

**February 16, 2020 at 11:00 AM**

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

**UMH:** United Methodist Hymnal | **FWS:** Faith We Sing

**Prelude**

*Lord, I Want to Be a Christian*

American Spiritual  
arranged by Charles Callahan

*Down to the River to Pray*  
Women's Retreat Choir

arr. Audrey Snyder

## **Extending Christ's Radical Hospitality**

### **Words of Welcome and Centering Silence**

#### † **Call to Worship**

This we have come to know,  
this is what we have heard:  
the Eternal is an everlasting God,  
creator of heaven and earth,

**who does not grow weary or faint;  
whose wisdom is unsearchable,  
giving energy to the meek  
and strength to those who have none.**

Even youths shall faint and grow weary,  
young athletes shall fall exhausted;  
but those who love the Lord Jesus  
and patiently put their trust in God,  
shall renew their strength;

**they shall soar with wings like eagles,  
they shall run and not weary,  
they shall walk and not faint.**

#### † **Opening Hymn**

*Maker, in Whom We Live*

**UMH 88**

## **Transformed by Faith**

### **Time for the Young and Young at Heart**

### **Prayers of the People**

### **Dedication of Presence and Invitation to Offering**

*Please register your attendance and pass the black book to the side aisle.*

### **Offertory**

*O God, Thou Faithful God*

J.S. Bach  
from Cantata No. 24

*...thou fountain ever flowing; without whom nothing is, all perfect gifts bestowing; a pure and healthy frame, O give me, and within, a conscience free from blame, a soul unhurt by sin. If dangers gather round, still keep me calm and fearless; help me to bear the cross when life is dark and cheerless; to overcome my foe with words and actions kind; when counsel I would know, good counsel let me find.*

#### † **Dedication of Gifts:**

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

**UMH 94**

† **Prayer of Dedication**

**God of grace,  
it is our delight and our devotion  
to give these gifts to you.  
All we are and all we have  
are yours alone.  
Accept this joyful offering  
as a token of our abiding love:  
use it to bring peace, justice  
and comfort to all the world, Amen.**

**Scripture Lesson**

MARK 7:1-7

Page 42, New Testament

**Anthem**

*I Want Jesus to Walk with Me*

American Spiritual  
arr. Charles Lloyd, Jr.

*I'm alone, so unbearably alone. So all alone, and far away from home. I can't keep from cryin'. I want Jesus to walk with me all along my pilgrim journey, Lord, I want my Jesus to walk with me. In my trials, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me. When my heart is almost breakin', Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me. When I'm in trouble.... When my head is bowed in sorrow....*

Nicholas Carratura, tenor

**Sermon**

**"Wide Open Witness"**  
Rev. Doug Robinson-Johnson

† **Hymn:**

*All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*  
verses 1, 4, 5, and 6

**UMH 154**

**Invitation to Holy Communion and Confession**

**UMH 12**

**The Great Thanksgiving**

**UMH 13**

*...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:*

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of pow-er, God of might.  
Heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na  
in the high-est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the  
name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

*...as we proclaim the mystery of faith:*

Christ has died, Christ is ris-en, Christ will come a-gain.

...all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and forever:



### The Lord's Prayer

UMH 895

*After prayers of thanksgiving and consecration, all will be invited to receive bread which is dipped into the cup of juice and eaten. Gluten free elements are available. After partaking of these gifts, participants are encouraged to visit the altar rail for a time of personal prayer.*

### Hymns During Communion

*My Tribute  
Lord, Speak to Me*

UMH 99  
UMH 463

### Prayer of Thanksgiving

### Pursuing Justice

† **Closing Hymn**

*To God Be the Glory*

UMH 98

† **Sending Forth**

**Postlude**

*Postlude in D*

Healey Willan

**Rev. Janet Craswell** and **Rev. Doug Robinson-Johnson**, *clergy leadership*;  
**Douglas Bell**, *liturgist*;  
**Chancel Choir**  
**Bruce Caviness**, *organist and choir director*

The communion responses are written by Benjamin D'Angelo

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God  
and in loving memory of Edward Hamilton Cranick  
by his parents, Don and Grace Cranick

## Book Drive

**Saturday, February 22, 9 am – 2 pm  
and Sunday, February 23, noon – 4 pm**

Plan now to declutter and downsize your book, DVD, CD, and vinyl record collections by donating to the Book Drive.

It's a simple process:

1. Load your car with your donation. (Please no encyclopedias, old travel guides or self help books, VHS tapes, cassettes, anything moldy, musty, dirty, or torn).
2. Pull into the parking lot.
3. Wait while volunteers unload your car and hand you a receipt.
4. You drive away!

## Sing Out for Shelter

**Saturday, February 22 at 8:00 pm**

National UMC will once again host the “Sing Out for Shelter” concert. This year’s event features performances by several award-winning *a cappella* groups including The Augmented 8, the Katzenjammers from Princeton University, Venus d Minor, and The Grace Notes, an all-female group from Maret School.

Proceeds benefit three local homeless service providers, including our own transitional housing programs, Metropolitan House and St. Luke’s House.

Tickets can be purchased online or at the door.

## Who Are We as United Methodists?

**Study series meets at 12:30 pm in the Library**  
(outside the Sanctuary through the doors on the right side)

This week: Our Unfinished Business-What Really Happened in 1968



# National United Methodist Church

*A Reconciling Congregation*

## Metropolitan Memorial Campus

3401 Nebraska Avenue, NW | Washington, DC 20016

February 16, 2020, at 11:00 AM

## Sixth Sunday after Epiphany



**Our Vision: Extending radical hospitality,  
transforming lives, and pursuing justice.**

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*Praising Learning Serving Caring Sharing*

### **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.*

**ALL are welcome here. All means ALL.**