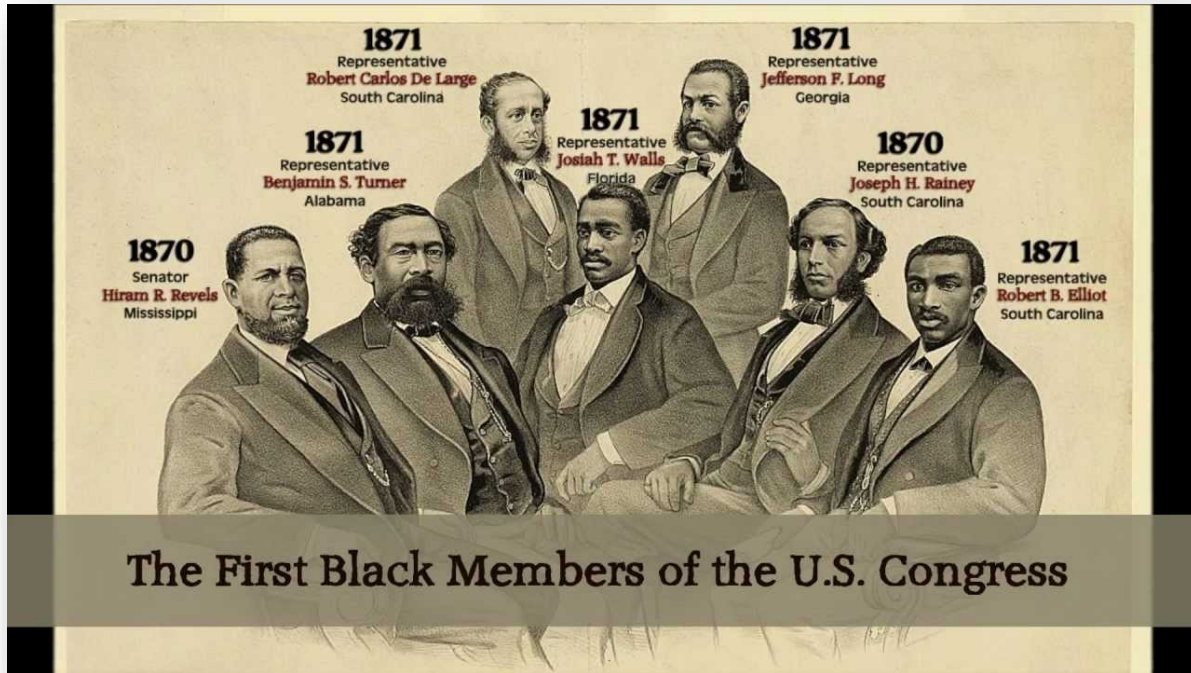


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Special Guest Speaker  
**Honorable Randall Woodfin**  
Mayor of Birmingham, Alabama

February 11, 2018  
*First Congregational Christian Church, UCC*  
*Montgomery, Alabama*

# Our Guest Speaker

## The Honorable Randall Woodfin



The Honorable Randall Woodfin was born and raised in Birmingham, Alabama. He is a product of Birmingham City Schools. After graduating from Shades Valley High School in Birmingham, Alabama, he attended Morehouse College in Atlanta, Georgia. While matriculating at Morehouse College, he majored in political science and was elected to serve as President of the Student Government Association. Upon graduating from Morehouse College, he attended Cumberland School of Law at Samford University where he earned his Juris Doctor degree.

After graduating from law school, he devoted himself to public service. He worked with the city of Birmingham's Division of Youth Services, the Birmingham City Council, and the Jefferson County Committee for Economic Opportunity. In 2009, he became an assistant city attorney for the city of Birmingham. During this same time, he decided to pursue his passion for public office by entering the race for a seat on the Birmingham Board of Education. After losing this election, he endeavored to learn more about the needs of students and parents, and he shaped his vision for the needs of the schools in the city. His second attempt in 2013 was successful. It not only won him a seat on the Board, but he was also elected president of that Board, a capacity in which he would serve from 2013-2015.

In addition to serving on the Board of Education, Randall Woodfin served on many other boards, which include the Alabama Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy, Birmingham Botanical Gardens, and the Hispanic Interest Coalition of Alabama. Other boards on which he has served comprise the Birmingham Exchange Fund, American Red Cross, Birmingham Education Foundation, and the Birmingham Cultural Alliance. He is past president of the Morehouse College Alumni Association, Birmingham Chapter. Additionally, he is a graduate of Leadership Birmingham, Class of 2014 and, Leadership Alabama, Class of 2016.

On October 3, 2017, the citizens of Birmingham elected Randall Woodfin Mayor of the city of Birmingham. Mayor Randall Woodfin took the office of Mayor of Birmingham on November 28, 2017.

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**Black History Program**

February 11, 2018

**Carl Shamburger, Master of Ceremony**



Prelude	Ms. Belinda Stanley
Welcome/Occasion	Antonio Hamilton, President
Invocation	Deacon Henry Ketton
Music:	Choir
Offertory	Ushers
Introduction of Guest Speaker	Bro. Carl Shamburger
Guest Speaker	Honorable Randall Woodfin, Mayor
Music:	Choir
<b>Presentation of Awards</b>	
Cecil St. Clair Service Award (Honorable Randall Woodfin, Mayor)	Darryl Sinkfield and Curtis Stewart
Laymen's Appreciation Award	Darryl Sinkfield and Curtis Stewart
Recognition of Visitors and Guest	Darryl Sinkfield
<i>"Lift Every Voice and Sing"</i>	Audience (Please Stand)
Remarks and Benediction	Rev. Dr. Wendy Coleman

## **NOTICES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

First Congregational Christian Church and members of the Laymen's Fellowship welcome you to our Annual Black History Program. Please join us immediately following service in the Fellowship Hall for a reception as we honor our special guest and speaker.

# Honoring Alabama Black Mayors

Honorable Marva Gipson	Aliceville
Honorable Curtis Stoudemire	Autaugaville
Honorable Annie Shelton	Beatrice
Honorable Kenneth Gulley	Bessemer
Honorable Randall Woodfin	Birmingham
Honorable Louis Harper	Boligee
Honorable Eddie Cooper	Brighton
Honorable Ezell Woodyard-Smith	Camp Hill
Honorable Donnis Leeth	Colony
Honorable Charlie McAlpine	Forkland
Honorable Fletcher Fountain	Fort Deposit
Honorable Allen "Pete" Lang	Frisco City
Honorable Roy Willingham	Emelle
Honorable William "Bill" Cooper	Enterprise
Honorable Walter Porter, Sr.	Epes
Honorable Raymond Steele	Eutaw
Honorable Ed May, II	Fairfield
Honorable Cynthia Jackson	Grove Hill
Honorable David Daniel	Hayneville
Honorable Mike Cunningham	Geiger
Honorable Jerome Antone	Georgiana
Honorable Lonnie Caldwell	Goodwater
Honorable Charles Owens	Hillsboro
Honorable Alberta McCrory	Hobson City
Honorable Vivian Covington	Hurtsboro
Honorable Eddie Reed	Jemison
Honorable Lance McDade	Lipscomb
Honorable Jason Ward	Lisman
Honorable Dexter Hinton	Marion
Honorable Wilbert Dixon	McIntosh
Honorable Garv Richardson	Midfield
Honorable Joann Grimsley	Midland City
Honorable Willie Hill	Mosses
Honorable Terrv Williams	Mount Vernon
Honorable Riley Evans, Sr.	North Courtland
Honorable Kenneth Lindsey	North Johns
Honorable Louvenia Lumpkin	Orrville
Honorable Edward Manuel	Pennington
Honorable Eddie Lowe	Phenix City
Honorable Mary Fuseyamore	Pickensville
Honorable Valeria Osby	Pollard
Honorable Jimmy Gardner	Prichard
Honorable Bennie Harton	Reform
Honorable Jerome Anderson	Ridgeville
Honorable Darrion Melton	Selma

# Honoring Alabama Black Mayors

Honorable Willie Mae Powell	Shorter
Honorable Lawrence Haygood, Jr.	Tuskegee
Honorable Saint Thomas, Jr.	Union Springs
Honorable Jamaal Hunter	Uniontown
Honorable Anthony James	Vrendenburgh
Honorable Elizabeth Davis	White Hall

## Acknowledgements

Special thanks to the members of the First Congregational Christian Church for their continued support.

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## **Lift Every Voice and Sing**

By James Weldon Johnson

Lift every voice and sing  
Till earth and heaven ring,  
Ring with the harmonies of Liberty;  
Let our rejoicing rise  
High as the listening skies,  
Let it resound loud as the rolling sea.  
Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us,  
Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us,  
Facing the rising sun of our new day begun  
Let us march on till victory is won.

Stony the road we trod,  
Bitter the chastening rod,  
Felt in the days when hope unborn had died;  
Yet with a steady beat,  
Have not our weary feet  
Come to the place for which our fathers sighed?  
We have come over a way that with tears has been watered,  
We have come, treading our path through the blood of the slaughtered,  
Out from the gloomy past,  
Till now we stand at last  
Where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.

God of our weary years,  
God of our silent tears,  
Thou who has brought us thus far on the way;  
Thou who has by Thy might Led us into the light,  
Keep us forever in the path, we pray.  
Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met Thee,  
Lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we forget Thee;  
Shadowed beneath Thy hand,  
May we forever stand.  
True to our God,  
True to our native land.

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