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Clergy Retirement: Welcomed Transition, Unsettling Venture?

Saturday • March 30 @ 10:00 am–3:00 pm

Mast Chapel, NBTS • New Brunswick, NJ

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Mark Kraai

Professor of Practical Theology, Emeritus
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Transitioning from an extensive, faithful career serving in ministry can be inviting or unsettling. For sure it can cause many questions to be raised by clergy as to: Who am I now that my career is effectively over? How do I relate to my former congregation, and they to me, now that I am no longer the spiritual leader? How do I spend my time now that I have no full-time responsibilities at the church? How will I support myself financially and spiritually?

In this lecture on Clergy Retirement, Dr. Mark Kraai will share from his experience of serving in full time ministry to the church and his sojourn in retirement. A panel of clergy spanning the gamut of those actively involved in current ministry, nearing retirement and years out of pastoral ministry will offer a range of perspectives of what Clergy Retirement entails and how one can successfully prepare and emotionally embrace retirement while continuing to be vibrant in one's identity as a clergyperson.

Clergy Panel following the lecture:



Rev. Ralph M. Branch, Jr.

Pastor, Mount Calvary Missionary Baptist Church,
Newark, NJ

Rev. Dr. Henrietta Scott Fullard

Presiding Elder,
Jamaica Long Island District A.M.E. Churches

Rev. Canon Dr. Alan K. Salmon

Rector Emeritus, Christ Episcopal Church,
Riverton, NJ

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