



Sunday, July 21, 2024
11:00 AM

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

A Keepsake Worship Bulletin on the Occasion
of the Fifth Pastoral Anniversary of the
Rev. Eustacia Moffett Marshall

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NEW RIVER CHURCH

P^{5th} *Pastoral*

ANNIVERSARY



CELEBRATION FOR
REV. EUSTACIA MOFFETT MARSHALL
SENIOR PASTOR



GUEST PREACHER
REV. DR. JERRY L CANNON

By Faith, We've Come
Hebrews 11:1,3

We've Come This Far By Faith




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A portrait of Rev. Eustacia Moffett Marshall, a woman with dark curly hair, wearing a teal blazer over a light blue shirt. She is smiling and resting her chin on her hand.

“If you ever want to see a miracle, look in the mirror and behold the miracle that is you! ”

Rev. Eustacia Moffett Marshall, Senior Pastor
New River Presbyterian Church





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Order of Worship

“We’ve Come this Far by Faith” Introit

Call to Worship

Prayers of the People

*Songs of Praise

Confession & Assurance

Greetings & Sharing Peace

God on the Move (Video Announcements)

Sharing our Faith Journey (Reflections)

Anniversary Video Greetings

*Recitation of Mission

Invitation to Offering & Prayer

*Doxology

Song of Preparation

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture: Luke 5:1-11 (NET)

Message: “From Now On”

Invitation to Discipleship

Closing Remarks

Benediction

*All who are able, please stand



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Worship Participants

Rev. Eustacia Moffett Marshall, Senior Pastor

Rev. Dr. Jerry L. Cannon, Guest Preacher

Elder Dr. Melisande McCrae, Liturgist

Elder Lorraine McKenzie, Reflections

Jeremiah Marshall, Announcements

Jessica Marshall, Announcements

Amanda Ryle, Coordinator

Vocalists

Chris Graham, Lead

Angela Cason

William Fisher

Tashanna Garrett

Gwen Jackson

Kat Lemon

Tracey Preston

Instrumentalists

Adam Faulk, Keyboards

James Rouse, Jr., Drums

Rubin Thomas, Bass

Technology

Kashiem Jones

Shaan Palmer

Tiffany Sakil

Dusty Phillip Trullender

Brian Windsor

Shaan Palmer

Gratitude is extended to the 5th pastoral anniversary team and co-chairs, Lorraine McKenzie and Stacy Cleveland-Williams.



REV. EUSTACIA MOFFETT MARSHALL

The Reverend Eustacia Moffett Marshall is the founding pastor of New River Presbyterian Church. Pastor Marshall relocated with her family to Philadelphia from North Carolina in July 2019 with a massive assignment to guide the replanting of three historic congregations in West Philadelphia. Those congregations include First African, Good Shepherd, and Calvin Presbyterian churches.

Founded in 1807, First African is the nation's first black presbyterian church, and one of Philadelphia's first 5 black congregations. Today, New River testifies that three streams have become a New River!

Under Pastor Marshall's leadership and by God's grace, New River Presbyterian Church was born during a global pandemic. After organizing and worshipping by zoom for three years, New River launched its first hybrid worship experience (onsite and online) on Easter Sunday, April 9, 2023. Prior to her pastoral tenure in Philadelphia, Pastor Marshall served churches in New Jersey and North Carolina. A lectionary commentator in the online African American lectionary, Marshall has sermons published in the African American Pulpit (Fall 2009) and in the book, "These Sisters Can Say It" (Volume 2). A woman of many gifts, Rev. Marshall served in full time music ministry at the Elmwood United Presbyterian Church and spent her summers in college interning at Sony Music. With interest in how faith communities steward their assets, she is a real estate licensee in the state of North Carolina and served as Chair of the Board of Trustees for the Presbyterian Foundation, one of the largest religious foundations in North America. She is the first black woman and one of the youngest (under the age 40) to serve in this distinguished role in the Foundations more than 200-year history. In May 2024, Marshall was elected to serve as a member of the distinguished Board of Trustees for Princeton Theological Seminary.

Pastor Marshall completed her Bachelor of Arts degree in psychology with a minor in human biology at Stanford University. She earned a Master of Divinity Degree from Princeton Theological Seminary where she merited a record number of

academic, ecclesiastical and leadership awards, affirming her gifts for ministry. Those awards include the Presbyterian Leadership Award, Waileys Prize for Excellence in the Field of New Testament, David Hugh Jones Prize for Musical Excellence, Edler Garnett Hawkins Award for Scholastic Excellence, David B. Watermulder Prize in Church Leadership, Jagow Preaching Prize, and the John T. Galloway Prize in Expository Preaching. She was also awarded the Forum for Theological Exploration (FTE) fellowship and traveled to Nairobi, Kenya to explore worship and youth ministry in a global context. She is completing her PhD studies at North Carolina A & T State University in the Samuel Dewitt Proctor Adult Education and Leadership Studies program and looks to defend her dissertation in the Fall of 2024.

With Pastor's Marshall's guidance, New River is a growing worshipping community and embarking on an inspiring vision to support, advocate and invest in the flourishing of the East Parkside neighborhood in West Philadelphia where the church is located. The vision includes restoration of New River's historic facilities to serve as a community hub. In February 2024, New River learned that it will be awarded a \$200,000 matching grant from the Philadelphia Fund for Black Sacred Places to launch its sanctuary renovation project. The vision also includes the development of affordable housing, a commercial corridor, and green space to provide an eco-system of services to support the education, health, and economic development of Parkside residents including youth and senior citizens. For this reason, New River has established the Three Streams Community Development corporation with a mission to bring faith based, public, and private partnerships together for the revitalization of the neighborhood.

A native of Oakland, California, Rev. Marshall is married to the Rev. Touré Marshall, and together, their days are filled with adventure as they serve as parents to their greatest teachers: thirteen-year old, Jeremiah and ten year-old, Jessica. Rev. Marshall's desire is to use her gifts for the glory of God and to serve with energy, intelligence, imagination and love.



REV. DR. JERRY L. CANNON, GUEST PREACHER

The Reverend Dr. Jerry L. Cannon joined the Board of Pensions as Vice President of Ministry Innovation in 2022. A lifelong Presbyterian, before arriving at the Board of Pensions, Dr. Cannon served more than 30 years as the beloved pastor of C.N. Jenkins Memorial Presbyterian Church, a thriving congregation in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Under Dr. Cannon's leadership, C.N. Jenkins became one of the largest black Presbyterian Churches in the country. Nearly tripling in size during his pastoral tenure, the congregation served approximately 1000 disciples and hosted 3 worship services on Sunday morning. Dr. Cannon's spiritual leadership at C. N. Jenkins impacted many young adult members including 20 disciples who answered the call to the ministry of word and sacrament during his pastoral tenure. With a community-based, bridge-building ministry, serving multiple generations, C.N. Jenkins called a recent graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary in 2006 to serve as its associate pastor for youth and young adult ministry. The name of that associate is Rev. Eustacia Moffett Marshall who served as C.N. Jenkins' first associate pastor from December 2006 through June 2012.

Dr. Cannon has held several high-profile roles within the Presbyterian Church USA including leadership within the African American Intercultural Congregational Support Office. He also served as President of the National Black Presbyterian Caucus and as a Minister of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion with the Presbyterian Foundation. As a wise leader and consultant, he has completed service on a number of boards including the Board of Directors for the Presbyterian Church Board of Pensions, the Board of Directors for Goodwill Industries of Central Carolina, the Board of Trustees for Johnson C. Smith Theological Seminary, and the Board of Trustees for Barium Springs Home for Children. He is notably the brother of groundbreaking minister and scholar, the Rev. Dr. Katie Geneva Cannon, the first black woman to be ordained in the Presbyterian Church USA, and former Parish Associate of the First African Presbyterian Church. Reverend Dr. Cannon is married to his bride, the Rev. Veronica E. Cannon and they have four adult children - Rudolph, Raymond, Rosalyn, and Richard.

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By Elder Lorraine P. McKenzie, Clerk of Session



Scripture says, “Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things unseen... By faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that the things which are seen were not made of things which are visible” (Hebrews 11:1 & 3).

By faith, the Pastoral Nominating Committee recommended Eustacia Moffett Marshall to give leadership to three West Philadelphia churches seeking to become one faith community. In July 2019, Touré and Eustacia Marshall relocated with their children, Jeremiah and Jessica, from Winston-Salem, North Carolina to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, to support a dream of uniting and replanting three historic churches including First African, Calvin and Good Shepherd churches.

By faith, Pastor Marshall hit the ground running in July 2019 with one-on-one conversations with congregants to build the partnership between Pastor and people.

By faith, Pastor led a groundbreaking church retreat in November 2019, which helped our congregation write the vision and make it plain. Just a few months after the retreat, the COVID-19 pandemic took the world by storm. Worship services were discontinued at the community center we were leasing. New River began uplifting the Lord online via zoom. While online, Pastor led us in a collaborative process to choose a name for the new church. The collaborative process started with much prayer and involvement from everyone: congregants, community, family and friends. After much prayer and deliberation, by January 2021, we became New River!

While still online, New River needed assistance to engage our community and to hear the hopes and dreams of our neighbors. Pastor Marshall pointed us to *Partners for Sacred Places*. With help from *Partners*, we established a group of community advisors to support the church’s mission. The advisors, which include residents, local organizations and national partners, helped us imagine our facility as a neighborhood hub.

By faith, the congregation voted to invest in our facility at 4159 West Girard and to refresh the building. Conducting a refresh involved extensive work. In record time, a refresh project led by K.I.A. Design and Construction was completed. By God’s grace on Easter Sunday, April 9, 2023, after 3 years of worshipping online because of the pandemic, New River became a hybrid ministry with both onsite and online congregants. HALLELUJAH!

By faith, we are embodying our mission — to multiply leaders and disciples of Jesus who love God, love people and serve the world because the love of Jesus makes all things flourish. Look at what the Lord has done!

By faith, we worship joyfully with soul-stirring music and dynamic preaching, grounded in the truth of God, the love of Jesus, and the power of the Holy Spirit. Our worship fosters deep spiritual growth and connection.

By faith, we are receiving new members and forming disciples of Jesus. We're getting ready for an adult baptism in the coming weeks. HALLELUJAH!

By faith, every Wednesday is a Wonderful Wednesday for New River! 6:30 AM morning prayer and 6:30 PM online Bible Study helps us grow in faith. Vibrant praise and worship each Sunday is New River's cornerstone and life giving response to the saving grace of Jesus Christ.

By faith, and in answer to the community's call for affordable housing, New River established the *Three Streams Community Development Corporation* (CDC) with a mission to bring public, private and faith based partnership together to revitalize the neighborhood. Three Streams CDC will implement the vision to build affordable housing, a commercial corridor, and green space on the land next door to our church. TO GOD BE THE GLORY!

By faith, New River ground leased the land where one of our former churches, Good Shepherd, once stood. In August 2024 (next month), we will break ground on the construction of the Good Shepherd Senior Affordable Housing complex, marking a significant step towards providing much-needed affordable housing for seniors in West Philadelphia. New River will extend the witness of Jesus Christ by providing social services to the residents. TO GOD BE THE GLORY!

By faith, we are gearing up to finish renovations to our facility. Can you imagine a 5 star daycare on the lower level? Can you imagine a multi-purposed sanctuary where we gather to worship? By faith and through the generosity of many, the project will come to completion over the next few years. HALLELUJAH!

By faith, New River continues to establish itself as a community partner through its UCC medical clinic. In partnership with Penn Medicine and Bryn Mawr church, the clinic provides free health services to those who do not have access to health care.

By faith, we are addressing food insecurity through our emergency grocery distribution and food pantry.

By faith, we continue to engage in quarterly neighborhood walks and charitable give aways to meet the short term needs of our community and to share the blessing of what God is doing in our ministry.

By faith, we became a Matthew 25 church, joining over 1200 congregations in our denomination who are committed to being vital congregations with ministries that eradicate systemic poverty and dismantle structural racism.

By faith, New River continues as beacon of God's light to our Parkside community, West Philadelphia and around the world.

PRAISE GOD! In 5 years God has shown up and shown out! Today is a milestone that encourages our faith and encourages our resolve to follow Jesus, to listen for God's voice, to pray, attend Bible Study, and worship our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ in spirit and in truth.

Rev. Eustacia Moffett Marshall, God has sent you to us for such a time as this. We thank God that you are heeding the call of God on your life. We celebrate God's overwhelming love and faithfulness to us by sending you. This is the Lord's doing and it is marvelous in our eyes! Thank you Pastor Marshall.

The best is yet to come! In Jesus' name, we pray and the church says, HALLELUJAH!

Donations are welcomed:
Pencils, pens, erasers, loose leaf
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folders, glue, copy books, rulers,
crayons, and colored pencils.

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10 A - 3 P
@ New River

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Monday August 12 2024 5-7 PM
Monday August 26 2024 5-7 PM

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