



AWCI SERMON NOTE & Announcements

DATE: Dec 14th at 9am & 11am Service
SPEAKER: Bishop (Dr.) Vincent Collins
SERMON SERIES: "SHIFT: A Season of Supernatural Arrival"
SERMON TITLE: KING IS RISEN: The Peace That Stands in the Storm

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2025 CHRISTMAS CANTATA PROGRAM

SET 1 – CELEBRATE THE KING

Musical Performance: Celebrate the King

Performances By: Minster- Albert Epps, Joey Bennett, Worship Team, Radical for Christ, Warriors on Fire, Tribe of Judah

Narration/Scripture Reading – Birth of Christ: Luke 1:26-35

Scripture Reading: Mose Geiger

Musical Selection: Holy Forever & Hark the Herald

Performed by The Children & Youth Choir

All Hail The King

Performed by Warriors on Fire

SET 2 – THE GREAT I AM

Skit: I AM: The Way, The Truth, and The Life (During 11 AM Service Only)

Performed by: Zachari Musgrave, Essence Washington, Erin Adams, Nivek Davis

Musical Selection: Forever YHWH (During 11 AM Service Only)

Performed by: Tori Geiger & The Worship Team

Performative Dance: I Am

Performed by : Radical For Christ – Dance

Solo Performance: - Joy to the World

Performed by: Chaplin. Marla Porter

Offering

SET 3 – THE SAVIOR IS HERE

Performative Dance: Savior (During 11 AM Service Only)

Performed by: Tribe of Judah

Message from Bishop: A KING IS RISEN: The Peace That Stands in the Storm"

Brought to you by: Bishop (Dr.) Vincent Collins

GRAND FINALE

Final Musical Selection: Go Tell It On The Mountains

Performed by All Choirs & Production Participants

THANK YOU



We extend our heartfelt gratitude to everyone who volunteered their time, talents, and energy to make this Christmas Cantata a success. Your dedication and service reflect the true spirit of the season and the love of Christ. A special thank you to our Set Designers, the Media Booth Team, and our Deacons for your exceptional contributions behind the scenes. Your creativity, technical expertise, and steadfast support helped bring this event to life in a beautiful way. To all who attended and celebrated with us—thank you for your presence and support. May the message of our risen King fill your hearts with peace and hope this Christmas and always.

With sincere appreciation,

The AWCI Fine Arts Department

INTRODUCTION, BACKGROUND, AND SCRIPTURE

Mark 4:35 41 (KJV) As we continue to celebrate the season of Advent, the AWCI Fine Arts Department presents a Christmas Cantata—A King Is Risen. We are reminded that Christmas is not merely about a baby lying in a manger. It is about a King who rises in authority, rises in power, and rises in every storm we face. The cantata reminds us that Emmanuel—God with us—did not stay in the cradle. He rose in compassion. He rose in strength. He rose in glory. And in Mark 4, we see a King who rises again—not from a tomb this time, but from sleep in a raging storm to reveal His identity as the Prince of Peace.

SERMON POINTS

1. THE KING WHO RISES IN OUR CHAOS

Mark 4:37–38 (KJV):

“And there arose a great storm of wind, and the waves beat into the ship, so that it was now full. And he was in the hinder part of the ship, asleep on a pillow: and they awake him, and say unto him, Master, carest thou not that we perish?”

Psalms 46:1–2 (KJV):

“God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore will not we fear...”

The storm did not wake the King, but the cry of His people did. He rises not because of fear, but because of compassion. When life feels out of control, He is not intimidated. When the waves rise, He rises higher. He meets us in our panic, anxiety, and chaos. This is the King we worship—One who is present, even when He seems silent.

2. THE KING WHO SPEAKS PEACE WITH AUTHORITY

He doesn't negotiate with storms—He commands them. His word carries weight. His voice brings victory.

Mark 4:39 (KJV):

“And he arose, and rebuked the wind, and said unto the sea, Peace, be still. And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm.”

Isaiah 9:6 (KJV):

“For unto us a child is born... and his name shall be called... The Prince of Peace.”

3. THE KING WHO REVEALS HIS IDENTITY IN THE STORM

Storms don't just test us—they reveal Him. The disciples knew Jesus as teacher, healer, miracle-worker. But the storm revealed Him as Divine King.

Mark 4:41 (KJV):

“And they feared exceedingly, and said one to another, What manner of man is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?”

Philippians 4:7 (KJV):

“And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.”

BEYOND THE MESSAGE: APPLICATION

Jesus is the Lighthouse who shines into the darkest, most broken places—places most people avoid. Before He ever preached a sermon or healed the sick, Jesus intentionally walked through Samaria, a region filled with judgment, pain, and hidden stories. He sat down at a well right when a wounded woman arrived, showing us the heart of Christmas: God steps into the places others walk away from. He meets people in the storms of shame, disappointment, and loneliness, guiding them toward hope and home.

We also learn that Jesus does not simply bring peace—He is peace. When He rises, peace rises. When He speaks, peace speaks. When He enters, peace enters. He doesn't remove storms to give peace—He gives peace in the storm. Real peace is not circumstantial; it is relational. It is found not in the stability of the sea, but in the presence of the Savior. The greatest gift of Christmas is not comfort, but Christ Himself—Emmanuel, God with us.

Finally, every storm becomes a classroom where the King teaches us who He is. The disciples walked away with a new revelation: “What manner of man is this?” Storms clarify identity. Waves uncover divinity. Crises birth deeper understanding. This Christmas season, as we reflect on the theme A King Is Risen, we remember that this King rises not only from the cradle or the grave, but rises in our everyday struggles to reveal Himself as the Prince of Peace. And when He rises, everything else must bow.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please note: There are multiple ways to sign up for an event. You can scan the QR code, visit our website, or sign the signup sheet in the foyer under the event registration section.

Dec 14th-Couples' Christmas at 3 pm. RSVP by Dec. 10th

Dec. 20th 10:30 am-11:30 am Youth & Children's Ministry: CHRISTMAS CAROLING at 2514 Faraway Dr., Columbia, SC 29223

Dec. 21st 4:00 pm -6:00pm-Youth & Children's Ministry: UGLY SWEATER CHRISTMAS SKATING PARTY! At Skateland Fun Center

Registration for the Jamaica Mission Trip is currently open. For more information, contact Missionary Director, Dr. Samuel King.

We Need Your Help & Support With:

Agape Love Project Hurricane Relief for Jamaica

Hurricane Melissa has devastated communities across Jamaica. Many families urgently need our help!

The Following are Essential Items Needed for Donations:

- Non-perishable food, Bottled water
- Hygiene products (soap, toothpaste, sanitary items)
- Blankets & bedding, Clothing & shoes, Baby supplies (diapers, formula, wipes)
- First aid items, Flashlights & batteries
- Portable chargers & power banks, Cleaning supplies (disinfectant, gloves, trash bags)
- Tarps & basic repair tools, Mosquito repellent & insect spray,
- Pet food & supplies

For info: Bro. Eureka Washington, or Dr. Samuel King

SPIRITUAL GROWTH & FELLOWSHIP ACTIVITIES

Sunday School

- Every Sunday at 10:10 am-10:55 am.
- Scan QR Code to Sign Up
 - A digital copy of the Sunday School book will be sent to you.



Men's Ministry Meeting

- Every 3rd Saturday at 8:30 AM.
- At Agape Worship Center International
- All men are invited.
- More information: Contact Deacons Teddy Spence or Eureka Washington.

Breakfast For Champions: Weekday Devotion & Prayer

- Monday-Friday at 7 am
- Call In: 717-908-1690
 - Access Code: 577625

Intercessory Prayer

- Every 1st, 2nd, and 4th Monday at 6:30 pm-7:30 pm

Virtual Midday Bible Study

- Every Thursday at noon
 - Call In: (470)869-2200 (US East)
 - Meeting ID: 393-678-9202
 - Virtual: meetings.ringcentral.com/j/3936789202

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Whether you're a first-time guest or a long-time member, we invite everyone to fill out our Connect Card—just scan the QR code to update your information, share prayer requests, and take your next step, whether that's joining a membership class, signing up for baptism, finding a 1 life group, volunteering, or simply learning more about our church.

