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Faith & Climate: Loving our Planet Into a Different Future



The Right Reverend Katharine Jefferts Schori, 26th Presiding Bishop of The Episcopal Church

We'll look at current realities and predictions of the future that vary depending on our responses. Faithful

living and loving all our neighbors as ourselves can mean more abundant life for all. A handful of very concrete actions can make very significant differences.Come and learn how to change the world!

Katharine Jefferts Schori was elected Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church in June 2006. She served from 2006 until 2015.

Over the course of her 9-year term, Bishop Jefferts Schori was responsible for initiating and developing policy for the Episcopal Church and speaking on behalf of the church regarding the policies, strategies, and programs authorized by General Convention. She has been vocal about the Episcopal Church's mission priorities, including the United Nation Millennium Development Goals, issues of domestic poverty, climate change and care for the earth, as well as the ongoing need to contextualize the gospel. The Presiding Bishop is charged to speak God's word to the church and to the world.

Bishop Jefferts Schori's career as an oceanographer preceded her studies for the priesthood, to which she was ordained in 1994. She holds a B.S. in biology from Stanford University, an M.S. and Ph.D. in oceanography from Oregon State University, an M.Div. from Church Divinity School of the Pacific, and several honorary doctoral degrees. She remains an active, instrument-rated pilot – a skill she applied when traveling between the congregations of the Diocese of Nevada, where she was elected bishop in 2000 and ordained to the episcopate February 24, 2001. At the time of her election as bishop of Nevada, she was a priest, university lecturer, and hospice chaplain in Oregon.

Bishop Jefferts Schori grew up in the Seattle area and has spent most of her life in the West. Bishop Jefferts Schori and her husband, Richard Miles Schori, a retired mathematician (topologist), were married in 1979. They have one daughter, who is a captain (pilot) in the U.S. Air Force.

Journeying Through the Wilderness





The Reverend Tawana Davis and The Reverend Dr. Dawn Riley Duval, Soul2Soul Sisters

Some describe the wilderness as an

uninhabitable, chaotic, frightening, mysterious space. Yet according to Joseph, David, Moses, Ruth, Esther, Job, Jesus and numerous others Spirit-led leaders, the wilderness cultivates creativity, courage to face hard truths, revelation, breakthroughs, and so much more. In this interactive application lab, we will share personal experiences and lessons learned during present wilderness moments relating to racial justice work, and we will engage in small group discussions toward developing practical integrative approaches for journeying through the wilderness toward eliminating white supremacy.

The Reverend Tawana Davis

Born and raised in Harlem, New York by the late Edward Eugene Davis, Jr. and the late Rose Lee Davis, The Reverend Davis' parents instilled in her the vital intersectionality of faith, social justice, and love beyond measure. As a lifetime member of the NAACP and a retired Itinerant Elder in the African Methodist Episcopal Church, The Reverend Davis is a Co-Founder/Consultant of Soul 2 Soul. The Reverend Davis has a Bachelor of Science degree in Human Resources Management from SUNY Empire State, a Master's of Divinity from Interdenominational Theological Center (Turner Theological Seminary), Project Management Certificate from New York University, Human Resource Professional Certification from Cornell University, and currently she attends Antioch University Graduate School of Leadership and Change pursuing her PhD (her expected graduation date is 2019).

The Reverend Dr. Dawn Riley Duval

A Denver, Colorado native, The Reverend Dr. Dawn Riley Duval is a social justice truth teller, a community organizer, a religious first responder, and is a co-founder of the Black Lives Matter Denver Chapter. As a Black, womanist, spiritually eclectic theologian, The Reverend Dr. Duval is an ordained Itinerant Elder in the African Methodist Episcopal Church. She has 15 years' experience as a community organizer, facilitator, and consultant to racially/ethnically diverse grassroots organizations. The Reverend Dr. Duval has a Bachelor of Arts Degree in English Rhetoric from University of Illinois at Urbana, a Master's in Print Journalism from University of Colorado at Boulder, a Master's of Divinity from Vanderbilt University, and a Doctor of Ministry degree from Chicago Theological Seminary. Additionally, she has received awards for her activism from NAACP CO-MT-WY Conference, Colorado Black Women for Political Action, and Vanderbilt Divinity School.

Progress in Access to Health Care for the People of Congo





Dr. Samuel Mampunza & Dr. Margaret Loewen

A brief history of the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) after the arrival of

the Europeans will be briefly outlined. The lack of higher education in the DRC at the time of independence has hampered the country's ability to function well. Public health and medical care has been very limited especially in the rural portions of the country but thanks to the efforts of many institutions including the Universite Protestante au Congo, this is beginning to change! We would challenge you to join us in making a difference in the DRC.

Dr. Samuel Mampunza

Dr. Samuel Mampunza was born in 1953 in Kinshasa in the province of Kongo-Central, in the Belgian Congo, now called the Democratic Republic of Congo or simply the DRC. His father died when he was three years old. He was sent to a boarding school in Kimpesi, a school founded by 6 missionary societies, the American Baptists, British Baptists, Swedish Evangelicals, Disciples of Christ, the Methodist Church and Mennonite Church. He got all of his early years of education at this private school and graduated from high school there. He went to medical school in Congo and received his advanced neuropsychiatric training and PhD at the Free University of Brussels, Belgium.

He returned to the DRC and married Alphonsine who was trained as a nurse. They have four children, 2 girls and 2 boys. One daughter, Claire, is an American citizen and lives in Lexington, Kentucky. The second daughter, Rosette, is a physician and lives in Paris, France. One son, Julien, has an MPH degree and works in public health administration and the other son, Sam, is a psychiatrist. Dr. Mampunza's mother passed away in 2001.

He has always had a private practice in psychiatry in addition to having teaching responsibilities at two medical schools in Kinshasa. He is currently the Dean of the Medical School at the University of Kinshasa as well as the Vice-President of Universite Protestante au Congo (also known as Congo's Protestant University). He has been appointed to lead Congo's Primary Care Task Force since the year 2002 which includes many facets of health care for the country including vaccinations, prevention and treatment of alcoholism and other drug dependencies, and mental health. He has been the principal investigator for multiple published research studies.

Over the years he has supported the development of professional organizations such as The Congolese Society of Neuropsychiatry, The Congolese League for Epilepsy and he

has been President of the Congolese as well as the African Society of Mental Health. He is a member of international professional groups as well including the African Association of Neurology and Neurosurgery and the Belgian College of Neuropsychopharmacology and Biological Psychiatry.

He is a protestant and is active in his church. When he can he goes fishing in his own tanks near Kinshasa and enjoys playing soccer for exercise and relaxation.

Dr. Margaret Loewen

Dr. Margaret Loewen was born in Canada in 1954. She had a non-traditional childhood because her parents became missionaries in the Belgian Congo when she was two years old. Her father was a math and science teacher in a high school on a small mission station during his first term. He completed his graduate studies in Brussels, Belgium, and the family returned to the now independent Congo to help start a fledgling protestant university. This university is now called Universite Protestante au Congo, or in English, Congo's Protestant University.

When she was thirteen years old she was first introduced to the culture of the United States in Fresno, California, when her dad took a job at Pacific College as Academic Dean. Eventually, she became a Registered Dietitian and completed an M.S. in Human Nutrition. At that point she owned a nutrition consulting business and worked with several dietitians providing guidance for nursing homes, assisted living facilities, federal nutrition programs and she was teaching nutrition-related courses at Goshen College, in Indiana.

Something was missing. Praying about it led her to the realization that she wanted and needed to reconnect with Congo in a meaningful way. Feeling limited with her nutrition training she began to explore the possibility of going to medical school. She continued down this path, graduating from Indiana University School of Medicine in 2005. At about this time she was invited to join the Board of Directors of a not-for-profit organization that supports Congo's Protestant University with scholarships and financial aide for special projects. This organization is now called Education Congo and the work continues. The need for well-educated Congolese is more critical now than ever.

She has lived in Lamar, Colorado, for seven years. She works as an ER physician as well as a primary care physician at Prowers Medical Center. She is married to Bob Yoder and they visit Indiana pretty often to keep up with family that includes two sons, a daughter-in-law and 2 granddaughters. Her parents and her husband's parents also live in Goshen, Indiana. She is a member of St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Lamar. Hobbies include gardening, hiking, bird watching and cooking.

EMM Partners in Welcome: Service, Education, & Advocacy





The Reverend Canon E. Mark Stevenson & Mrs. Allison Duvall

Explore the work of Episcopal Migration Ministries, The

Episcopal Church's ministry of welcome to refugees, and learn how your community can become involved in this life-saving ministry. Be inspired by the work of congregations across the country and discover ways to engage, with them, in the welcoming movement through ministries of service, education, and advocacy.

The Rev. Canon E. Mark Stevenson

The Rev. Canon E. Mark Stevenson is Director of Episcopal Migration Ministries, a member of the staff of the Presiding Bishop of The Episcopal Church. As Director he leads a dedicated team in executing a national program of refugee resettlement in partnership with the U.S. government and twenty-two affiliate offices across the country. Previously, he served as Domestic Poverty Missioner, coordinating churchwide efforts in ministries of poverty alleviation.

Prior to beginning his work on the denominational staff, Canon Stevenson served as Canon to the Ordinary in the Episcopal Diocese of Louisiana from August 2005 until September 2013. Following hurricane Katrina, Canon Stevenson worked closely with the Diocese of Louisiana as well as local, regional, national and international leaders and groups to put into place the processes for effective relief ministry.

Since receiving his MDiv from Nashotah House Seminary in 2000, Canon Stevenson has served as Rector in two parishes: the Church of the Annunciation in the heart of New Orleans, and the Church of the Good Shepherd in Maitland, Florida. During his time at both churches, his focus was working with underprivileged youth and revitalizing ministries of stewardship, Christian education and community outreach. Canon Stevenson and his wife, Joy, currently reside in Hamilton, New Jersey.

Mrs. Allison Duvall

Mrs. Allison Duvall serves as the Manager for Church Relations and Engagement for Episcopal Migration Ministries, the refugee resettlement ministry of the Episcopal Church. She is responsible for supporting the community engagement programs of 30 local resettlement partners, as well as equipping Episcopalians across the country to engage in this ministry of welcome. She resides in the Diocese of Lexington (Kentucky) with her husband, Clay.

Home: From the Community to the Kitchen



Mr. Mike Orr

Home: From the Community to the Kitchen is a paradigm shift, a metaphor for the invitation and connection we know in our own families. It is how we connect with each other as neighbors. It's how it can start with a

conversation on a soccer field or at a neighborhood meeting and culminate in friendship—especially when invitations to dinner are extended. "Come over for dinner," we say. From that first front-door welcome to your guest, to the deeper relationships built with those who've dined at your table many times, to the deeper connections as family friends become an 'Aunt Mary' or an 'Uncle Bob,' our conversations, our hospitality, and our mutual expectations change in our ever-deepening relationships over time. So too in our churches our dynamics change in the rooms of our common life as we welcome guests at our front doors, as we show hospitality around the family table, and as we ask those who consider themselves family members to help prepare the meal and to stay for conversation and help with the dishes afterwards.

Discover the strategies employed by healthy, growing churches to create intentional environments where relationships grow deeper with God and with one another. Explore how hospitality can move guests to engage and explore life in a church community and eventually become members of the family, themselves inviting new friends and neighbors to come for dinner and stay for the nurture and nourishment of community.

Mr. Mike Orr is the Director of Communications for The Episcopal Church in Colorado. Previously, he was the Director of Communications at Saint John's Cathedral in Denver from 2011 to 2015. He began his ministry in communications at Southeast Christian Church, a non-denominational church in the south suburbs of Denver, where he served for 8 years.

In all areas of his ministry, he seeks opportunities to challenge "the way it's always been done" by raising the level of creativity across all mediums of communication with the end result of relevant messaging and changed lives.

Mike is the curator of CaffeinatedChurch.org, serves on the board of Episcopal Communicators, and is a speaker and presenter for Project Resource, a series of stewardship conferences funded by The Episcopal Church's House of Bishops and the Presiding Bishop's Office for Development.

Beyond Charity: Tools for Systematic Change through Advocacy





The Reverend Canon Rebecca Crummey & The Reverend Linda Brown

What is advocacy? How is it different from charity? In a nutshell,

while charity seeks to offer short term solutions to immediate problems, advocacy seeks to address the root causes of lack of gainful employment, food, health care, education, housing, immigration, refugee status, etc. The list goes on. Advocacy, when done well, can result in true, systemic change for the marginalized and oppressed in our society. This workshop, using scripture, the prayer book, and our baptismal covenant, will connect advocacy to our ministries and will challenge participants to find ways in which their ministries can be enhanced by an advocacy-centered approach. Participants will also be equipped with an "Advocacy Tool-Kit" including materials that can be distributed in their parishes and communities.

The Reverend Canon Rebecca Crummey

The Reverend Canon Rebecca Crummey, Executive Director of Colorado Episcopal Service Corps is also the Vicar at the Episcopal Church of Saint Peter and Saint Mary. She is delighted that her passion for community organizing and re-imagining the church is being fed by The Colorado Episcopal Service Corps and working with Advocacy and Social Justice. She grew up in Illinois, and has lived in Colorado for fourteen years, and feels like it is home. Besides organizing church people, Rebecca is a certified yoga instructor, loves to cook and reads a lot. She and her husband, Rick Morris, love spending time in the mountains and hanging out with their many nieces and nephews.

The Reverend Linda Brown

The Rev. Linda Brown presently serves as the Deacon at Holy Comforter Episcopal Church in Broomfield. Her ministry focus is on community organizing to effect change in systems that discriminate against others. She is actively involved with Broomfield's Faith Communities Together in Service which was created to promote exchange of resources among faith communities, nonprofits, and social service agencies to better serve people in need. She has co-led workshops about the lack of affordable housing in Broomfield and given testimony to city council on this issue.

Telling our Story as The Episcopal Church in Colorado





Mr. Charles Carpenter & Mr. Mike Orr

In this informal facilitated workshop, we will explore the visual elements of

how we, as a diocese, communicate our message, our testimony, and our role in reflecting God's character. The Episcopal Church in Colorado is embarking on an exciting journey to further clarify, define, and own our message as we respond to our mission and calling. The outcome of our discovery will help shape how we communicate to our various audiences in Colorado and the world. Together, through your feedback, we are exploring the facets of our messaging to our community of Colorado and to the world; and we will also be looking at developing a logo that reflects that message and can better help us to communicate who we are as a church community.

Mr. Charles Carpenter

Charles Carpenter has over 20 years of design experience in creating brand stories across digital and print platforms. His focus is on helping companies or organizations link purpose and offering with peoples needs and values.

Charles co-founded Wigwam Creative in 2007, with key clients including NSCD, Kaiser, Culture Counts, The Colorado Department of Human Services Epicurean Catering, McGuckin Hardware, and AIGA Colorado. Wigwam's takes a teambased, collaborative approach that starts with listening and information gathering, moves to identifying connection points, and culminates in creative solutions that solidify long-lasting connections based on shared values. Before starting Wigwam, Charles was the Senior Creative at Ellen Bruss Design (EBD) for 13 years. He has received a number of awards for his work, including an ADCD Bronze in 2009, a Step Inside Design in 2008, a Print Regional Design Annual Artwork in 2005, and an ADCD Gold in 2003. He has been serving as AIGA Colorado chapter president since 2009.

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