



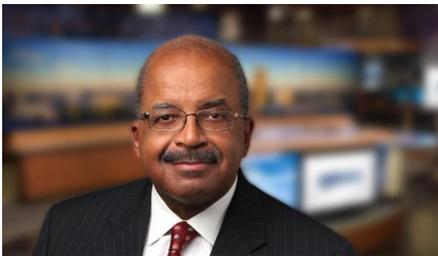
## **Meet our 2021-2022 Mentors**



### **Scotty Elliott (he/him)**

I was born and raised near Statesville, NC and then received my undergraduate degree from UNC-Chapel Hill in 1983. I spent several years in Duke University Development and then received my Master of Liberal Arts degree from Duke University in 1995. For the next decade, I worked as an arts administrator and then, somehow, fell into administration at Duke University Hospital. In 2010, the life road took me to the master of social work program at UNC-Charlotte. Since 2012, I have worked in my most fulfilling job—as a clinical social worker at the Infectious Disease Clinic at Duke University Hospital where I provide mental health services for people living with HIV.

My spiritual journey started out in a fundamentalist church and community but very early in life, I realized that I needed to explore other religions and philosophies, which I have enjoyed immensely. I am a member and Deacon at Watts Street Baptist (WSB) Church, which is a community dedicated to social justice, inclusivity, service and spiritual growth. I have served on the board of directors of the Justice Theatre Project, in Raleigh, and have acted in several of their productions. I enjoy the arts, cooking/eating, Tai Chi and connecting with family and friends.



### **Dr. Allen Mask**

I am an anesthesiologist and internist in private practice in Raleigh, NC. I am also the medical reporter for WRAL-TV, physician for The City of Raleigh, and the physician to the artists at LiveNation Entertainment. I attended college and medical school at UNC-Chapel Hill and completed my internship and residency in internal medicine at Massachusetts General Hospital and Harvard Medical School. Then I returned to UNC to complete a residency in anesthesiology. I serve on the John Rex Hospital Endowment Board and the Raleigh Board of Wells Fargo Bank.



**The Rev. Tobi Nguyen (she/her)**

I grew up in nearby Cary and followed my family tradition by attending Texas A&M University. I graduated in 1998 with a degree in international studies and a focus in Latin America and a minor in cultural anthropology. For several years after graduation, I worked with migrant farmworkers as a social worker in Florida and Eastern North Carolina. I received a Master of Divinity degree from Duke University Divinity School in May 2017. I am currently the Pastor of Discipleship & Nurture at University United Methodist Church and live in Chapel Hill with my husband and two daughters. With gratitude for the witness and work of JSC in the community, I look

forward to serving again as a mentor. I have spent my life in mission and discipleship, transforming our shared lives, communities, and world. Whether around dinner tables in homes, Communion tables in worship, or tables in the downtown soup kitchen, I am thankful for how people have shared and will continue to share the goodness of God's grace into my life and out to the world.



**Dr. Caroline Ozment**

I am a pediatric intensive care physician at Duke University and have lived in downtown Durham for 15 years. I spent my early childhood in Monterey, California, and moved to Huntsville, Alabama as a teenager. I was a French and biology major at a small liberal arts college, Birmingham-Southern College, in Birmingham, Alabama. After college, my family still fondly refers to it as my “standardized testing phase,” where I worked as a waitress, a veterinary technician, and a basic science laboratory assistant while taking the GRE, MCAT, VCAT, LSAT, and foreign service exam, all in one year! I started veterinary school at Auburn University but decided that I was more interested in caring for small humans after a few short months, so I pursued medical school. After receiving my medical degree from the

University of South Alabama, I relocated to Oregon for my pediatrics residency. I came to Durham to complete my training with a pediatric critical care fellowship. I currently work part-time, caring for the sickest children in the hospital and doing research and teaching on the side. I have three daughters, 13, 9, and 4 years old, who keep me busy outside of work, and an amazing husband who works at SAS Institute. I have a great interest in seeking out and fostering a healthy work-life balance. In my free time, I enjoy interior design, travel, and gardening.



### **Judge Shamioka Rhinehart**

I am a native of Rocky Mount, North Carolina. My retired grandmother and my working-class mother raised me. My grandmother instilled in me the importance of obtaining an education and treating everyone with dignity and respect. In 1993, I attended the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, where I received a Bachelor of Art in English. Upon my graduation in 1997, I took a year off and became an eagle at North Carolina Central School of Law where I graduated in 2001. On January 2, 2017, I was

sworn in as a district court judge for Durham County. I currently preside over civil jury matters, child support matters, misdemeanor criminal matters, abuse, dependency and neglect cases, traffic court, and jail court. I love to mentor young people and am involved in several organizations, such as Rebound, that help provide educational needs to students during short-term suspensions. I am a board member of the Citizens' Advisory Committee and advise the local government about housing issues in Durham. I love to volunteer with the Junior League of Durham and Orange Counties and my beloved Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. I work relentlessly in trying to improve my community. I am currently a faithful church member of St. Phillips Episcopal Church, serving on the Racial Justice and Reconciliation Committee. I love to speak inspirationally to young people in my spare time, spend time with family and friends, and curl up with a good book.



### **Beth Ross (she/her)**

Hello fabulous Corps Members! My name is Beth, and I was a JSC Corps member from 2014-2015. Since then, I have done a handful of things but eventually returned to school for my MSW at UNC-Chapel Hill. I graduated in 2020 and have spent the past year as an Outpatient Therapist for Medicaid recipients. My year with JSC was an impactful one that continues to shape the direction of my life. I employ a variety of contemplative practices, including meditation, yoga, journaling, and ecstatic dance. I am grateful to remain connected to the JSC community as it grows and re-shapes through time!



### **Dr. Eunice Sahle (she/her)**

I am a scholar of human rights, international development, democracy and constitutionalism, regional bloc formations, and gender studies. I continue to find spiritual and other forms of nourishment from the works and lives of the late Archbishop of the Anglican Church of Kenya David Gitari, Saint Pauli Murray, Saint Óscar Romero, Toni Morrison, Howard Thurman, Prof. Micere G. Mugo, Jack Mapanje, Tsitsi

Dangarembga, Dr. Wangari Maathai, Vera Chirwa, and Thich Nhat Hanh. I enjoy walking, reading fiction, traveling, cooking, meditating, and drinking tea with family and friends in various parts of the world.



### **Eileen Slade (she/they)**

My name is Eileen Slade, and I grew up in Eastern North Carolina before moving to the central region of the state for college and (eventually) grad school. I am a licensed clinical social worker, and I have found my vocation with people with intellectual/developmental disabilities who experience mental health conditions. I am a member of the Episcopal Church of the Advocate in Chapel Hill where I've worn a variety of hats, including leading our mental health committee. In my free time, I like to garden (inside and outside), make art, read, listen to podcasts, and spend time with my partner

David and our modest menagerie (two dogs and two cats).



### **Debra Wuliger (she/her)**

I am an oil painter, draughtswoman, and fine art documentarian who listens profoundly and watches how the brush and charcoal carve shapes and patterns onto a surface. I am interested in portraying people's strength, dignity, and joy as they act out their lives in ordinary circumstances. I am also fascinated with how similar we are as human beings and like to capture people's everyday movements using simple shapes. These shapes connect in interlocking patterns and act as a metaphor for connecting people into one unified whole. I share my love of art in several ways. I have created murals

with groups of people for their communities. I also run creativity workshops and painting classes for adults and children out of my home studio school, Winking Moon Art, to support others on their artistic journeys. My home and studio are in Durham, where I live with my husband, Joel, and my dog, Tessa.