

Thursday digest

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- Carol Howard Merritt [talks to Mihee Kim-Kort](#)
- "[Jesus is nailed to the cross](#)," a poem by Joseph Bathanti

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- [Rosa Parks statue unveiled at Capitol, celebrated by AME Church](#)