



Bishop Herbert Thompson Chapter of UBE

Our Newsletter

Thank you to all of our members who took the time to read and complete the survey for the pilot issue of the BHTC newsletter. Your feedback is greatly appreciated and plays an important role in helping us shape the newsletter into a resource that truly serves your needs. We encourage anyone who has not yet completed the survey to do so, as additional responses will help us continue to improve future editions.

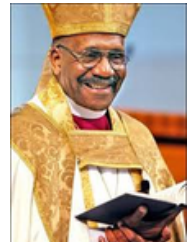
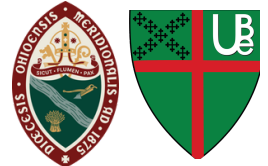
We would also like to thank everyone who submitted feedback regarding the Absalom Jones Service and Symposium. As with the newsletter survey, your input is invaluable in helping us ensure that next year's service and events are even more meaningful and successful.

The surveys will remain open through the release of this edition of the newsletter before officially closing. All surveys may be completed anonymously, allowing you to share your honest thoughts, suggestions, and experiences openly and comfortably.

The Executive Committee

MEMBERSHIP SURVEY

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Diocese of Southern Ohio
Bishop Herbert Thompson, Jr
Chapter of the
Union of Black Episcopalians

Membership Cards

All membership cards have been mailed to individuals who joined in 2025 and through April 2026. If you have not yet received your membership card, please contact the Executive Team so we can verify your information and ensure your card is delivered promptly.

Meetings

- **Our meetings are virtual and held on the first Thursday of each month at 6:00 pm.**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84003376197?pwd=mriyf9Hdk7WXWTNei4cgCJ54oRwAe6.1>

Meeting ID: 840 0337 6197

Passcode: 038345

- Please use the recurring link to join us each month.
- Please checkout our monthly actions and events

Spotlight on OUR Churches

Beginning in July, we will begin spotlighting our churches. Requests will be sent to the clergy listed in our membership database, or to the member representative if the clergy from your church is not yet a member of BHTC. All requests will be distributed at the same time, and we will collect your church histories for publication in upcoming newsletters.

While a brief history of your church is wonderful, we are also looking for fun and interesting facts such as:

- Your oldest member
- Your longest-running outreach ministry
- Notable past or present members
- Ways BHTC can support a ministry at your church

Please be on the lookout for the Church Spotlight request coming in mid-June.

May Meeting Updates



Committee Work:

Bylaws

- The committee drafted BHTC bylaws were approved by the executive committee
- Bylaws were adopted by the membership at the May 7, 2026 chapter meeting
- This committee is now disbanded

Nominating committee

- Voting for officers will take place no later than July 2026.
- The nominating committee was appointed at our May meeting. Deborah Allsop is chair.
- Further information will be forthcoming

We are still looking for members to join the following committees. Please consider joining at our next meeting

- Absalom Jones Celebration
 - 3-5 people to plan of the 2027 service
- Symposium
 - 3-5 people to plan the 2027 symposium

Upcoming items that will require membership voting

- Elections
 - Executive Positions
 - President
 - Vice President
 - Treasurer
 - Secretary

Please join us on the June monthly meeting.



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Please fill out this survey about the pilot
or May/June newsletters.

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Please fill out this survey about the
2025 Absalom Jones and Symposium.

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Executive Team



Reverend Dr. Benjamin
Spear-Hardy - President



Reverend Aaron Rogers -
Vice President



Reverend Dr. Herschel
Walker - Chaplin



Ms. Barbara Bass -
Secretary



Mrs. Trina Owens-Rogers
- Treasurer



Ms. Ericka Hall - Publicity



Ms. Dionne Clifton -
Membership

Monthly BHTC Actions and Events

MAY

23 SAT	HBC BREAKFAST - 10AM ST. PHILIP JAZZ BRUNCH - 12PM ST. PHILIP
26 TUES	EXECUTIVE MTG - 6PM ZOOM

JULY

9 THURS	BCTC UBE MEMBER MEETING - 6:00 PM ELECTION OF OFFICERS
29 WED	NATIONAL CONVENTION - RALEIGH NC - 7/29 - 8/1

JUNE

4 THUR	BCTC UBE MEMBER MEETING - 6:00 PM NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT AND SLATE OF OFFICERS PRESENTED
6 SAT	SAFE CHURCH TRAINING- 9:00 AM - ST. MARGARET'S
13 SAT	SPECIAL VESTRY MEETING (ALL 4 CHURCHES) - 10 AM - ST. MARGARET'S
14 SUN	JUNETEENTH FESTIVAL 10:00 AM - ALL SAINTS, NEW ALBANY
19 SAT	JUNETEENTH BLOCK PARTY - ST. ANDREW'S
27 FRI	BLACK MINISTRIES INSTITUTE 9 AM - 3 PM - ST. SIMON'S
30 SAT	EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING - 6:00 PM - ZOOM

AUGUST

2 SAT	INSTALLATION AS CANON FOR REV AARON ROGERS - 3PM - ST. MARGARET'S
6 TUES	BCTC UBE MEMBER MEETING - 6:00 PM - ZOOM
25 SUN	EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING - 6:00 PM - ZOOM