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“A Kind of ‘Black Theology’ Aborning: Gayraud Wilmore and the Roots of Black Theology

Guest Facilitator: Dr. Douglas H. Brown Clark

Sponsored by Black Presbyterians United (BPU)

January 27 – 6:30 – 8:30 pm (via zoom)

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National Capital Presbytery Digital Worship – December 26, 2021



Blessings of Advent! We hope this pre-recorded worship service will offer the worship leadership at your church a chance to relish in the restoration of Christmas. Use the link below to fill out the form to gain access. Once you hit submit the following window will give you the link to download the service (full service or just text and sermon) and liturgy. *Pro tip:* We highly recommend coping and saving the links, so you won't have to go through this form again!

Use this link for access: <https://forms.office.com/r/pBq6yDw4tn>

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) - DECEMBER TORNADOES - In the early hours of December 11th, several tornadoes ripped through multiple U.S. states, resulting in extensive damage and significant loss of life.

PDA is in touch with affected presbyteries to coordinate resources and assistance. To register interest in volunteering for rebuilding efforts when they are ready, email

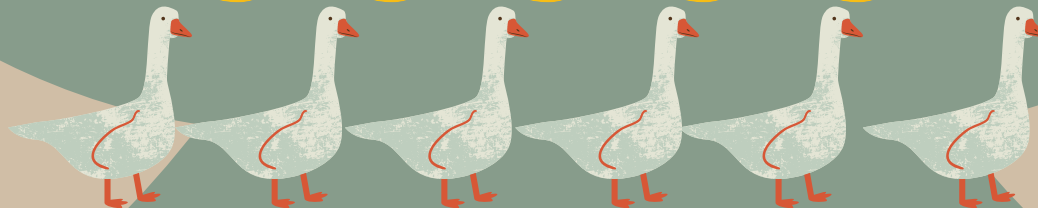
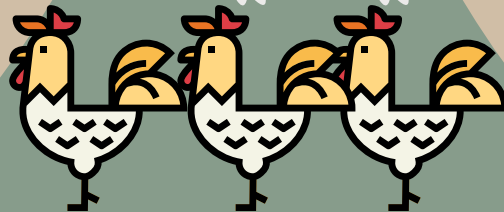
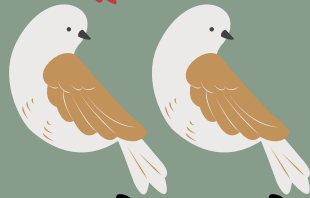
PDA.CallCenter@pcusa.org

To support our response, designate gifts to [DR000015](#)

Remember the Christmas Plays by the Rev. Dr. Jack Kurtz - Bush Hill Presbyterian Church remembers former pastor and playwright, the Rev. Dr. Jack Kurtz, every December by using one of his readers' theatre pieces in worship. This year, Timmy, and the Alien will be performed on Sunday, December 19, 2021. Last year during the pandemic, Angel Acres was produced, a fictional story first presented in chapters as a sermon series for Advent and Christmas Eve in 1993. Angel Acres, a suburb of Bradenton, Pennsylvania is the setting of the allegorical story where each chapter is based on a different angel from the Christmas scriptures. In 2020, Kelly Andrews engaged the congregation in a new production and can be found here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Pu3YuFrgY4I>

peace
love
joy



Christmas Blessings

JESY, TARA, JAN, JOHN,
LAJUAN, DINA & HEATHER

The State of the Presbytery (2021) - The Rev. John Molina-Moore, General Presbyter, National Capital Presbyter offers the year in review, where we are as a presbytery today and our ministry together, moving forward.

Please share with your congregation, share on your websites and social media platforms. The video message is posted to the homepage of www.thepresbytery.org, National Capital Presbytery Facebook page and our [YouTube Channel](#) use this link - https://youtu.be/IYi_P2Kof2Q



STATE OF THE PRESBYTERY



DECEMBER 2021

BUSH HILL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
PRESENTS

Reader's Theater:
Timmy and the Alien

by Jack Kurtz

SUNDAY
DECEMBER 19
10:30AM



READERS: Diane Howard, Dean Jones, Pat Smith,
Hayden Jones, Campbell Wood

SOUND EFFECTS : Don Armstrong, Spencer Andrews

SOUND TECHNICIAN: Silas Andrews

DIRECTED BY: Kelly Andrews

The National Capital Presbytery (NCP) Mission Coordinating Committee's Peace and Justice Team (PJT) is requesting your assistance in reviewing the perspective of your congregation on peace and social justice ministries.

The Peace and Justice Team (PJT) is an emerging community of congregations engaged in peace and social justice activities and ministry in the National Capital Presbytery (NCP). This survey solicits information on 1) current NCP congregational peace and social justice activities, 2) what social justice issues your congregation is passionate about, and 3) how the PJT can provide support to your congregation in fostering those ministries. This survey should take between five and ten minutes to complete. The information you provide is critical in helping us set priorities for action.

You can access the survey here: <https://forms.gle/V1Hx7eYWxirUo6kx6>.

If there is someone else in your congregation who is the right person to complete the survey, please forward this email to that person. If possible, we would like responses back **no later than January 3, 2022**. If you have any questions about the survey or the Peace and Justice Team, feel free to contact Trey Davis, davis.trey@live.com, or Patricia Morse, pettymorse@aol.com. Thank you in advance for your support! Trey and Pat.





The Care Team of COM presents

a Continuing Ed and Retreat Gathering for
Clergy-Educators-Church Ministry Professionals

Missional Theology: Being a Relevant Neighborhood Church

Monday, January 10 - Wednesday, January 12, 2022

Hyatt Regency Golf Resort, Spa & Marina, Cambridge, MD

Retreat includes: Two Nights, Buffet Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner on Tuesday

Cost: \$250 per person; Space is limited.

Arrival - Jan 10 @ 4PM ; Departure - Jan 12 @ 11AM

Registration: Register and pay online at <https://thepresbytery.org/ncp-events/>

Proof of Vaccination Required

Registration and non-refundable fee must be received by 12/20/21

Schedule

Monday, Jan 10

4PM - Arrival

Dinner - On Your Own

7PM - Welcome & Gathering

8PM - Fireside Chats

Tuesday, Jan 11

8AM - Breakfast

9AM - Program w/Worship

12:30PM - Lunch

Free Time and Fireside Chats

3PM - Program

6:30PM - Dinner

7PM - Fireside Chats

8PM - Evening Prayer

Wednesday, Jan 12

Breakfast - On Your Own

9-10:30AM - Program w/John

11:00AM - Check Out

Group Outing to
Harriet Tubman Museum

The Leadership



Shayla
Redfearn,
Center's
Steering
Committee



Rev.
McKenna
Lewellen,
Asst. Director



Rev. Kate
Foster,
Founding
Director

The Center is a community engagement initiative of the Baltimore Presbytery whose aim is to serve as a catalyst for congregational innovation and engagement. They host groups of all ages for hands-on, relational mission experiences, and consult with congregations wanting to connect more deeply with their local communities.

CALLING

ALL YOUTH

Martin Luther King, Jr.
DAY OF SERVICE

MONDAY, JANUARY 17, 2022
10AM-12NOON

Westminster Presbyterian Church
400 I St SW, | Washington, DC 20024

Providing A Gift of The Heart Kits for
Presbyterian Disaster Agency

Donations are welcomed. Please contact. Rev. Gloria Yi
| Email: gloriayoungjooyi@gmail.com

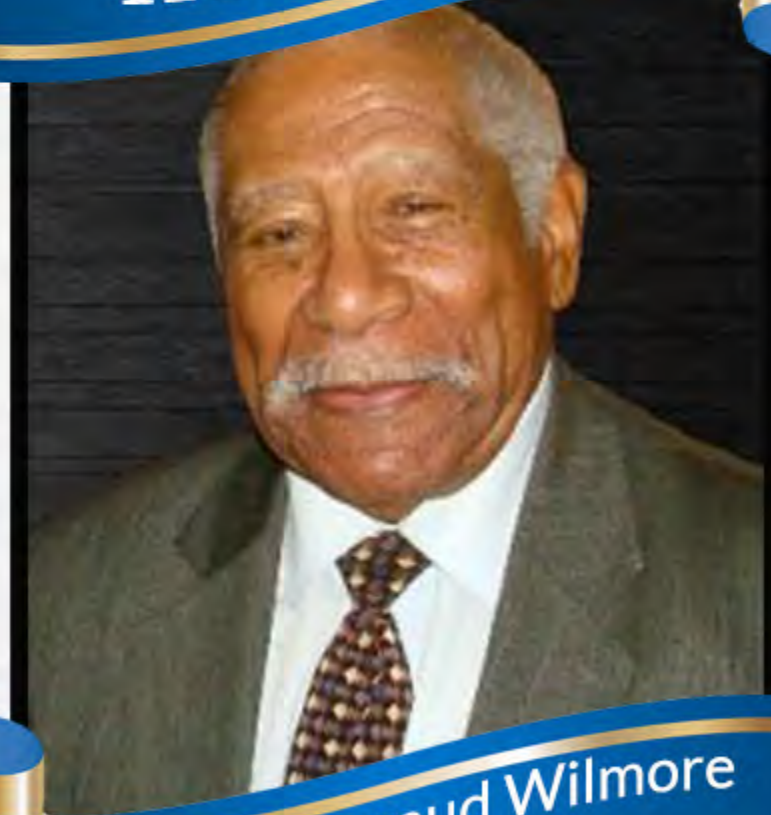
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National Capital Presbytery, Spiritual Formation Team,
Black Presbyterians United



BLACK PRESBYTERIANS UNITED
presents

“A Kind of ‘Black Theology’ Aborning”: Gayraud Wilmore and the Roots of Black Theology

HONORING



Rev. Dr. Gayraud Wilmore
1921-2020

**THURSDAY,
JANUARY 27, 2022
6:30PM-8:30PM EST**



Guest Facilitator:

Rev. Dr. Douglas H. Brown Clark, Ph.D.
Visiting Assistant Professor of Religion, Wofford College
Adjunct Professor of Church History,
Lexington Theological Seminary

www.bpudmv.org | Registration is required for Zoom Info <https://bit.ly/rootsofblacktheology>



Presbyterian Mission



PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE

OUT OF CHAOS, **HOPE**



As night fell on December 10, a horrific line of powerful tornadoes ripped across several states, ending the lives of more than 100 people and wreaking devastation across many communities by the time morning had broken. One of these tornadoes was on the ground for a terrifying and unprecedented 250 miles, more than 200 of those miles in Kentucky alone, where the town of Mayfield saw the catastrophic destruction of much of the downtown area, including the Presbyterian, Methodist and Baptist churches.

It is the season of Advent — a time of watchful expectation that begins with a warning of impending judgment, the end of days, and continues with a prayerful journeying toward the birth of the Christ Child at Christmas, an ordinary babe dependent on the love and care of others for his survival.

In the wake of these terrible and catastrophic storms, it is the role of ordinary people of faith like us to shine as light in this bleakest of winters. We are called to be the hands and feet of God as we reach out to shelter, feed, care for and help rebuild the lives of those who have lost loved ones, homes, work and a sense of safety as a result of the tornadoes. We are invited to stand with them — and to stand together — bearing witness by our gifts and prayers that God is indeed incarnate among us, no matter what.

The needs for the response will be great. God's people are once again called on to stand in the "GAP" — Give. Act. Pray.

GIVE: Gifts can be made online at pcusa.org/DT21, by phone at (800) 872-3283, or by check using the below reply device. You can also text PDA to 41444 to donate.

ACT:

[Download](#) and use the bulletin insert.

[Gift of the Heart Kits](#) are a hands-on way to help others this Advent season.

To register your interest in future rebuilding efforts, email PDA.CallCenter@pcusa.org. You will be notified when volunteer opportunities are available.

Stay informed and like us on Facebook (facebook.com/PDAcares), download resources at pda.pcusa.org/pda/resources and share updates with your congregation.

PRAY: As we awake to news of devastation and death from another natural disaster, we pray.

For those experiencing loss, confusion, and despair, may they feel comfort only your Holy Spirit can bring.

For the community leaders and emergency personnel, we pray for wisdom and strength as they work to restore and repair their communities.