



The Chicago Metropolitan Association
of the
Illinois Conference, United Church of Christ
Invites You to a
FALL MEETING
October 21, 2017
Faith United Protestant UCC
10 Hemlock Street, Park Forest, IL

Greetings to the Chicago Metropolitan Association congregations, clergy, laity, and UCC-related community, health and educational institutions. Let us gather together at Faith United Protestant UCC, 10 Hemlock St, Park Forest, Illinois on Saturday, October 21, 2017. This will be a time for celebration, worship, fellowship, learning and faith sharing.

The theme of this year's Fall Meeting is "Voices Still Speaking." Our meeting will feature voices in our midst who continue to cry out on the issues of our time. Our worship will include the play, "The Voices of History," written by Rev. Tamera Keller-Love. These historical voices include those voices who the world has tried to silence but which have nevertheless proclaimed God's liberating Word.

Dr. Stephanie Buckhanon Crowder is our featured keynote speaker, speaking on the theme "Voices Still Speaking." Dr. Crowder is Associate Professor of Theological Field Education and New Testament at Chicago Theological Seminary. She is the author of "When Momma Speaks: The Bible Through African-American Motherhood" (WJK Press, 2016).

All are welcome at this meeting; we especially encourage lay persons, youth and young adults to participate. Our meeting will begin with on-site registration and continental breakfast at 8:00 am, followed by worship and communion. Following the keynote address, Energizers have been scheduled and each energizer will be scheduled twice. A list of energizers is included. There is no pre-registration for these energizers.

There is also a concurrent event for CMA Youth sponsored by Off The Pews. It will be held at this same location. ***The registration for this event is separate. You can register at www.offthepews.org.***

Registration begins at 8:00 a.m. The registration fee of \$25 (\$30 on-site) includes continental breakfast and lunch. There is reduced registration fee of \$15 for Members-in-Discernment and Retired Clergy. The offering taken at this meeting will go to the Congregational Life Ministry Team of the Chicago Metropolitan Association.

Enclosed with this letter is a registration packet. Please register one person per form. Please make additional copies as needed. Early registration is greatly appreciated. **Early registration deadline is Friday, October 13, 2017.**

Rev. Dr. David Stewart
Moderator
Chicago Metropolitan Association

Ms. Regena Glenn-Caldwell
Moderator-Elect
Chicago Metropolitan Association

CMA Fall Meeting
Faith United Protestant UCC
10 Hemlock St., Park Forest, IL
Saturday, October 21, 2017 - Registration Opens at 8:00 am

REGISTRATION FORM

Please submit separate form for each registrant. Photocopies are acceptable.

Name: _____

Church Membership: _____ City _____

Association (please circle one) CMA FVA other

Church or Agency you represent (if any): _____

Are you a (please circle one): youth young adult adult retiree

Address (please circle one): church home workplace

(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

Telephone: _____ (Home, cell, or work?) E-mail: _____

THERE IS NO PRE-REGISTRATION FOR ENERGIZERS

Child Care Needed: YES/NO (Please circle) Number of children: _____ Ages: _____

Special Dietary or Other Needs: _____

Would you like a gluten-free vegan lunch instead of the regular lunch being served? YES/NO

The registration fee is \$25.00 (\$30.00 onsite), \$15.00 for Members-in-Discernment and Retired Clergy, \$10 for youth, 18 and under. Registration includes meeting materials, light breakfast and lunch. Please make checks payable to Fox Valley Association or the Chicago Metropolitan Association.

I would like to request space for a "table display" benefiting _____

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Please return form with check to the association office. Deadline: 10/13/2017



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Chicago Metropolitan Association
2017 FALL MEETING
Saturday, October 2, 2017

Tentative Schedule

8:00 a.m.	Registration and Breakfast
9:00	Worship
10:00	Announcements & Greetings
10:30	Break
10:40	Keynote Address "Voices Still Speaking," Dr. Stephanie Buckhanon Crowder
11:20	Energizer 1
12:10 PM	Energizer 2
1:00 PM	Lunch

Energizer Topic Areas

TOPIC	LED BY
Youth (for youth leaders)	Rev. Kim Whisler-Vasko, First Congregational UCC, Downers Grove, formerly Elmhurst College
Immigration	Rev. Sarah Wohhlebe, Interfaith Committee for Detained Immigrants
LGBTQ Issues	Pastor Jamie Frazier and members, Lighthouse Church of Chicago
Homelessness	Tina Rounds, Director, B.E.D.S.
Environment/Creation	Rev. Terry Gallagher
Mass Incarceration/Police Accountability	Daryle Brown, The Next Movement
Human Rights/Restorative Justice	Vicki Casanova, Human Rights Watch; Dick Conser, Chicago Bar Association; Nehemiah Trinity Rising