



PEOPLES
CONGREGATIONAL
United Church of Christ

PEOPLES PRODDER

April 2024 Newsletter

Minister's Message



Interim Senior
Minister

Dear Members and Friends of Peoples Congregational United Church of Christ,

"I lift up my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come? My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth. The Lord will not let your foot be moved; the Lord who keeps you will not slumber. Behold, the Lord who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep. The Lord is your keeper; the Lord is your shade on your right hand The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night. The Lord will keep you from all evil; The Lord will keep your life. The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore."

- Psalm 121:1-8

I want to take a moment to express my gratitude for your dedication and commitment during this past Lenten Season and Easter. The reading of "I Am a Church Member," as a congregation has been a powerful experience and a testament to Peoples' identity. Your faith, love, and support have been a constant source of inspiration for me and the entire community.

As we move forward into the Spring and Summer seasons, I want to encourage you to continue your spiritual journey. Let us apply the lessons we learned during Lent and Easter and make them a praxis of our daily lives. Let us strive to be more compassionate, more forgiving, and more loving towards one another.

Let us also take this time to reflect on our personal goals and aspirations. What are the things that we want to achieve in the coming months? What steps can we take to make those goals a reality? Let us support one another in our endeavors and celebrate each other's successes.

May the warmth and beauty of Spring and Summer fill our hearts with joy and hope. May we continue to grow in faith and love.

I am loving you into God's next for you!
Rev. Benjamin Ledell Bragg-Reynolds

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 & Youth Ministry meet 2nd and 4th Sunday at 10:00 a.m. in the Chapel (September-June).

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.

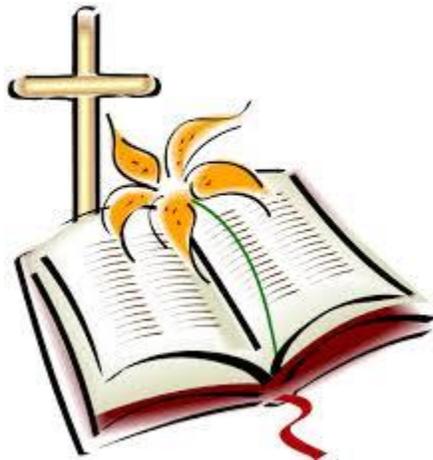
WEDNESDAY

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 (Classes suspended July and August)
Join Zoom Meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/99268523678?pwd=NFZrUzNlUXBXczJkMwVxZlVZclU5UT09>
Dial-in Number: 301-715-8592 Meeting ID: 992 6852 3678 - Password: 784420



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to Peoples Church! All individuals who participate in our Worship and Liturgical Services and /or Events may have their images appear on our Social Media Platforms, Live Streaming, or communication documents. By attending these Services and Events, you tacitly agree to having your image displayed.

MUSIC MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

There are several opportunities for you to participate in the music ministry at Peoples. We invite you to come and be a part of the Adult Choir or the Praise & Worship Team. Instrumentalists are also welcome.

The Adult Choir is now recruiting new members

Open: Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass.

Qualifications: Must be able to carry light musical notes part way across the church. Must have sufficient vision to see the director twenty feet away.

Experience: No application accepted from persons who have not sung, hummed or whistled in the shower.

Wages: Satisfaction and joy in God's service.

Hours: Sunday mornings with occasional opportunities for overtime (at above mentioned wages).

Rehearsals: Once a week except in the summer.

Apply: By attending the next rehearsal. Saturdays from 10:30 am - 12 noon.



In Memoriam



Bezelle Thomas Passed on January 23, 2024	Gwendolyn Jenifer Passed on February 23, 2024
Yvonne Grasty Passed on January 28, 2024	Norma Kelley Passed on February 27, 2024

Save the Date: Vernandi Richardson will be honored at the Washington Cathedral on Tuesday, April 30, 2024, as the recipient of the Seabury Resources for Aging Outstanding Volunteer Award for Peoples Church. The event begins at 10:00 a.m. and it is open to the public.

Greetings Peoples Church,

A heartfelt thank you to all who called, sent cards, or sent flowers to me and my family. The loss of my sister, Jane Davis Adams, has left a hole in many lives. All kindness will long be remembered.

God bless you all.

Bette Davis Wooden

SAVE THE DATE! Poor Peoples Campaign March and Assembly - June 15th!

People's members, Judith Howell, Vivian Jackson, and Wilbur Jackson, participated in the launch of the 40 days of preparation for the national march of the Poor Peoples Campaign on Saturday, March 2nd at the Church of Epiphany followed by a march to the Wilson Building. This launch event took place in over 30 state capitals on that day. The national event will take place in DC on Saturday, June 15th. Stay tuned for more information.



The Scholarship Committee is now accepting scholarship applications from high school seniors who plan to attend college or an accredited post-secondary institution of higher learning. The scholarship application with instructions may be completed online (<https://form.jotform.com/240072113245139>) or obtained by emailing a request for application from the Peoples Church Scholarship Committee at scholarship@peopleschurchucc.org. Please note, the due date for applications and all supporting documentation is **Friday, April 19, 2024 at 5:00 pm**. All high school seniors who are church members are eligible to apply for a Peoples Church Member (PCM) Scholarship. High school seniors who participate in Peoples programs, such as Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, and Peoples Youth Ministry, but who are not church members, may apply for a Peoples Church Community (PCC) Scholarship.

High school seniors who attend DC Public Schools and are recommended by their high school counselors may apply for the Peoples Designated High Schools (DHS) Scholarship.

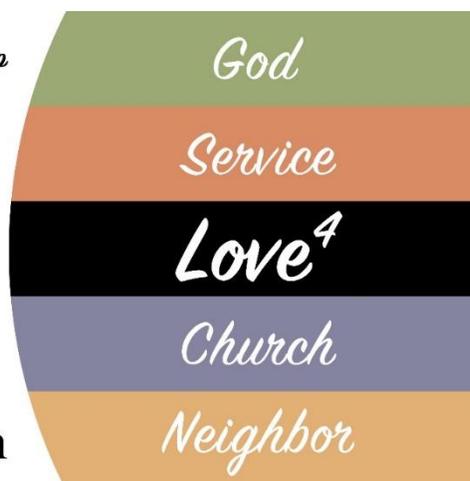
If you have any questions, please contact the Scholarship Committee at scholarship@peopleschurchucc.org. Thank you.

A Celebration of Community and Worship

June 1, 2024 | 10 AM - 4 PM

Peoples Congregational UCC
4704 13th Street NW
Washington, DC 20011

Potomac Association



VBS SAVE THE DATE. The 2024 Vacation Bible School Day Camp is scheduled for August 5-9, 2024. Do you know any children between 5 and 13 years old looking for a fun-filled week of faith, friends, and adventure? Peoples' VBS is here for you! Sign up using the QR code and your name will be added to our mailing list for updates and priority access to Early-Bird Registration. You may also return to this space for updates.



Girl Scout Sunday



Palm Sunday



Easter Sunday



SUNDAY | 28 APR | 4:00 PM

ELLINGTON AT 125: THE DC COLLECTIVE IN CONCERT

DC Jazz Festival Artist-In-Residence Corcoran Holt curates a special Duke Ellington birthday concert with a tribute to his mentor Davey Yarborough, former Duke Ellington School of the Arts Dean of Instrument Music.

GET YOUR TICKETS NOW!

DCJAZZFEST.ORG/SPRINGSERIES

CHANGE OF CONTACT INFORMATION

Have you moved? Do you have a new e-mail address? Has your contact information changed? If so, please fill out the form below and turn it in to the office so that we may update your contact information. Thank-you!

Name(s) _____

Old Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

New Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone Numbers: Home _____ Email _____

REALM REGISTRATION



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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 20th of the prior month.

Announcements and flyers can be emailed to 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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