

Dealing with the Elephant in the Room: A Pastoral Care Response to Systemic Racism in the Age of Black Lives Matter.

Webinar • Friday, October 16, 2020

TARGET AUDIENCE

The SC Society of Chaplains meetings are open to Society members, professional staff chaplains, and directors of pastoral care programs, CPE faculty, CPE students and others interested in healthcare in South Carolina.

AGENDA

9:00 – 9:15 am	Devotional and Welcome Janet Edwards, BCC, President, SCSC
9:15 – 9:30 am	Introduction of Speakers Janet Edwards, BCC, President, SCSC
9:30 – 1:00 pm	Dealing with the Elephant in the Room: a Pastoral Care Response to Systemic Racism in the Age of Black Lives Matter. Bishop Kenneth L. Carder & Pastor/Chaplain Leon R. Maxwell
1:00 – 1:30 pm	Lunch Break
1:30 – 2:30 pm	Business Meeting & Roundtable Discussion
2:30 – 2:45 pm	Closing Comments and Adjournment Janet Edwards, BCC, President, SCSC

BIO'S:

BISHOP KENNETH L. CARDER is the Ruth W. and A. Morris Williams Distinguished Professor Emeritus of the Practice of Christian Ministry, Duke Divinity School, and Senior Visiting Professor at Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary. He also serves as volunteer chaplain of the memory care facility at the Heritage at Lowman in Chapin, SC.

Dr. Carder is a native of Johnson City, Tennessee. He holds academic degrees from East Tennessee State University, Wesley Theological Seminary in Washington, D. C., and Vanderbilt University.

He served United Methodist congregations in Eastern Tennessee and Southwest Virginia for 32 years. While serving at Church Street United Methodist Church in Knoxville in 1992, he was elected to the episcopacy and assigned to the Nashville Area, and subsequently to the Mississippi Area. Upon retiring from the episcopacy in 2004, he joined the faculty of Duke Divinity School.

As a bishop, he was actively engaged in the United Methodist Episcopal Initiative on Children and Poverty and the primary author of the foundation document for that Initiative. The Mississippi Conference presented him with the "Drum Major for Justice Award" and the State Legislature honored him for his work on behalf of racial and economic justice.

Dr. Carder is the author of six books and numerous articles in diverse journals. His latest book, published by Abingdon Press in 2019, *Ministry with the Forgotten: Dementia through a Pastoral Theological Lens*, was a finalist in the 2020 Christian Book Award program in the category of Ministry Resources.

Bishop Carder has lectured and preached at universities, colleges, and conferences throughout the United States as well as Mexico, Korea, Finland, England, Austria, Zimbabwe, and South Africa

Ken's life and ministry have been marked by presence with and passion for those who live on the margins of society, including the poor, the imprisoned, the homeless, and those who live with dementia. He was the caregiver for his wife of 59 years, Linda, until her death from dementia in October 2019. He lives near his daughters, Sheri Carder Hood and Sandra Carder Nash, and their families in Chapin, SC.

Pastor/Chaplain Leon R. Maxwell:

Pastor/Chaplain Leon R. Maxwell graduated from: Baptist Hill High School – June 1976, enlisted and served in the USMC from July 1976 – July 1982. He served at Camp Pendleton, California, Naval Weapon Station in Earles Colt Neck New Jersey, 6th Battalion at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, Oslo, Norway and Guantanamo Bay Cuba. Enrolled at Trident Technical College and graduated with an Associate Degree in Electronics Electrical Engineering – May 1983, Allen University with a B. A. in Religion – May 2004, and Erskine Theological Seminary with a Master of Divinity Degree – May 2008. He completed his Clinical Pastoral Education-CPE (Chaplain) – May 2009 with five Units, a graduate of the Dick Riley's Institute of Diversity based at Furman University – December 2010 and became a Board-Certified Chaplain on March 31st, 2017.

Pastor Leon R. Maxwell began the Pastoral Ministry at Ebenezer AME Church in Point South, SC – January 2003, transferred to Trinity AME Church in Round O, SC – March 2003, and currently serving as the Pastor of Historic St. Peter's AME Church since January 2010. St. Peter's AME Church is the first "**Black Church**" in Colleton County after the ratification of the Emancipation Proclamation in 1867. Finally, Pastor Maxwell was hired as a full time Staff Chaplain May 4th, 2015 for Roper St. Francis Healthcare Systems in Charleston, SC and is currently serving at Bon Secour Saint Francis Hospital.

Pastor Maxwell serves on the Hospice Committee for Roper Saint Francis Hospital, he is the Judicatory Representative for the AME Church on the South Carolina Christian Action Council; a former Community Clergy for the Health Advisory Committee on Charleston County School District Board, Pastor Maxwell has served as the President of Colleton County AME Ministerial Alliance, Co-Chair for the Ministry Development Committee for the Beaufort District, Instructor for the Board of Examiners and currently serves as the Associate Secretary of the South Carolina Annual Conference of Seventh Episcopal District of the African Methodist Episcopal Church.

Pastor Maxwell is married to Shaun Denise Jackson - Maxwell. They have two adult sons with grandsons. They are lifetime Members of Bethel AME Church in Ravenel, SC, where The Reverend Clifford Levine and Mrs. Viola Levine are The Spiritual Leaders.

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