



(G)Race Matters: *Race, Faith and Forgiveness Today*

@ Trinity Episcopal Church* 1118 Preston Avenue, Charlottesville

Thursday, September 24 7:00 pm

Trinity will host a *"Hand in Hand listening session."* These gatherings are the next step in the racial reconciliation initiative that was announced by Bishop Johnston during his Pastoral Address at the 220th Annual Council. The format will follow the *Indaba* gathering style -- involving no debate or cross-talk, and giving persons the opportunity to speak heart and mind in a safe, non-reactive environment.'

Friday, September 25 6:00 pm dinner, 6:45 Presentation

On Friday we will begin our time together with a lecture on race and the American moment, especially in light of current *"#BlackLivesMatter"* movement. The lecture itself will interrogate the question of the church's witness in the face of an ever-intensifying uptick in racial violence in the US.

Saturday, September 26. 9:00 am to 11:30 am

During this brief workshop we will discuss the Charleston massacre and think through the power, politics and meaning of Christian forgiveness as a social ethic.

Sunday, September, 27 during the 10:30 am worship service

The Rev. Dr. Wallace will be our preacher and his Sunday's sermon will be *" 'It's Moanin' Time': God, Grief and Lamentation"*

**Trinity is an intentional multicultural Christian community of reconciliation, transformation and love*

ABOUT THE SPEAKER

Maurice Wallace is associate professor of English and African & African American Studies at UVA. His primary fields of expertise are African American literature and cultural studies, nineteenth-century American literature, the history and representation of American slavery, and gender studies. His present research and writing agendas include a monograph on early photography in the making of African American identity on the heels of the US Civil War, and a critical exploration into the sound (vibrato-speech) of Martin Luther King Jr's voice.

Dr. Wallace is also lead minister of the Cornerstone Community Church in Durham, North Carolina, a congregation of approximately 100 he serves almost weekly there. Planted in 2008, Cornerstone Church exists to heal life's bruises, repair the broken pieces, and accept the sometimes incredible belief that we are beloved of God.

