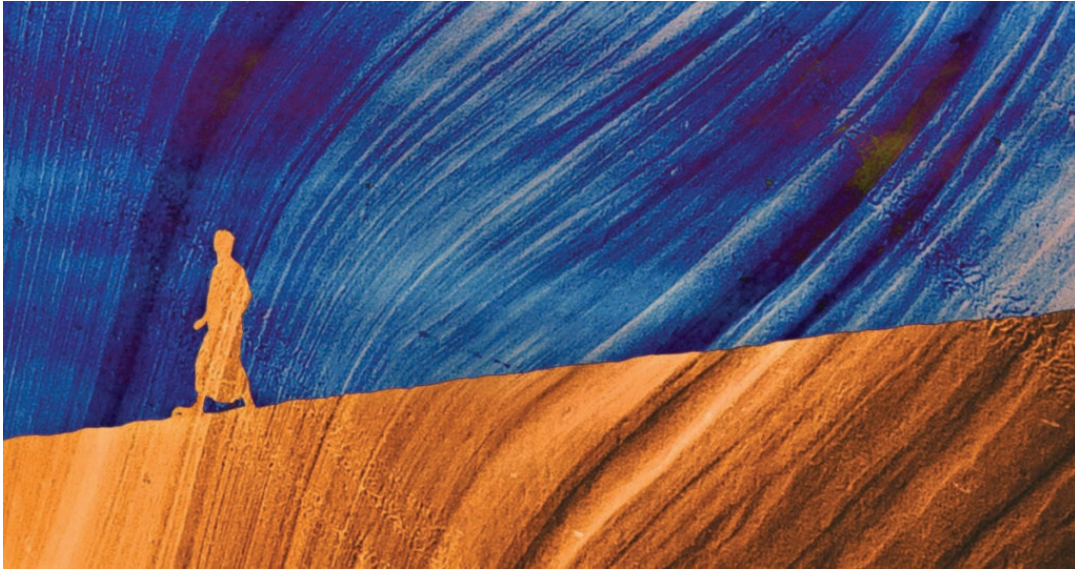


NATIONAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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



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 attendance registry 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

Come on in this House

WELCOME

Rev. Janet Craswell

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**

If You Live Right

Wesley Choir

***OPENING PRAYER**

Rev. Dr. Rachel Livingston

***PASSING the PEACE**

BIBLE LESSON

Mark 1:9-15

Colin Davies

SERMON

Into The Wilderness, Out to the World

Rev. Janet Craswell

INVITATION to DISCIPLESHIP

HOLY COMMUNION

Morning Has Broken

UMH 145

**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

Rev. Dr. Rachel Livingston

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

Ain't Got Time To Die - Hall Johnson

Wesley Choir

*DOXOLOGY

UMH 95

DEDICATING OUR GIFTS to MINISTRY

Colin Davies

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

Somebody Prayed For Me - Dorothy Norwood

BLESSING

Rev. Janet Craswell

ANNOUNCEMENTS



UMW Book Drive and Sale!

TODAY | 10 am to 2 pm | Metropolitan Memorial parking lot

We are getting ready for the annual UMW Book & Bake Sale Friday-Sunday, Feb. 23-25, net proceeds to benefit Project Transformation DC, AsylumWorks, FAIR Girls, and Wesley Seminary. Please tell your friends, neighbors, book clubs, and work buddies about the sale.

**Hope to see you at the Book & Bake Sale
Friday-Sunday, Feb. 23-25.**

The sale is organized by the United Methodist Women. Net proceeds to benefit Project Transformation DC, AsylumWorks, FAIR Girls, and Wesley Seminary. Please tell your friends, neighbors, book clubs, and work buddies about the sale. More details at www.nationalchurchumw.org



Planting Trees at NUMC

Saturday, March 16th at Metropolitan Memorial Campus

National UMC will hold a tree planting event where we will be planting nearly 20 trees with the help of Casey Trees.

There is no minimum age to volunteer! Kids middle-school aged or younger must be accompanied by a parent/guardian throughout the event. High school students must have a parent/guardian sign a waiver to participate but may then be dropped off.

The planting runs from 8 AM till Noon.

(Note: you must be present for the 8 AM demonstration to participate in the planting.)

Registration is Limited, so sign up soon.

SIGN UP HERE





Lenten Study: *A Sacred Voice Is Calling*

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 may participate Thursdays on-line or Sunday mornings in-person.

TODAY, 10 AM in-person in the Library -- “Authenticity”

Thursdays, 7-8 PM, on Zoom.
Meeting ID: 840 6006 3996

Upcoming sessions:

Feb. 22/25 - Passion & Compassion: The Heart’s Calling

Feb. 29/March 3 - Vision: The Quest for a Worthy Dream

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

March 14/17 - Conscience: The Morality of the Heart

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

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



Jazz@Wesley Presents: NOM Saturday, February 24, 6:30-8:30 pm

Come experience an impressive new talent on the DC jazz scene, NOM. He’s bringing his drums and his skilled band to Jazz@Wesley in February. A student of UDC’s esteemed jazz program, NOM’s musical prowess is intuitive, energetic, and utterly engaging.

Join us to enjoy DC’s latest homegrown jazz sensation.
www.nationalchurch.org/jazz

NOM

DATE: FEBRUARY 24, 2024
TIME: 6:30-8:30 PM

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If You Live Right

If you live right, heaven belongs to you,

If you live right, heaven belongs to you,

If you live right, heaven belongs to you.

O, heaven belongs to you.

If you walk right...

If you talk right...

If you pray right...

Treat your neighbor right...

Somebody Prayed For Me

Dorothy Norwood

Somebody prayed for me
Somebody prayed for me,
had me on their mind,
took the time to pray for me.
I'm so glad they prayed,
I'm so glad they prayed,
I'm so glad they prayed for me.

The people prayed for me,
had me on their mind,
took the time to pray for me.
I'm so glad they prayed,
I'm so glad they prayed,
I'm so glad they prayed for me.

My Jesus prayed for me,
had me on his mind,
took the time to pray for me.
I'm so glad he prayed,
I'm so glad he prayed,
I'm so glad he prayed for me.