



# PEOPLES PRODDER

May 2023 Newsletter

**PEOPLES**  
CONGREGATIONAL  
United Church of Christ



# Join Us Weekly

## SUNDAY

- 7:00 a.m. Sunday Morning Praise and Worship Teleconference  
Call-in-Number: 720-740-9739 Access Code: 4684874  
The Line Opens at 6:55 a.m. - Call in and invite others
- 8:00-9:45 a.m. Virtual Adult Church School  
Join Zoom Meeting:  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88390857788?pwd=RmZoY2xqeTBlRVdTK09XWFY5cG9OQT09>  
Meeting ID: 837 4429 8433 Passcode: 853640
- 10:00 a.m. Hybrid Worship Service and Virtual Service
- . Church School meets every Sunday at 10:00 a.m. in the Chapel
- 12:00 p.m. Sermon by Phone – Sermons available every Sunday  
Telephone Dial-in #: 1-202-318-5405  
Listen to weekly church sermons and messages.

## WEDNESDAY

- 7:00 a.m. Wednesday Word – A Devotional Conference Call  
Dial-In Number: 605-475-5950, Passcode: 8964544# Second and Fourth Wednesday  
This is not a toll-free number. Charges may apply
- 12:00 Noon Prayer Meeting Dial-In – Prayer Service is every Wednesday  
Dial-In Number: 518-992-1039, Access Code: 659959#

## THURSDAY

- 6:00 p.m. Virtual Bible Study

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/99268523678?pwd=NFZrUzNlUXBXczJkMWVxZlVZclU5UT09>

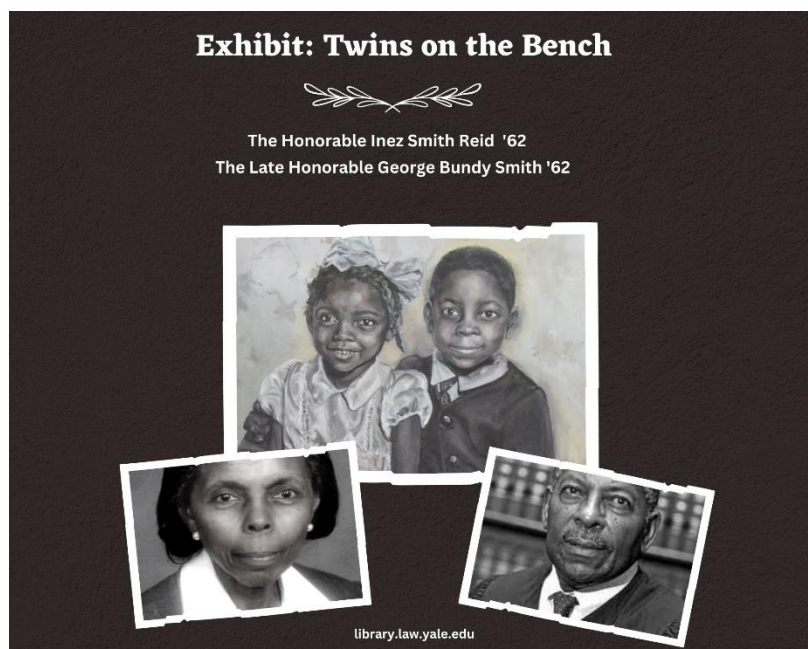
Dial-in Number: 301-715-8592 Meeting ID: 992 6852 3678 - Password: 784420

**“Direct Link to Online Giving for Donations.”**





# Newsworthy!



## Twins on the Bench

An exhibit celebrating the unveiling at the Yale Law School of a portrait of the Late Honorable George Bundy Smith '62 and the Honorable Inez Smith Reid '62

initial portrait study by Ashlynn Smith. Curated by Shana Jackson with Kathryn James.

Dr. Helene Gayle, the sister-in-law of Rev. Dr. Rubin Tendai was inaugurated on April 28<sup>th</sup> as the 11th President of Spelman College. Dr. Tendai took part in the Interfaith Service of Blessings at Sisters Chapel. The Most Rev. Michael Burce Curry, Presiding Bishop and Primate of The Episcopal Church was the preacher.

**Congratulations** to Jen Virgo on the arrival of her daughter, Mayeli Alana Virgo! Mayeli was born on April 9, 2023 and she made Jen a "mama" April 19, 2023.



Each year Seabury Resources honors an outstanding senior volunteer from churches in the Episcopal Diocese and UCC churches in the Potomac Association. Congratulations to Minister Francis Smith who was honored on Wednesday, May 3, 2023 at the Washington Cathedral as the Seabury Outstanding Senior Volunteer for Peoples Church. Thanks to Minister Smith for his service.

This Offering is received on Pentecost Sunday, May 28, 2023.



This Offering re-imagines and builds the future of the UCC. It is shared at the conference and national levels. Strengthen the Church largely supports youth ministries, and full-time leaders for new churches in parts of the country where the United Church of Christ does not have a strong presence. It also provides support for existing churches' new initiatives.



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The Peoples Congregational United Church of Christ

***PRESENTS***

## ***"A Spiritual Journey"***

*Songs and Spirituals from Pre-Slavery to Emancipation*

# **JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION**

*Featuring a Multi-Generational Cast of  
Narrators, Singers, Dancers & Musicians*

Directed by  
Dr. Robert L. Jefferson

**Saturday, June 17, 2023 – 5:00 P.M.**

*A free production for the church & community-at-large*



### **Save the Date! Peoples Church 2023 Vacation Bible School**

Monday, August 7, 2023 – Friday, August 11, 2023

\*9:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m. one week program

\*Lots of fun learning activities – Bible Stories, music and art, bike safety training, gardening, community service, and more! Watch the church website, the Weekly Bulletin, and the Prodder for more details. Note: Adult volunteers and teen counselors are needed! If you're interested, Contact Cynthia Prather, Director ([info@peopleschurchucc.org](mailto:info@peopleschurchucc.org)) and/or Diana Haines Walton, Chair, Board of Christian Education [info@peopleschurchucc.org](mailto:info@peopleschurchucc.org)

# Capital Campaign



Remember, these financial gifts are above and beyond your usual tithing and offering donation for our Beloved Church! Make a Commitment to our 2-Year Monthly Donation 2021-2023!

[Click here](#) to Complete 2-Year Donation Commitment Form



Of course, if you are unable to commit to the 2-year Monthly Donations, any and all donations to the Capital Campaign Community of Faith are greatly needed and appreciated!

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*Love God & Love Neighbor*

## Prodder Guidelines

The Peoples Prodder is our Monthly Newsletter to inform our community about recent announcements, updates and information pertaining to the life of our congregation.

**All announcements and flyers for the upcoming edition of the Prodder must be submitted by 12:00 Noon on the 20<sup>th</sup> of the prior month.**

Announcements and flyers can be emailed to [info@peopleschurchucc.org](mailto:info@peopleschurchucc.org).

Please do not mail information; electronic submissions are required. Announcements should be between 50-200 words maximum and should be informational about Peoples Church events or members and their families. All announcements may be edited and submissions are subject to final approval by the Ministers.

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