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Announcements:

Stewardship through Storytelling Part II will be held on **Zoom this Thursday, May 18th at 7:00 p.m. EST**. This is going to be an especially useful workshop that will showcase a range of videos that various NCP churches have produced (at a range of technical levels) that have used storytelling to support their stewardship efforts to great effect.

Thursday's session will also include **Robyn Davis Sekula** (VP of Communications and Marketing for the Presbyterian Foundation) who was the keynote of Part One in this series. Robyn will give a brief recap of the key points from her prior presentation about how to use storytelling to animate our giving campaigns. So, if you happened to miss Part One and could use some tools & ideas to support your stewardship efforts, the Thursday program will be loaded!

Here's the **[link to register](#)** if you're able to join.

For the asking....

Two robes, Black and White, both are size medium. The Black robe has white, gold, red and green vestments. The White robe has vestments that go over the head and cover the robe. It is a polyester robe. Contact Carol Kercheval, **kerchevalc@earthlink.net**, if interested.

The Mission Coordinating Committee (MCC) of the National Capitol Presbytery (NCP) agreed to share information about an important ministry related to caring for migrants arriving in need of clothes and a safe place to rest. Several Presbyterians including some from Capitol Hill Presbyterian, New York Avenue Presbyterian and Church of the Pilgrims have already been collecting clothing and volunteering their time when possible. We invite you to consider what you can do to help. Please note the flier, included in this TM, that contains information and links to opportunities for service and care.

SAFER WORSHIP COURSE, Fairfax Presbyterian Church, June 4, 2023, 11am - 3pm - The “Safer Worship” course that Ako Cromwell, Director of Security for the African Methodist Episcopal Church presents is a three-hour block of instruction that is guaranteed to raise participant situational awareness and mold an appropriate sense of preparedness to feel safer in the modern worship environment. Additionally, participants will learn: the background and trends of mass attacks, based on the findings of the Secret Service and National Threat Assessment Center; how to formulate industry-accepted plans that will facilitate response of emergency personnel in crisis situations; how to identify and contact appropriate personnel and resources; and what federal funding opportunities exist for improving security in the faith-based communities.

The first hour focuses on cultivating a survival mindset, rethinking available types of defenses, enhancing situational awareness, and the research to identify threats. The second hour focuses on learning what is entailed in formulating emergency action plans, identifying those with certain skillsets within the congregation, and how to begin the vulnerability assessment for a place of worship. The third-hour entails applying the new knowledge and then close with learning the DHS resources and websites for training and federal grants opportunities.

To register send email to Jerry Hopkins at jhop2020@gmail.com . Registration is FREE! You are encouraged to donate for the pizza lunch.

The Darnestown Presbyterian Church and its music director, Mr. Rob Keene, invite you to attend the dedication concert for our organ at 4 p.m. on Sunday, May 21. Both organ and choral music will be presented. Please celebrate with us! 15120 Turkey Foot Rd., Darnestown (Gaithersburg), MD 20878; 301-948-9127.

WELCOME TO NATIONAL CAPITAL PRESBYTERY. . . .

Being introduced at the May 23, 2023, Stated Meeting



Rev. Matt Nabinger, Rev. Matt Nabinger is the Organizing Pastor of Queerly Gathered, a validated ministry and New Worshiping Community geared toward LGBTQ+ folx and their loved ones. Matt has been serving as the Director of Christian Education at Bradley Hills Presbyterian Church for the past six years right here in National Capital Presbytery. He is excited to continue working with children and youth at Bradley Hills as he expands his role with Queerly Gathered.

No stranger to the area, Matt grew up in Bowie, MD and has lived in Washington, DC since 2017. Before attending seminary, Matt was an elementary school music teacher in central Virginia and in Philadelphia City. He graduated from Princeton Theological Seminary in 2017. Matt currently serves on the NCP Spiritual Formation Team, and he was co-chair of the team from 2020-2021. Matt is excited to continue sharing his gifts and talents in the National Capital Presbytery.

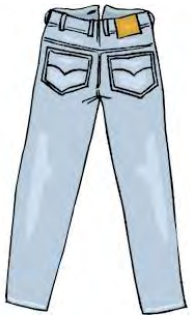
Reach out to Matt here: queerlygathered@gmail.com

★★★ Support for Migrants! ★★★

Migrant Solidarity Mutual Aid Network/DMV congregations

With Title 42 lifted, hundreds of migrants will arrive in DC each week. This is in addition to 400+ families already in DC who still need our support!

CLOTHING DRIVE



Clothing and shoes for new migrants

Men's jeans, sizes 28-32.

NEW underwear for adults and children.

Sneakers (men's sizes 7-9, women's 5-8)

Amazon list: bit.ly/welcome-center-supplies

Register drive here: bit.ly/migrantsupplydrive



★★★ ON SITE SUPPORT ★★★

Adopt the welcome center 1 shift/week

Stock clothing supplies, play with children, assist with bus greeting

Organize volunteers from your congregation

★★★ HOUSING NEEDS ★★★

Many migrants are staying in DC. The Migrant Solidarity Mutual Aid Network is organizing community member volunteers to provide housing, food support, furniture, and more!

For more information or to volunteer:

Email dcmigrantwelcome@gmail.com

More ways to help <https://linktr.ee/dctxsolidarity22>

Stewardship through Storytelling - PART II

MAKING IT WORK FOR YOU!

Hosted by the Stewardship Committee of NCP

Thursday, May 18, 2023

7:00 - 8:00 pm

via Zoom

During our time together we will recap the April 20th Storytelling event with Robyn Davis Sekula and offer practical ways to boost your stewardship by sharing your stories.



**HIGHLIGHTS
FROM
APRIL 20TH**



**STORYTELLING
USING 4 METHODS:**

- VIRTUAL
- SOCIAL MEDIA
- SPOKEN WORD
- PRINT

To receive the Zoom link

*Register
Here*



AUTHOR TALK: What Kind of Christianity

by Dr. William Yoo

A DISCUSSION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH'S HISTORY OF SLAVERY AND
ANTI-BLACK RACISM

Sunday, May 21

11:00am

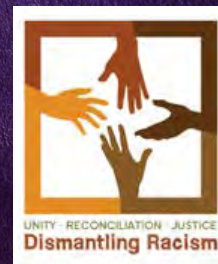
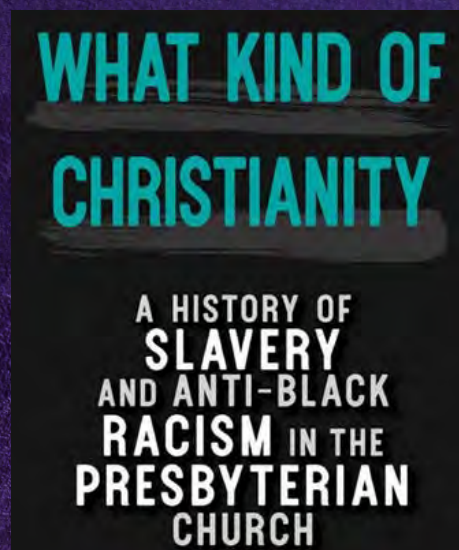
Worship at Old
Presbyterian Meeting
House, Dr. Yoo preaching
323 S. Fairfax St
Alexandria, VA 22314

3:00pm

Presentation and Q&A
with Dr. Yoo
Fairlington Presbyterian
Church
3846 King St
Alexandria VA 22302

Reception to follow

[Registration here](#) requested but not required.





ASSETS & LIABILITIES

Managing Your
Church's Balance Sheet

Free webinar
Tuesday, May 23, 2023
1:00 PM EST

Church leaders need an understanding of a church's debts and assets – two major components of the balance sheet. If you don't quite know what we're talking about, or have questions, this is the webinar for you.

You'll hear from experts with the Presbyterian Foundation, Presbyterian Investment and Loan Program, and New Covenant Trust Company. **We will spend time on three aspects of church finances:**

- Understanding your balance sheet
- Appropriate levels of debt and the process for acquiring debt
- Matching assets with time horizons for optimal investment returns

The first 60 minutes of the webinar will focus on presentations, and the last 30 minutes (if needed) will be reserved for anything you'd like us to explain in more depth and remaining questions you may have.

This webinar is presented free of charge, and will be recorded for those who cannot attend in person – but we encourage you to participate live so you can get your questions answered.

Sign up at www.presbyterianfoundation.org/webinar and in the extra space provided during registration, tell us your financial questions that you'd like to see addressed.



Support with your Pentecost offering on May 28



Your congregation can designate PC(USA) Pentecost offering funds to a local program serving youth and young adults. Please consider DC YAV as we enter into a season of discernment for the future of our program.

Funds can be sent to the Presbytery office with DC YAV on the memo line or [donate here!](#)

With
gratitude for
your
support!



PENTECOST
SPECIAL OFFERINGS
CHILDREN AT RISK • YOUTH • YOUNG ADULTS

BUILDING UP THE BODY OF CHRIST.

— EPH. 4:12, CEB

Uniting Presbyterians
in support of young people
sharing their faith, ideas and gifts
with the Church and the world.



Text PENTECOST to 91999 or visit www.pcusa.org/pentecost
to support these vital ministries.

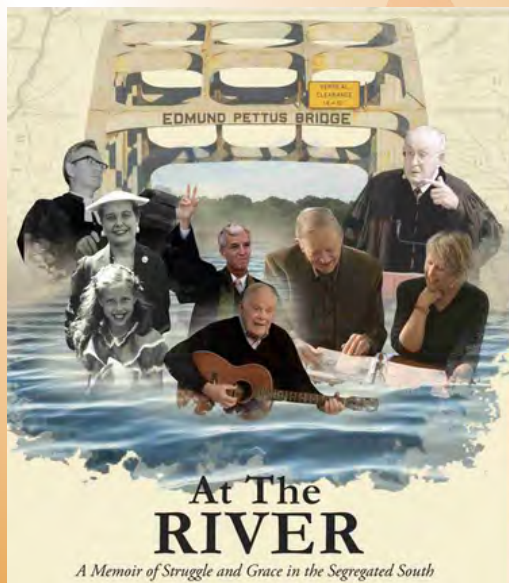


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The Gathering

"At the River: Struggle and Grace in the Segregated South"

presented by Burke Presbyterian Church and the Dismantling Racism Team of NCP



At The River is a feature length film documentary about a certain time and place in the deep south. In the Civil Rights era of the 50's and 60's, most Presbyterian ministers stood on the banks of the cultural river of segregation and white supremacy. They opted not to stir the waters in their congregations and communities by speaking out. However, a few young southern Presbyterian ministers did brave those currents through their sermons, community organizing and participating in marches and protests. They faced dangerous, hate-filled consequences for these actions.

At The River chronicles their lives and their decisions, as well as director Carolyn Crowder's firsthand experience as a young white southern girl from Montgomery, Alabama. During those mean and turbulent times these ministers, through their love and example, had a huge impact on her life in helping her overcome her southern racist brainwashing. More information: <http://carolyncrowder.com/>

Registration coming soon!

June 4, 2023

3:00 PM to 5:30 PM

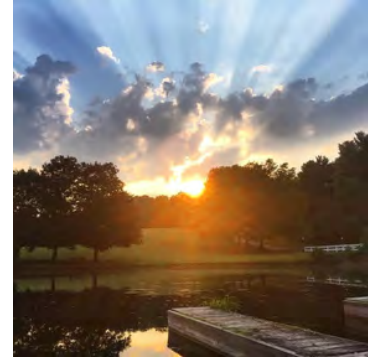
Southminster

Presbyterian Church

Open to All

Register
here!

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN
in the Synod of the Mid-Atlantic
2023 Summer Gathering
June 8-11, 2023



*Open your heart to a Sacred Encounter . . .
Come on to me (Luke 18:16)*



Rev. Dr. Olive Mahabir

Author of 2023-2024 Horizons Bible Study
*Sacred Encounters: The Power and
Presence of Jesus Christ in Luke and Acts*

Featuring...



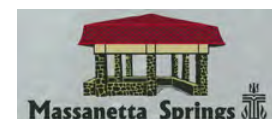
Shani McIlwain

Author - Podcaster - Leadership Coach
Sharing Love, Light and Life
www.shanimcilwain.com

Also joining us are:
PW Moderator Kathy Reeves & PW Executive Director Susan Jackson Dowd

**For more information
and to register:**
www.pwsma.com

Hybrid Option
Plenaries & some
workshops will be
available on zoom.



Join us at
Massanetta Springs Camp and Conference Center
Harrisonburg, Virginia 22801
www.massanettasprings.org

Join us for the 2023 Capital Pride Parade Saturday, June 10th.



National Capital Presbyterians and friends are invited to walk or roll together for Pride 2023. We'll gather at 15th Street Presbyterian Church at 2pm. We'd also welcome hospitality volunteers who want to stay put at the beginning and the end of the route. There are so many ways to participate and share in the Pride celebration!

[Click here for details](#)
(and check back often for updates).

[Click here to RSVP.](#)

May 18, 2023

Dear Members and Friends of National Capital Presbytery,

We are calling on ALL Congregations and Social Action organizations across the DMV to join us!

Announcing The
Interfaith and Social Action Pavilion
“What it Means to be a Good Neighbor”
at the 2023 Scotland Juneteenth Heritage Festival
Cabin John Village Mall, Potomac MD
Monday June 19, 9 am – 4 pm

This **Annual Juneteenth Festival** is being greatly expanded this year to raise funds to rebuild the Scotland AME Zion Church in Potomac which was rendered unusable by a flood in 2019.

As we celebrate the past, present and future of one of the first places in our county African Americans owned land, the Scotland community, we will be hosting **Get to Know your Neighbors Bingo** – an activity that will meaningfully connect hundreds of our residents to one another.

We are working to fulfill the vision of Festival Chairperson, and fifth-generation resident of Scotland, Latisha Gasaway-Paul, that the community connections we build from this Festival will help to improve lives and foster greater understanding for many generations to come.

Participating is EASY! Join us through any or all of the following – **SUPPORT, DONATION, EDUCATION, WORSHIP**

Click [here](#) to learn more and to sign up! And – please help us spread the word by sharing this email widely with your neighbors and colleagues at other congregations and organizations.

Your Neighbors on the Interfaith Outreach Committee,

Am Kolel

Bethesda Jewish Congregation

B’nai Israel Congregation

Bradly Hills Presbyterian Church

Emory Grove United Methodist Church

Northminster Presbyterian Church

Saint Mark Presbyterian Church

Scotland AME Zion Church

St James Episcopal Church

The Jewish Studio

Questions? Reach out to us –

Reverend Denise Diaab - denise@bradleyhillchurch.org - 562.335.4506

Marla Schulman – mschulman@schreibernet.com – 301.537.6309

All the Festival Details, including complete schedule – <https://www.juneteenthscotland.org/>

About the Scotland community and 2nd Century Project – <https://scotlandamezion.org/>

