

December 8, 2019, 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM

Bold Print - Congregational Response | † - Please stand as you are able

UMH – *United Methodist Hymnal*

Gathering

Prelude

Bruce Caviness, conductor

Sinfonia

from *Messiah*

Welcome

† Opening Hymn

O Come, O Come Emmanuel
verses 1, 2, and 6

UMH 211

† Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Let me hear what God the Lord will speak,
for he will speak peace to his people,
to his faithful, to those who turn to him in their hearts.
Surely his salvation is at hand for those who fear him,
that his glory may dwell in our land.
Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet;
righteousness and peace will kiss each other. (*Psalm 85:8-10*)

Can you hear it?

What is it?

God's Word is coming.

We're listening. We're eager to hear.

A voice cries out and declares the Promise of Peace.

We stand in awe.

Things are going to even out in the world.

All people will embrace each other.

(The second candle is lit)

Today we light the candle of Peace.

Our peace comes from God.

Messiah

George Frideric Handel

National United Methodist Festival Choir
DC Strings Messiah Chamber Orchestra
Melissa Chávez, conductor

Comfort ye my people...Ev'ry valley shall be exalted

Nicholas Carratura, tenor

And the glory of the Lord

But who may abide the day of His coming

Sarah Heisler, soprano

And he shall purify the sons of Levi

O thou that tellest good tidings to Zion

Katelyn Neumann, mezzo-soprano

The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light

Austin Vitaliano, bass-baritone (9:00)

Geoffrey Di Giorgio, bass-baritone (11:00)

For unto us a child is born

Offertory

Nevin Bender, conductor

Pastoral Symphony

During this movement, the ushers will collect the morning offering in support of National UMC's ministries. We invite you to give generously. We also invite you to register your attendance using the black attendance books on the center of each aisle.

There were shepherds abiding in the fields...

And lo, the angel of the Lord...

And the angel said unto them...

And suddenly there was with the angel...

Erika Straus, soprano

Glory to God in the highest

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion

Erika Straus, soprano

Then shall the eyes of the blind be opened...He shall feed his flock like a shepherd

Rebecca Henry, mezzo-soprano

Kayla Azaroff, soprano

† **Hallelujah Chorus**

Prayer of Response

Going Out Into the World

† **Closing Hymn**

Angels from the Realms of Glory
verses 1, 2, and 4

UMH 220

† **Benediction**

Postlude

Please join us after the service for coffee hour in the Great Hall (out the door on your right, turn left, and at the end of the hall)

Barbara Tate (9:00), Penny Andrews (11:00), candle lighters.

The flowers on the altar are given by the United Methodist Women in honor of deceased UMW members

National UMC Festival Choir

Soprano

Kayla Azaroff
Ellen Bachman
Alison Daifuku
Ayanna Freelon
Sarah Heisler*
Stacy Krogh
Dana Lehmer
Amanda Sheriff-Haughom
Joan Rixey
Erika Straus*
Lois Weaver
Suzanne Vieth

Alto

Pam Ellsworth
Carol Farris
Rebecca Henry
Mary Ellen Huzzard
Rose Kelly
Jeanie Mah
Katelyn Neumann*
Mary Rollefson
Susan Staines

Tenor

Douglas Bell
Nevin Bender
Nicholas Carratura*
Vic Clough
Alexander Getachew
Ginny Weber
Derek Willis

Bass

Christopher Brown
Tony Brown
Christopher Curtis
Geoffrey Di Giorgio*
Benjamin D'Angelo
Paul Krogh
Christopher Simon
Verdon Staines
Kerm Towler
Austin Vitaliano*
Bruce Weber
Robert Weesner

DC Strings Messiah Chamber Orchestra

Violin I

Raycurt Johnson,
Co-concertmaster
Ariel Byrd,
Co-concertmaster

Violin II

Andrew Lee
Alexander C. Powell

Viola

Art Slater
Sebastian Duncan

Cello

Johnny Walker Jr.
MacKenzie Washington
Jeremiah Welch
Jabari deRoux
Edward Fizdale

Bass

Britney Hansford
Gary Richardson
Rob Perl

Flute

Xander Day
Danielle Kelly

Oboe

Kelly Klomprens
Leslie Jewell

Bassoon

Rebecca Welch

Trumpet

Adrian Mitchell
David Marsh

Timpani

Andrew Schwartz

Organ

Bruce Caviness
Nevin Bender

TODAY AT NATIONAL UMC



Crèche Exhibit

Great Hall, 9 am – 1:00 pm

An exhibit of nativity scenes from National UMC members and the community.



Cozy Christmas

Great Hall, 4-6 pm

A fun, intergenerational event with crafts, carols, cookies, community, and Christmas!



Jazz Vespers

Sanctuary, 6 pm

An evening service for the season, with music provided by local jazz musicians.

**Donate Christmas Flowers
in honor or memory of a loved one**



nationalchurch.org/flowers



National United Methodist Church

A Reconciling Congregation

Metropolitan Memorial Campus

3401 Nebraska Avenue, NW | Washington, DC 20016

December 8, 2019, at 9:00 & 11:00 AM

Second Sunday of Advent



**Extending radical hospitality,
transforming lives, and pursuing justice.**

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Reconciling Statement

National United Methodist Church affirms that all individuals are of sacred worth without regard to race, ethnicity, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, age, religion, education, marital circumstances, economic status, physical and mental condition, or criminal history. We declare ourselves in support of the reconciling movement and welcome the full participation in the church of gay, lesbian, bisexual, or transgendered persons and their families, as a reflection of God's unconditional love.

At the same time, we recognize differences of opinion on issues of sexuality and seek to journey together in faith toward greater understanding and mutual respect.

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ALL are welcome here. All means ALL.