

NATIONAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Wesley Campus
5312 Connecticut Avenue, NW
Washington, D.C.

March 3 at 11:00 AM



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Making the Love of God Obvious

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.



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Wi-Fi Password: Welcome!

* Standing as you are able

PRELUDE

Don't Let Nobody Turn You Round - Albertina Walker

Insert

WELCOME

Please sign the Welcome Card found near hymnals in front of each pew. These will be received by an usher during the offering at the close of the service.

***SONG of PRAISE**

As the Deer

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***OPENING PRAYER**

Paula Pree

***PASSING the PEACE**

BIBLE LESSON

John 2:13-22 and 1 Corinthians 1:18-25

Laura Harper Powell

SERMON

Rev. Janet Craswell

INVITATION to DISCIPLESHIP

HOLY COMMUNION

Glorify - Kem

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,
for thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever.
Amen.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

CALL TO OFFERING

Rita Guenther

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



OFFERTORY

Put Your Hand In The Hand- Gene MacLellan

*DEDICATING OUR GIFTS to MINISTRY

Work through us and our gifts, Lord, so that what comes to us as seed goes forth as flower, and what comes to us as flower, goes forth as fruit.

*CLOSING SONG

Friend of God - Israel Houghton

Insert

BLESSING

Rev. Janet Craswell

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Paula Pree



Nurturing One Another: A Time of Reflection, Fellowship and Conversation

TODAY | from 3-5 pm | Great Hall of the Metropolitan Memorial campus

Join us on Sunday to discuss ways we can meet the needs of our congregation and broader community as we form a new Nurture Team.

This will be an invitation to share joys, concerns, and ideas about innovative ways to strengthen our connections and deepen our faith. We'll talk about ways to enhance our traditional community events, as well as brainstorm on new activities to care for and energize our church family.

Come with suggestions or just to listen. The event is open to all.



the Messenger is Here!

The first Spring edition of our newsletter “**the Messenger**” is out today!

Visit nationalchurch.org/messenger to read about all that is happening in our community.

Want to be included in the next edition of the Messenger?

Send us an email at communications@nationalchurch.org with an excerpt of what you would like to add.

NOTE: Deadline for newsletter submissions is Monday, March 18th.



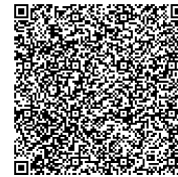
32nd Annual Sing Out for Shelter Concert

Saturday, March 9 | 7:30 pm | at NUMC, Metropolitan Memorial Sanctuary

Once again, National UMC has the honor of hosting the Annual Sing Out for Shelter benefit concert. Over the years this event has raised more than \$400,000 to support Friendship Place, Christ House, and the work of our St. Luke's Mission Center.

The year's concert will feature *a cappella* performances by The Augmented Eight, Yale University's Whim'n Rhythm, and the Maret School's Gracenotes.

Tickets can be purchased online using the QR code or at the door.
General admission is \$30.



Lenten Study: A Sacred Voice is Calling

Sundays 10am Library, In Person Only

Thursdays, 7-8 PM, on Zoom

Meeting ID: 840 6006 3996

Passcode: 086393

Mar. 7 / Mar. 10 - Suffering: The Call of the Wounded Healer

Mar. 14 / Mar. 17 - Conscience: The Morality of the Heart

Mar. 21 / Mar. 24 - Social Conscience: Awakening from the Sleep of Inhumanity

This Lent, we will consider the ways God calls us, what God calls us to do, and who God calls us to be. Calling is not just about a job or a mission, it is also about discovering our true selves. Using John Neafsey's book, *A Sacred Voice is Calling: Personal Vocation and Social Conscience* as a starting point, we will look at how God is calling every one of us – each unique, authentic self. The weekly meetings will be a time of prayer, meditation, gentle discussion, and listening for God's voice among us.

You are not required to read the book to participate, but you may find it meaningful. Copies of the book are available in the office at the Metropolitan Memorial campus and on the back table at the Wesley campus. If you need a copy of the book mailed to you, please send a note to communications@nationalchurch.org

Don't Let Nobody Turn You 'Round
Albertina Walker

CHORUS

**Don't let nobody turn you round
Turn you round**

**Don't let nobody turn you round
Turn you round**

**Don't let nobody turn you round
Turn you round**

Just keep your feet on solid ground

CHORUS

VERSE

**Friends may come and friends may
go don't let nobody turn you
'round**

**There's one thing that you should
know don't let nobody turn you
'round**

**They'll pick you up and they'll let
you down don't let nobody turn you
'round**

**But you gotta keep your feet on solid
ground don't let nobody turn you
'round**

CHORUS

VERSE

**My hope is built on nothing less
don't let nobody turn you 'round**

**But Jesus blood and righteousness
don't let nobody turn you 'round**

**I cannot trust the sweetest frame
don't let nobody turn you 'round**

**But I'm gonna wholly lean on Jesus
name don't let nobody turn you
'round**

CHORUS

HALF VERSE

**Amazing grace how sweet the sound
don't let nobody turn you 'round**

**I once was lost but now I'm found
don't let nobody turn you 'round**

CHORUS

OUTRO

**Keep your feet, Keep your feet, Keep
your feet, Keep your feet,**

**Keep your feet, Keep your feet on
solid ground**

(3 TIMES)

Friend of God

Michael Gungor and Ireal Houghton

I am a friend of God, I am a friend of God
I am a friend of God, He calls me friend

I am a friend of God,
I am a friend of God
I am a friend of God,
He calls me friend

Who am I that You are mindful of me
That You hear me when I call
Is it true that You are thinking of me How
You love me it's amazing

I am a friend of God, I am a friend of God I
am a friend of God, He calls me friend
I am a friend of God, I am a friend of God
I am a friend of God, He calls me friend

God Almighty, Lord of Glory You have called me friend
God Almighty, Lord of Glory You have called me friend

I am a friend of God, I am a friend of
God I am a friend of God, He calls me
friend
I am a friend of God, I am a friend of God
I am a friend of God, He calls me friend

It's amazing, it's amazing
So amazing, it's amazing
It's amazing, it's amazing
It's amazing, He calls me friend

God Almighty, Lord of Glory You have called me friend
God Almighty, Lord of Glory You have called me friend

It's amazing! What a privilege
You have called me friend