

Hamilton Park United Methodist Church



January 26, 2024

News at the Park



Sunday Worship Celebration @ 10:00

Dr. Sheron C. Patterson - Sr. Pastor

Let's have a conversation about...

MENTAL HEALTH & CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Sunday, January 28, 2024 / 10:00 am
Special Guest—Lynn Richardson

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Sunday, February 4th - Please wear your African Attire



Sunday, February 11th - HBCU & Greek focus wear your favorite University, College, School or team shirt!



Sunday, February 18th - Women's Day Celebration with guest speaker Katie Pryor



Sunday, February 25th - "We Are Black History" We will salute those who have made history within our church Hamilton Park Church family

***No moving or talking during "Lift Every Voice"**

ALTAR FLOWERS FOR SUNDAY 1/28/2024

In loving memory of
Harrison Jr, Ida and
Warren Bailey
by Harrison III, Harrison IV,
Brandon and Yolanda Bailey.

Maternal Health Disparities Event
Saturday, February 24th
Sanctuary Foyer, CLC and Sanctuary



EVENTS

The Right to VOTE!!!

January 1 is the first time that voters can submit the applications for ballot by mail – a task that needs to be done every year. I have attached an application for your benefit. You will notice that a lot of information is required and there are lots of options which we are ready to clarify. LWV Texas also has a great webpage on voting by mail <https://lwvtx.clubexpress.com/votebymail> which has some very helpful videos for how to fill out an application and also how to complete a ballot by mail.

Calling all women of HPUMC to come and join the Sisters In Christ Women's Choir and be a part of the choir for Women's Day. Rehearsals will be Wednesday, January 31st, February 7th, and 14th at 6:30pm in the Chapel. Please join us as we celebrate Women's Day in song.



WOMEN'S DAY
Women's Day Service
Sunday, February 18th @ 10 am

Metro District Leadership Training

The Metro District will hold their annual Lay Leadership Training on Sunday, February 4, 2024 at University Park UMC – 4024 Caruth Blvd., Dallas TX 75225 from 2:00pm until 4:30pm.

Plenary from 2:00pm until 3:00PM

Breakout Sessions:

- Church Council
- Finance
- Lay Leader
- SPRC
- Trustee
- Hospitality
- Worship Planning
- Simplified Accountability Structure
- New Faces/New Spaces
- History/Archives Retainment

STAY CONNECTED:

- Senior Bible Study - Wednesday @ 10:00 am in the church library.
- Wednesday Night - Faith & Family
- Thursday Prayer -7:00pm - Beverly Galimore (605-475-3200 / Code: 168 199)
- Worship Service - 10:00 am (in person, Facebook or Website)

Voter Registration - Sunday, January 28th - Sanctuary Foyer before and after morning worship A Dallas County and a Collin County Voter Registrar will be present to register first time voters, new residents new to Dallas County or Collin County and to assist with Change of Address within either county.



Mental Illness and the CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM

People with mental illness deserve help, not handcuffs. Yet people with mental illness are overrepresented in our nation's jails and prisons. We need to reduce criminal justice system involvement and increase investments in mental health care.

About **2 million** times each year, people with serious mental illness are booked into jails.



About **2 in 5** people who are incarcerated have a history of mental illness (37% in state and federal prisons and 44% held in local jails).

66% of women in prison reported having a history of mental illness, almost twice the percentage of men in prison.



Nearly **1 in 4** people shot and killed by police officers between 2015–2020 had a mental health condition.

Suicide is the **leading cause of death** for people held in local jails.



An estimated **4,000 people** with serious mental illness are held in solitary confinement inside U.S. prisons.

COMMUNITIES



70% of youth in the juvenile justice system have a diagnosable mental health condition.

Youth in detention are **10x more likely** to suffer from psychosis than youth in the community.

About **50,000 veterans** are held in local jails — 55% report experiencing mental illness.



VETERANS



Among incarcerated people with a mental health condition, **non-white individuals** are more likely to be held in solitary confinement, be injured and **stay longer in jail**.

ACCESS TO CARE

About **3 in 5 people** (63%) with a history of mental illness do not receive mental health treatment while incarcerated in state and federal prisons.

45% Less than half of people with a history of mental illness receive mental health treatment while held in local jails.

People who have health care coverage upon release from incarceration are more likely to engage in services that reduce recidivism.



Data from the U.S. Department of Justice and other select sources. Find citations for this resource at nami.org/mental

NAMI HelpLine
800-950-NAMI (6242)

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@NAMIAAdvocacy

@NAMICommunicate

www.nami.org

NAMI
National Alliance on Mental Illness

Calling all high school and college seniors and their parents! College and high

school seniors or their parents, please register with the Higher Ed Committee.

Please see Denise Jackson, Dianne Pratt or any Higher Ed Committee Ministry

member. Also, if you are a parent of any current college student, please make sure

we have their current school address. Again, you can see Denise Jackson, Dianne

Pratt or any Higher Ed Committee Ministry member.

Thank you for participating in **Kroger Community Rewards**. As a result of our participation in this program, Kroger has donated approximately \$500 to *Hamilton Park United Methodist Church*. If you shop at Kroger and have not linked your *Kroger Plus Card* to HPUMC, please follow the steps below.

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 3. Enter the name or NPO number of the organization you wish to support.
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 4. Select the appropriate organization from the list and click "Save".
- Your selected organization will also display in the Kroger Community Rewards section of your account. If you need to review or revisit your organization, you can always do so under your Account details.
- Any transactions moving forward using the Shopper's Card number associated with your digital account will be applied to the program, at no added cost to you. Kroger donates annually to participating organizations based on your percentage of spending as it relates to the total spending associated with all participating Kroger Community Rewards organizations.



**Represent your College / University
on
Sunday, February 11th
Wear Your Gear!!!!**

College & Career Devotion



Praise and Prayers to the events on Wednesday evenings? These are mostly those who are age 25 and younger who have graduated from our Ignite Youth Ministry. We meet each Wednesday evening from 8:30-9:00pm via zoom. Please contact Kathy via email or text for zoom address.



- Andrekia Chandler
- Jody Livingston
- Pam Williams
- Roger & Shirley Bouyer
- Shirley Pleasant
- Herman & Linda Manning
- The Stanley family

- The Slatter family
- Mable Hilburn
- Cathy Parker
- James White
- Joan Humphreys
- Kathy Turner
- Caroline Ramos (child)
- The Robertson family
- Geraldine Vine
- Ellen Long
- Shirley Dillard

- Shaun Martin (H)
- The Wright-Sanders family
- Celia Reece (Family Death)
- The Robinson family
- The Nash family
- The Booker family
- Fred Marsh

This is a prayer request and sick & shut in list (Hospital)



Who is Lynn Pride Richardson?

- 30 plus years' experience. as a criminal defense lawyer
- 5 years in the private practice of criminal law in the State of Florida
- 29 years' experience in the Dallas County Public Defender's Office (DCPDO), the second oldest Public Defender's Office in the State of Texas
- 5 years' experience as a supervisor responsible for the supervision, training and mentoring of misdemeanor attorneys and 6 years as the First Assistant Chief responsible for the Dayton day operation of the DCPDO
- 15 years as the longest serving Chief Public Defender of the DCPDO appointed by the Dallas County Commissioner's Court
- Actively involved in numerous Dallas County Criminal Justice programs and initiatives including the:
 - Behavioral Health Leadership Team
 - Dallas County Mental Health Steering Committee
 - Jail Population Committee
 - Dallas County Criminal Justice Advisory Board
 - Dallas County Bail Reform Team
 - Partnered with other criminal justice stakeholders in the creation and operation of numerous Dallas County Specialty/Problem Solving/Treatment Courts and Re-Entry Programs:
 - Mental Health Jail Diversion (Felony and Misdemeanor)
 - Drug Court Diversion
 - Felony DWI Court
 - Outpatient Competency Restoration Court
 - Jail Based Competency Restoration Program
 - South Dallas Drug Court
 - Prostitution Diversion Courts (STAR and PRIDE)
 - Second Chance Community Improvement Program (SCCIP)
 - AIM
 - Stabilization, Engagement and Transition (SET)

First Time Initiatives

The Dallas County Public Defender's Office handle 47% of all indigent defendants in the Dallas County Courts. That includes adult criminal, juvenile, family, appellate, mental health and capital murder cases. DCPDO made history in 2006 under the leadership of Lynn Pride Richardson by creating the very first Mental Health Division of its kind in the entire State of Texas. In October of 2014, the DCPDO, under Lynn's leadership and with funding from the Texas Indigent Defense Commission, created the first Immigration/Criminal Defense Lawyer position of its kind in the State of Texas. Lynn is a former member of the board of directors of the National Association of Drug Court Professionals (NADCP). One of the highlights of Lynn's career was when she was invited to represent the United States and NADCP in Vienna, Austria at the United Nations to advocate on behalf of drug courts. She met with representatives from various countries and drug court advocates from across the globe. Lynn and the Dallas County Public Defender's Office are proud to partner with Sesame Street Foundation to create and maintain a Sesame Street Room in the main office of the criminal courts building for Public Defender clients and their children.