



# Magnolia



MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

## Worship Service

Rev. Dr. Francys Johnson, Senior Pastor

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# Order of Service

## TRINITY SUNDAY

June 12, 2022 | 9:00 AM

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

#### TOPIC - GOD FORETELLS REDEMPTION

Lesson Text: Isaiah 49:1-13; Time of Action: between 700 and 695 B.C.; Place of Action: Jerusalem. **Golden Text:** "Thus saith the LORD, In an acceptable time have I heard thee, and in a day of salvation have I helped thee: and I will preserve thee, and give thee for a covenant of the people, to establish the earth, to cause to inherit the desolate heritages." (Isaiah 49:8).

### CALL TO WORSHIP

*Gospel Medley* as inspired by Psalm 8 with Spirit of the Living God as a Chant and Invocation by Minister Mamie Morrell

### SERVICE OF LIGHTS

The Altar Candles today and the tribute, *Bless the Lord, Oh my Soul* by Andrae Crouch inspired by Psalm 104:24-34; 35b, honor June as Pride Month. This Church is committed to being an open and affirming house of worship where everyone is welcomed.

### TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*I am a consistent Tither, a Bountiful Sower, and a Cheerful Giver. I have confessed my sins; therefore GOD rebukes the Devourer for my Sake, and GOD makes all Grace abound toward me!* Malachi 3:1-11 and II Corinthians 9:5-8

### HYMN OF PREPARATION

*Thank you* by Benita Washington inspired by John 14:8-17, (25-27)

### THE PREACHED WORD

Rev. Dr. Francys Johnson

### BENEDICTION

*Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen. Ephesians 3:20-21*

**Lectionary:** Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31 and Psalm 8 • Romans 5:1-5 • John 16:12-15



**Gye Nyame** recognizes the supremacy of God over all beings, and therefore revered by all.



# Understanding the Times

Its About Freedom



June is Pride Month and includes both Pentecost, the day when we remember the coming of the Holy Spirit on the gathered disciples after the resurrection of Jesus marking the beginning of the Christian church, and Juneteenth, the day we remember the coming of federal troops with the word that the Civil War and Chattel Slavery was over almost two and a half years after the signing of the Emancipation Proclamation.

**Pride, Pentecost and Juneteenth may seem like strange bedfellows, but they have more in common than meets the eye.**

Each are disruptive—upsetting the status quo and the expectations that people had come to have about the way the world worked. The Spirit caused an outpouring of praise in numerous languages and broke down the barriers that separated people—barriers of race, national origin, language, and faith.

Pride, too, is disruptive; it breaks down the walls that some people seek to erect to mark who is in and who is out. Pride says that everyone, without exception, is made in the image of God and belongs in the circle of love and grace.

Juneteenth is so disruptive that its not clear how those with vested interest in the status quo will deal with the contradictions the day presents. The one thing that is clear is **where the spirit of the Lord is there is FREEDOM!**



**Above:** *Velvet Spirit* by Jamaican visual artist Bernard Hoyes

## Quote of the Week



**You wanna fly, you got to give up the shit that weighs you down."**

— Toni Morrison  
Song of Solomon



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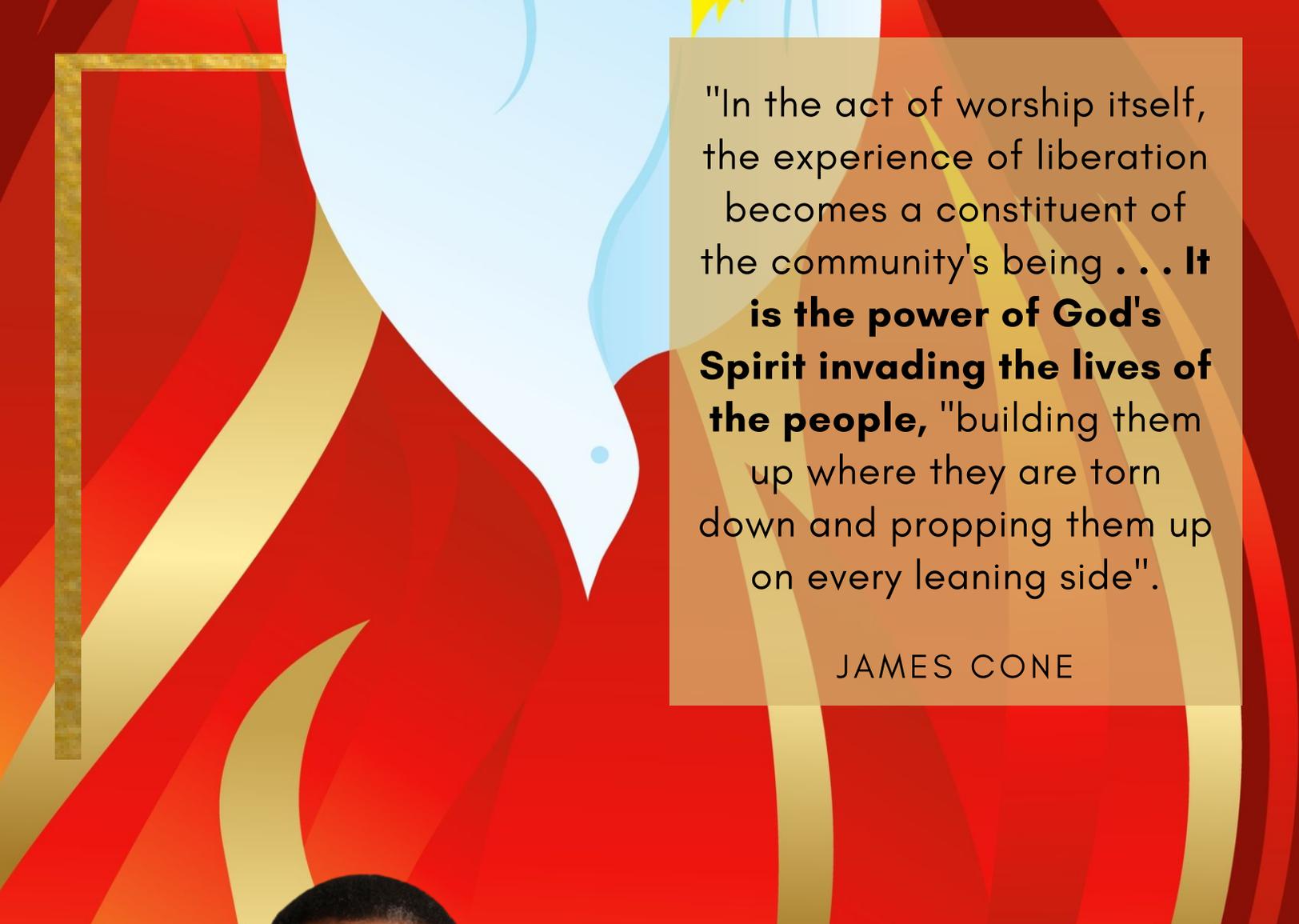


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"In the act of worship itself, the experience of liberation becomes a constituent of the community's being . . . **It is the power of God's Spirit invading the lives of the people,** "building them up where they are torn down and propping them up on every leaning side".

JAMES CONE



## About Sweet Magnolia

Welcome to Sweet Magnolia! Established in 1914 in Statesboro, the name Magnolia honors the Mother Church founded in 1864 near Louisville, Georgia. Affectionately known as Sweet Magnolia, this ministry has stood as a physical representation of the hope and determination of the African American spirit. We are a Spiritual Anchor grounded in a liberation tradition operating as a Baptist community of faith.

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