



NATIONAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Metropolitan Memorial Campus 3401 Nebraska Avenue, NW | Washington, DC

January 28 at 11:00 AM



“Reverence for God is the beginning of wisdom: all who practice it have a good understanding.”
-Psalm 111:10

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 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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WiFi Password: Welcome!

VOLUNTARY *Sarabande and Interlude-* Herbert Sumsion Todd Beckham, Organ

CENTERING SILENCE

As chime is sounded, please observe reverent silence for a moment in preparation for worship.

CHORAL INTROIT *God Be in my Head* – John Rutter

✠ **ENTRANCE**

✠ **OPENING HYMN** *Christ, Whose Glories Fill the Skies* UMH 173

✠ **WELCOME** Rev. Doug Robinson-Johnson

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Rev. Janet Craswell
Rev. Doug Robinson-Johnson

PSALTER *Psalm 111* UMH 832
Cantor- Larry L. Boggs Jr.

HEBREW TESTAMENT Deuteronomy 18: 15-20 Rev. Janet Craswell

CHORAL RESPONSE *God Hath Spoken by the Prophets* UMH 108

✠ **GOSPEL** Mark 1:21-28 Rev. Doug Robinson-Johnson

CHORAL RESPONSE *Silence, Frenzied, Unclean Spirit*

PRAYERS of the DAY with Lord's Prayer Rev. Janet Craswell

**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**

SERMON All New Material Rev. Doug Robinson-Johnson

INVITATION TO OFFERING Rev. Doug Robinson-Johnson

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	<i>Be thou my Vision</i> - Desroquettes	Chancel Choir
DEDICATION	<i>Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow</i>	UMH 95
† PRAYER of THANKSGIVING		Rev. Doug Robinson-Johnson
† CLOSING HYMN	<i>Praise my Soul, the King of Heaven</i>	UMH 66
† BENEDICTION		Rev. Doug Robinson-Johnson
CHORAL BENEDICTION	<i>The Lord Bless you and keep you</i> - Peter Lutkin	
VOLUNTARY	<i>Toccata in Seven</i> - John Rutter	Todd Beckham, organ



**Charge Conference - Monday, February 5, 2024
ONLINE, 7 pm**

The budget and nominated officers will come before an open session of the Church Council Tuesday, January 30th, 7 pm for final review.

Following revisions requested by Church Council, a **Charge Conference** has been called for Monday, February 5th at 7 pm, online, for final review, adoption, and dedication of our budget and leadership.

Invitation to Church Council and access to budget and roster of leaders will be disseminated through the regular Tuesday E-Blast. Not subscribed?

Send an email to chloer@nationalchurch.org to sign up.

Those who wish to receive advance copies of the budget along with Council members are asked to request these from communications@NationalChurch.org. **These will be sent on Monday, 1/29.**

**There is still time to make your financial pledge to National UMC.
Use the QR code to get started.**



Please remain in prayer for the stewardship of our ministry resources of time, talent, and treasure this week.



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

1/31: 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)

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



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