



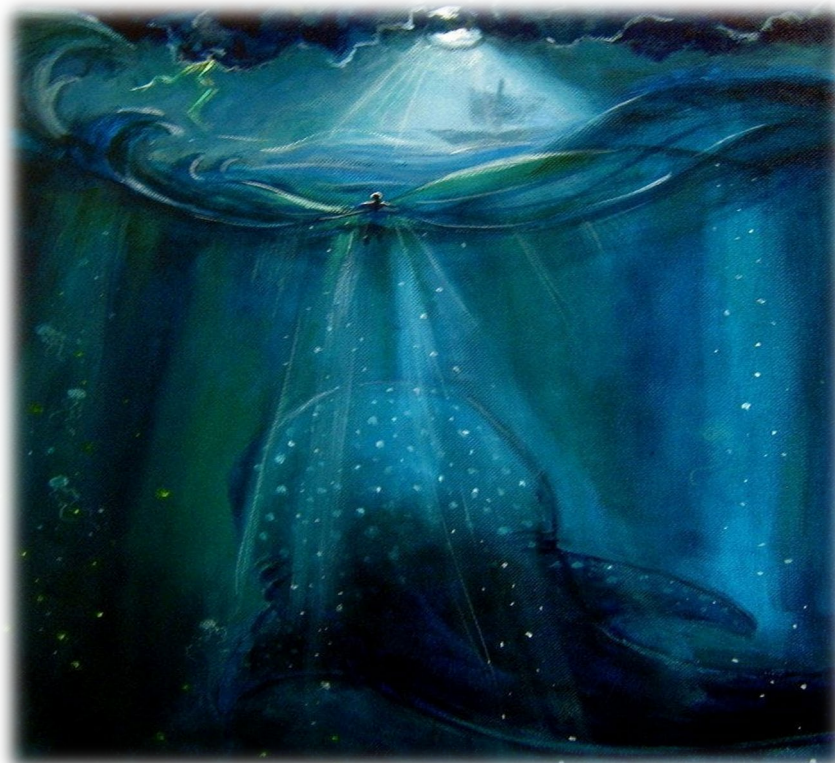
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NATIONAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

January 21 at 11:00 AM

Making the Love of God Obvious



<https://jamesbejon.substack.com/p/jonah-as-allegory>

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

Come On in this House

WELCOME

Rev. Janet Craswell

***SONG of PRAISE**

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UMH 344

***OPENING PRAYER**

Paula Pree

***PASSING the PEACE**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. Dr. Rachel Livingston

BIBLE LESSON

Jonah 3:1-5,10 and Mark 1:14-20

Curtis Pree

SERMON

Rev. Janet Craswell

INVITATION to DISCIPLESHIP

HOLY COMMUNION

Taste and See - Israel Houghton

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

Now Behold the Lamb - Kirk Franklin

DOXOLOGY

UMH 95

DEDICATING OUR GIFTS to MINISTRY

All:

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**

Siyahamba

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BLESSING

Rev. Janet Craswell

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Paula Pree



Winter Study—*Incompatible: How the Church Cast Out LGBTQ Christians and Where We Go Next*, by Charlie Baber
Wednesdays, 7-8 PM

In the lead-up to General Conference 2024, NUMC will be exploring the origins of the current struggle over LGBTQ inclusion in the United Methodist Church. You are invited to a three-week study of *Incompatible*, a very United Methodist graphic novel (comic book, but serious history) that examines the history of Christian belief and practices around human sexuality.
Facilitated by Rev. Janet Craswell and Angela Pupino

1/24: A Defining Moment
 (General Conference 1972)

**On Zoom at ID: 839 5022 4224,
 Passcode: 1inChrist.**

1/31: The Force of History
 (History of Human Sexuality in Christian Teaching)

2/7: An Open Table
 (Moving Towards a Methodist Theology of the Whole Body of Christ)



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



UMW Book Sale! - February 23, 24, and 25

Go through your books, CDs, Vinyl Records, and DVDs. Pack them up and drop them off at the Book Drive Sunday February 18. Drive into the Metropolitan parking lot between 10 am to 2 pm and volunteers will unload your donations and give you a receipt.

Remember: no textbooks, no travel guides older than 5 years old, and please recycle books that are stained or damaged.



Thank you for supporting the UMW Book & Bake Sale, benefiting Project Transformation DC, AsylumWorks, FAIR Girls, and Wesley Seminary.
 Questions? contact Anita Seline amseline@aol.com



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

“Seekers and Sneakers” is 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**