

Welcome



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ST. LOUIS, MO 63115  
DR. EMMA CAMPBELL-CORNELIUS,  
1ST LADY  
THE REVEREND KEITH D. CORNELIUS,  
PASTOR



PROMOTION/  
GRADUATION  
Recognition  
Sunday

~ ENTER TO WORSHIP ~  
ORDER OF WORSHIP  
Sunday, June 28, 2026 - 9:00 AM  
† Moving to Higher Heights In God †

\*PLEASE STAND\*  
\*NO ENTERING OR EXITING THE CHURCH



Worship Leader, Sis. Terri Moore

The Lighting of the Candles

The Welcome to St. Peter Praise Song

The Announcements

Bailei Searcy

The Praise & Worship/Youth Processional “Everybody Clap Your Hands”

Choir & Congregation, Sis. Sommer Harris, Liturgical Dancer

“\*The Call to Worship

August Graham

Leader: I was glad when they said unto me, “Let us go into the house of the Lord, our feet shall stand within thy gates, O Jerusalem! (Psalm 122:2)

*People: For a day in thy courts is better than a thousand. I had rather be a doorkeeper in the House of my God, than to dwell in the tents of the wicked. (Psalm 84:10)*

Leader: Because of the house of the Lord our God I will seek your good. (Psalm 122:9)

*People: Those that be planted in the house of the Lord shall flourish in the courts of our God. (Psalm 92:13)*

Leader: Blessed are they that dwell in your house. Lord, I have loved your house, the place where your honor dwells. (Psalm 26:8)

*People: For the Lord is in his Holy Temple; let all the earth keep silent before Him. (Psalm 11:4)*

Leader: Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer. (Psalm 19:14)

*ALL: O sing unto the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things. Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all the earth sing His praises! (Psalm 66:1)*

The Hymn of Praise

“This Little Light of Mine”

Lyric Dunn, Jordan Saunders, Soloists

This little light of mine, I’m gonna let it shine. This little light of mine, I’m gonna let it shine.

This little light of mine, I’m gonna let it shine, Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine. Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine.

Ev'rywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine, Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine, Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

**\*\*The Invocation**

Kaliah Salmond

**\*\*The Choral Prayer Response**

The Music Selection

The Choir

**\*\*The Scripture Reading**

Mark 5:18-20 (NIV)

Paige Searcy

The Recognition of Our Youth

The Altar Call & Offerings

Rev. Keith D. Cornelius

The Offertory Response

*"All things come of thee, O Lord, and of Thine own have we given Thee." A-men*

The Introduction of the Guest Preacher

Rev. Keith D. Cornelius

The Sermonic Selection

The Choir

The Meditation

"I've Got A Testimony!!"

Rev. Kenton Saunders

*Pastor, Quinn Chapel AME Church  
Jefferson City, MO*

**\*\*The Invitation to Christian Discipleship**

The Pastor's Word

\*The Doxology

\*The Benediction

The Un-lighting of the Candles

~ DEPART TO SERVE ~

**New Giving Platform "Realm"**



*Thank you for worshiping with us today. We pray that something was said or done to encourage you on your journey and remind you of God's grace. We've been blessed by your presence and look forward to worshiping with you again as God gives opportunity. Again, thank you. God Bless!*



**Sunday, June 28, 2026**

**SCAN the QR code**  
to join St. Peter or submit a special prayer request.  
(Also available on the church website).

**JOIN ST. PETER**



**WEBSITE:** <https://www.stpeteramecstl.org/>. Visit for more detailed information and to view event flyers.

- **Members, please join us for an Ice Cream Social in Dancy Hall following Worship Service as we continue to celebrate, congratulate and encourage our Youth on their achievements and promotions! The Youth will be served first.**
- **Please be in prayer for Bro. Oscar and Rev. Charley Johnson.** His brother, Virgil Johnson, passed the morning of June 25th. Service arrangements are pending.
- **Homegoing Services for Rev. Montoya Stith** are Monday, June 29th, Visitation @ 10:00 AM, Celebration of Life Service @ 11:00 AM @ St. Peter AME Church. Please lift the family in prayer.
- **Celebration of Life Service for our beloved member, Bro. William Moore**, will be held at Ronald Jones Funeral Home on Wednesday, July 1st, Visitation: 3-5 PM. The Homegoing Celebration is on Thursday, July 2nd, @ 9AM. Continue to keep the family lifted in prayer.
- **We will have a church meeting on Sunday, July 5th, regarding "Project Cool Down."** All members are asked to be present to vote on an important matter. Thank you for your cooperation.
- **Celebration of Life Memorial Service for Johnny E. Campbell** (First Lady Emma Cornelius' Uncle) will be held on Saturday, July 18, 10:00 AM, @ Morning Star Baptist Church. 616 Garfield Hubbard Sr. Blvd., East St. Louis, IL Attendees are encouraged to wear white and red. Plants/Flowers may be sent to Officer Funeral Home, 2114 Missouri Avenue, East St. Louis, IL. 622025. Cards and condolences may be sent to: 4167 Biverton Drive, Swansea, IL. 62226. Please keep First Lady Emma, Pastor and family in prayer.
- **Rock Chapel AME Church 'It's In the Blood' Revival** is Wednesday and Thursday, July 22nd & 23rd, @ 6:30 PM. St. Peter Men's Chorus will sing on Thursday evening.
- **Princess Cheatham WMS Luncheon** will be held on Saturday, August 1st, 12-3 PM, @ Catering to You. Donation: \$50.00.
- **Service arrangements for Supervisor Vivienne Anderson** are posted on our church website.

- **St. Peter AME Church School** is being held in person, 8 – 8:45 AM. Call-in line: 520-453-7070.
- **Weekly Prayer Call/Communion:** Tuesdays @ 6 PM via our Conference Call-in line: 520-453-7070.
- **Bible Study** will resume on Thursday, February 26th, at 7:00 PM.  
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84596360142?pwd=luZeNXfrTVnGnOvE3H7xdD5POa95nl.1> Meeting ID: 845 9636 0142 Passcode: 866493 One tap mobile +13017158592, 84596360142# \*866493# US (Washington DC)  
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- **Be Men Mondays:** 6:00 PM
- **WEBSITE:** <https://www.stpeteramecstl.org/>  <https://www.facebook.com/StPeterStLou>



**YOUR SERVANTS IN CHRIST**

The Right Reverend Francine A. Brookins, *Presiding Bishop* 5th Episcopal District

The Reverend Edmund Lowe, Sr., *Presiding Elder*, The Gateway District

The Reverend Keith D. Cornelius, *Pastor*

The Reverend Charley Kibby Johnson, *Local Deacon*

Sis. Chelsie Carter, *Evangelist*

Bro. Jeremiah Allen, *Minister of Music*





# Students Recognized for Promotion/Graduation 2026

Kenton Saunders III (Tre') ~ Pre-K-4

Phoenix Grubbs ~ Kindergartner

Lyric Dunn ~ Kindergartner

Dash Phillips ~ 1st Grader

Riley Graham ~ 1st Grader

Charlei Neeley ~ 3rd Grader

James Searcy IV ~ 4th Grade

Jordan Saunders ~ 5th Grader

August Graham ~ 6th Grader

Jayden Stewart ~ 7th Grader

Kaiden Salmond ~ 9th Grader

Summer Cannady ~ 10th Grader

Autumn Nance ~ 10th Grader

Keowan Salmond ~ 10th Grader

Shaila Hill-Saunders ~ 11th Grader

Zuria Marsh ~ 12th Grader

Kaliah Salmond ~ 12th Grader

Jayson Saunders ~ 12th Grader

Alyssa Stepps ~ College Freshman

Cameron Glass ~ College Sophomore

Preston Nance ~ College Sophomore

Bailei Searcy ~ College Sophomore

Paige Searcy ~ College Sophomore

Lia Grubbs ~ Education Doctoral Student

\*Grades listed are for the Fall of 2026



# **Guest Preacher**

## **Rev. Kenton Saunders**

**Pastor, Quinn Chapel AME Church  
Jefferson City, MO**



Kenton Saunders was born and raised in the rich spiritual legacy of Wayman AME Church, where he was deeply influenced by its long and distinguished history of leadership. He grew up learning from a line of impactful pastors, including Rev. Lonnie Wormley, Rev. Ezekiel Habersham,

Rev. L. Fisher Hines, Dr. Timothy Tyler, and Dr. Lewis Logan. His spiritual formation was further strengthened by the mentorship and guidance of Rev. Charles G. Pennington, Jr. and Rev. Joy Cooney at Bethel-Providence Christian Church. Under their leadership, Kenton was licensed to preach and faithfully served as the youth minister.

Professionally, Kenton has built a distinguished career in healthcare administration. He currently serves as the Director of Operations at Mercy Hospital St. Louis, where he has dedicated 28 years of service. In addition to his leadership role, Kenton is actively engaged in numerous professional and community organizations, including the National Association of Health Services Executives (NAHSE), the National Association for Healthcare Transport Management (NAHTM), and St. Louis Business Diversity initiatives. He also serves as Co-Chairperson of the Diversity Advancement Council (DAC) and contributes to efforts focused on inclusion for coworkers with disabilities.

Kenton holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from Ohio Christian University and is currently pursuing a Master of Arts in Ministry, with a concentration in Pastoral Care and Counseling, further equipping him to serve both spiritually and professionally.

In ministry, Kenton has served in various impactful roles, including Minister of Music at Wayman AME Church, Missouri Conference Minister of Music, and 5th District Minister of Music. He currently serves as the Missouri Conference Choir Director. He also faithfully served as Co-Pastor of New Beginnings Christian Church alongside Pastor Joy Cooney and now serves as the Pastor of the historic Quinn Chapel AME Church in Jefferson City, Missouri, following his ordination as Itinerate Deacon at the 171<sup>st</sup> session of the Missouri Annual Conference by Bishop Francine A. Brookins.

Kenton is devoted to his family and is happily married to Vashaunda Saunders. Together, they are blessed with six children: Justin, Jayden, Jayson, Shaila, Jordan, and Kenton III.

Above all of his professional and ministerial accomplishments, Kenton's life is grounded in his personal faith. He often emphasizes that the most important thing to know about him is his relationship with Jesus Christ—the one who walks beside him day and night, guiding his every step.