were held at an old house on the north side of Magnolia Street. These meetings were known as "The Baptist Colored Mission," the name which lasted until the end of 1887. Two of the known members of this original group were Ameila Wesley and Mary Steamer who have continued to be recognized and remembered as the founding mothers of St. Paul's Baptist Church.



Mrs. Amelia Wesley

Mrs. Mary Steamers

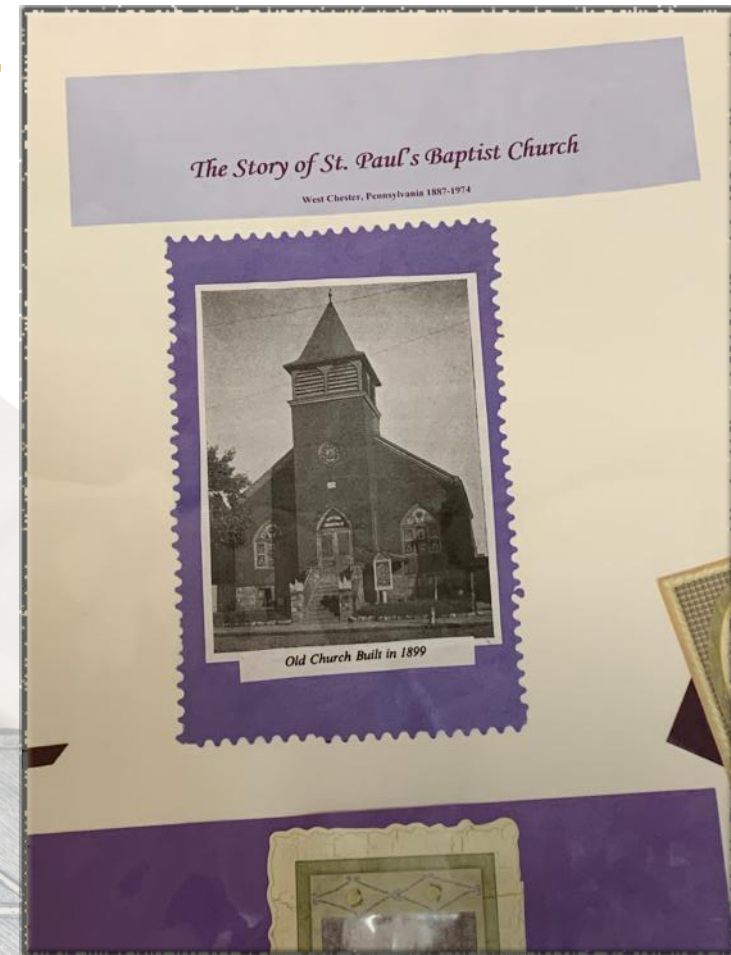
January 29, 1887

Our First Church

418-420 E. Miner St.

Built 1899

Rev. J. C. King, Pastor



St. Paul's Baptist Church was organized under the power and guidance of the Holy Spirit by five visionary, independent Christian believers who were convinced that the Almighty in the spirit of Christ wanted them to have their own place of worship, study, and divine encounter. So, it happened that on January 29, 1887, the first meeting of the Baptist Colored Mission in West Chester was held at 307 East Market Street led by Reverend H. B. Price.

The church evolved through a number of name changes and institutional progressions to become the St. Paul's Baptist Church of West Chester, Pennsylvania. St. Paul's is the oldest Baptist Church of African American heritage in the area and is affiliated with the National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc., the Pennsylvania Baptist State Convention and the American Baptist Churches, USA. From 1887 – today...Over One Hundred and Thirty Five Years. St. Paul's Baptist Church has emerged from that first worship service in January 1887 under the banner of "Baptist Colored Mission" to "The Angel Visit Baptist Mission" to St. Paul's Baptist Church.

St. Paul's Baptist Church

The Church On The Hill, Near The Cross, In The Word, And On The Move For Christ



“ To The Glory of God ”

St. Paul's Baptist Church Organized 1887

Relocated to current location in 1991

Rebuilt And Dedicated April 15, 2000

Rev. Robert Scott Jones, Senior Pastor

St. Paul's has stood as a living testimony to God's faithfulness to His children and the teachings of Christ. St. Paul's has served as an anchor for many souls in times of social injustice, human need, economic depression, warfare, uncertainty, and perplexity. Today, St. Paul's is actively engaged in seeking to develop and implement a program and plan of action for the church in the 21st century. Under the theme "Every Member In Study and Ministry", it is our aim to assist individuals to grow in Christ and to become better equipped to practice and share the teachings and principles of Jesus. Our aim is to become an efficient and effective teaching church as we equip our members and ministries to do the work of Christ in a spirit of humility and Christian fellowship – **Build Disciples!**

Biography

2012- Present

Our Pastor



Rev. Dr. Wayne E. Croft, Sr.

Limitless Possibilities

The Rev. Dr. Wayne E. Croft, Sr., serves as Pastor of St. Paul's Baptist Church in West Chester, PA. Prior to this assignment, he served The Church of the Redeemer Baptist in Philadelphia for a total of 20 years. Dr. Croft is the founder of the Redeemer Renaissance Community Development Corporation, a life member of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc., Past President of the NAACP West Chester Branch, and has been inducted into the Martin Luther King, Jr. Board of Preachers of Morehouse College.

He is also a prolific writer. The African-American Pulpit Journal published his sermons; *The Promise Guaranteed, A Candidate for the Hall of Faith* and his article entitled *What Does it Mean to Preach Biblically Today*. He is the author of the book *Unexpected Calls to Unexpected Places, Pretty Poison: Seven Deadly Sins* and *The Motif of Hope in African American Preaching During Slavery and Post-Civil War: There's A Bright Side Somewhere*, and *The History of the Black Baptist Church: I Don't Feel No Ways Tired*.

Dr. Croft is also a contributor to the books *From One Brother to Another: Voices of African-American Men*, Volume 2 and *Athens & Oxford Sermons*, Volume 10. He has published articles in the Past Master section of *Preaching Magazine*; "John Jasper: Preaching with Authority", "E. K. Bailey: Expositor of the Word", "Gardner C. Taylor: Poet Laureate and Dean of Preachers", "Charles E. Booth: The Preacher's Preacher", and a book that chronicles his journey to serve as Pastor of the St. Paul's Baptist Church.

Biography

2012- Present

Dr. Croft has served as Dean of the Pennsylvania Eastern Keystone Baptist Association and as the Assistant Professor of Homiletics and Liturgics at Palmer Theological Seminary of Eastern University in Philadelphia. He now serves as The Jeremiah A. Wright, Sr. Associate Professor of Homiletics and Liturgics in African American Studies at United Lutheran Seminary at Philadelphia.

Dr. Croft has distinguished himself as a pastor, writer and scholar, having earned an Associate degree from Pinebrook Jr. College and graduated Magna Cum Laude from Trinity College earning a Bachelor of Arts. He received the Master of Divinity degree from Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary (now Palmer Seminary), Master of Theology degree from Princeton Theological Seminary and graduated with distinction from Drew University in Madison, New Jersey earning a Doctor of Ministry degree.

He also earned a Master of Philosophy and Doctor of Philosophy degree from Drew. He is the first person to earn both a Doctor of Ministry and Doctor of Philosophy from Drew University and received an Honorary Doctorate in Humane Letters from Villanova University in May 2018. Dr. Croft is married to Dr. Lisa L. Croft, a family physician and they have three children, Darlene, Wayne Jr., and Candace Nicole.



Limitless Possibilities



While the city of Philadelphia was celebrating the 100th anniversary of the United States Constitution, the world's longest surviving written charter of government, five visionary Christian believers who were convinced that the Almighty in the spirit of Christ wanted them to have their own place of worship, organized what is known today as the St. Paul's Baptist Church of West Chester, Pennsylvania.

Although none of us were present when St. Paul's was established, all of us have witnessed God's hand upon our church. We watched God do wonderful and amazing things and it has been marvelous in our sight. We have experienced the power and move of God in our church and now online. We have survived many dangers, toils, and snares. Due to the Coronavirus, we left our church building on March 15, 2020, not knowing when we would return. We found ourselves in a state of crisis. Almost by definition, a crisis is something one has or cannot prepare for fully.

We were not prepared for what would transpire in March 2020. We were not given any warning or time to prepare for the recurrence of natural disasters. There was no prep for our nation's economic turndown, no prep for a contentious presidential election, no prep for the nationwide protests in the wake of the deaths of people of color. We had no prep for mask wearing, the halting of group gatherings, trading social networking for social distancing, and there was no prep for the doors of our church and every church, mosque, and synagogue around the world being closed. However, we have survived and our rebuilding a firm foundation. Every great challenge we have faced in the past 135 years has been met with God's power and pathways.

During the 19th century, numerous gold rushes in remote regions around the globe caused large migrations of miners, such as the California Gold Rush of 1849, the Victorian Gold Rush, and the Klondike Gold Rush. The discovery of gold in the Witwatersrand led to the Second Boer War and ultimately the founding of South Africa. I thank God I did not have to travel far to find one of God's gold mines. On Sunday, March 3, 2013, I delivered my first State of the Church Address and declared we are a church with limitless possibilities. This became our motto, "Limitless Possibilities."

In the last nine years, together, we have witnessed Limitless Possibilities. Our church has grown spiritually, numerically, and financially. We burned two mortgages in four years, increased the number of full-time and part-time staff, and enhanced the church's facilities and grounds. Modern technology was added to the sanctuary and Fellowship Hall. In conjunction with the United Lutheran Seminary's Urban Theological Institute, a church-based discipleship program leading to a certificate in church leadership was launched, and we spearheaded several highly

Letter to the Church

significant community engagement initiatives addressing social justice and social equity within Chester County.

As we celebrate our 135th Church Anniversary, and as the oldest Black Baptist Church in Chester County, I am reminded of the strength of the Black Church. I contend that the Black Church has anchored our souls in times of trouble, stabilized our psyche, sustained our faith, helped us control our anger and frustrations, kept our hearts from drinking the bile of hatred and put a heaven in our view even as we labored amid hellish realities. It has fueled our energies to keep toiling on through a night more desolate and drearier than a thousand midnights. It refuses to let our faith die, rather it continues to proclaim that, "there's a bright side somewhere. It has empowered and given hope to oppressed people struggling for self-realization in a hostile majority situation."¹ For 135 years we have witnessed God's sustaining power. With God on our side and our willingness to serve, nothing is impossible.

I must thank our 135th Church Anniversary Committee for their diligence and commitment to excellence and making this an unforgettable celebration even as we continue to navigate through this new normal. Heartfelt thanks are extended to Deacon Vaughn I. Jennings, Chair and Deacon-in-Training Ghana Rowell, Co-Chair, Trustee Alisa Anderson, Reverend Orville Brissett, Sister Candace Nicole Croft, Deacon Darryl Gatewood, Minister Carol Jean Hicks, Trustee Willa Hightower, Deacon-in-Training Omar Jaikaran, Sister Areille E. Jennings, Deaconess Lesly Jennings, Sister Serena Jennings, Deacon Sterling Moore, Sister Sharon Webster, and Deacon Mark Woodford. On behalf of St. Paul's, we thank you for the love you have for your church and for persevering through these unprecedented times to make sure we do not forget from whence the LORD has brought us from.

Finally, thank you St. Paul's for allowing me to serve as your Pastor. You are a great people. I look forward to the years ahead that we have together and to what God will do in those years.

I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now (Philippians 1:3-5).

With Limitless Possibilities,

Pastor Croft

¹ William D. Watley. *Singing The Lord's Song In A Strange Land: The African American Churches and Ecumenism*, (Geneva: WCC Publications, 1993).

Pastors of St. Paul's

Rev. Asbury Smallwood
1887-1891

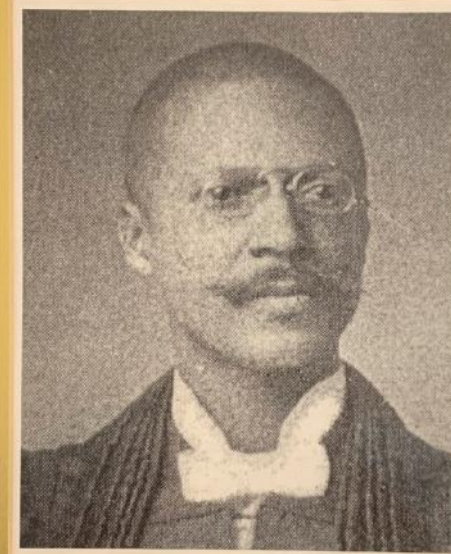


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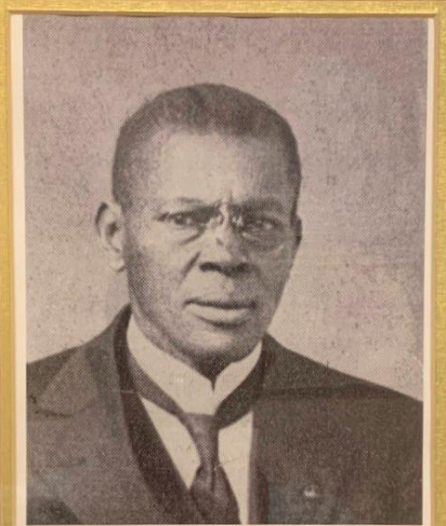
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1892-1898



Rev. James Sumler-Interim
1892-1898



Rev. John C. King
1893 - 1916



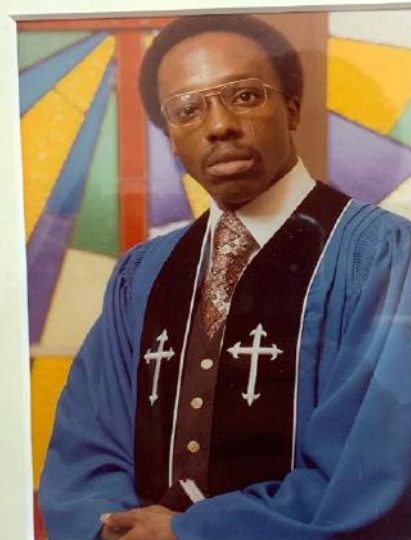
Rev. Daniel D. Howard
1916 - 1931



Rev. James C. Clark
1932 - 1965



Rev. Amos C. Brown
1966 - 1970



Rev. Charles E. Booth
May - Dec 1970

Pastors of St. Paul's



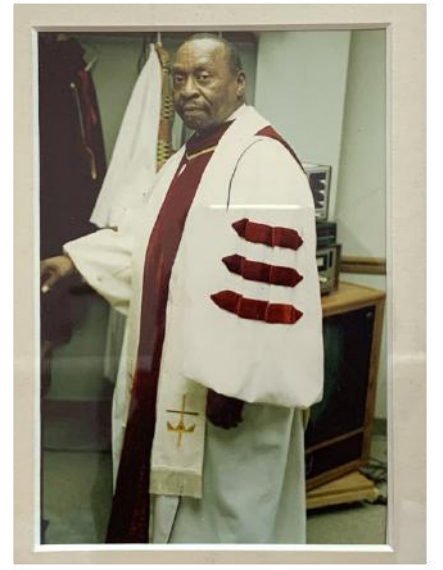
Rev. Harvey L. Kelley
1978-1982



Rev. Wm. Robinson-Interim
1982 - 1983



Rev. Earl D. Trent Jr.
1983 - 1994



Rev. Vernon M. Herron-Interim
1995 - 1996



Rev. Robert Scott Jones
1996 - 2010



Rev. Gilbert G. Campbell, Jr.-Interim
2011 - 2012

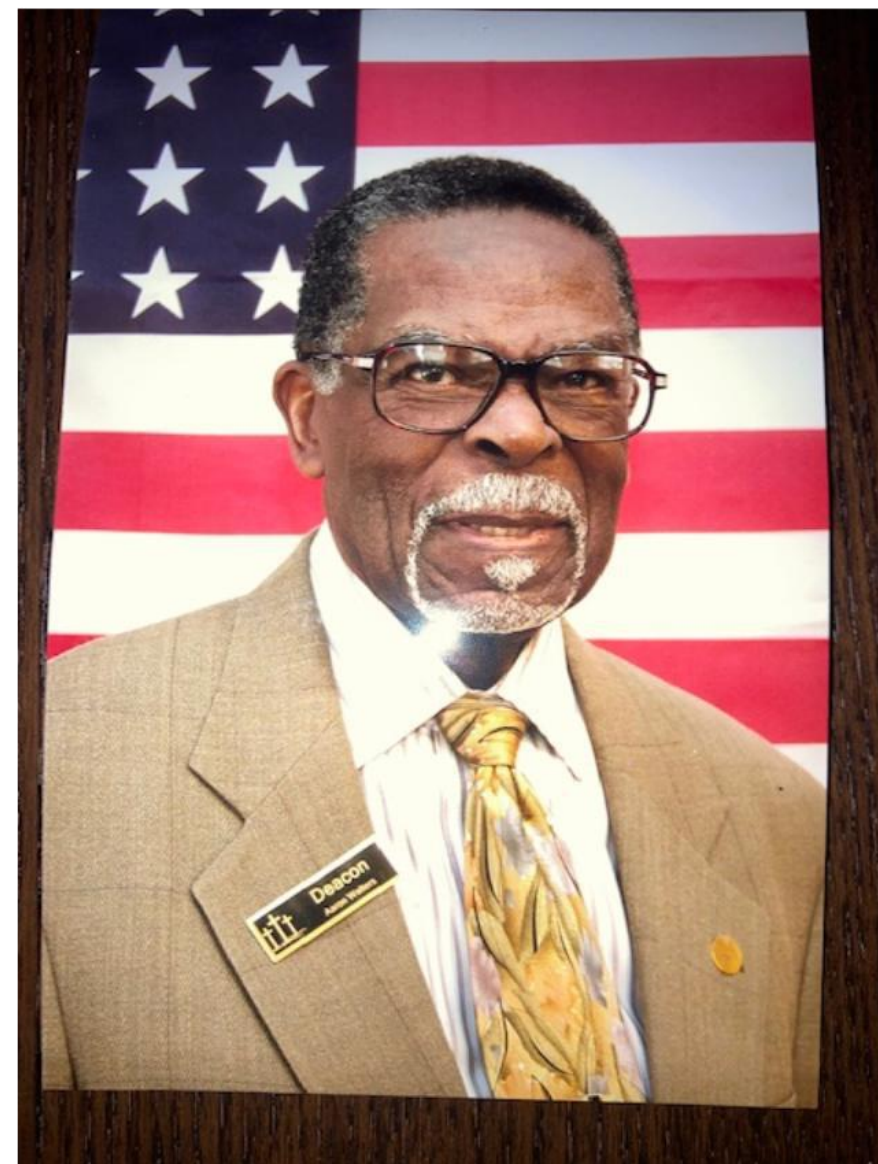


Rev. Dr. Wayne E. Croft, Sr.
2012-Present

Seasoned Saints



2019 Christmas Shopping Trip Warriors of Wisdom Ministry



Deacon Aaron Walters
Deacon Aaron has 45 years of
dedicated service to the Lord

Seasoned Saints

Helen Elizabeth (Betty) Hill Ringgold



Helen Elizabeth (Betty) Hill Ringgold is a member of St. Paul's Baptist Church. She has been a member since 1935. She is 94 years old!

Upon speaking with Miss Betty these were some of her thoughts.

What are some significant things or memories that have changed for you at St. Paul's?

"Well, people and things change." She believes that the older people really just accept change.

Has your walk with God changed while attending St. Paul's?

"Well, if it wasn't for God, I would be dead."

She was born with asthma and depended on God from day to day for life itself.

Her walk with God has never had anything to do with other people. It's between her and God.

Her mother was very active at St. Paul's and belonged to most of the organizations. Her mother was very religious and as Ms. Betty was growing up, she did most of the things her mother wanted her to do. Miss Betty was obedient.

What do you think about the direction in which the church is headed?

"I feel the church is doing the right thing by closing at times, but I truly miss going to St. Paul's."

What would you say is special about St. Paul's that allows you to continue to attend?

"Well, I've been to many churches and visited as an usher, but St. Paul's is my home church". She has a special love for St. Paul's where she was baptized by Rev. J. C. Clark. She would just like to share in closing that in the early part of 2021 she had congestive heart failure. During that time she received many cards and phone calls. She can't put into words how it made her feel.

God is good and she feels he wasn't ready for her yet, cause she's still here"!

Seasoned Saints

Sister Alice Thomas



Sister Thomas proudly states that she has been here at St. Paul's Baptist Church all her life. Her father, Joseph Theodore Cooper was the Church Sexton and sister Thomas has warm memories of her father gathering all six of her sisters and brothers on Saturday mornings to go to the church to prepare it for Sunday's service. She attended the Gay Street Elementary School which was the school for African American children. Again, she shared good memories of her years at the Gay Street School noting that the teachers and staff, who were also African American, treated the children with care and kindness, teaching them manners and etiquette as well as their lessons. Sister Thomas provided a rich history of the difference between the Gay Street School and Biddle School as she was among the African American children that integrated Biddle Street School. Her family moved to Philadelphia just before she began her senior year of high school. The move was prompted by her parents not being sold housing in the borough. Sister Thomas graduated in 1949 from West Philadelphia High School and married that following year.

She and her husband moved back to West Chester and at the age of 23 years she was baptized at St. Paul's Baptist Church. Recalling the closeness of the church community, sister Thomas stated the church is very different now as people are more distant now. She shared how Mother Ray used to fix dinners for all the kids, making sure everyone had enough to eat. Sister Thomas attended Temple University and was employed by West Chester Area School District for thirty-five years. She formed the Black Student Union and worked diligently with the students and faculty through the years. She has been a community activist, fighting against racial discrimination in West Chester along with many of the African American community leaders seeking social justice in housing and education. She knows well the days wherein she and other Black folks were not allowed to take their babies on a stroll through Marshall Square Park, buy a house, or go to the theater and sit where they choose.

Regarding her spiritual journey, sister Thomas shares that God has always been present in her life. Her hope for St. Paul's is that the church will continue to grow in warmth and that "it would continue to reach out to the community with a loving heart based on the life of the people". She "wants the church to be real, to love people for who they are and not for what they have".

Patrons



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Lena Rowell

Deacon Darryl Gatewood

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Rev. Dr. Tracie Gatewood

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Zoie R. Gatewood

Lisa Richardson

Minister Carol Jean Hicks

Ms. Grace Hackett Kelly

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Torie Hicks-Brown

**All Praises to God as we
celebrate 135 years with St.
Paul's Baptist Church**

Alisa Anderson

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Brian Hicks-Brown Jr.

Monique Batipps

Karis Lane

Emma L. Allison

Kevin Anderson

Cassidy Phipps

The Hicks Family

Kellon Anderson

Alanna Phipps

The Jaikaran Family

Amaré Garrison

Michael Phipps

Carolyn Realer

Aubrey Garrison

AnnaLena Lane

James Lane 2nd



Come Gather All

by Paul Berchtold

Come gather all, from great to least,
Come celebrate this special feast.
This is the day, by God's own choice,
Our church was born. Let us rejoice!

May God be praised! May God be blest!
May He find here His place of rest.
We honor those who built with care,
His throne on earth, this house of prayer.

May all who come, find truth and light,
Receive new hope of future bright.
God fill us with abundant grace.
May angels guard this holy place.

We thank you, Lord, for what you've done
Here in this place through your dear Son.
Abide with us, your Spirit show,
As rivers may your blessings flow.



Order of Worship

The 135th St. Paul's Baptist Church Anniversary
Sunday, January 23, 2022

Reverend Orville Brissett
Minister of Music and Worship Arts

The Reverend Richelle Foreman
Worship Leader

Praise and Worship
The Call to Worship

The Choral Introit.....Holy, Holy, Holy..... Congregation

Prayer of Invocation..... Reverend Richelle Foreman

Prayer Chant.....The Lord's Prayer..... Congregation

Musical Interlude

The Hymn of Consecration ...“The Church is One Foundation”.. Congregation

Greeting our Visitors Sister Candace Croft

Pastoral Emphasis..... Reverend Dr. Wayne E. Croft , Sr.

The Ministry of Giving

Offertory Prayer..... Trustee Danon McKim

Announcements..... Announcement Ministry

135th St. Paul's Baptist Church Anniversary Video Presentation

Introduction of Guest Minister..... Reverend Richelle Foreman

Scripture Reading..... Reverend Richelle Foreman

Intercessory Prayer..... Brother Louis Barbarin

Choral Response.....

Ministry of Music

Sermonic Selection “I've Got a Reason To Praise”

The Ministry of Preaching

The Reverend Marshall P. H. Mitchell
Pastor, Salem Baptist Church, Abington, PA
“Mourning in America”
Isaiah 9:2 NIV

Call to Discipleship
Clergy & Deacons

Remarks by The Reverend Dr. Wayne E. Croft, Sr., Pastor,
St. Paul's Baptist Church

Benediction
Depart to Serve

The Reverend Marshall P. H. Mitchell

Biography



For the last 30 years, Marshall Mitchell has led or created first-in-class entities in multiple critical sectors. His participation in both prospering and challenged organizations has been typified by dramatic success and turnaround. Hallmarks of his approach are innovative strategies and an inexhaustible and determined work ethic. Pastor Mitchell brought to Salem Baptist Church of Abington what he has brought to his work in Hollywood film marketing, college and university administration, politics — an unwavering and relentless focus, drive, and innovation.

Since 2009, Marshall has led marketing and film campaigns for 10 Oscar-winning films. Nearly 100 other films are credited to his work. He is a co-founder of two highly successful film strategy and marketing companies, WiT Media, and Different Drummer, located in Hollywood's highly competitive space.

From 12 Years A Slave to Hidden Figures to Life of Pi, and The Princess and the Frog, Mitchell's fingerprints have been on billions of dollars in production and box office revenue in the ever-changing film sector. In 2013, Marshall Mitchell became the 11th pastor of Salem Baptist Church of Jenkintown. Founded in 1884, Salem is one of Pennsylvania's oldest Black Baptist congregations and is Montgomery County's oldest congregation. In its third century, Salem, like so many other churches, suffered from declining church attendance, mission drift, and a need for serious revitalization.

During the four or five years before Mitchell's pastorate, it was common for the church to have as few as 40 or 50 congregants in its weekly services. Salem's revenue was imperiled, and its purpose floundering. Today, Salem enjoys 1,000 parishioners on Sundays, a membership of 2,000; it has moved from its previous two acres purchased in 1900 with 16 parking spaces, to a new campus of 11 acres, with four buildings and nearly 600 parking spaces.

The Reverend Marshall P. H. Mitchell

Biography

Salem, now heralded as among the fastest growing churches in PA is home to a school for persons with autism serving three Pennsylvania counties, a thriving daycare in a new facility, a football league for catholic youth, Abington PAL, a newly constructed strategic food cupboard in a 4000 square foot facility set to open in February 2022, and dozens of other non-and for-profit corporations. Salem recently purchased another church campus within blocks of the 11-acre site that will house a newly constructed senior citizens center. The new “investment” church is home to three congregations and meets strict investment performance standards set by the church corporation for new real estate acquisitions. Today, Salem assets are valued at \$15 million. In 2012, Salem was in federal bankruptcy court with an impending close at hand.

Mitchell served as the Executive Vice President of Wilberforce University, the nation's oldest private historically Black college or university. Under his watch, the university eliminated all long-term debt positions, increased enrollment beyond 70 percent over 7 years, established a National Nuclear Security Agency lab to manage natural and manmade disasters, and successfully achieved its highest re-accreditation in 70 years. Mitchell, one of the authors of New York state’s charter school law, opened 11 of the state’s charter schools in the law’s first three years. A perennial advocate for education, Mitchell served as the youngest member of the University of Pennsylvania’s Board of Trustees.

A 1992 Howard University high honors graduate in the classics, political science, and philosophy, Mitchell served on the University’s divinity school’s board of visitors. He studied theology at New York’s Union Theological Seminary. In 1994, at the age of 24, he was appointed the youngest chief of staff in the history of the United States House of Representative as US Congressman Floyd Flake (D-NY) tapped Mitchell to serve while he chaired the House Banking Committee’s Oversight and Investigations Subcommittee. Mitchell helped to resolve the early 1990s federal savings and loan crisis. During his tenure on the Hill, some of the banking innovations led by Mitchell included disposition of assets from shuttered banks and establishment of a new risk. In 1994 alone, Mitchell was responsible for direct investment of \$294 million in the 6th congressional district.

Pastor Croft's Installation

Pastor Croft's Installation Service "O'h Happy Day" To God be the Glory!



SPBC
First Family

Ministers of St. Paul's

Through the Years



Souvenir Journal Ads



Happy 135th Anniversary St. Paul's Baptist Church

Congratulations Rev. Dr. Wayne E. Croft, Sr., Deacons, Associate Ministers, and Members on being a beacon of light in the community for 135 years! Thank you for all you have done and will continue to do. Thank you for standing strong through adversity and representing the Father's great love and truth. You are a beautiful testimony of the power of the Lord's work and the leaders and member's heart for each other and the community.

"Unless the Lord builds the house, those that build it labor in vain." Thank you, Lord, for building St. Paul's Baptist Church. We pray this church will continue to grow and bless the community for decades to come. Amen.

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Anniversary. May God
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you throughout the years and
generations to come.





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- How to leave **PRECIOUS HEIRLOOMS TO LOVED ONES**.
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Division**

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Chester County Chapter**

Extends Congratulations and
Best Wishes To
Rev. Dr. Wayne Croft
and Congregation of
St. Paul's Baptist Church
On the occasion of your historic
135th Anniversary

May God add many more years to the church and
bless the people of West Chester through it.

MUSIC BY CARL CORNWELL & his jazz ensemble

2022 JAZZ AWARDS LUNCHEON

On Saturday, March 26, 2022, at the Mendenhall Inn near Kennett Square, the Chester County Chapter of the Lincoln University Alumni Association proudly invites you to our 8th Annual Jazz Awards Luncheon. The program begins precisely at 11:30 a.m., with doors opening at 10:30 a.m. This signature fundraising event will feature live jazz performed by saxophone genius Carl Cornwell and his jazz ensemble, an exquisite lunch, and an enlightening program honoring notable Lincoln University alumni, administrators, faculty, and community leaders.

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DR. TIFFANY HARRISON
OUTSTANDING YOUNG ALUMNA
CLASS OF 2008

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8th Annual
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March 26, 2022 - Mendenhall Inn

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West Chester, PA*

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The LORD has done great things for us, and we are filled with joy. Psalm 126:3

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Jesus is the Answer

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Jesus is the Answer
To the needs of our world today
He is here to guide us
and protect us along life's way
He never will forsake us
His love for us is real
"Peace" He says, "I leave with you
My peace, now ye be still."

Jesus is the answer
We only need to pray
And ask Him to come into our hearts
And walk with us each day
He loves us more than anyone
He made the sacrifice
Just put your faith in Jesus
Through the blood he paid the price

Jesus is the answer
He died for you and me
He arose again that we may live
With Him eternity
So ask Him into your heart today
In His glory you'll abound
Because Jesus is the answer
And through Him true peace is found!



Men and Women's Fellowship



We are brothers willing to help with urgent needs. If you have a need that we can assist with, please contact the church office @ 610-692-2446.

*"Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace,
that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need."*
Hebrews 4:16



Social Justice

Mayor Lillian DeBaptiste-Lambert
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word scramble

What the Lord Means to Me

Look carefully at the jumbled words and try to unscramble as many words as you can.

Good Luck!

jylfuo

savori

hnsoana

hfitufal

csnatnot

fvrereo

dhephsre

shelid

pomnisrenet

livgno

eereemdr

cemsasoionatp

prryea

norcuereq

geneaoniratl

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Haiti Mission



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St. Paul's Youth



St. Paul's Inspirational Choir



Trustee Ministry



Through the Years

word search

St. Paul's 135th Church Anniversary

E	R	C	O	K	E	L	L	E	Y	L	O	E	O
U	N	R	K	D	O	O	W	L	L	A	M	S	A
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L	U	K	R	E	L	I	T	D	W	N	K	K	B
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B	E	C	E	P	W	O	C	S	B	J	K	P	T
K	N	E	R	O	R	L	Y	C	O	W	S	B	S
J	T	O	R	R	A	R	S	N	O	N	N	E	L
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J	D	H	K	N	H	S	G	R	H	D	L	L	B

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