



METROPOLITAN MEMORIAL CAMPUS

3401 Nebraska Ave, NW
Washington, D.C

MAY 5, 2024 | 9:00AM

NATIONAL
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



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!

*This service is live-streamed.
Those seated in the rear of sanctuary will remain off-camera.*

UMH: United Methodist Hymnal | **TFWS:** The Faith We Sing * Standing as you are able

GATHERING MUSIC *Amazing Grace* Kerm Towler, flute
Arr. Rich Heffler Todd Beckham, piano

WELCOME Rev. Dr. Rachel Livingston

***SONG of PRAISE** *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* UMH 400

***PRAYER of THANKSGIVING** Rev. Dr. Rachel Livingston

During the prayer, young people will assemble in the Children's Chapel to receive bells to play in a procession to the altar. Children of all ages may participate.

Before being seated all will be invited to extend signs of hospitality to one another.

ENTRANCE of the BELLS

Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven."

CALL to OFFERING

We support the life of this church with our prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness. Ushers will receive our attendance sheets, prayer requests, and financial gifts at this time. Online gifts may be shared using this QR code.

Rev. Dr. Rachel Livingston



OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Find My Peace
Arr. Mark Hayes

DaySpring Choir

***DEDICATING OUR GIFTS to MINISTRY**

Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks, to the Holy One, give thanks, for God has given Jesus Christ in Love. And now, let the weak say "I am strong," let the poor say "I am rich," because of what the Lord has done for us! Give thanks! Give thanks!

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. Janet Craswell

Young people are encouraged to gather near the chancel steps, exiting to Children's Choir afterward.

SCRIPTURE READING

John 15:9-17

MeLisa Creamer

MESSAGE

What the World Needs Now

Rev. Doug Robinson-Johnson

THE LORD'S SUPPER

Fill My Cup Lord

UMH 641

Please respond when prompted by the Communion presiders.

1 Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord..

Hosanna in the highest.

2 Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

3 By your Spirit make us one with Christ,
one with each other,
and one in ministry to all the world,
until Christ comes in final victory
and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church,
all honor and glory is yours, almighty God,
now and forever. Amen.

***LORD'S PRAYER**

TFWS Back Cover

***CLOSING SONG**

Help Us Accept Each Other

UMH 560

***BLESSING**

Rev. Doug Robinson-Johnson

***DEPARTING in JOY**



Farewell for Pastor Doug

As we prepare for Pastor Doug's departure, the SPRC is soliciting contributions from the congregation to purchase a collection of farewell gifts to thank Doug for his hard work and faithful service to NUMC since 2019. In order to contribute, you can send money via venmo (@MeLisa-Creamer, last 4 digits of the phone number are 6963, or scan the QR code below), or checks can be sent to the church (3401 Nebraska Ave NW Washington DC 20016) written to MeLisa Creamer. We ask that all monetary donations be made by noon on May 18th. In addition, cards can be dropped off weekdays at the Metropolitan Campus Church Office. We thank you in advance for helping us honor Pastor Doug.



venmo

Gifts made possible by your generous support will be presented to Pastor Doug on his last day of preaching at National, May 19 (details to follow). Please direct any questions or suggestions to MeLisa Creamer, SPRC Chair (melisa.creamer@gmail.com)



New Summer Worship Schedule

The 9:00 Metropolitan service and the 11:00 Wesley service will both be [live-streamed](#) for those who worship remotely.

May 26 - June 16:

9:00 am Worship at Metropolitan
10:00 am Sunday School at Metropolitan
11:00 am Worship at Wesley
12:15 pm More Than Coffee Hour
(Community Lunch)

June 23 - September 8:

9:00 am Worship and Children's Sunday School
at Metropolitan
10:00 am Intergenerational service, fellowship
and community events at Metropolitan
11:00 am Worship at Wesley
12:15 pm More Than Coffee Hour
(Community Lunch)



General Conference Recap

We are coming to the end of the United Methodist General Conference in Charlotte, NC. Join a discussion of what has happened and what it means for our church going forward.

May 9: Pastor Doug and Rev. Erica Robinson-Johnson will report on the changes to our Book of Discipline and Social Principles, and share their insights from being present in Charlotte for the General Conference.

Thursday evening, May 9, 7-8 PM on [Zoom](#)
Meeting ID: 886 1751 9998 | Passcode:151178



The Arts Council of The National United Methodist Church Presents

Pigments of the Imagination: Paintings by Maria-Victoria Checa
Exhibition Opening and Reception

Sunday, May 19, 2024 12:30 pm - 2:30 pm in the Great Hall
Metropolitan Memorial Campus
3401 Nebraska Ave NW, Washington, DC 20016

Free Admission

