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Pastoral Concerns:

The Rev. Dr. George Pera, HR, Pastor Emeritus, Westminster Presbyterian Church, Alexandria, VA, passed away the morning of January 17, at his residence at Goodwin House Alexandria. George served as Pastor at Westminster from 1980 through his retirement in 1995; to say the congregation flourished under his leadership is an understatement. Additionally, a significant part his ministry was his leadership of and service to several major organizations in Alexandria--leadership that he continued through his final days. He and his daughter, Tracey, were recently selecting photos for an honor he was to receive from Senior Services of Alexandria in March, for those "who have dedicated themselves to making Alexandria a caring community for everyone."

A memorial service will be held at Westminster in a few weeks; we will provide details as they are available.

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National Capital Presbytery...

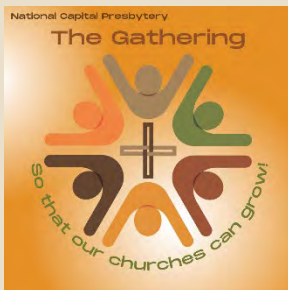
and Hope Presbyterian Church, Mitchellville, Maryland, invite you to the ***Installation service of the Rev. Gloria Yi, Pastor*** on **January 29, 2023**, at 10:30 a.m.

and John Calvin Presbyterian Church, Annandale, Virginia, invite you to the ***Installation service of the Rev. Casey Wait, Pastor*** on **February 19, 2023**, at 10:00 a.m.

and Kirkwood Presbyterian Church, Springfield, Virginia, invite you to the ***Ordination service of Elder Patricia Futato***, on **February 26, 2023**, at 3:00 p.m.

and Potomac Presbyterian Church, Potomac, Maryland, invite you to the ***Ordination service of Elder Christopher McAuliffe*** on **February 26, 2023**, at 4:00 p.m.

and Trinity Presbyterian Church, Herndon, Virginia, invite you to the ***Installation service of the Rev. MaryAnn McKibben Dana, Associate Pastor*** on **March 12, 2023**, at 3:00 p.m.



Upcoming Gatherings:

Worship Reboot – **February 16** – With Marcia McFee, sponsored by the Worship and Theology Team of NCP

Storytelling – **April** (TBD) – with Robyn Davis Sekula, sponsored by the Stewardship Committee of NCP

WELCOME TO NATIONAL CAPITAL PRESBYTERY. . . .

Being introduced at the January 24, 2023, Stated Meeting



Rev. Taekhan Yoon is a pastor of the PCUSA who was ordained as an minister of the Word and Sacrament in the Cherokee Presbytery in 2009. He served seven years as associate pastor of Bethany Presbyterian Church in Marietta GA.

Rev. Yoon holds an M.Div. from the Candler School of Theological at Emory University in Atlanta GA and a Th.M. in preaching from Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur GA.

Rev. Yoon a doctoral student, studied preaching under Professor Paul Scott Wilson at Immanuel College, the University of Toronto in Canada and is now enrolled in the D. Min program at the San Francisco Theological Seminary in San Anselmo CA.

Rev. Yoon worked with Korean immigrants in the U.S., as well as in Korea and Canada, to network with Christians of various cultures and races for carrying out mission in Southeast Asia for more than six years.

In Korea, he worked in a multicultural ministry with foreign students who came to Korea from Myanmar and Cambodia and served as a chaplain at the SCH university hospital for 6 years.

He was called on December 9, 2022, as the senior pastor of United Korean Presbyterian Church in Washington and began serving on January 1, 2023.

Rev. Yoon is the father of son, Sam (8th grade) and daughter, Eden (7th grade), and is the faithful husband of Bitna, his wife for 20 years. *Reach out to Taekhan Yoon taekham@gmail.com*

RE-VISION, RE-ENGAGE, RE-IGNITE!

NATIONAL CAPITAL PRESBYTERY LEADERSHIP TRAINING

SATURDAY, JANUARY 21, 2023

TIME: 9AM- 4PM

- WORSHIP
- LUNCH PROVIDED
- WORKSHOPS
- FELLOWSHIP
- COACHING

Westminster Presbyterian Church

400 I Street SW
Washington, DC 20024

Sponsored by: **Black Presbyterians United &
Ministry Relations Team of NCP**

All Church Leaders Welcomed...
(and those discerning leadership)

Register here

<https://bit.ly/leaderstraining2023>



Worship and Workshop Presenters



YOU ARE INVITED TO A LEADERSHIP RETREAT RE-VISION, RE-ENGAGE, RE-IGNITE!

Saturday, January 21, 2023, 9:00-4:00
(Snow date January 28)

Westminster Presbyterian Church, SW Washington DC

Do you have questions about becoming, or have agreed to become, a Presbyterian church leader? Whether you are a new or a seasoned leader, you may find answers when you attend the National Capital Presbytery/Black Presbyterians United Leadership Retreat for leaders from all our DC/MD/VA congregations. Topics related to Clerks of Session, elders, deacons, trustees, worship leaders, committee leaders, worship technology teams, and much more will be offered. You will have an opportunity to interact with other church leaders and engage in discussions on how to implement different strategies at your home church. Attend the whole or part of the day as you are able. Register here. Sign up today, this is an event you won't want to miss. Looking forward to seeing you there! -- *Planning team members Elder Jochebed Jordan, Elder Shani McIlwain, Elder Dr. Jacquelyn R. Moore, Elder Linda Lanam, Rev. Nancy Neal, Rev. Eric Forsyth, Rev. Juli Wilson-Black, Rev. Aaron Fulp-Eickstadt, Abby Madden*

Schedule

9:00 Registration with Continental Breakfast

9:20-10:00 Worship

Led by Musicians Billy Klutz, Abby Madden, and Rachel Pacheco, and Willie Montgomery, NCP Moderator Ruling Elder Shani McIlwain, and Ministry Relations T-team Co-Chair Rev. Juli Wilson-Black

10:00 Workshop Descriptions & Locations (led by the leaders)

10:10-11:00 Plenary

Preparation for Ordered Ministry led by Rev. Dr. Sterling Morse

What are the roles and responsibilities laid out in our Book of Order for Elders, Deacons, Trustees, and most recently, Commissioned Ruling Elders? What are principles of leadership for PC(USA) officers? Whether you are a new or experienced officer, you will learn something new in this informative and inspiring presentation.

11:05-11:50 Break out sessions with NCP Coaches

Did you know NCP has a network of trained ministry coaches? We will break out in groups by role--Elder, Deacon, Trustee, Clerk --for coaching around the challenges you experience in your particular leadership role.

12:00-12:45 lunch

12:45-1:55 Afternoon Workshop Session 1

2:00-3:10 Afternoon Workshop Session 2

3:15-4:00 Closing Worship

"A Charge to Serve" General Presbyter Rev. John Molina Moore

Workshop Offerings (choose two)

Polity 1.0 You've been elected to be an Elder or Clerk of Session. Now what? Our experienced Clerks of Session will cover the basics of Session administration, including the Annual Statistical Reports for Clerks. (offered during Workshop Session 1)

Polity 2.0 -- General Presbyter John Molina Moore This workshop for experienced elders and Clerks of Session will introduce participants to some of the options and flexibility now available to churches thanks to major revisions to the Book of Order. You will walk away with a greater understanding of how our Constitution empowers your church to do ministry in a way that fits your current context. (offered during Workshop Session 2)

Ordained Spiritual Leadership outside of the (Session, Deacon, Trustee) Meeting -- Rev. Tara Spuhler McCabe, NCP Director of Congregational Development and Mission Ordained Officers are called into Spiritual Leadership of the church. How we live into and practice this spiritual leadership deserves to be constant and not just in our meetings. (repeated twice)

What could you do with your resources?! -- Heather Deacon, NCP Director of Business Affairs, staff to the Administrative Commission on Congregational Property Your church building is an incredible asset, but can also feel like a drain on your congregation's finances and energy. Learn about some creative ways to use your church's property for mission and the paths that other congregations have taken to do this. (repeated twice)

Tools for Managing Conflict --Committee on Ministry's Ministry Relations Team Conflict is inevitable in every organization, including the church. How can you understand, manage and transform conflict to enable your congregation to grow and thrive? Members of the Presbytery's Ministry Relations Team will offer some helpful tools you can use right away, and also introduce the new Presbytery Conflict Mediation resources available at no cost to congregations. (repeated twice)

Worship Leadership training -- NCP Moderator and Ruling Elder Shani McIlwain Are you called upon to lead worship as a liturgist, Scripture reader or even stepping into the pulpit? Learn some best practices for worship leadership from our Moderator, who leads worship in a variety of churches across our Presbytery every week and has some valuable "do's" and "don't's" to share! (Offered during Workshop Session 1)

Creating Hybrid Worship & the Technology it Takes -- Ruling Elder Kevin Moore, Church of the Redeemer Presbyterian, and Rev. Nancy Neal, specialized minister This workshop will consider how to cultivate meaningful worship experiences for both online and in-person worshippers and what technology it takes to get there. (Offered during Workshop Session 2)

Laser Coaching --NCP Ministry Coaches will offer 1-on-1 coaching for challenges you may be facing in your ministry. (sign up for a half-hour session)



Reformed Institute's Annual Convocation
"The Destruction of the Doctrine of Discovery"
with Mark Charles

Saturday, January 28, 2023,
9:00-11:30 am (8:30 coffee)

at

National Presbyterian Church
4101 Nebraska Ave. NW
Washington, DC 20016

ALSO LIMITED ONLINE AVAILABILITY
PLEASE REGISTER AT LINK BELOW



The Doctrine of Discovery was a Papal Decree that gave many European Countries religious legitimacy to invade and colonize the "new world" in the name of Christianity. The brutality, injustice, and destruction that followed, especially against native communities, leaves a legacy that all Christians must face. While Reformed and other Protestant communities forged their own theological rationales for conquering North America, their legacy of injustice and colonization is equally culpable. This session will explore these entangling legacies with an eye toward truth telling, repentance, and restorative justice that makes Christians better allies in justice-building with native peoples.

Mark Charles is a speaker, writer, and consultant. The son of an American woman (of Dutch heritage) and a Navajo man, Mark has faced the colonial legacy of Christian Indian schools in his own family, has served as a Reformed pastor, and has rediscovered his Navajo identity and spirituality. He teaches the complexities of American history regarding race, culture, and Christendom in order to help forge a path of healing and conciliation for the nation. He is one of the leading authorities on the 15th-century's European Doctrine of Discovery and its influence on US history and its intersection with modern-day society. Mark is the co-author, with Soong-Chan Rah, of the book, *Unsettling Truths: The Ongoing, Dehumanizing Legacy of the Doctrine of Discovery*, and he authors the blog "[Reflections from the Hogan](#)."



A response will be offered by [Dr. John Lee](#), professor and Academic Dean of the John Leland Center of Theological Studies, and pastor of The Rock Presbyterian Church, Bethesda, MD. John is Chair of the Public Program Committee and serves on the Board of the Reformed Institute.

More information and RSVP at <https://reformedinstitute.org/events/> or email ymckinney@reformedinstitute.org



National Capital Presbytery -



Presbyterian Women

Hybrid/In Person Prayer Gathering

February 4, 2023 -Fellowship at 9:30am -Program 10am to Noon

Westminster Presbyterian Church

2701 Cameron Mills Road, Alexandria, VA 22302

Seeing Christ's Face in our Siblings:

A Call for Racial and Gender Equity



Christian Brooks — Race and Gender Equity Advocate

<https://www.christiannbrooks.com/>

Please register at the link below -Hope You Can Come!

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc_Q7dt1qLtoLyNdFIDi2ycUI8UFs-luevFY6eU6BMnfOqyLA/viewform

THE DISMANTLING RACISM TEAM
OF NCP INVITE YOU TO

ALLY TRAINING 2023

led by Service Never Sleeps



UNITY · RECONCILIATION · JUSTICE
Dismantling Racism

FIRST TRAINING OPPORTUNITY FOR 2023

(Training consists of TWO sessions.

Your registration confirms you will attend both)

**Tuesday, February 7 and Wednesday, February 8
(1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.)**

Where: **Zoom**

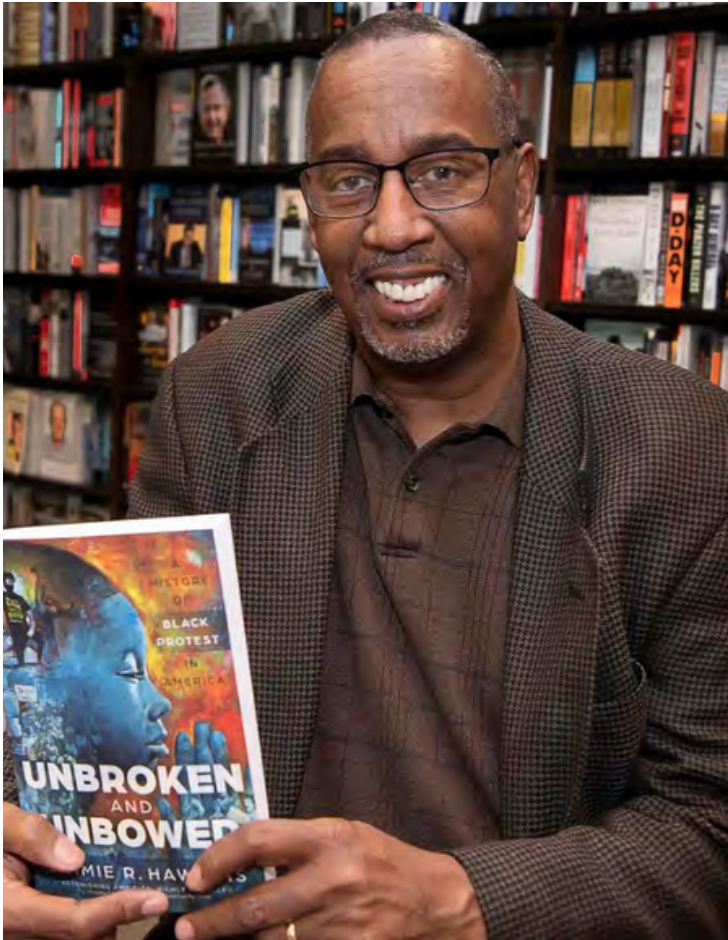
Who: **ALL Clergy AND Members of NCP
congregations & communities & friends of
our congregations. Want to register a
group, let us know!**

Led by Whitney Parnell, CEO and Founder of Service Never Sleeps, these sessions will provide helpful definitions, invitations to self-mirroring, and active ally education involving the CLAIM acronym: Care, Learn, Act, Influence, and Maintain. The workshops teach individuals about the causes of social injustice, how to be effective allies for marginalized communities, and how to actively influence and educate others. Our time together on Zoom will involve breakouts for practice together in pairs and small groups intermittently throughout our time of learning, so come ready to "try on" the Ally Training strategies of Service Never Sleeps.

[Register HERE](#)

A History of Black Protest in America

A webinar with Rev. Jimmie Hawkins



Rev. Hawkins is the Director of the Office of Social Witness for the Presbyterian Church USA. He will talk about his new book “Unbroken and Unbowed: A History of Black Protest in America”, which chronicles the history of Black protest in America from the 17th century to the present day. Rev. Hawkins will discuss the major themes in his book and the lessons we can gain from them.

Wednesday, February 8, 7:00 pm

Sponsored by the McClendon Scholar Program of The New York Avenue Presbyterian Church

Register to receive the zoom link:

<https://RevHawkinsFeb8.eventbrite.com>



For more information, contact 240 393-7246 or dialogdays@aol.com

hosted by the **WORSHIP & THEOLOGY TEAM** of NCP

WORSHIP *Reboot*

Join the Worship & Theology Team for a "worship reboot!" We will hear from Dr. Marcia McFee on new ways of integrating worship design, artistic rituals and more.



Led by

MARCIA McFEE

Educator, Ritual Artist, Adventurer

Marcia McFee, PhD is a professor, worship designer, author, preacher, and ritual artist. Drawing on a first career in professional dance and musical theater and equipped with a Master's in Theology and a PhD in Liturgical Studies and Ethics, she understands the role of any worship artist in the church as that of creating extraordinary portals through which communities' journey with the Spirit. The task is at once deeply theological and wonderfully artistic.

Register *HERE*

Thursday

FEBRUARY 16, 2023

9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

COST: *FREE!* (Your Unified Giving at work!)

**Lewinsville Presbyterian Church
McLean, VA**



**National Capital
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**Confirmation Retreat
Sponsored by the
Reformed Institute and
the National Capital
Presbytery**

February 24-26, 2023

**“Tenets for Today:
Making our Faith Alive”
with John Molina-Moore**

Grow in your faith and share in fellowship



In our beautiful Reformed history and tradition, we talk a lot about “the church reformed and always being reformed by the Word of God.” But what does that new form of being a Christian look like? Over this weekend retreat we will examine the foundations of our beliefs and begin the work of crafting a unique faith that works for our lives today. Participants will hear presentations, discuss their faith and questions with each other, and share experiences that strengthen their lives.

Rev. John Molina-Moore is the General Presbyter of National Capital Presbytery, serving 103 PCUSA congregations in the greater Washington DC area. John graduated from Sterling College in 2005, completed his Master of Divinity at Princeton Theological Seminary in 2011, where he won the “The Gerald R. Johnson Award in Speech Communication in Ministry.” for his bold speaking ability. In 2017, John completed a Certificate in Advanced Executive Leadership for Ministers from Howard University. He lives in Silver Spring, MD with his wife and two sons. John has a passion for mountain biking, all that is active, and is a self-proclaimed hip hop connoisseur.

Cost is: \$175 per person. Adult leaders of Reformed Institute member congregations pay \$150 per person. Some scholarships available for youth.

Make reservations for your confirmation class with the online form at <https://reformedinstitute.org/event/confirmation-retreat-2023/> or with Yvonne McKinney at ymckinney@reformedinstitute.org. For more information contact Mary Hill at crpowell@verizon.net.

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CULTURE

Trends & Shifts

NCP'S ANNUAL CONTINUING ED GATHERING & RETREAT

March 13-15, 2023



*Keynote Speaker: Niala Boodhoo,
Host/Editor, Axios Today*

Niala is the host of Axios Today, the flagship daily news podcast of Axios. She's been a journalist since 2000 for Reuters, the Associated Press, the Miami Herald and public radio stations including WBEZ/Chicago Public Media. A fourth-generation Presbyterian, Niala serves on the Board of Trustees of her alma mater, Calvin University, where she obtained an undergraduate degree in Philosophy/Psychology. She also has a M.S.J. from Northwestern University's Medill School and a M.A. in Latin American/Caribbean Studies from Florida International University. Niala is a certified spiritual director, a Veriditas-trained labyrinth facilitator and an ordained elder in the Presbyterian church. She lives in Washington, DC.



*Featured Speaker: Emily Swanson,
Owner/President of Holy Cow! Consulting*

Taken the Congregational Assessment Tool (CAT) or considering it? Join us to hear from Emily Swanson who will guide us through the trends and shifts that show up specifically within our Presbytery, according to the data as well as share the overall landscape.



**Hyatt Regency Chesapeake Bay
Golf Resort, Spa and Marina -
Cambridge, MD**

Cost:

\$350 per person (single occupancy)

\$225 per person (double occupancy)

**Register [HERE](#) (Registration closes
on February 17, 2023)**



CULTURE

Trends & Shifts

NCP'S ANNUAL CONTINUING ED GATHERING & RETREAT

March 13-15, 2023

Schedule



Monday, March 13

4:00PM Official Check-in
(welcome to use facility prior to check-in)

6:30PM Welcome Reception - Hors d'oeuvres



Tuesday, March 14

8:00AM Breakfast

9:00-12:00PM Keynote & Questions with Niala Boodhoo

Faith Talks (small groups)

- Dialogue in the Divides
- Bold Action
- Praise and Prayer

12:30PM Lunch - Sponsored by the Board of Pensions

3:00-5:00PM Featured Speaker: Emily Swanson
Countering Burnout Through

- Equipping More Leaders
- Breaking Out of Isolation

5:30PM Dinner

After Dinner Fireside Chats



Wednesday, March 15

8:00AM Breakfast (on your own)

9:00AM Debrief / Worship

