

Sabbath Worship

Charles St. A.M.E. & Wellesley Village Church



Great is Thy Faithfulness

*Worshipping Together as Siblings in Christ
In Celebration of the 200th Birthday of Charles St.*

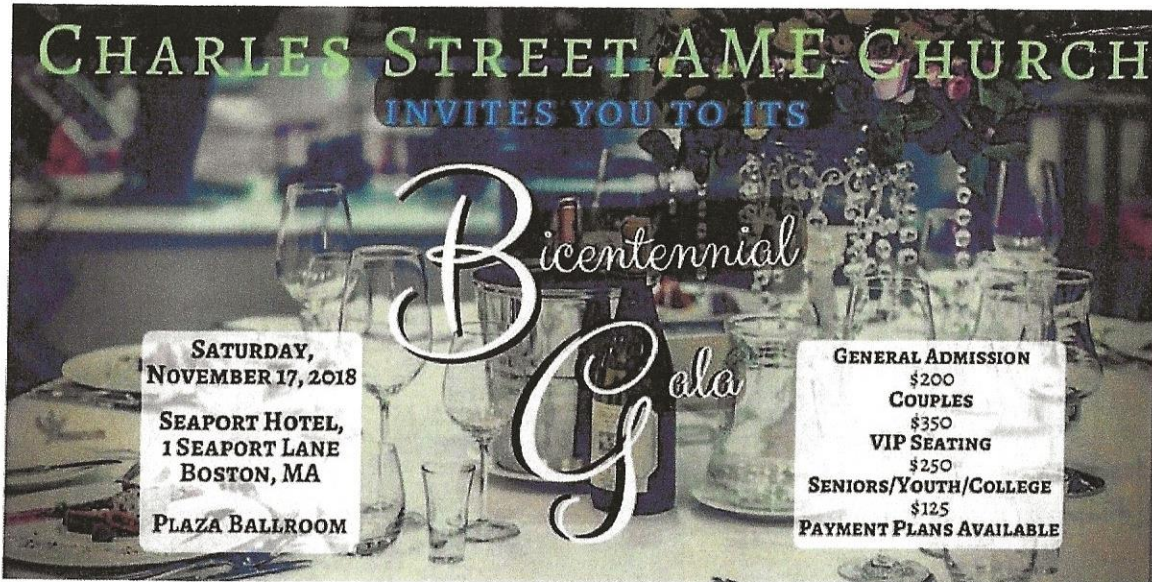
October 14, 2018, 4pm

Our Partnership

In January 2001, The Historic Charles Street AME Church and Wellesley Village Church worshipped together at Jordan Hall in Boston. This service was named "Sharing the Dream." Held on the Sunday just before the annual celebration of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr's birth, the service was an active response to his remark "the most segregated hour of Christian America is eleven o'clock on Sunday morning."

Each year since, the "Sharing the Dream" service has been held at one sanctuary or the other, and a deeper and richer partnership between both churches has developed. There have been joint task-forces on several issues of common interest; study groups have explored ways to join in mission; and when one of Village Church's pastors was out on medical leave, a Charles St. pastor served as the "Pastor on Call." To this day, personal friendships between members of both communities have matured and flourished.

This year we are worshipping together in October, in celebration of the 200th birthday of Charles St. Whenever or wherever we gather, both congregations give thanks to God for the chance to worship together as one Body of Christ. Welcome!



CHARLES STREET AME CHURCH
INVITES YOU TO ITS

Bicentennial
Gala

**SATURDAY,
NOVEMBER 17, 2018**

**SEAPORT HOTEL,
1 SEAPORT LANE
BOSTON, MA**

PLAZA BALLROOM

GENERAL ADMISSION
\$200
COUPLES
\$350
VIP SEATING
\$250
SENIORS/YOUTH/COLLEGE
\$125
PAYMENT PLANS AVAILABLE

For more information or to register, please visit www.csamechurch.org/bicentennial.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

October 14, 2018

4:00 pm

Hymns may be found in the New Century (black) hymnal or in this bulletin.

*Please stand as you are able.

PRAISING GOD TOGETHER

Charles Street Praise Band

RINGING OF THE BELL AND LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

WELCOME & PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Sarah Sarchet Butter

*OPENING HYMN No. 397 "Thank Our God for Sisters, Brothers"

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 100

Eric Ogi

One: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth.

All: Worship the LORD with gladness;
come into God's presence with singing.

One: Know that the LORD is God.

All: It is God who made us, and we are his;
we are God's people, and the sheep of his pasture.

One: Enter the LORD's gates with thanksgiving,
and God's courts with praise.
Give thanks to the LORD, bless his name.

All: For the LORD is good;
God's steadfast love endures forever,
and God's faithfulness to all generations.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

SUNG RESPONSE

"Great is Thy Faithfulness"

verse 3

Pardon for sin and a peace so enduring,
Your own dear presence to cheer and to guide.
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine with ten thousand beside.
Great is thy faithfulness, great is thy faithfulness
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed thy hand has provided,
Great is thy faithfulness, God, unto me!

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE

One: Friends, let us proclaim the Good News:

All: Through Christ we are forgiven and freed; in Christ we are reconciled and renewed. By the power of Christ's Spirit we are the Church, called to offer this healing witness to the world. Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Amen!

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

One: The peace of Christ be with you, All: and also with you.

Please stand and share a greeting of peace with one another.

ANTHEM

"I Give You My Heart"

Reuben Morgan

Joint Youth Choir

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

*Children are invited to gather with the pastor at the table on the Chancel,
and then proceed to Children's Church with the Director of Children's Ministry.
They will return to the Sanctuary at the end of the service.*

SUNG RESPONSE No. 423 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

verse1

Great is thy faithfulness, O God, Creator

With you no shadow of turning we see.

Thou do not change, thy compassions they fail not;

All of thy goodness forever will be.

Great is thy faithfulness, great is thy faithfulness

Morning by morning new mercies I see;

All I have needed thy hand has provided,

Great is thy faithfulness, God, unto me!

SCRIPTURE

SERMON

Lambert Rahming

ANTHEM

"Psalm 117 "

Cedric Rouson

Joint Adult Choir

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Liz Garrigan-Byerly & Opal Adams

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

OUR VILLAGE LIFE AND OFFERINGS

Pam Emslie

*Please sign and pass the fellowship book, which is located at the end of each pew.
In the blue folders are prayer request slips, connection cards, and offering cards
for your use; please place them in the offering plate.*

All cash donations will go directly to hurricane disaster relief.

Offertory

"The Blood Still Works"

Malcolm Williams

*Doxology and Presentation

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God for all that love has done;
Creator, Christ, and Spirit One. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

Sean Patrick Coady

ANTHEM

"How Great Is My God"

Joint Youth & Adult Choir

*BENEDICTION & BIRTHDAY BLESSING

Greg Groover

POSTLUDE

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*ALL ARE INVITED to share in dinner and fellowship following worship.
There are two serving areas, one in Village Common Lobby and one outside under the Portico.
Please exit the sanctuary either through the left or right side of the Chancel. Tables
and chairs are set up in Village Common and the Chapel.*

*If you are visiting, looking for a church home or want a smaller group with whom to connect
after worship, please visit our Welcome Table in the North Transept (right side of Sanctuary).*