



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 28 at 11:00 AM

Making the Love of God Obvious



Art by He Qi

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.

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Wi-Fi Password: Welcome!

* Standing as you are able

PRELUDE

Come on in this House

WELCOME

Angela Pupino

***SONG of PRAISE**

Be Thou My Vision

UMH 451

***OPENING PRAYER**

Paula Pree

***PASSING the PEACE**

BIBLE LESSON

Deuteronomy 18:15-20

Colin Davies

REFLECTION

A Conversation About the Prophetic Call

Rev. Dr. Rachel Livingston
Angela Pupino
Kern Towler

INVITATION to DISCIPLESHIP

Rev. Dr. Rachel Livingston

HOLY COMMUNION

Vamos Todos Al Banquete – (Let Us All Go To The Banquet)

Vamos todos al banquete,
a la mesa de la creación,
cada cual con su taburete,
tiene un puesto y una misión.

Let us go now to the banquet
to the feast of the universe
The table's set and a place is waiting
Come everyone with your gifts to share.

Hoy me levanto muy temprano,
ya me espera la comunidad,
voy subiendo alegre la cuesta,
voy en busca de tu amistad.

I will rise in the early morning
The community's waiting for me
With a spring in my step I'm walking
With my friends and my family.

Dios invita a todos los pobres,
a esta mesa común por la fe,
donde no hay acaparadores,
y a nadie le falta un con que.

God invites all the poor and hungry
to the banquet of justice and good
where the harvest will not be hoarded
so that no one will lack for food.

Dios nos manda hacer de este mundo,
una mesa de fraternidad,
trabajando y luchando juntos,
compartiendo la propiedad.

May we build such a place among us
Where all people are equal in love
God has called us to work together
And to share everything we have.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. Dr. Rachel Livingston

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

Stand - John P. Kee

DOXOLOGY

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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

Cry of My Heart

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BLESSING

Angela Pupino

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Paula Pree



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.



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



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.**



Grate Patrol

TODAY Sunday join us in the Metropolitan Memorial Vestry after the 9 am worship or the Wesley Fellowship Hall after worship to make sandwiches and pack lunches for the monthly Grate Patrol, a Salvation Army program that serves meals to the homeless of DC every night.



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