



African Descent Lutheran Association

(ADLA) 16th Biennial Assembly

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— SPECIAL GUESTS —



**Rev. Dr. Valerie
Bridgeman:**
Associate Professor
Methodist Theological
School in Ohio



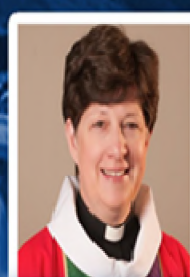
**Dr. Marc
Lamont Hill**



**Presiding Bishop
Episcopal Church
Michael Curry**



**Bishop-Elect
Jennifer Baskerville-
Burrows**



**Presiding Bishop
ELCA
Elizabeth Eaton**



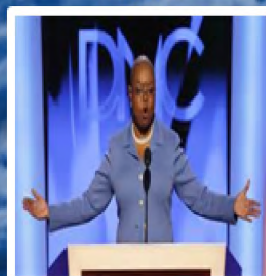
**Rev. Dr. Moses
Suah-Dennis**



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Suah-Dennis**



**Michael Coard, Esq.,
Attorney/Activist/Author
at Philadelphia Magazine**



**Rev. Leah Daughtry
CEO, Democratic
National Convention**



**Dr. Brittney Cooper:
Professor, Rutgers
University**

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FRIDAY

JULY 21

Pre-Assembly/ Agenda

TBA	Pre-Conference ADLA Board Meeting
TBA	ADLA Chapter Presidents Meeting
TBD	Pre-Assembly Press Conferences/Interviews
TBA	Pre-Assembly Musical

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SATURDAY

JULY 22

Day 1/ Agenda

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|---------------|--|
| 9:00am | Assembly Gathering Time |
| 9:30am | Opening Worship |
| | <i>Preacher:</i>
The Rev. Dr. Moses Suah-Dennis |
| 10:30am | Opening Plenary Session:
Introductions, Reports, etc |
| 12:15-12:30pm | Break |
| 12:30pm | Empowerment Luncheon |
| | <i>Speaker:</i>
Dr. Marc Lamont Hill
<i>CNN/BET/VH1 Commentator;
Professor, Morehouse College;
Author, "Nobody"</i> |
| 2:00-4:00pm | Plenary 2: Reports,
Budget, Elections |
| 4:00-4:30pm | Break |
| 4:30-5:30pm | Chapter Caucuses |
| 7:00pm | ADLA 30 th Anniversary
Gala |

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SUNDAY

JULY 23

Day 2/ Agenda

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| 9:00am | Morning Glory Prayer Time |
| 9:30am | Praise and Worship |
| 10:00am | Sunday Eucharist:
Proclamation from the
Diaspora |
| 12:30pm | Empowerment Luncheon

<i>Speaker:</i>
The Rev. Leah Daughtry
<i>CEO, Democratic National
Convention;
On These Things, LLC.</i> |
| 2:00-4:30pm | Plenary 2: Platforms,
Reports, Resolutions/
Memorials |
| 4:30pm | Break |
| 5:00-6:00pm | Dinner |
| 5:30pm | Buses arrive |
| 7:00pm | Combined UBE/ADLA
Opening Eucharist &
Memorial Eucharist
The Lutheran Church
of the Holy Communion
2110 Chestnut Street
Philadelphia, PA 19103

<i>Preacher:</i>
The Rev. Abraham Allende
Bishop of the Northeastern Ohio Synod of the ELCA

<i>Concelebrants:</i>
The Rev. Claire Schenot Burkat
Bishop of the Southeastern Synod of ELCA
The Rt. Rev. Daniel G.P. Gutierrez
Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Pennsylvania |

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SUNDAY

JULY 23

Day 2/ Agenda

9:30pm-10:30pm

Post-Worship
Reception hosted
by ADLA

9:30pm

First buses depart
for return to hotel
(staggered departure)

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MONDAY

JULY 24

Day 3/ Agenda

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| 7:30am | Morning Glory Prayer Time |
| 8:00-9:00am | Breakfast |
| 8:00-4:00pm | Registration |
| 8:00-9:00am | Bible Study |
| 12:30pm | Welcome by City Council Member: Councilman David Oh |
| | Keynote:
<i>Michael Coard, Esq.,
Attorney/Activist/Author at
Philadelphia Magazine</i> |
| 2:00-4:30pm | Plenary Panel:
Lutheran and Episcopal
Response to Plenary
Address

Lutheran Respondent from
Conference of International Black
Lutherans (TBD)

Episcopal Respondent Lay
or Clergy Leader (TBD)

Young Adult Respondent (TBD) |
| 12:00-1:00pm | Lunch |
| 1:15-2:15pm | Speaker

Keynote:
The Rev. Dr. Valerie Bridgeman:
Associate Professor of Homiletics & Hebrew Bible,
Methodist Theological School in Ohio |
| 1:15-2:15pm | Youth/Young Adult
Rehearsal |
| 1:15-2:15pm | ADLA Ministerium for
ELCA Rostered
Ministers |

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MONDAY

JULY 24

Day 3/ Agenda

2:30-3:30pm Workshops: Session 1

3:45-4:45pm Workshops: Session 2

5:30-6:30pm Dinner

7:00pm Worship Service Led by
Youth/Young Adults
Crowne Plaza Hotel

Preacher:
Bishop-Elect Jennifer Baskerville-Burrows

Concelebrants:

The Rt. Rev. Julio
Murray, Bishop of Panama

The Rev. Wyzetta Bullock, ELCA
Executive for Administration,
Office of the Presiding Bishop

The Rev. Ellis Clifton,
Flint, Michigan

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TUESDAY JULY 25 Day 4/ Agenda

7:30am Morning Glory Prayer
Time

8:00-9:00am Breakfast

8:00-4:00pm Registration

8:00-9:00am Bible Study

12:30pm Speaker

Keynote:

Dr. Brittney Cooper:
*Professor, University
of Rutgers; Author,
"Crunk Feminist Collective"*

2:00-4:30pm Plenary Panel:
Lutheran and Episcopal
Response to Plenary
Address

**Lutheran Respondent from
Conference of International Black
Lutherans (TBD)**

**Episcopal Respondent Lay or
Clergy Leader (TBD)**

Young Adult Respondent (TBD)

12:15-1:15pm Award Luncheon

1:30-2:15pm Know Your History –
Lutheran & Episcopal
Witnesses to Justice

Keynote:

Dr. Joseph "Joe" D. Thompson, VTS
*Interim Director of Multicultural
Ministries and Archivist for the African
American Episcopal Historical Collection*

**The Rev. Dr. Richard N. Stewart – Lily
African Diasporic Lutheran Collective**

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TUESDAY

JULY 25

Day 4/ Agenda

2:30-4:45pm Break/ Dinner/ Vendor

5:00pm Buses depart

7:00pm Combined UBE/ADLA
Worship Service

St. Thomas African
Episcopal Church
6361 Lancaster Ave.
Philadelphia, PA 19151

Preacher:
The Most Reverend Michael B. Curry
Presiding Bishop and Primate
Episcopal Church

Celebrant:
The Rev. Elizabeth Eaton
Presiding Bishop
Evangelical Lutheran Church of America

9:30pm-10:30pm Post-Worship
Reception

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WORKSHOPS

1. *How to conduct a Search Process – Workshop for Chairs and Members of Parish Search Committees (Rev. Canon Dr. Sandye Wilson, Ms. Dianne Smith and Canon Jill Mathis)*
2. *CPG on Self Care*
3. *Dealing with PTSD of Living in a Traumatic Environment; may combine with discussion of Post Traumatic Slave Syndrome (Renee McKenzie)*
4. *Presentation by Barbara Savage, Historian and Professor of American Social Thought in the Departments of Africana Studies of the University of PA*
5. *Decolonize Lutheranism – Shifting Entrenched Cultural Values to Become More Universal and Deeply Multicultural*