

Little Known Black History Facts

In an effort to honor our expansive history and contributions, Black History Month was established as a weekly celebration in February known as “Negro History Week” by historian Dr. Carter G. Woodson. The week coincided with the birthdays of Abraham Lincoln (February 12th) and Frederick Douglass (February 14th). Black history is to be celebrated year-round as are the following events and figures little known in Black history.

Many believe that Rosa Parks was the first person to refuse to give up her seat on a bus prior to the bus boycott in Montgomery, Alabama. Claudette Colvin was one of several who preceded Mrs. Parks. Colvin, a teenager, refused to go to the back of the bus in March 1955, nine months before Rosa Parks’ refusal. She was inspired by her studies of Black leaders such as Harriet Tubman. When told to move, she said, “It felt like Sojourner Truth was on one side pushing me down, and Harriet Tubman was on the other side of me pushing me down. I couldn’t get up.” She was arrested and jailed and continued the fight through court. Why then isn’t her story better known? It was felt then that the story of Rosa Parks would be more compelling. She was a well-known, respected adult and the NAACP secretary. It was thought that she would attract more people to the cause than a teenager. Nonetheless, it should be remembered that the civil rights struggles were often led by youth, many of whom were women. You can read about Claudette Colvin in the Phillip Hoose book, [Claudette Colvin: Twice Toward Justice](#).

Most are familiar with Rev. Dr. Martin L. King, Jr.’s iconic “I Have A Dream Speech” that was delivered on Wednesday, August 28, 1963. According to autobiographer Clarence B. Jones, the original speech was more political than historic and contained no references to dreams. Gospel songstress, Mahalia Jackson was sitting on stage and reportedly said, “Tell them about the dream, Martin.” Whether he heard her and was inspired is unknown, but the spontaneous sermonic speech now has the reputation of being one of his greatest.

Inoculation was introduced to America by a slave named Onesimus. Little is known about Onesimus, “but it is assumed he was born in Africa in the late seventeenth century before eventually landing in Boston”. The church congregation gave him as a gift to Puritan minister, Cotton Mather in 1706 in the colony Massachusetts.

Onesimus told Mather about how inoculation was practiced in Africa. During a smallpox epidemic in Boston in 1721, Cotton Mather convinced Dr. Zabdel Boylston to use the procedure of “extracting the material from an infected person and scratching it into the skin of an uninfected person,... [to] deliberately introduce smallpox to the healthy individual making them immune”. The procedure was considered tremendously dangerous at the time and widely opposed. Nonetheless, the records reflected that a very small percentage of those inoculated died from smallpox compared to those who were not inoculated. The practice was used on American soldiers during the Revolutionary war.

Source: <http://www.pbs.org/black-culture/explore/10-black-history-little-known-facts/>

Sunday, February 23, 2020

Black History Month Emphasis



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Remember our sick in your prayers with cards and visits.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS



Happy Birthday Wishes To

Deacon Emeritus James E. Moore

who turned 88 on Tuesday, February 18th



Deaconess Edith Simpkins

who turns 96 Today Sunday, February 23rd

Arlene Duncan Brown

who turns 80 on Tuesday, February 25th

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Mount Carmel!! Learn about this exciting new initiative!!

Do you have dreams of higher education? Did you start school at one point, but stopped attending and never obtained that two-year degree? If you always wanted to continue your education and never quite found the opportunity, be sure to stop by and visit our **Harcum College @ Mount Carmel information table** located in the Church Library on the Sanctuary level after Church services **TODAY Sunday, February 23, 2020!**



Flower Guild Ministry

Easter Lilies are now on sale. The cost - **\$10.00 each**. We will be taking orders starting **February 23, 2020 through March 29, 2020**. Please contact the following persons to place your orders: Cynthia Alfred - 215-724-5821, Renee Johnson - 484-278-4177, Blannie Peterson - 610-931-3032.



Noon Day Worship Service

Ash Wednesday, February 26th at 12 noon in the Fellowship Hall. Mount Carmel's own Minister Bill Henry will be preaching. After Ash Wednesday, try making weekly community bible study part of your Lenten discipline! See you every Wednesday at noon! *Rev. Dr. Willette A. Burgie-Bryant, Instructor*

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Ash Wednesday Evening Service—7:00pm, February 26, 2020



Giving Envelopes

Please pick up your **2020 giving envelopes which are** located on the sanctuary level floor. Make sure the box has YOUR NAME on it. If you get home and have the wrong box, please return it to the church office.



Saturday, February 29, 2020, at 10:00 a.m. we will host the first **Harcum College @Mount Carmel Open House** event!! Enjoy some light fare as you listen to a short presentation about our partnership with Harcum College, meet college representatives, have a chance to ask questions about coursework and financial aid and perhaps complete an application to attend college right here at your home Church!! Come by the D.W. Hoggard Fellowship Hall - We hope to see you there!



Gelee Workshop

The African Heritage Ministry will sponsor a GELEE (Head Wrapping) Workshop on **Saturday, March 7, 2020 from 10:00am to 12:00 noon** in the D.W. Hoggard Fellowship Hall. If you have cloth material (about two yards or longer) please bring it. Make and wear your own GELEE! We will also have cloth so all can participate in this exciting learning and fun event. Come and have a great experience with us as we bond and share in our beautiful culture. We will have some light food and music. Come join us!

Happening here at Mount Carmel this week:

MONDAY FEBRUARY 24TH	DEACON BOARD	7:00PM	MPR
	TRUSTEE BOARD	7:00PM	TRUSTEE ROOM
TUESDAY FEBRUARY 25TH	CHURCH CHORUS CONCERT COMMITTEE	6:00PM	TAPE ROOM
	MCBC STEPPERZS	6:00PM	FELLOWSHIP HALL
	CHURCH CHORUS	7:00PM	SANCTUARY
WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 26TH	WOMEN'S MINISTRY PROGRAM COMMITTEE	10:30AM	MPR
	ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE	NOON	FELLOWSHIP HALL
	LIBRARY MINISTRY	1:00PM	LIBRARY
	ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE	7:00PM	SANCTUARY
THURSDAY FEBRUARY 27TH	PRAISE TEAM	6:00PM	ROOM 9
	MIME TROUPE	6:30PM	FELLOWSHIP HALL
	CHURCH CHOIR	7:00PM	SANCTUARY
FRIDAY FEBRUARY 28TH	HAND CHIME	9:30AM	MPR
SATURDAY FEBRUARY 29TH	HARCUM OPEN HOUSE	10:00AM	FELLOWSHIP HALL
	AHM CROSS PROJECT	10:00AM	MPR
	YOUTH ORCHESTRA	10:30PM	ROOM 9

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****Attention Couples****

Mount Carmel Baptist Church Marriage Retreat

Sponsored by the Counseling Ministry

August 21st – 23rd, 2020

Our retreat will be held at the newly renovated Desmond Malvern Hotel by Hilton. The cost for the weekend is only \$500 per couple. We will be collecting a **\$50 deposit** following service. Please make checks payable to Mount Carmel, memo line, Marriage Retreat. Please see either Joyce Woodson or Pam Lovell.



“Your generosity makes a difference! ...Give Online

<http://www.mtcarmel-bc.org/giving/>”



Drivers Needed

The Transportation Ministry is looking for additional drivers. If you enjoy driving and communicating with people, the Transportation Ministry needs you. Please contact Pam Lovell at 215-892-6976



The Audio/Visual Ministry have REVIVAL CDs and DVDs on Sale. If you purchase the entire set, it is \$40.00 for 5 DVDs and \$20.00 for 5 CDs. Individual CDs are \$5.00; DVDs are \$10.00. Please make your purchases in front of the Tape Room before and after Sunday morning services. If you just want the sermon, you can download it from our website for \$3.00.



Room/Space Usage

All room/space usage is to be scheduled through the church office, including Sundays. Once scheduled, that is the space designated for your group.

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Have you become less active during the winter months and noticed increased stiffness of joints and muscle pain? Why not do something about it. **If your physician approves,** then why not come to **CHAIR YOGA**, which is a gentle form of yoga that is done while sitting. The benefits of this exercise will improve flexibility, concentration, strength, circulation, balance and mood. You will have reduced stress and anxiety, lower blood pressure, and joint and muscles will be stretched and loosened without strenuous exercises. It will take approximately 30 minutes at each class. The Health Ministry is inviting you to come out on Wednesdays, starting **March 11th**. The class will be in the **Fellowship Hall at 1:30 pm. Cost \$3.00/participant weekly.**



A Conversation With Dr. Argie

Join Mount Carmel Baptist Church for a conversation with Dr. Argie Allen Wilson, America's #1 Relationship Therapist and Life Coach. Come for the lecture, participate in the interactive audience session, and meet author, on **Friday, March 13, 2020 from 6-8:45pm.**



"And you will have confidence, because there is HOPE; you will be protected and take your rest in safety." Job 11:18

The PBA Domestic Violence Learning Community is sponsoring a mini-conference: "Repair, Build and Maintain Healthy Relationships"

Hosted by Mount Carmel Baptist Church on **March 14, 2020; 8AM—12:30PM.** Our goal is to raise awareness of the issue of domestic violence and its impact on families, provide intervention strategies, examine ways to rebuild relationships and identify support systems in the Philadelphia area. Following a continental breakfast, there will be panel discussions presented by representatives from *Women in Transition, Judge Kathryn Lewis, Council for Relationships, Lady Michelle Austin DV Survivor and Advocate.* The PBA Domestic Violence Learning Community, Rev. Julia Bruton-Sheppard, Facilitator.

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Pastor Moore's Preaching Away Schedule

Wednesday, March 4th, 6:45pm — Revival at Pinn Memorial Baptist Church, 2251 N. 54th Street

Wednesday, March 11th 6:45pm—Lenten Service at St. Paul Baptist Church, 1 Hagerty Blvd. West Chester, PA

Wednesday, March 18th, 7pm—Pre 90th Anniversary Service at Second Antioch, 912 N. 41st Street (Taking Chorus)



Come Join Us For
Fun, Food and Prizes!

The Youth Commission is sponsoring an **Oldies Dance** on **Saturday, March 14th from 5:00 – 9:00pm.**

This event is a scholarship fundraiser for our children.

Tickets are \$20 and on sale in the Tape Room after service.

Donations are welcomed.



The Deaconess Ministry invites you to attend their Third Annual **"Amazing Gospel Brunch"** on **Saturday, March 21, 2020, at 10 am**, in the D. W. Hoggard Fellowship Hall. Come and enjoy Great Gospel Music, Good Food and Glorious Fellowship. Tickets are \$25.



The Mount Carmel Baptist Church **"Dial-A-Prayer"** line has been updated and is **LIVE!** Call in for a new moment of prayer each week at 215-474-5959!!!



"Pretzel sales to benefit Haiti Missions will take place **every Sunday until further notice** on the lower level immediately following morning service."

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Attention Women of Mount Carmel—2020 Women's Retreat

The **2020 Women's Retreat** is **May 15th through May 17th** at Eden Resort and Suites. We are accepting final registration for the retreat until March 29th. Final payment for the retreat is Sunday, April 5th. The only available rooms left are suites and a few singles. Hurry ladies, time is fleeting.



All ladies who are attending the **2020 Women's Retreat** we are taking orders for **T-shirts through 4/12/2020**. Payment is due when you place your order. Prices are: S-XL \$12.00 (1XL is the same size as XL); 2XL-4XL \$14.00; 5XL \$16.00



THE HOSPITALITY MINISTRY presents **"Spring Couture Fashions 2020"**. The Hospitality Ministry is celebrating their 47th Annual Luncheon and Fashion Show on **Saturday, April 18, 2020, 12 Noon to 4:00 PM** at the Hilton Hotel, 4200 City Avenue. Tickets \$55.00. Please see any member of the Hospitality Ministry to purchase tickets.



"Race Against Hunger 5K Walk + Run"

Mount Carmel family and friends, thank you for your donations last year for the "Race Against Hunger". We raised over \$700. This year the walk will be held on **Saturday, April 18, 2020**. Kickoff is 10am at Lincoln Financial Field. **We will be taking donations now through April 18th**. You may give as a group or individual. Make sure to write in the memo line "Race Against Hunger". You may also give online at www.hungercoalition.org/hungerwalk. Click on Donate To A Team, then click on Mt. Carmel Baptist Church to enter your donation. All donations are tax deductible. Thank you from my heart, Gloria Cooper/ Alvin Brothers, Food Cupboard.