

DUKE UNIVERSITY'S 2016 SERVICE OF CELEBRATION  
THE REV. DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
*Justice or Just Us: Who Is Working to  
Create a More Perfect Union?*

SUNDAY, JANUARY 17, 2016  
THREE O'CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON  
PAGE AUDITORIUM, DUKE UNIVERSITY  
DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA



In a nation increasingly enveloped in acrimony, accusations, and self-interest, one wonders where is the love and caring for “the other?” Five decades ago, Dr. King put the challenge before us, “Life’s most persistent question is...What are you doing for others?”. In 2016, have we lost our way? Are we a nation committed to the struggle for racial justice or are we individuals just concerned with ourselves...“our group”...“just us”? As we reflect on the life and legacy of Dr. King, ask yourself, who is truly fighting for social justice, working to create a more perfect union?

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*Page Auditorium, Duke University ~ Durham, NC*  
*Sunday, January 17, 2016*

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*Please, no flash photography during the service.  
And please turn off all electronic devices.*

PROCESSIONAL

Collage Dance Company  
*Directed by Ms. Toni K Hall*

YI' YU L' RATZON  
(May the Words of my Mouth)

Dr. Judith Ruderman  
*Retired Vice Provost  
Academic and Administrative Services  
Duke University*

INVOCATION

The Rev. Dr. Luke Powery  
*Dean of the Chapel  
Duke University*

THE OCCASION

Dr. Benjamin Reese, Jr.  
*Vice President, Office for Institutional Equity*

LIGHTING THE CANDLE  
OF PEACE, HOPE, AND JUSTICE

*The Candle of Peace, Hope and Justice celebrates the light of God that shines through the darkness, pain and violence in the world, which is symbolized by the barbed-wire that surrounds the candle. As this candle is lit, we remember those who are experiencing oppression around the world and we stand in resistance to injustice.*

MUSICAL SELECTION

United in Praise  
*Directed by Mr. Brennan Steele, Trinity '18*

GREETINGS

Dr. Richard H. Brodhead  
*President, Duke University*  
  
Ms. Cora Cole-McFadden  
*Mayor Pro Tempore, Durham, NC*  
  
Mr. Kevin Sowers  
*President, Duke University Hospital*  
  
Mr. Henry Washington Jr.  
*President of Black Student Alliance*

**“EVERYTHING WORTH FIGHTING FOR/  
LITANY FOR TOMORROW”**

Mr. Dasan Ahanu  
*Poet, Writer, Performance Artist*

**INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER**

Ms. Roketa Sloan  
*Graduate Student, MLK Commemoration Committee Member*

**KEYNOTE ADDRESS**

Dr. Shaun Harper  
*Race and Equity Scholar*

**MUSICAL SELECTION**

United in Praise  
*Undergraduate Gospel Choir*

**HYMN 533** (*congregation standing*)

We Shall Overcome

MARTIN

We shall overcome, we shall overcome, we shall overcome someday!  
Oh, deep in my heart I do believe we shall overcome someday!

We'll walk hand in hand, we'll walk hand in hand, we'll walk  
hand in hand someday! Oh, deep in my heart I do believe we'll  
walk hand in hand someday!

We shall all be free, we shall all be free, we shall all be free someday!  
Oh, deep in my heart I do believe we shall all be free someday!

We shall live in peace, we shall live in peace, we shall live in peace  
someday! Oh, deep in my heart I do believe, we shall live in peace  
someday!

The Lord will see us through, the Lord will see us through, the  
Lord will see us through someday! Oh, deep in my heart I do  
believe, the Lord will see us through someday!

**RECESSIONAL**

The Collage Dance Company

*\*If you are hearing impaired, a signer will be at the front of the auditorium.  
Ushers can direct you to reserved seats where you will be able to see the signer.*

*For a full schedule of upcoming events and additional information  
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## DR. SHAUN HARPER



Shaun R. Harper founded the Center for the Study of Race and Equity in Education in 2011. He is author of over 90 peer-reviewed journal articles and other academic publications. These journals include *The Review of Research in Education*, *Journal of Higher Education*, *Review of Higher Education*, *Journal of College Student Development*, *Harvard Educational Review*, and *Teachers College Record*. Professor Harper's research has been cited in over 3,300 publications. His twelve books include *Advancing Black Male Student Success from Preschool through Ph.D.* (2016), *Student Engagement in Higher Education* (2009, 2014), *College Men and Masculinities* (2010), and the 5th edition of *Student Services: A Handbook for the Profession* (2011).

Dr. Harper is an elected member of the American Educational Research Association (AERA) Executive Council, and formerly served on the Association for the Study of Higher Education (ASHE) Board of Directors and the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators (NASPA) Board of Directors. He serves on editorial boards for the *Journal of Higher Education* and *American Educational Research Journal*, and was previously associate editor of *Educational Researcher*. AERA presented Dr. Harper its 2010 Early Career Award (Division G) and 2014 Relating Research to Practice Award. He also received the 2008 ASHE Early Career Award, the 2012 NASPA Robert H. Shaffer Award for Faculty Excellence, and the 2014 American College Personnel Association Contribution to Knowledge Award.

Dr. Harper has been interviewed on CNN, ESPN, and NPR, and featured or quoted in *The New York Times*, *Los Angeles Times*, *Wall Street Journal*, *Sports Illustrated*, *Chronicle of Higher Education*, *Inside Higher Ed*, and over 400 other media outlets. In 2015, he was appointed to President Barack Obama's *My Brother's Keeper* advisory council and recognized in Education Week as one of the 50 most influential professors in the field of education.

