

February 2, 2020 at 11:00 AM

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

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

Prelude

Balm in Gilead

American Spiritual
setting by Charles Callahan

Extending Christ's Radical Hospitality

Words of Welcome and Centering Silence

† **Call to Worship:**

The Spirit of God is among us, and God has called us to bring good news to the poor.

God has called us to bind up the brokenhearted and proclaim liberty to the captives.

God seeks to be made known in this place and throughout the earth.

Let us proclaim the time of God's favor. Let us comfort those who mourn. Let us anoint the world with hope that God may be glorified. Let us worship God!

† **Opening Hymn**

Marching to Zion

UMH 733

Message for the Young and Young at Heart

Anthem

Great Day!

American Spiritual
setting by Hall Johnson

...the righteous marchin'. Great Day! God's gonna build up Zion's wall. Chariot moved on the mountaintop.... My Lord spoke and the chariot stopped.... This is the year of Jubilee, when my Lord set His people free.... When I was a mourner like you, I prayed and prayed till I come through.... We want no cowards in our band; we call for valiant-hearted men....

Katelyn Neumann, mezzo-soprano

Transformed by Faith

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 Strength and Stay

L. Bourgeois

...upholding all creation, who ever dost thyself unmoved abide, yet day by day the light in due gradation from hour to hour through all its changes guide. Grant to life's day a calm unclouded ending, an eve untouched by shadows of decay, the brightness of a holy deathbed blending with dawning glories of the eternal day. Hear us, O Father, gracious and forgiving, through Jesus Christ thy coeternal Word, Who, with the Holy Ghost, by all things living now and to endless ages art adored. Amen.

† **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 Reading

MARK 5:21-43

Page 39, New Testament

Sermon

“Restoration”

Rev. Doug Robinson-Johnson

† **Hymn:**

Tune: UMH 278

words by Carolyn Winfrey Gillette

***"For freedom, Christ has set us free!"
What joy is ours to claim!
No more enslaved, humanity
Finds life in Jesus' name.
We try, Lord, to be justified
Through all the works we do.
Yet you adopt us, saying, "Child,
It's Christ who makes you new."***

***We're clothed in Christ and we belong;
Now no one waits outside.
In him we find our common song;
Old ways no more divide.
"It is no longer I who live,
But Christ who lives in me."
He died for us, new life to give —
And new identity.***

***Now, Spirit-filled, may we be led
From ways that would destroy.
May we your people turn instead
To lives of love and joy.
May we find peace that makes us whole
And patience everywhere.
God, give us kindness, self-control,
And hearts and hands that share.***

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

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

A - men, A - men, A - men.

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

*Heal Us, Emmanuel, Hear Our Prayer
Amazing Grace*

UMH 266
UMH 378

Pursuing Justice

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Closing Hymn

Lift Every Voice and Sing

UMH 519

† Sending Forth

Postlude

The Dorian Toccata

J.S. Bach

Rev. Doug Robinson-Johnson, clergy leadership;
Rebekah Nantz, liturgist;
Andrea Levy and **Matthew Mechem**, communion servers;
Chancel Choir
Bruce Caviness, organist and choir director
The communion responses are written by Benjamin D'Angelo

Sunday School for all ages 10:05 am

Join us next Sunday!



Sacred Circle Dance

Friday, February 7

7:30-9:00 pm

Metropolitan Memorial Great Hall

The Caring Pillar invites everyone to an evening of Sacred Circle Dancing led by Evie Beck and Judith Walton of Sacred Circle Dance DC. Evie and Judith are both wonderful teachers, with a catalog of world music that is beautiful, uplifting and apropos to the intention of celebrating community in a warm and joyful experience. The dance steps are accessible to almost everyone, no experience is required, and the dance leaves us with smiles, friendship, and peace of heart.

For more information on Sacred Circle Dance DC, visit
<https://sacredcircledancedc.com>

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)

Rev. Janet Craswell leads a discussion based series helping us examine what it means to be United Methodists, both historically and in this time of transition for our denomination.

This week: Our Founder, John Wesley, the Resister



National United Methodist Church

A Reconciling Congregation

Metropolitan Memorial Campus

3401 Nebraska Avenue, NW | Washington, DC 20016

February 2, 2020, at 11:00 AM

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany



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

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.

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ALL are welcome here. All means ALL.