



ALLEN UNIVERSITY

2024 Baccalaureate Service

FRIDAY, MAY 10, 2024

6:00 PM

CHAPPELLE AUDITORIUM

DR. ERNEST MCNEALEY, PRESIDENT

BISHOP SAMUEL L. GREEN, SR.
CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF TRUSTEES



Speaker

Rev. Dr. Johnathan Greene

Reverend Greene is the pastor of Mount Zion African Methodist Episcopal Church, in Florence, South Carolina.

Reverend Greene is a graduate of Francis Marion University with a bachelor's degree in Sociology and a minor in Religious Studies and Philosophy. Because Reverend Greene's desire was to work in the field of Human Services, he matriculated to Webster University where he studied Counseling and Human Resources Development.

While working of his graduate degrees, Reverend Greene received a calling on his life to enter the pastoral ministry. The call to preach reaffirmed that there was a call to prepare for ministry. Reverend Greene attended Payne Theological Seminary, Wilberforce, Ohio where he received the Master of Divinity degree.

Reverend Greene has done postgraduate studies through the University of South Carolina and South Carolina State University in the field of Rehabilitation Counseling. He is also a graduate of Columbia International University where he received a Doctor of Ministry degree and works for the University as an Adjunct Educator.

The Reverend Dr. Johnathan K. Greene Sr. is married to Hope Johnson Greene and they have 3 children. Chaquetta Greene, Johnathan K. Greene Jr., and Charity Greene.

Ernest McNealey, PhD., President
Presiding

PRELUDE

Dr. Alan Rudell, Organ

THE PROCESSIONAL

God of Our Fathers by George W. Warren

INTRODUCTION OF THE BISHOP

The Reverend Dr. Herbert Temoney
Member, Allen University Board of Trustees
Presiding Elder, Santee District

THE BACCALAUREATE

Bishop Samuel L. Green, Sr.
Chairman, Allen University Board of Trustees
Presiding Prelate, Seventh Episcopal District,
African Methodist Episcopal Church

THE DOXOLOGY

All Assembled

THE LITANY OF PRAISE

The Reverend Dr. Charles Young
Presiding Elder, Midlands District
Seventh Episcopal District, AME Church

Leader: Praise the Lord, Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the heights.
Praise Him, all His angels; praise Him, all His hosts.

People: Praise Him, sun and moon; praise Him, all you stars of light.

Leader: Praise Him, you heaven of heavens, and you waters that be above the heavens.
Let them praise the Name of the Lord; for He commanded, and they were created.

People: He has also established them forever and ever; He has made a decree,
which shall not pass.

Leader: The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament shows His handy work.

People: One day tells its tale to another, and one night imparts knowledge to another.

Leader: Sing unto the Lord, all the earth; show forth from day to day His salvation.

People: Declare His glory among the peoples, His marvelous works among all nations.

Leader: Blessed art thou, O Lord, the God of our fathers; Thou who has blessed us with the
wisdom, and strength, and peace.

People: Thine, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and
majesty; for all that is in the heaven and in the earth is Thine.

THE HYMN OF PRAISE

God of Grace, God of Glory
by John Hughes

All Assembled

God of Grace and God of Glory, On Thy people pour Thy power,
Crown Thine ancient Church's story, Bring her bud to glorious flower.
Grant us wisdom, Grant us courage, for the facing of this hour, for the facing of this
hour. Cure Thy children's warring madness, Bend our pride to Thy control, Shame our
wanton, selfish gladness, Rich in things and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom, Grant us courage, Lest we miss Thy kingdom's goal,
Lest we miss Thy kingdom's goal.
Save us from weak resignation, To the evils we deplore,
Let the search for Thy salvation, Be our glory evermore.
Grant us wisdom, Grant us courage,
Serving Thee whom we adore, Serving Thee whom we adore. Amen.

THE INVOCATION

The Reverend Dr. Caesar Richburg
Member, Board of Trustees
Pastor, Bethel AME Church, Columbia

THE SCRIPTURE READINGS

Old Testament

Psalm 20:1-5

The Reverend Rosalyn C. Coleman
Presiding Elder, Columbia District
Seventh Episcopal District AME Church

New Testament

Philippians 1:9-11

The Reverend Dr. Derrick Scott, Sr.
Member, Board of Trustees
Presiding Elder, Abbeville-Greenwood District
Seventh Episcopal District AME Church

MUSICAL SELECTION

IV. Acclamation from Gospel Mass
by Robert Ray

Allen University Concert Choir

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER

Bishop Samuel L. Green, Sr.

MUSICAL SELECTION

II. Sanctus from Gospel Mass
by Robert Ray

Allen University Concert Choir



The Baccalaureate Message

Reverend Dr. Johnathan K. Greene, Sr.
Pastor of Mount Zion AME Church
In Florence, South Carolina

HOODNG OF THE CANDIDATES

President Ernest McNealey

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. Carol Bowers
Dean, Library Services

MUSICAL SELECTION

III. Credo from Gospel Mass
by Robert Ray

Allen University Concert Choir

THE ALMA MATER

Allen, to thee we lift our hearts and voices,
Allen, to thee life's choicest gifts we pray,
And ever as we leave thy dear walls and halls so steeped in glory,
Guard well thy children; guard and guide us on our way.
Guard well thy children; guard and guide us on our way.
When other sons so true and daughters loyal,
Shall to their Alma Mater shout praises free,
We, too, shall ever stand at thy side and sing aloud forever,
Allen, fair mother, we pledge our love to thee.
Allen, fair mother, we pledge our love to thee.

— McClain

THE BENEDICTION

The Reverend Cary A. Grady
Pastor, Reid Chapel AME Church
Columbia, South Carolina

CHORAL RESPONSE

Three-Fold Amen

Allen University Concert Choir

THE RECESSIONAL

"Triumphal March from Aida"
by Verdi



All That Can Be Imagined



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