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Rev. Timothy L. Adkins-Jones, PhD, Senior Pastor

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Homecoming Revival
Thursday, October 21, 2021
Order of Service
Call to Worship

Leader: Oh, give thanks unto the Lord for the mercy of God endures forever.

Congregation: Let the redeemed of the Lord say so. Let the redeemed of the Lord say so.

Leader: We cried out to the Lord and the Lord heard our cry and led us out of distress. Oh, magnify the name of the Lord with me.

Congregation: Oh, that all people, the young and the old would give thanks to the Lord for marvelous grace and because God forgives us as swiftly as we ask for forgiveness.

All: Let those who know this mighty God now worship with our mouths, our all: hands, our feet, our minds, and our hearts. Amen.

Praise and Worship

Welcome

Rev. Dr. Timothy L. Adkins-Jones

Offering

Introduction of Speaker

Music Ministry

The Message

Rev. Brandon T. Crowley, Ph.D.

Call to Discipleship

Benediction

Guest Preacher

Rev. Brandon T. Crowley, Ph.D.



The Reverend Doctor Brandon Thomas Crowley (pronounced Crōw-lee) is an African American minister and scholar in religion, ethics, theology, ecclesiology, and queer theory. Since 2009, he has served as the Senior Pastor of the Historic Myrtle Baptist Church in West Newton, Massachusetts.

Presently, Reverend Crowley is a Lecturer in Ministry Studies at Harvard University's Divinity School in Cambridge, Massachusetts; the Crump Visiting Professor of Theology at the Episcopal Seminary of the Southwest in Austin, Texas; and the American Academy of Religion's Black Religious Scholars Group's 2021-2022 Scholar-in-Residence.

Reverend Crowley earned a Ph.D. in Church and Society and a Master of Sacred Theology with a certificate in social justice from Boston University's School of Theology, a Master of Divinity from Harvard University's Divinity School, where he was a presidential scholar and a Bachelor of Arts in Religion with a certificate in moral cosmopolitanism and multi-religious ethical leadership from Morehouse College in Atlanta, Georgia. Reverend Crowley's first book is tentatively titled *Queering Congregations: Contextual Approaches for Dismantling Heteronormativity in Black Churches*. Reverend Crowley was ordained in the Progressive National Baptist Convention of America, Inc. in 2009.