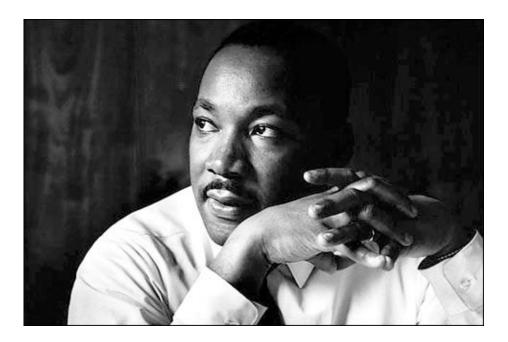
#### DUKE UNIVERSITY'S 2018 SERVICE OF CELEBRATION

# The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. From King to Kaepernick: Progress through Protest

Sunday, January 14, 2018
Three o'clock in the afternoon
Duke University Chapel
Durham, North Carolina



The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. utilized the power of protest to move the hearts and minds of so many people here and abroad, but equally noteworthy was its effectiveness in creating changes in policy and legislation. In today's world, we continue to experience inequities both in individual interactions, as well as in structural and systemic processes that surely would bring tears to the eyes of Dr. King, but would also prompt more protests. Today, the power of silent, courageous protest can be seen on athletic fields across our nation, prompting many of us to reflect on the words of Dr. King, "... somewhere I read of the freedom of speech. Somewhere I read of the freedom of the press. Somewhere I read that the greatness of America is the right to protest for right."

## Duke University's 2018 Service of Celebration The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Duke University Chapel ~ Durham, NC Sunday, January 14, 2018

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

**PRELUDE** 

John Brown's Little Big Band

**PROCESSIONAL** 

Collage Dance Company Directed by Ms. Sadiyah Shakur-Saleem

"SIM SHALOM"
(Grant Peace)

Rabbi Elana Friedman Campus Rabbi for Jewish Life at Duke

INVOCATION

The Rev. Dr. Luke A. Powery Dean of Duke University Chapel

LIGHTING THE CANDLE OF PEACE, HOPE, AND JUSTICE

Elizabeth Grantland Trinity '20, Duke Wesley Fellowship, Duke VIA

Usamah Chaudhary

Trinity '20, Representative of the Muslim Student Association, Duke VIA

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.

GREETINGS

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

Dr. Vincent E. Price *President, Duke University* 

Mr. Steve Schewel Mayor, Durham, NC

Dr. Thomas Owens President, Duke University Hospital

Mr. Michael Ivory, Jr. President of Black Student Alliance, Trinity '18

Special Music

Bobby Caddell, Yvette Cates, and Felicia Wright

Introduction of Speaker

Ms. Melanie Walker President of the Black Graduate and Professional Student Association

KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Ms. Sherrilyn Ifill President and Director-Counsel of the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Funds

Special Music

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BENEDICTION

The Rev. Joshua Lazard C. Eric Lincoln Minister for Student Engagement

Hymn 533 (congregation standing)
We Shall Overcome

MARTIN

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 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

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

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#### Ms. Sherrilyn Ifill



Sherrilyn Ifill is the seventh President and Director-Counsel of the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, Inc. Ms. Ifill is a long-time member of the LDF family. After graduating law school, Ifill served first as a fellow at the American Civil Liberties Union and then for five years as an assistant counsel in LDF's New York office, where she litigated voting rights cases. Among her successful litigations was the landmark Voting Rights Act case, Houston Lawyers' Association vs. Attorney General of Texas, in which the Supreme Court held that judicial elections are covered by the provisions of section 2 of the Voting Rights Act.

In 1993, Ms. Ifill joined the faculty of the University of Maryland School of Law, where in addition to teaching Civil Procedure, Constitutional Law and variety of seminars, she continued to litigate and consult on a broad and diverse range of civil rights cases, while grooming the next generation of civil rights lawyers. In addition to teaching in the classroom, Ms. Ifill launched several innovative legal offerings while at Maryland Law School, including an environmental justice course in which students represented rural communities in Maryland, and one of the first legal clinics in the nation focused on removing legal barriers to formerly incarcerated persons seeking to responsibly re-enter society. From her base in Baltimore, Ifill emerged as a highly regarded national civil rights strategist and public intellectual whose writings, speeches and media appearances enrich public debate about a range of political and civil rights issues.

A critically acclaimed author, her book "On the Courthouse Lawn: Confronting the Legacy of Lynching in the 21st Century" reflects her lifelong engagement in, and analysis of issues of race and American public life. Ifill's scholarly writing has focused on the importance of diversity on the bench, and she is currently writing a book about race and Supreme Court confirmation hearings. Ifill is the immediate past Chair of the Board of U.S. Programs at the Open Society Institute, one of the largest philanthropic supporters of civil rights and social justice organizations in the country.

Ms. Ifill is a graduate of Vassar College, and received her J.D. from New York University School of Law.