



Peoples Congregational United Church of Christ  
4704 13<sup>th</sup> Street NW  
Washington, DC 20011

Rev. Brandon Harris, Senior Minister  
Rev. Mahogany S. Thomas, Executive Minister

Sunday, September 20, 2020  
10:00 a.m.

*This is the day that the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it. Psalm 118:24  
(NRSV)*

*VISION 2020: Renew Reach Restore*

Enter to Worship...

The Order of the Word  
*Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost*  
Sunday, September 20, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.  
The Liturgical Color is Green.

**CENTERING THOUGHT:**

The Church exists primarily for two closely correlated purposes: to worship God and to work for his kingdom in the world.... The church also exists for a third purpose, which serves the other two: to encourage one another, to build one another up in faith, to pray with and for one another, to learn from one another and teach one another, and to set one another examples to follow, challenges to take up, and urgent tasks to perform. This is all part of what is known loosely as fellowship.

- Rev. Dr. N.T. Wright

**PRELUDE**

Arranged by Sergei Rachmaninoff

*Vocalise*  
*Lucie Xu*

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Rev. Brandon Harris

*Let us know you're watching today!*

<https://forms.gle/o4G68RMjzpTTmjUFA>

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Rev. Brandon Harris

**PRAISE AND WORSHIP**

Played by Philip Carter

*I Look to You*  
*Available to You*

**SCRIPTURE READING**

James Wesley

*Numbers 11:10-13,23,-29 (ESV)*  
*Acts 4:32-37 (ESV)*

**Gloria Patri**

Dr. Warren D. Hood, II

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son:  
and to the Holy Ghost as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ever shall be world without end. Amen*

**HYMN OF PREPARATION**

Arranged by Carl J. Nygard Jr.

*God So Loved the World*  
*Chancel Choir*

**SERMON**

Rev. Mahogany S. Thomas

**A Little More Grace**

Acts 4:32-37

**INVITATION TO MEMBERSHIP**

Rev. Mahogany S. Thomas

**INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS**

Rev. Brandon Harris

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Rev. Brandon Harris

**OFFERING**

Rev. Brandon Harris

**DOXOLOGY**

Dr. Warren D. Hood, II

*Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above Ye heavenly host,  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen*

**FINAL REMARKS**

Rev. Brandon Harris

**CLOSING SONG**

Arranged by Gwen Jenifer

*Do You Know Jesus*

**BENEDICTION**

Rev. Mahogany S. Thomas

**POSTLUDE**

African- American Spiritual

*I Want Jesus to Walk with Me  
Dr. Warren D. Hood, II*

*Cover Photo by Marvin Jones*

Depart to Serve...

## WHAT'S HAPPENING AT PEOPLES CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. For weekly What's Happening submissions and monthly Prodder submissions, please send all newsletter articles to email: [info@peopleschurchucc.org](mailto:info@peopleschurchucc.org). The deadline for What's Happening is Wednesday at noon. Prodder submissions deadline is the third Thursday of each month (except if there are 5 Thursdays in the month).
2. A confirmation email reply will be sent upon completion of all requests.

**Direct Links to Online Giving for Donations**  
<https://peopleschurchucc.org/online-giving/> or  
<https://tithe.ly/give?c=2030372>



### **Prayer Meeting Dial-In**

515-604-9545, Access Code: 659959#  
*Prayer Service is every Wednesday at Noon.*



### **Bible Study Information**

#### **Virtual Bible Study Meeting Information**

Every Thursday at 6:00 p.m.  
Dial-in# +1-301-715-8592 US Meeting ID: 992 6852 3678  
Password: 784420 Join Zoom Meeting: Click on link below:  
<https://zoom.us/j/99268523678?pwd=NFZrUzNIUXBXczJkMWVxZlVZclU5UT09>  
Meeting ID: 992 6852 3678 Password: 784420

After a very successful Election Process we are still seeking members to serve in the many vacancies that still remain on our important Boards and Committees. Please review the list below and consider volunteering to serve. Some will not have a quorum therefore will not be able to carry on important Church business. You may contact the Chair of the Committee or Board to express your interest. [info@peopleschurchucc.org](mailto:info@peopleschurchucc.org)

### **List of Vacancies by Board and Committee**

Board of Trustees - **4 V**  
Board of Christian Social Action - **6 V**  
Board of Christian Education-**7 adults V and 2 youth V**  
Music and Arts-**6 V**  
Evangelism and Outreach- **5 V**  
Scholarship Committee-**8 V**

**Peoples Food Pantry** donated assorted food items to SOME (So Others Might Eat) community outreach program. The assorted food items were well received by Donation Director, Ms. D. King and the volunteers with the program. Our donation will help to serve nutritious meals

**The Hospitality Circle** will present the RUPERT B. CLARK SERVICE AWARD to deserving members in September 2020. Questions may be submitted to Marie Whitaker, President of Hospitality Circle or to Walter Faggett, Chair of the Rupert Clark Service Award Committee at [hospitalitycircle@gmail.com](mailto:hospitalitycircle@gmail.com).

**The Bylaws Work Group** thanks all Church organizations and individual members as well for input to the proposed amendment bylaws of our beloved Church. The Group is in the process of discussions with the Church Council on the amendments and will resume discussions in September. You may direct questions on the process to [Info@peopleschurchucc.org](mailto:Info@peopleschurchucc.org). Bylaws Work Group members: Pat Ellis, Lead; Robert Hendricks, Moderator; Brenda Ewing, Church Treasurer; Brenda V. Smith, Immediate Past Moderator; Marie Whitaker, President, Council of Circles and Clubs, and Esther Williams Yarborough, At-Large Member of the Council.

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## ENHANCED COMMUNICATIONS WITH OUR MEMBERS

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Peoples Congregational Church  
Invites You To



**JOIN US FOR  
WEDNESDAY WORD**

A Devotional Teleconference  
Every Wednesday in September  
7:00am - 7:30am  
Dial in Number: (605) 475-5950\*  
Passcode: 8964544

\*This is not a toll free number. Charges may apply.

# Continuing Through the Pandemic

**In-Church Worship Services, Activities and Events remain suspended until further notice.**

In order for us to continue to operate safely and within the CDC Guidelines as well as the DC government guidelines, we have had to put new practices in place.

**Schedule:** Since we can only have a limited number of **essential** individuals in the building at any one time, a schedule has been established. If you need to come to the church, a **24-hour notice is required**; you can simply contact the Office Staff either by email: [info@peopleschurchucc.org](mailto:info@peopleschurchucc.org) or by calling: 202-829-5511 and the staff will place you on the schedule.

1. **Accessing the building:** Strict procedures are in place which you will find posted at the front door (see below).

- Only one (1) person will be buzzed through the doors at a time.
- Each individual will have their temperature taken with a touchless thermometer.
- If an individual's temperature is above 100° they will not be allowed to remain in the building.
- Individuals **MUST** wear a mask at all times and use hand sanitizer.
- Individuals must sign-in and sign-out at the front desk.
- Individuals must maintain 6-feet of social distancing



# *In Memoriam*

*For members who transitioned January 2020-September 2020*

**Vaster Bridgewater**

*Passed on January 10, 2020*

**Derek Jones**

*Passed on February 27, 2020*

**David Driskell**

*Passed on April 1, 2020*

**Ebena Sims**

*Passed on April 21, 2020*

**Dr. James Jones**

*Passed on June 19, 2020*

**Presley Reed, Sr.**

*Passed on July 17, 2020*

**Onra Dillard**

*Passed on July 20, 2020*

**Josephine Wulu**

*Passed on August 18, 2020*



**Frank Love**

*Passed on August 21, 2020*

**Orren Cohill**

*Passed on September 5, 2020*

**Melvin Calhoun**

*Passed on September 5, 2020*