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September 26, 2019

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Sponsored by NCP, BPU and NEXT Church

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PASTORAL CONCERNS



We lift the family of ***The Rev. Dr. Margee Adams Iddings, HR***, in prayer. (from the family)

The Reverend Doctor Margee Adams Iddings has Found Her Peace. She passed away Thursday August 29th at the age of 80 as a result of Lewy Body Dementia.

Margee has had a profound influence on the lives of so many and we lift all of you up as we find our own ways to CELEBRATE her.

Memorial Service for the Rev. Margee Adams Iddings will be held at Silver Spring Presbyterian Church on Saturday, October 26, 2019, at 11:00 A.M.

Joys

You are INVITED to the dedication of the Prince George's Community Presbyterian Church, 4401 Brinkley Road, Temple Hills, MD 20748, Saturday, September 28th at 2:00pm. Rev. Dr. Edward P. Harding, Jr., Sr. Pastor

The dedication will occur in the church parking lot 12:00p.m. – 2:00p.m. After the dedication, you are invited to join our "1st Annual "Community Block Party" 2:00p.m. – 6:00p.m. Featuring GoGo Band "Let it Flow" and Gospel recording artist, Victoria Coan. Join PGPC for Food, Games, Face Painting, Moon Bounce and more!

For questions, please call Sis. Phyllis Campbell at (301)449-1121.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mark your calendars now for the **Installation Service of the Rev. John Molina-Moore, as General Presbyter** of National Capital Presbytery on Sunday, **October 27, 2019, 4:00 p.m.**, with a reception to follow, at National Presbyterian Church, 4101 Nebraska Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC, 20016. Invitation included in this edition. Please share broadly.

The General Assembly is coming to Baltimore next June! The Nominating Committee will be nominating a slate of ruling and teaching elders to become commissioners and a young adult to be an advisory delegate to the Assembly. We encourage all those eligible to consider applying for one of our slots. More information included in this edition of the TM. **Deadline for submitting application is September 28th. Please consider serving in this way!**

Next Deadline for NCP Global Grants Program Matching Grant Proposals

As we have for the past several years, the National Capitol Presbytery (NCP) Global Grants program is soliciting matching grant applications from congregations for new cooperative initiatives between congregations and their global mission partners. **The next deadline for grant applications is September 30, 2019.**

The intent of the program is to support interactive, hands-on global mission with impact on the community. Preference will be given to new initiatives; applications may be submitted for continued funding in years two and three of a given project. Some preliminary work should be done to assess feasibility before applying, so that the project has a reasonable chance of success and some way to measure when success has been attained. Priority will be given to projects where there is an established relationship and a high level of confidence in the in-country team and where there is a plan for project sustainability. Projects with Presbyterian ecumenical partners are encouraged.

This is a matching grant program; the contribution of your congregation toward the project in both money and labor will be considered. A congregation may submit only one application each year. Travel costs will not be considered, nor will reimbursement grants. Grant proposals requesting up to \$5,000 will be considered, for \$5,000 in matching funds.

A written report and presentation will be required in the year following the award outlining how the funds were spent, the progress of the project to date including impact on the community and plans for the future.

Proposals are due to NCP by email by 30 September to Judith Dahmann (jdahmann@mitre.org) using the NCP standard application (download from www.thepresbytery.org) and addressing specific questions for global grants (part 2).

HOLD THE DATE! The Mid Council Financial Network Planning Team has been working very hard to secure a location for the 2019 conference. We wanted to share this information with you to get it on your calendar, with the hopes that you can attend. This event is a continuing education and training opportunity for synod, presbytery, and church financial persons. We are working with presenters and various others to bring you the most up to date information for this conference. **Details are as follows:**

Dates: **November 20-22, 2019**

Location: Wyndham Virginia Beach Oceanfront
5700 Atlantic Avenue
Virginia Beach, VA 23451
(Group Room Rate \$69 + tax)

Hotel Reservations: Select the link below and enter requested information:

<https://www.wyndhamhotels.com/groups/hr/2019-mcfn-conference-of-the-presbyterian1>

If making reservations by phone, please call the hotel at (757) 428-7025 and reference the "2019 MCFN Conference of the Presbyterian Church" for the reduced rate. Online Registration will open in July. In the meantime, if you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (888) 728-7228, extension 5542.



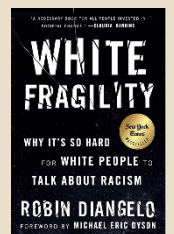
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My phone was “blowing up”!

From the minute our presbytery meeting ended, all the way through the day on Wednesday, I received an endless stream of calls, text, and emails about Tuesday’s presbytery meeting. It was very clear that having the opportunity to talk with one another around a table was well received. People had the opportunity to hear perspectives that typically don’t find a space in situations like a presbytery meeting. You were able to engage in conversations that would impact your work as an individual, your works as churches, and our work as a presbytery. What rang loudly from all the notes you sent me was, “I wish we had more time”! Which is more than refreshing to hear.

So, here are two take-ways from this meeting I hope we continue to live into as a presbytery...

1. Create more time and space for us to get know each other and hear each other’s stories. A more concrete plan will be shared later.
2. Have safe and healthy ways for all of us to engage in the much-needed work of confronting racism. Many of our churches have already started this work within their walls and membership. If you would like to start a conversation (which WILL lead to actions) here are a few great places to start.
 - Sign up for the **Racial Awareness and Mindfulness Festival on October 19th**. Flyer with registration link is included in this edition of the TM.
 - Reach out to Whitey Parnell from **“Service Never Sleeps”**. Her organization has worked with several churches and groups in our presbytery and would be more the willing to partner with yours.
 - Start a book discussion on matters of confronting racism at your church or office. Presbytery staff is discussing **“White Fragility”, by Robin Diangelo**. We meet twice monthly with dedicated time in the day for discussion, using the accompanying **study guide** to facilitate and guide our conversation.



The more we hear each other’s stories, the more we can trust one another. The more we trust one another, the better our work as a presbytery can be.

Here’s to continuing to great work of relationship building!

John



*You are invited to attend the installation
of the Rev. John Molina-Moore*

as

*General Presbyter of
National Capital Presbytery*

on

*October 27, 2019 ~ 4:00 p.m.
reception to follow*

**National Presbyterian Church
4101 Nebraska Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20016**



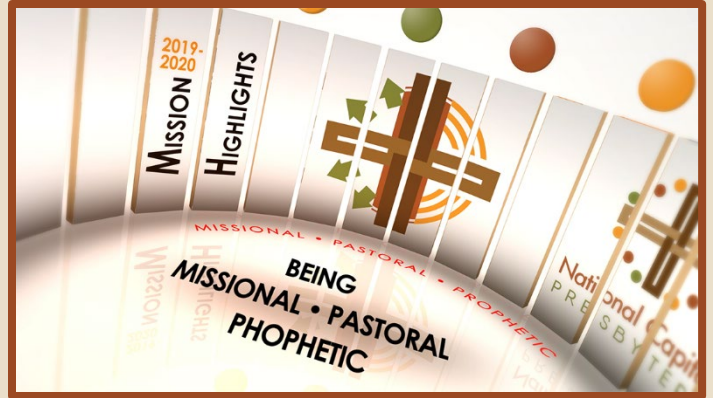
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Greetings!

We premiered the first in a series of 4, **“Being Missional-Pastoral-Prophetic”**.

This Mission Highlights video series for 2019-2020 is to remind some, introduce to others what it means to be Missional, Pastoral, Prophetic. Upcoming videos will take a deeper dive into Missional – Prophetic – Pastoral.



All Mission Highlights videos can be access from this link: <https://thepresbytery.org/mission-highlights/mission-highlights-videos/>, or YouTube Channel, National Capital Presbytery and Friends.

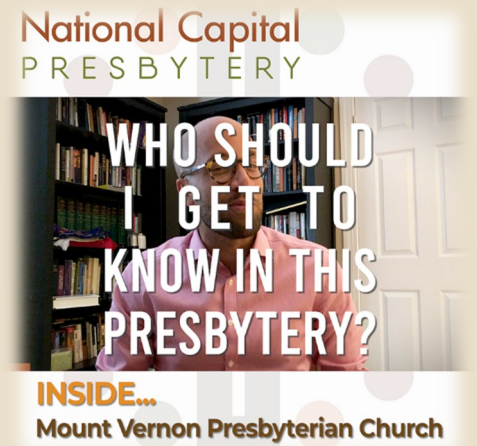
You can find more information [here](#) , NCP’s Mission Statement, how these priorities are integrated in our emphases for the presbytery through 2020.



We also introduced **INSIDE...with the GP!** This series offering takes us to a different NCP church each Sunday. **New installments post on our Facebook Page and YouTube Channel** on Mondays, with a Recap of the GP’s visit posting on Thursdays!

You can also view from www.thepresbytery.org, hover on “About” for the menu drop.

INSIDE...introduces you to the congregation through the lens of those that are part of that particular worshipping community. The Thursday Recap offers an insight from the lens of the GP! Join us on this journey of going **“INSIDE”** 104 congregations of National Capital Presbytery!



*LaJuan Quander, Director of Communication
National Capital Presbytery*

Nomination of Commissioners to the 224th General Assembly
National Capital Presbytery
June 20-27, 2020 – Baltimore, MD

Grace and Peace, brothers and sisters of the National Capital Presbytery!

The General Assembly is coming to Baltimore next June! The Nominating Committee will be nominating a slate of ruling and teaching elders to become commissioners and a young adult to be an advisory delegate to the Assembly. We encourage all those eligible to consider applying for one of our slots.

Nomination forms for Teaching Elder, Ruling Elder Commissioners to the 224th General Assembly to be held in Baltimore, MD, June 20-27 are now available on the NCP website. You can access from the link provided or from the homepage, see **“224th GENERAL ASSEMBLY (2020)”**. There you can also find nomination forms for the Young Adult Advisory Delegates (YAADs). These forms can ONLY be submitted electronically. No paper copies will be accepted. Criteria for nominations from NCP to the General Assembly can be found [here](#).

It is the mandate of the Presbytery to nominate commissioners who reflect the theological diversity as well as the social diversity that exists in our presbytery. The information provided on these forms helps the Nominating committee assure an appropriate balance of theological diversity; clergy and lay people; male and female; all ages; racial/ethnic groups; geographical area; and congregation sizes.

- All applications should be emailed to nominating@thepresbytery.org, attached as a word document or pdf. The file should be named [LAST NAME] GAapp. All candidates must also attach a picture. [LAST NAME] GAPic
- Clergy may submit forms on their own. Letters of recommendation are not required but may be submitted if desired.
- Elders and those seeking to be YAADs will complete the form and send it electronically to their Clerk or Moderator of Session. The Clerk or Moderator shall complete and submit the form electronically after the Session has endorsed the nomination.
- At least one (and up to three) reference forms for Ruling Elders and YAADs are to be submitted electronically by the person writing the recommendation.

Transportation to the General Assembly, and room and board are reimbursed for commissioners and YAADS in accordance with General Assembly policy. A [Dependent Care Reimbursement Policy](#) was developed for commissioners and advisory delegates to the General Assembly – beginning with the 222nd GA (2016).

All forms are due by Saturday, September 28, 2019. The Nominating Committee will post the slate of commissioners and delegates online by October 29, 2019. Anyone who is not nominated at that point and wishes to be nominated from the floor must submit a completed form to the Presbytery office by November 5, two weeks before the November 19th presbytery meeting.

If you have questions about this process, please contact me at RLV@gtownpres.org or contact Sara Coe, scoe@thepresbytery.org. We anticipate a larger than usual number of applicants this year, so whether you are selected, we thank you for your willingness to serve the church in this special way.

God's Peace,

Rev. Rachel Landers Vaagenes,
NCP Nominating Committee Chair
202.644.3447 cell



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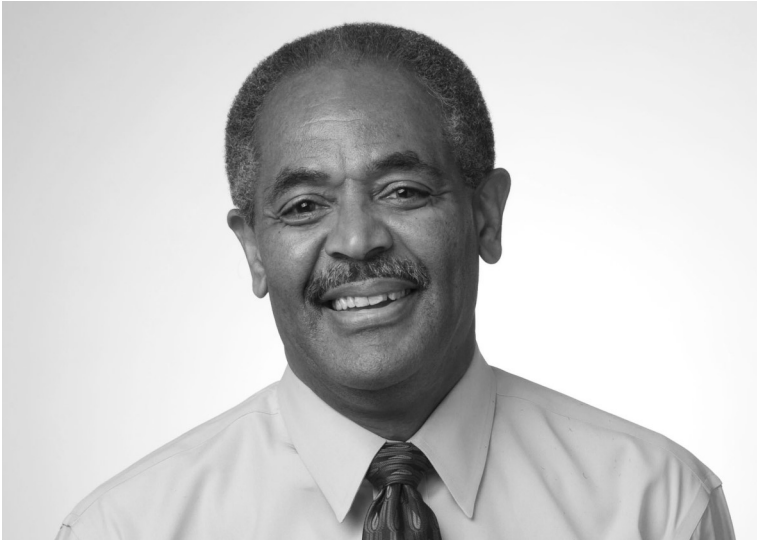
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**Submission of Overtures for 224th General Assembly
June 20-27, 2020
Baltimore, Maryland**

Deadlines for Submission to the Bills and Overtures Committee of Overtures and Requests for Concurrences with Other Presbyteries' Overtures for the 224th General Assembly:

- a) November 30, 2019 for
 - a. amendments to the Book of Order,
 - b. overtures seeking an authoritative interpretation of the Book of Order, and
 - c. all requests for concurrences with other presbyteries' overtures amending the Book of Order or seeking an authoritative interpretation.

- b) January 31, 2020 for all other overtures and for all requests for concurrences with other presbyteries' other overtures.



**BRADLEY HILLS
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**Brian K. Blount
Preaches**

**Sunday, Sept. 29, 2019
at both
8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.**

Brian K. Blount - Serves as president and professor of New Testament at Union Presbyterian Seminary, Richmond VA.

This is part of the Susan R. Andrews Theology Lecture series.

Professor Blount's primary work has been in the Gospel of Mark, the Book of Revelation and in the area of cultural studies and hermeneutics. He is the sole author of six books:

- Cultural Interpretation: Reorienting New Testament Criticism (Fortress, 1995)
- Go Preach! Mark's Kingdom Message and the Black Church Today (Orbis, 1998)
- Then The Whisper Put on Flesh: New Testament Ethics in an African American Context (Abingdon 2001)
- Can I Get A Witness? Reading Revelation Through an African American Lens (Westminster John Knox Press, 2005)
- Revelation. A Commentary in the New Testament Library Series (Westminster John Knox Press, 2009)
- Invasion of the Dead. Preaching Resurrection (Westminster John Knox Press, 2014)

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www.bradleyhillchurch.org 301-365-2850

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Explore songs familiar and unfamiliar from around the world!

What we sing shapes what we believe. For example, the image of Jesus as 'gentle, meek and mild' is a hangover from Victorian hymns. But song can tell the full story of Jesus - and inspire our faith and our work for social justice.

The Big Sing is meant for everybody, especially those who were told in their early days that they 'couldn't hold a tune.' A great opportunity to feed your soul and learn from this energetic, enthusiastic faith leader!

John Bell, a minister in the Church of Scotland and a resource worker for the Iona Community, works throughout the world on liturgy, spirituality and social justice. His music has been translated and published across the globe. He is an Honorary Fellow of the Hymn Society of the USA and Canada, and last year was awarded the Thomas Cranmer Medal by the Archbishop of Canterbury.

Wednesday, Oct. 2, 7 – 9 pm

Refreshments available at 6:30 am

at The New York Avenue Presbyterian Church

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Rev. Dr. Sterling Morse
Guest Preacher
Transitional Pastor at Church of the
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WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2019 @ 3:00 P.M. • ALL ARE WELCOME!

We gather from north, south, east, and west, to drink freely from the cup of righteousness.

Northeastern Presbyterian Church

2112 Varnum St., NE

Washington, DC 20018

Sponsored by: BPU



RACIAL JUSTICE TEACH-IN

Sundays: Oct 6, Oct 20, Nov 3

6:30-8:00pm

Dinner will be served

Webinar series presented by:



A Three Part Series:

Oct 6: Defining Racism and White Supremacy

Oct 20: Engaging White Fragility

Nov 3: Decentering Whiteness



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Arlington VA
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Please RSVP to: clarendonmission@gmail.com

Webinars Featuring:
Jessica Vasquez Torres, National
Program Director of Crossroads
Anti-Racism Organizing and
Training





CHAPLAIN CORPS

The Fairfax County Community Chaplain Corps works as part of an emergency or disaster team to provide chaplain care to community members impacted by the effects of a disaster or emergency. Members of the Chaplain Corps may be deployed to assistance centers, homes or locations in Fairfax County to provide chaplain services to affected residents, family and friends.

Now recruiting for our next Community Chaplain class!

Register for an **orientation session** to meet current Community Chaplains, learn more about what it means to serve as a Community Chaplain, and learn how to apply.

October 8, 2019 4:30-6:30pm at Inova Mount Vernon Hospital, Engh Conference Rooms, 2501 Parkers Lane, Alexandria 22306

Register here: <https://chaplain-orientation-oct8.eventbrite.com>

October 22, 2019 10am-noon at Mt. Olive Baptist Church, 6600 Old Centreville Road, Centreville 20121

Register here: <https://chaplain-orientation-oct22.eventbrite.com>

Requirements include:

- Fairfax County residency
- Being ordained, invested or certified by a legitimate certifying body
- Successfully completing criminal background, child protective services, and driving record checks
- Participating in online and in person trainings

Community Chaplains are expected to:

- Serve as an on-call Community Chaplain 4 weeks annually
- Respond to major emergencies or disasters through the year beyond their on-call shifts
- Provide a sense of spiritual safety and security as well as a sense of healing and hope
- Complete a deployment log and an "After Action" report



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To request reasonable ADA accommodations, please contact 703-324-4600, TTY 711.



Fairfax County Community Chaplain Corps is supported by the
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SAINT MARK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH PRESENTS

A VIEW FROM THE UNDERSIDE: The Legacy of Dietrich Bonhoeffer

A One-Person Play
Adapted and Performed
by Al Staggs



He brings the life of one of the
great heroes of the twentieth
century to the stage.

Saturday, October 12, 2019 at 7pm

Saint Mark Presbyterian Church

10701 Old Georgetown Road, North Bethesda, Maryland 20852

To purchase tickets, visit bit.ly/2kz1pll

Complimentary childcare available; must reserve in advance by contacting
Marlise Asher at littleSilverinn@verizon.net



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BOOK CLUB & WRITING WORKSHOP
Empowering young inmates to write new chapters in their lives.

On the Same Page:

WRITE

NIGHT

Wednesday, October 23 at 6:30 pm

At On the Same Page: Write Night, community volunteers gather alongside Free Minds Poet Ambassadors home from prison to provide feedback on the writing of Book Club members still incarcerated. It is a simple and powerful way to support members' processes of self-awareness and change, as well as read great writing and meet other volunteers!



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Save the Date

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LEADERS

TRAINING 2019



Saturday, November 9th, 2019 • 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

All active and discerning leaders of God's Church are welcome!



**Spiritual
Formation**



**Christian
Education**



**Worship &
Sacraments**

Topics Include:



**Stewardship
and Finance**

Facilitators and Presenters
will be announced soon.



**Congregational
Care**



**Mission
and Evangelism**



Communications

Sargent Memorial Presbyterian

5109 Nannie Helen Burroughs Ave., NE WDC 20019

This event is sponsored by
NCP, BPU, and Next Church.



New Officer Training from 12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.