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A Prophet for Our Day and Time



Celebrating the Life and Legacy of the Rt. Rev. Barbara C. Harris

June 12, 1930 to March 13, 2020

***Sunday, March 14, 2021
4:00 pm to 5:00 pm EST***

Registration Required. Please register today:

<https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJcoc-2hpzgoH9Jm5-OiOOw1mJSO03JMeT7L>

Join the Union of Black Episcopalians as we remember, celebrate, and explore the lasting impact the Rt. Rev. Barbara Harris, the Anglican Communion's first female bishop, has had upon The Episcopal Church and Anglican Communion. Using excerpts from *The Mitre Fits Just Fine!*, *Parting Words*, and *Hallelujah Anyhow*, as well as personal encounters, our panelists will speak to how this avid support of UBE continues to compel us never to forget "the least, the lost and the left out".

Panelists include:

The Reverend Canon Nan Arrington Peete has devoted her career to improving the life and aspirations of marginalized citizens. Ordained a deacon in 1984 in Los Angeles, California, and a priest in 1985, Canon Peete most recently served as the priest in charge of two congregations in Washington D.C., *Holy Communion, and Church of Our Savior* after retiring in 2005 as Canon for Deployment and Ordination (Diocese of Washington). Prior to serving in Washington D.C., Canon Peete served as the Canon for Ministry in the Diocese of Southern Ohio, on the staff at Trinity Church, Wall Street in New York City, and in the Diocese(s) of Atlanta, Indianapolis, and Los Angeles. Nan has served as a member of the board of trustees of General Theological Seminary, the Witness Magazine, and the Episcopal Women's Caucus. A lifelong Episcopalian, Nan's lifelong commitment to Major League Baseball has her sitting in stadiums in a variety of cities to watch her favorite pastime while she tries, in vain, to catch a fly ball as a souvenir.



The Very Reverend Dr. Kelly Brown Douglas was named Dean of the Episcopal Divinity School at Union Theological Seminary and Professor of Theology at Union in September 2017. She was named the Bill and Judith Moyers Chair in Theology in November 2019. She also serves as the Canon Theologian at the Washington National Cathedral and Theologian in Residence at Trinity Church Wall Street. Prior to Union, Dean Douglas served as Professor of Religion at Goucher College where she held the Susan D. Morgan Professorship of Religion and is now Professor Emeritus. Before Goucher, she was Associate



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Professor of Theology at Howard University School of Divinity (1987-2001) and Assistant Professor of Religion at Edward Waters College (1986-1987). Ordained as an Episcopal priest in 1983, Dean Douglas holds a master's degree in theology and a Ph.D. in systematic theology from Union. Dean Douglas is the author of many articles and five books, including *Sexuality and the Black Church: A Womanist Perspective* and *Stand Your Ground: Black Bodies and the Justice of God*. Her academic work has focused on womanist theology, sexuality and the black church.

The Rev. Debra Q. Bennett, has been the priest at Church of Our Saviour in Akron, OH for the past 9 years. She came to us from the Diocese of Long Island as our Priest-in-Charge in 2012 and was installed as our 9th Rector in 2014. Before coming to Akron, she served St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Roosevelt, NY, first as Deacon-in-Charge in 2009 and then Priest-in-Charge in 2010 after her ordination to the priesthood. She is one of the newly-elected members of the TENS Board of Directors class of 2021 and will be serving a three-year term. In the Diocese of Ohio, she currently serves as the Chair of the Commission on Ministry, Chair of the Ohio Deputation, and a member of the Commission on Racial Justice. A member of the Union of Black Episcopalians since her young adult years, Rev Deb is a life member of UBE and a member of the Wilma Ruth Combs/Northern Ohio Chapter. An avid collector of cookbooks (at least a 100), this foodie loves to prepare gourmet meals for friends, family and, of course, herself



Additional Resources:

For additional resources on how congregations and UBE Chapters also may commemorate the life and legacy of the Rt. Rev. Barbara C. Harris, click on the following links:

Diocese of Massachusetts bishops invite churchwide commemoration of Bishop

Barbara C. Harris this March <https://myemail.constantcontact.com/E-news-for-February-2021.html?soi=1101103683227&aid=ZEJDW021GJs>

Barbara C. Harris Commemoration Resources: <https://www.diomass.org/barbara-c-harris-commemoration-resources>

Reporting of Commemorations: The Diocese of Massachusetts invites congregations offering a commemoration of Bishop Barbara Harris to send a brief description of it to Gates's office, in care of Laura Simons at lsimons@diomass.org.

How to register

Register in advance for this meeting:

<https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJcoc-2hpzgoH9Jm5-OiOOw1mJSO03JMeT7L>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting. Receipt of the confirmation email can take up to 24 hours. The meeting is powered by Zoom.