

Witherspoon Street Presbyterian Church

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October 11, 2020

10:00 a.m.

180-Year Anniversary Service

PRELUDE

The Church's One Foundation

GATHERING HYMN

For All the Saints

**For all the saints who from their labors rest,
who thee by faith before the world confessed,
thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;
thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;
thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light.
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**O may thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,
fight as the saints who nobly fought of old,
and win with them the victor's crown of gold.
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**O blest communion, fellowship divine,
we feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

WELCOME AND PRAYER OF INVOCATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Reverend Dave Davis
Nassau Presbyterian Church

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Reverend Lukata Mjumbe
Witherspoon Street Presbyterian Church

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD

FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 5:3 (NIV)

³ It was not with our ancestors that the LORD made this covenant, but with us, with all of us who are alive here today.

SECOND READING

Hebrews 12:1 (NIV)

¹ Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us,

POURING OF LIBATIONS IN HONOR OF OUR ANCESTORS

PROCLAIMING THE WORD OF GOD

SERMON

We Are the Legacy

Rev. Lukata Mjumbe

VERSE SPEAKING CHOIR SPECIAL ANNIVERSARY MESSAGE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

COMMUNION LITURGY

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

BLESSED WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SPECIAL COMMUNION CONGREGATIONAL TRIBUTE TO
WITHERSPOON STREET PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

COMMUNION HYMN

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

**When I survey the wondrous cross
on which the Prince of glory died,
my richest gain I count but loss,
and pour contempt on all my pride.**

**Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast
save in the death of Christ, my God!
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them through His blood.**

**See, from His head, His hands, His feet,
sorrow and love flow mingled down.
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
or thorns compose so rich a crown?**

**Were the whole realm of nature mine,
that were a present far too small.
Love so amazing, so divine,
demands my soul, my life, my all.**

OFFERTORY / STEWARDSHIP APPEAL

OFFERTORY SELECTION

In the Garden

**I come to the garden alone,
While the dew is still on the roses,
And the voice I hear falling on my ear
The Son of God discloses.**

**He speaks, and the sound of His voice
Is so sweet the birds hush their singing,
And the melody that He gave to me
Within my heart is ringing.**

**I'd stay in the garden with Him,
Though the night around me be falling,
But He bids me go; through the voice of woe
His voice to me is calling.**

Refrain

**And He walks with me, and He talks with me,
And He tells me I am His own;
And the joy we share as we tarry there,
None other has ever known.**

PASTORAL REFLECTIONS / CLOSING PRAYER

PASTORAL LEGACY TRIBUTE TO WITHERSPOON STREET
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SENDING HYMN

I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

I'm gonna live so God can use me anytime and anywhere.

I'm gonna live so God can use me anytime and anywhere.

I'm gonna pray so God can use me anytime and anywhere.

I'm gonna pray so God can use me anytime and anywhere.

I'm gonna give so God can use me anytime and anywhere

I'm gonna give so God can use me anytime and anywhere.

I'm gonna love so God can use me anytime and anywhere.

I'm gonna love so God can use me anytime and anywhere.

BENEDICTION

CHORAL AMEN

Let the Church Say "Amen"

POSTLUDE

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

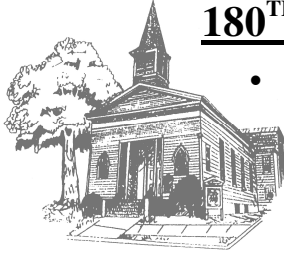
ANNOUNCEMENTS



WELCOME – The Pastor, Elders and Deacons of Witherspoon welcome most warmly all worshipers. Our fellowship is enriched by your presence. If you do not have a church home of your own, we do sincerely invite you to be a part of our fellowship. Please contact the church office if you are interested in church membership or if you want to be added to the church e-mail distribution list (witherspoon@verizon.net or 609-924-1666).

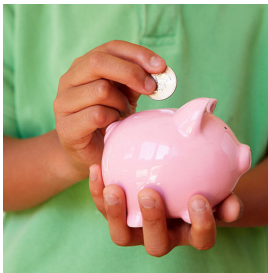


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180TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

- 180th Year Long Calendar of Events: In honor of WSPC 180th Anniversary, Church Life is announcing the 180th Year Long Calendar of Events. Throughout 2021, there will be themed events leading up to and beyond the 180th Celebration / Recognition Event.
 - 10/2020 – Zoom Intergenerational Night
 - 12/2020 – Zoom Creating and Decorating Christmas Ornaments
 - 1/2021 – Zoom Game Night – Pictionary
 - 2/2021 – Zoom Black History Scholarship Night
 - 3/2021 – Zoom Movie Night – *Black Panther*
 - 4/2021 – Zoom Game Night – Bingo / Scattergories
 - 5/2021 – Zoom Mother’s Day Salute
 - 6/2021 – Zoom Father’s Day Salute
 - 7/2021 – T-Shirt Sales / Picnic
 - 8/2021 – Anniversary Celebration / Recognition (outdoor venue or boat ride)
 - 9/2021 – Zoom Movie Night – *War Room*
 - 10/2021 – Reenactment of WSPC Church History
- 180th Photo Directory – Photo Directory of all members and friends



180 WAYS TO DONATE

Church Life is announcing the 52-week “180” Challenge Plan. Members, friends, and partners will be asked to contribute \$180 to honor WSPC. A dedicated account would be established for these funds where monthly, quarterly, and/or semi-annual contributions would be collected and posted.

- Kiddy Donation: Suggested contribution of 180 dimes or 180 quarters
- Adults / Groups: Suggested contribution \$180; multiples of \$180; \$1,800



FIRST 180TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION EVENT

- Pumpkin Painting
 - Best Dressed Halloween Costume
 - Candies / Cookies in a Jar Contest
 - Tic Tok Dance Contest and More!
- ▶ What: ***Intergenerational Night***
 - ▶ Who: We Want You!
 - ▶ When: **October 31, 2020 – 7:00-8:30 p.m.**
 - ▶ Where: Let’s Meet on Zoom



HOLLYWOOD & THE BIBLE

THIS WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 12:30 P.M.

Please join us **this Wednesday, October 14**, at 12:30 p.m. for the Mid-Week Devotional Bible Study when we will welcome Dr. Brian Rainey, lecturer in Biblical Studies at Princeton Theological Seminary. Dr. Rainey will lead our Bible study group in an interactive discussion of *Hollywood & The Bible*. As preparation, please bring all of your questions about the depiction of biblical stories, characters and creatures in film. If interested, please submit your questions in advance to brian.rainey@ptsem.edu.

Dr. Rainey earned his M.Div. from Harvard Divinity School and his Ph.D. from Brown University. He is interested in ethnicity in the Hebrew Bible and ancient Near East, including anthropological, sociological and cognitive theories of “ethnicity” and their usefulness for the study of ancient societies.



WHERE CHRIST IS: WSPC MATTHEW 25 WITNESS NEXT SATURDAY OCTOBER 24

Please join the Christian Education Committee **next Saturday, October 24**, from 1:00 to 2:30 p.m. for a discussion with members of Princeton Mutual Aid. They will share how they mobilized quickly during COVID-19 to help people in need. How can WSPC members get involved? Please join us for this important Zoom discussion. More information to come.



ONLINE GIVING NOW AVAILABLE AT

WWW.WITHERSPOONCHURCH.ORG <http://bit.ly/WSPCGive>

Forget your checkbook? Missed a church service or two? Worshipping from home today? Now you can support our mission anytime using your credit or debit card without having to write a check for the offering plate. Just visit our church website and look for the *Give Now* button. Thank you for your generous support of Witherspoon Street Presbyterian Church!



Even though we are unable to gather together in person, we give thanks for the lives of the Witherspoon Street Presbyterian Church family and friends. Please reach out to our beloved and wish them a Happy Birthday and/or Happy Anniversary!!

Birthdays in October

Rebecca Campbell
Cameron Johnson
Curtis Johnson
Debra Jones-Pearl
David McGriff

Michele Minter
Leslie Young

Anniversaries in October

Aubrey and Debra Jones Pearl

Cameron Johnson

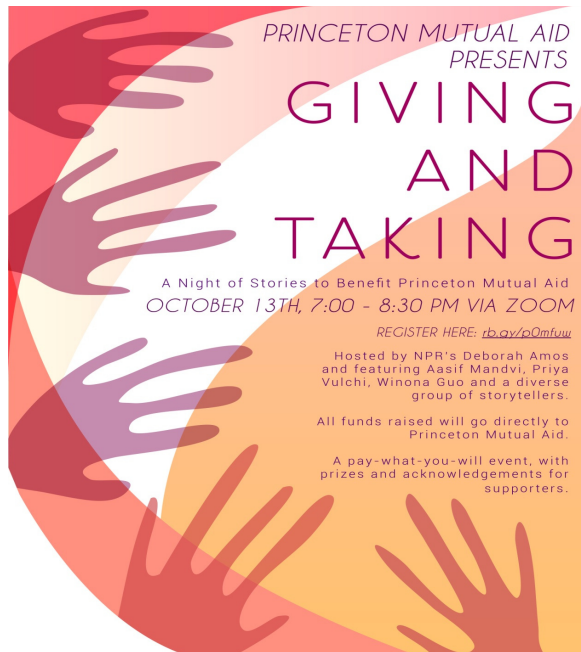


Curtis Johnson



Michele Minter





GIVING AND TAKING
PRINCETON MUTUAL AID
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 7:00 P.M.

Princeton Mutual Aid is hosting a fundraiser **this Tuesday, October 13**, entitled ***Giving And Taking: An Online Storytelling Event*** hosted by NPR's Deborah Amos and featuring former Daily Show correspondent Aasif Mandvi, Priya Vulchi, Wynona Guo, and a diverse group of storytellers.

The stories will be on the theme of "Giving and Taking." This is a pay-what-you-can event! You can sign up here: <http://rb.gy/p0mfuw>.

What is Princeton Mutual Aid?

Princeton Mutual Aid's (PMA) purpose is to meet residents' needs amid the COVID-19 pandemic and beyond, to build a future where people have autonomy and power and are connected to each other.

At the height of the coronavirus pandemic, members from across the Princeton community: neighbors, classmates, coworkers, relatives and friends came together around a common purpose – to help one another meet immediate needs and build community.

Building on the illustrious history of mutual aid, we are creating new structures of collective care to accelerate the transition to a better world. Across diverse perspectives and experiences, we hold steadfast to a common belief: Our interdependence is our strength.

This Week at Witherspoon

Today	Outreach Committee (via Zoom)	4:00 p.m.
Monday	Daily Morning Prayer (via Zoom)	7:00 a.m.
Tuesday	Daily Morning Prayer (via Zoom)	7:00 a.m.
	Verse Speaking Choir (via Zoom)	6:30 p.m.
Wednesday	Daily Morning Prayer (via Zoom)	7:00 a.m.
	Mid-Week Bible Study (via Zoom)	12:30 p.m.
	Worship Sub-Committee (via Zoom)	5:00 p.m.
Thursday	Daily Morning Prayer (via Zoom)	7:00 a.m.
Friday	Daily Morning Prayer (via Zoom)	7:00 a.m.
Saturday	Finance Committee	9:30 a.m.
	Adult Bible Study (via Zoom)	10:00 a.m.
Next Sunday	Worship – Rev. Lukata Mjumbe to Preach	10:00 a.m.
	Presbyterian Women	Following Worship



Prayer List



If you would like to be added or removed from the Prayer List,
please let your Deacon or the church secretary (609-924-1666) know.

- Sundiata Acoli (freedom and health)
- Family of Doris Aikens
- Imam Jamil Al-Amin (legal hearing, May 2020)
- AOP immigrant families
- Families of Ahmaud Arbery, George Floyd, Breonna Taylor
- Rev. Darrell Armstrong and Shiloh Baptist Church
- Mary Frances Banks (aunt of S. & B. Campbell)
- Family of Agnes Benjamin
- Isa Blyden and family
- Deloris Brooks
- Pauline Brown
- Rev. Muriel Burrows
- Barbara and Gordon Byard
- Ben Colbert and the Colbert family following the transition of his brother, Gene Colbert
- Coronavirus victims (45+ inmates and guards who died from COVID-19 in NJ prison system)
- Lois Craig
- Walter Daniels
- Harold M. Delhagen (passing of his father)
- First Baptist Church of Princeton
- Jamal Frasier (M. Gittens' cousin)
- Ava Gabrielle-Wise (friend of Rev. Mjumbe mourning loss of daughter, Jennica, from COVID-19)
- Kevin Gift (in-laws, Richard and Kathryn Steitz; friends, Keller, Mike, Robin) impacted by COVID-19
- Tondelayo Gillespie and Kurt Koiner (boyfriend hospitalized for COVID-19)
- Family of Min. La'Vetta Ross-Hall (loss of brother, James D. Bishop, Sr.)
- Bruce Harrison and family
- Debbie Harrison
- Sandra Hill (J. Tomlin's sister)
- Cecelia Hodges
- Rev. Debra Ivory-Chandler (M. Jackson's mother)
- Monika Jackson and family
- Oni Jackson
- Seth Jennings
- Simon Jackson (J. Tomlin's brother-in-law)
- Mumia Abu Jamal (freedom and health)
- Cheryl Jones
- Taneisha Nash Laird
- Denyse Leslie and family
- James and Audrey Mack
- Winston and Sheila Maddox and family
- Elaine Walker Marsh's mother
- Condolence to family of Carson Mascoll
- Rev. David McAlpin
- Rev. Wayne Meisel
- Michele Minter and family
- Aya Mjumbe
- Mjumbe family
- Jedeka Zai Mjumbe (brother of Rev. Mjumbe)
- Mariamu Eyay Mjumbe (recovery from surgery)
- Eugenia Moore
- Condolence to family of Joseph Moore
- William Moore
- Sharon Mootoo (R. Sosa's sister)
- Jamil Muntaqim (freedom and health)
- Anne Nosnitsky (recovering in rehab facility)
- Talitha-Koumi Oluwafemi (and her daughter)
- Family of Charles Osei-Fosu
- Family and Friends of Beverly Owens
- Sheila Pannell (B. Brown's niece)
- Nancy Pelosi
- Family of John Pogroszewski (Lawrence Middle School classmate of Leah Schmelter)
- Mildred Poncé
- Alejandro Portes (P. Fernández-Kelly husband)
- Princeton Seminary Association of Black Seminarians and Allies
- Mary Ann Raikes (D. Raikes-Colbert's mother)
- Tim Reagan and family
- Phyllis Rich
- Abdul Haqq Salaam (incarcerated friend of Rev. McAlpin)
- Valerie Smith
- Imam Sohaib Sultan, Princeton University, diagnosed with aggressive bile duct cancer
- Family of Carl Theobald (J. Tomlin's brother-in-law)
- Mildred Trotman
- Donald Trump
- Joyce Watson (mother-in-law of Lynette Campbell)
- Norma Wilson
- Leslie Wingard
- WSPC Young People in College
- Leslie Young and Family (mother, Betty Henderson, transitioned in St. Louis)
- Women of Edna Mahan Correctional Facility: Lillian Allen, Maureen Andre, Gloria Arroyo, Ashley Bailey, Latonia Bellamy, Tanya Black, Debra Boucher, Anne Castagna, Jennie Cullum, Myrna Diaz, Ella Eng, Sarena Espinal, Robin Grimes, Johnette Hawthorne, Taheira Hickmond, Lori Hummel, Michelle Hurley, Carline, Inginae, Monique Kendall, Kim Kuchler, Briann Lindsey, Tina Linney, Ashley McLaughlin, Maria Montalvo, Cynthia Myers, Janvier, Myriam, Renee Nicesy, Plesie Nichols, Markita Norris, Jasmine Pearson, Rithea Randall, Tammie Shipp, Beth Smallwood, Antionette Stephen, Deborah, Tanksley, Germama Terrero, Jenny, Tran, Arisha Vaughn, Yvonne Walker, Regina Wallace, Natasha White