



NATIONAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

March 24 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 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!

PRELUDE *We Sing Hosanna* - Jeremy Russell Metropolitan Children's Choir

CENTERING SILENCE

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

INTROIT *A Palm Sunday Antiphon* - David Morgan

✠ **WELCOME** Rev. Dr. Rachel Livingston

We are glad you are here today! Please find and complete the "Welcome Card" in a pew in front of you to let us know you are here today and to offer any personal prayer concerns. These will be received by ushers later in the service.

✠ **OPENING HYMN** *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna* UMH 278

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Rev. Dr. Rachel Livingston

PSALTER Psalm 118 UMH 839
Cantor - Larry L. Boggs Jr.

HEBREW TESTAMENT Isaiah 50:4-9 Suzanne Clewell

SUNG RESPONSE *All Glory, Laud and, Honor* UMH 280, Vss. 1 and 2

NEW TESTAMENT Mark 14:26-42 Suzanne Clewell

SUNG RESPONSE *All Glory, Laud and, Honor* UMH 280, vs. 3 and 4

PRAYERS of the DAY with Lord's Prayer Rev. Doug Robinson-Johnson

**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 "Clarity and Courage" Rev. Doug Robinson-Johnson

INVITATION TO OFFERING and MISSION MOMENT

Anita Seline



Please help us *Share the Joy of Easter* by making a new commitment or second mile gift toward the vital ministries of National UMC. Ushers will receive our welcome cards, prayer requests, financial gifts, and “Share the Joy” commitment cards at this time. Online gifts may be shared using this QR code.

OFFERTORY

When I Survey The Wondrous Cross - Malcolm Archer

Chancel Choir

† DEDICATION

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH 95

† PRAYER of THANKSGIVING

Rev. Dr. Rachel Livingston

† CLOSING HYMN

To Mock Your Reign, O Dearest Lord

UMH 285

† BENEDICTION

Rev. Doug Robinson-Johnson

CHORAL BENEDICTION

Da Pacem Cordium - Jacques Bertier 'Taize'

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HOLY WEEK SERVICE SCHEDULE	Metropolitan Memorial 9am and 11am Service	Wesley Campus 11am Service
TODAY	Palms and Children’s Choir	9am Breakfast 11am Palms
HOLY THURSDAY, MARCH 28		Wesley Fellowship Hall 6:30pm – 7:30pm A simple meal followed by table conversations, songs, and community
GOOD FRIDAY, MARCH 29	Metropolitan Memorial Sanctuary 7pm – 8pm (live-streamed) A service based on seven stations of the cross	
EASTER SUNDAY, MARCH 31	at Metropolitan Memorial 9am and 11am service: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commonwealth Brass • Metropolitan Ringers • Organ and Choir • Community Egg Hunt 	at Wesley Campus 11am service: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wesley Choir • Praise Band • Community Egg Hunt



Last day to order Easter flowers is Monday, March 25

To remember or honor a loved one this Easter, please fill out the form online at www.nationalchurch.org/Flowers.

The Easter flowers in the church are 100% provided by your contributions. Each flower is available for a donation of \$25. Any donation amount is welcome. All donations will be recognized in our Easter morning bulletin.

You can make your donation online or send cash, or check to:
Pam Murdoch, Finance Coordinator c/o National UMC, Metropolitan Memorial Campus,
3401 Nebraska Avenue NW,
Washington, DC 20016



Community Easter Egg Hunt

Sunday, March 31

From 10:15am to 11am at Metropolitan Memorial and 12:30pm at the Wesley UMC campus, invite your friends and neighbors to join us for a community Easter Egg hunt. We'll hide eggs and have fun activities for kids of all ages.

If you'd like to volunteer, contact communications@nationalchurch.org



Food Ministry at National UMC – Helping Our Neighbors In DC

There are a number of ways to assist with our food ministry. Today, visit the Vestry to make sandwiches for Grate Patrol and for our other partners we serve this week. We have regular pickups from Levain's Bakery in Georgetown and weekly sandwich sessions with Chef Anthony Mickens, who directs the program, at St. Luke's Mission Center. In May, we will also begin daily pickups from Norman's Farm Market. Check church website, under the "Serve" tab, for details.



Sign up using this QR code

Grocery Bag Project/Food Donations

You can help fight hunger in DC by purchasing items for the Campus Kitchen Food Ministry's Grocery Bag Project. Campus Kitchen's Chef Anthony will use items you donate to prepare home meals for DC families in need or place them in grocery bags to be distributed to those facing food insecurity. Campus Kitchen distributes 200 grocery bags a month.

Drop off your donations in the green-lidded bin in the Metropolitan foyer or buy food from the Amazon Wishlist using the QR code.

