

### **METROPOLITAN MEMORIAL CAMPUS**

4301 Nebraska Ave, NW Washington, D.C

APRIL 14, 2024 | 9:00AM





#### **Our Commitment**

We celebrate God's gift of diversity and value the wholeness made possible in community equally shared and shepherded by all. We welcome and affirm people of every gender identity, gender expression, and sexual orientation, who are also of every age, race, ethnicity, physical and mental ability, level of education, and family structure, and of every economic, immigration, marital,

and social status, and so much more. We acknowledge that we live in a world of profound social, economic, and political inequities. As followers of Jesus, we commit ourselves to the pursuit of justice and pledge to stand in solidarity with all who are marginalized and oppressed.

### **An Invitation**

As faith awakens in you and you seek to deepen your discipleship of Jesus Christ, we invite you to become a member of National United Methodist Church. Indicate your interest in membership on the welcome cards today and our Minister of Discipleship will extend an invitation to upcoming orientations and then an introduction to the faith community.

www.nationalchurch.org | (202) 363-4900 | communications@nationalchurch.org | Wi-Fi Password: Welcome!

This service is live-streamed.

Those seated in the rear of sanctuary will remain off-camera.

**UMH**: United Methodist Hymnal | **TFWS**: The Faith We Sing \* Standing as you are able

Children are invited to gather in the gold Children's Chapel to receive bells to ring during ENTRANCE.

GATHERING MUSIC Great and Mighty – Kendall King DaySpring Choir

WELCOME Angela Pupino

\*SONG of PRAISE Christ is The World's Light UMH 188

\*PRAYER of THANKSGIVING

Angela Pupino

### **ENTERANCE** of the BELLS

Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven."

### **CALL to OFFERING**

We support the life of this church with our prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness. Ushers will receive our attendance sheets, prayer requests, and financial gifts at this time. Online gifts may be shared using this QR code.



**OFFERTORY ANTHEM** 

God Is Worthy
Arr. Logan Peck

DaySpring Choir

### \*DEDICATING OUT GIFTS to MINISTRY

Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks, to the Holy One, give thanks, for God has given Jesus Christ in Love. And now, let the weak say "I am strong," let the poor say "I am rich," because of what the Lord has done for us! Give thanks! Give thanks!

Young people are encouraged to gather near the chancel steps, exiting to Children's Choir afterward.

**SCRIPTURE READING** 

1 John 3:1-7

Brian Boyle

**MESSAGE** 

Rev. Dr. Rachel Livingston

### \*INVITATION to DISCIPLESHIP

In this time of meditation and commitment, participants may move to a prayer station around the sanctuary featuring the following options today:

- BAPTISMAL CHAPEL—Light a candle for and end to war and just peace in Gaza.
- ALTAR—Receive prayer from a pastor on RIGHT or pray in silence on the LEFT.
- SEATED and ONLINE—Consider these words from Frederick Lewis Donaldson delivered in a 1925 sermon in Westminster Abbey, London:

The Seven Social Sins are:

Wealth without work.

Pleasure without conscience.

Knowledge without character.

Commerce without morality.

Science without humanity.

Worship without sacrifice.

Politics without principle.

\*LORD'S PRAYER

**TFWS Back Cover** 

CLOSING SONG

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

**UMH 206** 

\*BLESSING

Rev. Dr. Rachel Livingston

### \*DEPARTING in JOY

Please join us for refreshments in the Great Hall and join a small group discussion in library, office suite, or Christie Room at 10am



## 2024 Worship Survey

## **Share Your Practices and Preferences Regarding Worship Times**

As in previous years, National UMC will adjust its Sunday morning worship schedule for the summer period. This summer worship period is an opportunity to gather input and feedback from the congregation on various schedule options.



If you would like to provide your input, use the QR code.

Please complete the 5-10-minute survey by April 22



### Finding God in Scripture - Key Passage from the Gospel of John

New Unit of Study Begins, Tues. April 16

Online Beginners' Bible Study - Tuesdays, 6 to 7 pm via Zoom.

Different in style and tone from the three synoptic Gospels, John's Gospel provides a unique angle of vision on Jesus. In April and May, we will focus on key passage from John that offer a unique and distinctive perspective of Jesus's life and ministry.

- · Tues. April 16, 6 pm A Wedding and a Well
- · Tues. April 23, 6 pm Life Anew: Nicodemus and Lazarus
- · Tues. April 30, 6 pm Good Shepherd and True Vine
- · Tues. May 7, 6 pm Love One Another As I Have Loved You
- · Tues. May 14, 6 pm Farewell
- · Tues. May 21, 6 pm The Hour Has Come

This is a 101-level experience open to anyone.

No prerequisites. No homework. And no question is too simple or out of bounds.

### Join Zoom Meeting

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88341355662?pwd=NExndFdGZ0tJNVltM0dqdVE4eTVvZz0

Meeting ID: 883 4135 5662

Passcode: 563020



## Community and Connection Classes Metropolitan Memorial Campus Library

Sunday's @ 10am

Join us in the library for this informal, guided discussion group. Open to all adults, the Community & Connections Class tackles a range of challenging Biblical topics but does not require any reading or "homework" between Sundays. Simply drop in and chat! We'd love to have you join us following 9 AM worship.

For more information, contact Ginger and Haisten Willis at ginger.m.willis@gmail.com



# Game Night and Potluck, April 28th

## Metropolitan Memotrial Campus Great Hall | 5-7pm

Join us for an intergenerational evening of board games, cards, food and fellowship. Bring your favorite games and dish to share. This will be an informal chance for families with young children, youth, college students, and adults of all ages to have fun together. This is a great opportunity to invite friends and neighbors looking for a place to plug in and find connection in our church community.

Questions, contact communications@nationalchurch.org.