

MEET OUR GUEST PREACHERS



May 28th: Rev. Melanie Mullen serves as Episcopal Church's Director of Reconciliation, Justice & Creation Care – charged with bringing the Jesus Movement to the concerns of the world. Prior to joining the Presiding Bishop's staff she was the Downtown Missioner at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Richmond, leading a historic southern congregation's missional, civic, and reconciliation ministries. Before receiving her Masters in Divinity from Virginia Theological Seminary, she studied history as an undergrad at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC, with a Bachelors and graduate program in Africana Women's Studies at Clark Atlanta University. Melanie worked in campaign fundraising and development, raising more than \$10 million for leadership PACs, the Congressional Black Caucus, and US Congressional and gubernatorial races from Louisiana to Connecticut; and she served as Development Associate for the National Law Center on Homelessness and Poverty, with a focus on poverty advocacy.



June 11th: The Rev. Megan Castellan is the rector of St. John's Episcopal Church, in Ithaca, New York. Previously, she has ministered in Kansas City, Flagstaff, and Virginia Beach. She holds a BA from the College of William and Mary and an M. Div from the General Theological Seminary. She is the author of "Welcome to a life of faith in the Episcopal Church", and a contributor to several other books, podcasts, and Internet phenomenon (like Lent Madness). She chronicles her adventures and various decided opinions on her blog [Red Shoes, Funny Shirt](#) and on Twitter [@revlucymeg](#). In her free time, she enjoys singing, knitting, and mocking bad reality TV with her husband, Ben.



June 18th & August 6th: The Rev. M. Sue Reid was born in Louisville, KY and found the Episcopal Church while in college at DePauw University in Indiana. After attending seminary in New York and Virginia, she served churches in Owensboro and Louisville, KY, Columbus, OH, Indianapolis, and Seattle before retiring to Williamsburg in 2015. She and her husband have a very energetic dog and two cats. Since moving to Virginia Sue has enjoyed filling in on Sundays at small churches around the Diocese and getting to know her new state. She also serves as an Ambassador at the Colonial Williamsburg Art Museums/ Along with her husband she volunteers as a guide at Bruton Parish Church. Sue was the first woman ordained priest in the Episcopal Church in the state of Kentucky in 1977.



June 25th: The Rev. Amanda Bourne is a multi-vocational priest in the Diocese of Virginia. During the week, you can find her working in a library, as a freelance research assistant, or as a communications consultant. As a priest, she regularly supplies at parishes in Northern Virginia, and is a Priest Associate at Grace Church, Alexandria. She loves medieval mystics, church history, and seeing Jesus at work in peoples' lives. In her free time, she enjoys reading murder mysteries, swimming, baking, and playing with her very spoiled cat named Sherlock.



July 9th 10am: The Rev. Yein Kim—Priest for Congregational Life, Trinity Church Wall Street. Mother Yein was born in Seoul, Korea to an Anglican family, with a long history of Anglican priests in the lineage. Before joining Trinity, she has served as Rector of St. Alban's Episcopal Church Westwood in Los Angeles. Prior to that, she was a Parish Associate at St. Athanasius Episcopal Church at the Cathedral Center of St. Paul in Los Angeles. She is the co-founder of The Gathering — a Space for Asian-American Spirituality, in the Episcopal Diocese of Los Angeles, and has served as Vice-Chair of the Worship Committee at the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church. She is been married to the Rev. Nick Griffith .

July 9th 8am: The Rev. Nickolas Clay Griffith—Rector, Caroline Episcopal Church. Father Nick is originally from Richmond, with many family connections to the early Episcopal Church. His parents and family currently reside in Chesterfield County, with extended family in the Charlottesville area. He has served as Rector of Christ Church. Redondo Beach and Priest-in-Charge of St Andrew's Episcopal Church, Torrance, CA. Father Nick has been called to the historical parish of Caroline Episcopal Church in Setauket, New York, the second oldest continually operating episcopal church in the US.



July 23rd: The Rev. Canon Leslie Nunez Steffenson is canon to the Episcopal Church Bishop Suffragan for the Armed Forces and Federal Ministries, a member of the Presiding Bishop's staff. After active duty, she raised three children as a Navy spouse. Steffensen later served as a Volunteer for Mission with the Episcopal Church's program for adult volunteers. She was the academic dean and instructor of theology and biblical studies at Msalato Theological College in Dodoma, Tanzania. She returned to the US and was administrative coordinator for the Center for Anglican Communion Studies at Virginia Theological Seminary. Most recently, she was assistant to the rector at Grace Episcopal Church in Alexandria, Virginia. She was the primary clergy for the Latino congregation, La Gracia.



August 14th: Reverend Bianca Robinson Howard is a native of Portland, Oregon, but grew up in Atlanta, Georgia. She was involved in church as long as she can remember and at the age of 12 she accepted Christ into her life and has been growing in her relationship with God ever since. As a graduate student, Rev. Howard made a huge contribution to the Howard University community. Rev. Howard recently served as a full-time Associate Pastor and Children & Youth Pastor at Zion Baptist Church in Marietta, Georgia for 16 years. She implemented and reconstructed many programs for the children & youth ministry, making it a strong and vibrant ministry within the church. She is currently writing her first book about her experience in children & youth ministry in the black church setting. She has also served for many years at Emory University Hospital and Children's Healthcare of Atlanta as a Chaplain in their Pastoral Care Department. . She plans on pursuing doctoral studies in the future and continue a career in ministry in the areas of preaching, teaching and writing.

