

ABOUT THE PASTOR

Rev. Eustacia Moffett Marshall

The Reverend Eustacia Moffett Marshall is the founding pastor of the newly formed, New River Presbyterian Church (Philadelphia, PA). New River is the union of three historic congregations in West Philadelphia including Calvin, Good Shepherd and First African Presbyterian church, which is the first black Presbyterian Church in the United States and the faith home of William Still, the Father of the Underground Railroad. With rich roots and a commitment to do a “new thing,” New River is on a mission to serve the good of the neighborhood so that all people can flourish.

Prior to her pastoral tenure in Philadelphia, Rev. Marshall served churches in New Jersey and North Carolina and has been serving in full time pastoral ministry for 16 years. A lectionary commentator in the online African American lectionary, Marshall has sermons published in the African American Pulpit (Fall 2009) and in the book, “These Sisters Can Say It” (Volume 2). She completed her Bachelor of Arts degree in psychology with a minor in human biology at Stanford University. She earned a Master of Divinity Degree from Princeton Theological Seminary where she merited a number of academic and ecclesiastical awards in preaching, music, biblical studies, and church leadership. She is currently a PhD candidate at North Carolina A & T State University in the Leadership Studies and Adult Education program.

A sought after preacher and consultant for leaders and organizations interested in creative ministry and thriving leadership, Marshall is a woman of many gifts with leadership gifts extending to multiple arenas. Prior to pastoral ministry she served in full time music ministry and spent her summers in college interning at Sony Music. These experiences inform her creative approach to ministry. With interest in how faith communities maximize their real estate, she is a real estate licensee in North Carolina. With passion for how faith communities steward their assets, Marshall served as Chair of the Board of Trustees for the Presbyterian Foundation, one of the largest religious foundations in North America. She is the first black woman and one of the youngest (under the age 40) to serve in this distinguished role in the Foundations more than 200 year history.

A native of Oakland, California, Rev. Marshall is married to Rev. Touré Marshall, and together, their days are filled with adventure as they serve as parents to their greatest teachers: eleven-year old, Jeremiah Touré and eight-year old, Jessica Monét.