

## SAVE-THE-DATE

October 7, 2017 Worship Event  
More Details to Come

Our culminating worship celebration will take place on **Saturday, October 7, 2017**. This gathering will include:

- Guest preachers Rev. Dr. Craig Barnes, President of Princeton Theological Seminary, and Rev. Denise Anderson, Co-Moderator of the 222nd General Assembly;
- Collective youth and adult choirs led by Dr. Donald Dumpson and other music leaders from around our presbytery;
- Special guests and leaders from the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) and our local community;
- Celebration of saints past and present, whose faithfulness continue to shape the spirit of our witness today and tomorrow;
- Post-event fellowship and reception.

Join us as we reaffirm how we have indeed been a people *born in faith, rooted in grace* and answer God's call in Jesus Christ to *live into hope*.



### 300 DAYS FOR 300 YEARS

#### A COMMEMORATIVE DEVOTIONAL

A lovely, hardbound keepsake complete with daily lectionary reflections written by representatives from our 130 churches, community ministries, and leaders throughout our Presbytery. All proceeds will benefit the 300th Anniversary Mission and Ministry Fund.

To order your devotional books online:

[www.presbyphl.org/300th-devotional-book-orders/](http://www.presbyphl.org/300th-devotional-book-orders/)

*“By God’s great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead...”*

1 Peter 1:3



### INVITATION TO GENEROSITY

Extend beyond regular giving to these eight ministries as we empower new and redemptive possibilities. Consider how you, your congregation, and potential funding partners can join us in this one-time act of generosity and prioritize the education of children, disrupt the school-to-prison-pipeline, and work towards restorative justice.

Support the 300th Anniversary Mission and Ministry Fund of the Presbytery of Philadelphia

To Contribute:

[www.presbyphl.org/donation-opportunities/](http://www.presbyphl.org/donation-opportunities/)



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### Invitation to Generosity

**\$300,000**  
for  
**300 Years!**

### OUR YEAR OF CELEBRATION AND MISSION

PRESBYTERY OF PHILADELPHIA  
[www.presbyphl.org/300th-anniversary](http://www.presbyphl.org/300th-anniversary)



CELEBRATING



## \$300,000 for 300 Years Join Us in a Bold Challenge

We challenge members and friends of the Presbytery of Philadelphia to join us as we raise \$300,000 to be equally distributed to eight ministries in our midst that promote the education of children, disrupt the school-to-prison pipeline, and elevate restorative justice. We trust our collaborative efforts will bear witness to the Good News of Jesus Christ in our neighborhoods and communities as we stand alongside our neighbors in the Greater Philadelphia area.

**What is the school-to-prison pipeline?** Children and youth who live in contexts of poverty, demonstrate varied learning disabilities, lack access to quality education, and are vulnerable to potentially biased in-school disciplinary actions are at an increased risk to incarceration as both juveniles and adults. Numerous ministries in our midst, to include those selected for this challenge, work to disrupt this pipeline as they provide opportunities for young people in communities of color and neighborhoods most at risk.

**What is restorative justice?** As individuals who have been incarcerated re-enter society, various initiatives in the Presbytery of Philadelphia model God's love and grace through services and programs to help individuals find employment, develop leadership and life skills, and reduce risks for recidivism (returning to prison).

## Prioritizing the Education of Children • Working towards Restorative Justice • Disrupting the School-to-Prison Pipeline



### RHAWNURST TURNING POINT

Providing after-school and other programs for 6-12th grade youth and young adults in Northeast Philadelphia.

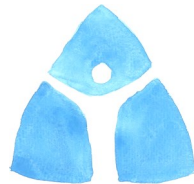
[www.rhawnhurstturningpoint.com](http://www.rhawnhurstturningpoint.com)



### WEST KENSINGTON MINISTRY

Mentoring services to improve well-being among West Kensington youth in grades 6-11 who are at risk for contact or already involved with the justice system.

[www.westkensingtonministry.com](http://www.westkensingtonministry.com)



### THE COMMON PLACE

Improving the lives of children and their families through faith formation, education, and partnerships with local social service agencies.

[www.thecommonplacephilly.org](http://www.thecommonplacephilly.org)



### CAMPING SCHOLARSHIPS

Providing scholarship opportunities for at-risk youth to meet and learn about others from diverse communities, share and deepen their faith, and learn through experiences in the outdoors.

[www.kirkwoodcamp.org](http://www.kirkwoodcamp.org)



### BROAD STREET MINISTRY

Advocating for criminal justice reform for people experiencing poverty and mental illness and workforce development and case management for returning citizens, sometimes referred to as ex-offenders.

[www.broadstreetministry.org](http://www.broadstreetministry.org)



### JOHN GLOUCESTER HOUSE AND REARING SUCCESSFUL SONS

Walking alongside African American males ages 9-17 as they develop competence, confidence, connection, character, contribution, coping, and control.

[www.rearingsuccessfulsons.com](http://www.rearingsuccessfulsons.com)



### RESTORATIVE JUSTICE AND MURAL ARTS

Constructing murals alongside at-risk young adults and individuals with criminal records in communities vulnerable to high rates of incarceration.

[www.presbyphl.org/hosting-redemptive-possibilities-through-the-arts](http://www.presbyphl.org/hosting-redemptive-possibilities-through-the-arts)



### CHESTER EASTSIDE, INC. AND THE SCHOOL-TO-SUCCESS PIPELINE

Providing exposure to enhanced education, arts, and culture to Chester youth ages 13-16.

[www.chestereastside.org](http://www.chestereastside.org)

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Rooted in **GRACE**

Living into **HOPE**