



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, November 15, 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  
Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost  
Sunday, November 15, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.

**Centering Thought**

"There must always be remaining in every life, some place for the singing of angels, some place for that which in itself is breathless and beautiful." — Howard Thurman

**PRELUDE**

arr. Les Garrett

*This is the Day  
Played by Phillip Carter*

**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**

arr. Maurette Brown Clark

*Just Want to Praise You  
Sung by Phillip Carter*

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Deacon Goulda Downer

Psalm 123  
1 Thessalonians 5: 1-11

**GLORIA PATRI**

Sung by Yvonne and Imani Hinkson

*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**

Rev. Milton Brunson

*Lord, I'm Available to You  
Sung by Phillip Carter*

**SERMON**

Rev. Dr. Neichelle Guidry  
Dean of the Chapel and Director of the WISDOM Center  
Spelman College, Atlanta, GA

**I Feel Like Going On**

Romans 8: 26-28,31-32

**INVITATION TO MEMBERSHIP**

Rev. Mahogany S. Thomas

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Rev. Mahogany S. Thomas

**PRAYER RESPONSE**

arr. Donnie McClurkin

*Speak to my Heart  
Played by Davey Yarborough*

**OFFERTORY**

Rev. Brandon Harris

**DOXOLOGY**

Sung by Esther Williams Yarborough

*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 WORDS**

Rev. Brandon Harris

**CLOSING SONG**

Richard Smallwood

*Center of My Joy  
Sung by Andre Kearns*

**BENEDICTION**

Rev. Brandon Harris

**POSTLUDE**

arr. Henry Purcell

*Rigadoun  
Played by Dr. Warren Hood*

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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=NFZrUzNIUXBXczJkMWVxZ1VZclU5UT09> Meeting ID: 992 6852 3678 Password: 784420

### **"Thanksgiving Donation. Faith Without Works is Dead. James 2:14-17**

The Men's and Women's Fellowships thank the members of Peoples Church for your outpouring of generosity. We were able to deliver a check in the amount of \$2,387.00 to the Georgia Ave. Family Support Collaborative. This money will be used to support the annual Shirley Sanders Memorial Thanksgiving Food giveaway on Sat. Nov. 21, 2020. Any additional money received will be given to the Georgia Ave. Family Support Collaborative for future events. We are moved by your response with such short notice. Thank you, thank you.... we couldn't have done it without you. Yvonne Hinkson and Jackie Greene, Fellowship Presidents. "

**The Scholarship Committee** began accepting college book grant applications on October 12, 2020. If hard copies of the application need to be retrieved from the church building, please email [scholarship@peopleschurchucc.org](mailto:scholarship@peopleschurchucc.org) Please note, the due date for applications and any supporting documentation is Friday, December 4, 2020 at midnight. Thank you.

## **COVID -19 CONTACT TRACING FORM UPDATE**

Each person visiting the Church, **for the first time only**, with a **scheduled appointment**, must complete a Contact Tracing Form during the sign-in process. To expedite your sign-in time, the Contact Tracing Form has been posted on the Church website ([peopleschurchucc.org](http://peopleschurchucc.org)) under Church Forms. The Church Forms Tab can be accessed from the Home Page of the website. The form can be downloaded and printed. Bring the completed form with you when you visit the Church for essential business only. Thanks for your cooperation with this COVID-19 protocol.

**THE BYLAWS WORK GROUP** has completed discussions with the Church Council on the proposed amendments to the bylaws. They are in the process of further editing to reflect the results of discussions with the Church Council. The next phase is to make this document available to the full governing body (the congregation) for at least a 45-day review period. Because of COVID-19 protocols, the Work Group will announce a process for members of the congregation to raise questions and get responses from the Work Group. We hope to begin this phase mid-October. Members of the Work Group are: Pat Ellis, Lead; Robert Hendricks, Immediate Past Moderator; Brenda V. Smith, former Moderator; Brenda Ewing, Church Treasurer; Marie Whitaker, President, Council of Circles and Clubs; and Esther Williams, At-Large Member, Church Council. The current Moderator and Moderator-Elect are integral in the process. Questions/Inquiries: [info@peopleschurchucc.org](mailto:info@peopleschurchucc.org)

# 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 set in place. If you need to come to the church, 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 get you on the schedule.

**Contact Tracing:** In compliance with the District of Columbia guidelines, **ALL** persons entering the facility **MUST** complete a Contact Tracing Form. The information is kept confidential, unless requested by the Contact Trace Force of the District of Columbia.

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





# *In Memoriam*

*For members who transitioned January 2020 - November 2020*

**Vaster Bridgewater**

*Passed on January 10, 2020*

**Derek Jones**

*Passed on February 27, 2020*

**Dr. 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, Jr.**

*Passed on September 5, 2020*

**Melvin Calhoun**

*Passed on September 5, 2020*

**Margaret Askew**

*Passed on September 18, 2020*