



Today's service is live-streamed. Those seated in rear remain off-camera

# NATIONAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

January 14 at 11:00 AM

*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.*

[www.nationalchurch.org](http://www.nationalchurch.org) | (202) 363-4900 | [communications@nationalchurch.org](mailto:communications@nationalchurch.org)

Wi-Fi Password: Welcome!

\* Standing as you are able

**PRELUDE**

*Ain't Gonna Let Nobody Turn Me Around*

**Ain't gonna let \*nobody turn me 'round,  
turn me 'round, turn me 'round.  
Ain't gonna let nobody turn me 'round,  
I'm gonna keep on a-walkin',  
keep on a-talkin',  
marchin' on to freedom land.**

\* [change this word only for each new verse]

**2 segregation**

**3 persecution**

**4 injustice**

**5 race hatred**

**6 no tear gas**

**WELCOME**

Rev. Doug Robinson-Johnson

**\*SONG of PRAISE**

*Oh, Freedom*

**Oh, freedom, Oh, freedom  
Oh freedom over me  
And before I'd be a slave  
I'd be buried in my grave  
And go home to my Lord and be free**

- **No more weepin', no more weepin'**
- **There'll be singing, there'll be singing**
- **There'll be shouting, there'll be shouting**

**\*OPENING PRAYER**

Paula Pree

**\*PASSING the PEACE**

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**BIBLE LESSON**

Micah 6:8 and James 2:14-26

**SERMON**

Debbie Hines

**INVITATION to DISCIPLESHIP**

Rev. Doug Robinson-Johnson

**HOLY COMMUNION**

*Taste and See* - Israel Houghton

## LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.  
Your Kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours.  
Now and forever. Amen**

## 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

*Woke Up This Morning*

## DOXOLOGY

UMH 95

## 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

*Sergei Rachmaninov Piano Concerto No.2*

Elli Brown-Egue, piano  
Spencer Tate, violin

## BLESSING

Rev. Doug Robinson-Johnson

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Paula Pree



**\*NEW\* Wesley Campus Bible Study – *Liberating Faith***

**January 14 - February 11 | 5 pm Sundays**

Community Room, Wesley Campus

This new Bible study class helps us find the liberating message of our scriptures. Each lesson includes a Bible passage, a modern-day case study, and life application. Using materials from the African Methodist Episcopal Church, *Liberating Faith* brings forward the voices of Christians of African descent. For more information, contact Tanner Carlson at [tannerc9@gmail.com](mailto:tannerc9@gmail.com)



### TODAY, Martin Luther King, Jr. Sunday with author Debbie Hines

Former Baltimore prosecutor, Assistant Attorney General for the State of Maryland, and trial attorney, Debbie Hines is an advocate for racial equity in the criminal justice system. An outspoken critic on criminal justice and race issues, Hines is often called on by media networks for legal commentary on local, national, and international outlets. Hines's opinion pieces appear in *The Washington Post*, *The Baltimore Sun*, *thehill.com*, and *HuffPost*.



Her book ***Get Off My Neck: Black Lives, White Justice and a Former Prosecutor's Quest for Reform*** (MIT Press) will be released on March 26, 2024, and is available now for pre-order.

She holds a Juris Doctorate from George Washington University Law School and a Bachelor of Arts degree in US history from the University of Pennsylvania. Debbie resides in Baltimore, Maryland, her hometown. She is a member of National United Methodist Church and worships at the Wesley campus.



Altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of our sisters who have smoothed the road before us, by the United Methodist Women / United Women in Faith.

**VBS Registration is Open!**  
**June 24-28, 2024 | 9 AM to Noon**  
**Metropolitan Memorial Campus**



Discover Jesus," an interactive Vacation Bible School where children use their investigative skills to discover Jesus! Through worship, drama, Bible stories, music, art, science, and games, children are invited to follow the example and teachings of Jesus in every place and every part of life. This is going to be a great adventure!



Use this QR code to register today

**MICHAEL THOMAS Quintet**



**DATE:** JANUARY 27, 2024  
**TIME:** 6:30-8:30 PM



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