



# How Faith Leaders Are Sustaining Community During the COVID-19 Pandemic

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30 • 12-1 P.M. EDT (ZOOM)**

The COVID-19 pandemic – and our response to this disease – have underscored deep, persistent societal inequities. The Emergency Preparedness, Ethics and Equity Series will explore how we can continue to foster inclusive excellence and health equity during the most turbulent of times. Speakers will explore ways to consistently apply culturally relevant, ethical and equitable decision-making so that the most vulnerable among us are not left further disenfranchised post-COVID-19.

In this session, three Black faith leaders in North Carolina will share their experiences and factors necessary to effectively sustain their ability to serve during and beyond the COVID-19 pandemic. They will conclude by providing recommendations on how to appropriately partner with them and their communities when conducting research or practice during this crisis.

## PANELISTS



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