March I, 2020 at II:00 AM

Bold Print - Congregational Response | 🕆 - Please stand as you are able **UMH**: United Methodist Hymnal | **FWS**: Faith We Sing

Prelude

Forty Days and Forty Nights

Heinlein setting by David N. Johnson

We Gather to Praise God

Words of Welcome and Centering Silence

† Call to Worship

Look! I am laying in Zion a stone, rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight,

Whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.

Come to him, a living stone, chosen and precious in God's sight,

Like living stones,

let us be built into a spiritual house.

Christ Jesus is the cornerstone.

We are the holy temple of the Lord.

† Opening Hymn

Glorious Things of Thee Are Soken

UMH 731

We Listen to Hear God's Voice

Time for the Young and Young at Heart

Prayers of the People

Dedication of Presence and Invitation to Offering

Please register your attendance and pass the black book to the side aisle.

Offertory If Ye Love Me Thomas Tallis

..., keep my commandments, and I will pray the Father, and He shall give you another Comforter, that He may bide with you for ever: even the Spirit of truth.

† Dedication of Gifts:

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH 95

Prayer of Dedication

God of grace,

it is our delight and our devotion to give these gifts to you. All we are and all we have are yours alone. Accept this joyful offering as a token of our abiding love: use it to bring peace, justice and comfort to all the world, Amen.

Scripture Reading

PSALM 19

Page 498, Hebrew Scripture

Sermon

"God's Radiance, Everywhere" Rev. Doug Robinson-Johnson

We Respond to God's Great Love

♣ Hymn: All Things Bright and Beautiful

UMH 147

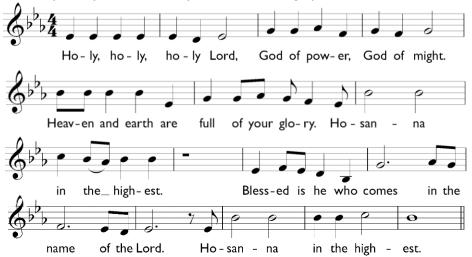
Invitation to Holy Communion and Confession

UMH 12

The Great Thanksgiving

UMH 13

...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



...as we proclaim the mystery of faith:



...all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and for ever:



The Lord's Prayer UMH 895

After prayers of thanksgiving and consecration, all will be invited to receive bread which is dipped into the cup of juice and eaten. Gluten free elements are available. After partaking of these gifts, participants are encouraged to visit the altar rail for a time of personal prayer.

Music During Communion

Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days Jesus Calls Us UMH 269 UMH 398

Prayer of Thanksgiving

We Are Scattered to Serve God in the World

† Sending Forth

Postlude Psalm XIX: The Heavens Declare Benedetto Marcello

Rev. Janet Craswell and Rev. Doug Robinson-Johnson, clergy leadership; Carol Bartlett, liturgist;

Penny Andrews and Sharon Anderson, communion servers; Chancel Choir

Bruce Caviness, organist and choir director

The communion responses are written by Benjamin D'Angelo



Contemplative Lenten Worship

Sundays in March, 7:00 pm Metropolitan Memorial Sanctuary

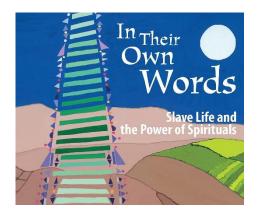
March I: Contemplative Service

March 8: Healing Service

March 15: Contemplative Service

March 22: Celtic Service

March 29: Contemplative Service



"The Power of Spirituals"

Interactive Concert with Musician and Author Eileen Guenther

March 15, 3:00 pm

Metropolitan Memorial Sanctuary

Featuring the National UMC

Festival Choir



Donate to the ASP Auction!

Help our youth perform lifesaving home repairs in Appalachia this summer

Consider donating an item or service to the ASP (Appalachia Service Project) Auction, which will be held April 5. Past donations include everything from food baskets and babysitting to vacation homes and sports tickets. For more information,

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A Reconciling Congregation

Metropolitan Memorial Campus 3401 Nebraska Avenue, NW | Washington, DC 20016

February 23, 2020, at 11:00 AM First Sunday of Lent



Our Vision: Extending radical hospitality, transforming lives, and pursuing justice.

Praising Learning Serving Caring Sharing

Reconciling Statement

National United Methodist Church affirms that all individuals are of sacred worth without regard to race, ethnicity, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, age, religion, education, marital circumstances, economic status, physical and mental condition, or criminal history. We declare ourselves in support of the reconciling movement and welcome the full participation in the church of gay, lesbian, bisexual, or transgendered persons and their families, as a reflection of God's unconditional love.

At the same time, we recognize differences of opinion on issues of sexuality and seek to journey together in faith toward greater understanding and mutual respect.

ALL are welcome here. All means ALL.