



NATIONAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Metropolitan Memorial Campus 3401 Nebraska Ave NW
Wesley Campus 5312 Connecticut Ave NW
Washington, DC

MARCH 12, 2023
THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

EL SALVADORAN WOMAN WITH
SISTER DOROTHY KAZEL (1939-1980)
BY ARTIST KELLY LATIMER

METROPOLITAN MEMORIAL 9 AM

WELCOMING MUSIC

Bach: Prelude and Fugue in D Major,
Well Tempered Clavier, Book II

Junghoon Park, organ

*Children are invited to gather at the back to receive bells to ring at 9 am.
At the sound of the chime, please be seated and offer reverent silence as children enter with bells.*

WELCOME and CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Doug Robinson-Johnson and Connie Sommers

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P: We cry to the Lord, "Help us, O Lord."

L: When we thirst
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L: God who created the heavens and the earth hears our cries.
P: Let us worship our God who quenches our thirst and heals our hunger.
(adapted from Nancy C. Townley, Ministry Matters)

OPENING HYMN

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

UMH 127

ANTHEM

I Shall Not Be Moved - American Spiritual

Dayspring Choir

I shall not be, I shall not be moved; like a tree planted by the water, I shall not be moved. Jesus is my Savior, I shall not be moved; in His love and favor, I shall not be moved.... In my Christ abiding, I shall not be moved; in His love I'm hiding, I shall not be moved.... If I trust Him ever, I shall not be moved; He will fail me never, I shall not be moved.... On His word I'm feeding, I shall not be moved; He's the One that's leading....

*Financial offerings will be received at this time.
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CHILDREN'S TIME

Rev. Janet Craswell

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

SCRIPTURE READING

Exodus 17: 1-7

Connie Sommers

SERMON

Rev. Dr. Rachel Livingston

HYMN OF RESPONSE	<i>God Will Take Care of You</i>	UMH 130
PRAYER OF THE DAY and THE LORD'S PRAYER		Rev. Doug Robinson-Johnson
CLOSING HYMN	<i>Great Is Thy Faithfulness</i>	UMH 140
BENEDICTION and CALL TO ACTION		Rev. Dr. Rachel Livingston
POSTLUDE	<i>Great is Thy Faithfulness</i>	Junghoon Park, piano

Please join us at 10 am after worship for coffee and conversation in the Great Hall which is located through the double doors on the right of sanctuary and left, down the hall.

METROPOLITAN MEMORIAL 11AM

PRELUDE	<i>Prelude in G Minor</i> Clara Schumann	Bruce Caviness, organ
WELCOME and CALL TO WORSHIP		Rev. Janet Craswell and Art Rynearson
OPENING HYMN	<i>Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah</i>	UMH 127
SCRIPTURE READING	Exodus 17: 1-7	Art Rynearson
ANTHEM	<i>I Shall Not Be Moved - American Spiritual</i>	Chancel Choir

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POSTLUDE	<i>Postlude: Introduction and Fugue</i> Adela Douglas-Pennat	Bruce Caviness, organ

PRELUDE

The Summons

TFWS 2130

Musicians: Mike Wheaton, piano; Spencer Tate, guitar; Wyatt Mitchell, drums; Doc Powell, djembe

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OPENING HYMN

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

UMH 474

ANNOUNCEMENTS and PASSING OF THE PEACE

Paula Pree

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Doug Robinson-Johnson

SPECIAL MUSIC

Shaking the Tree

Peter Gabriel & Youssou N'Dour
In honor of International Women's Day

Wesley Choir

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SCRIPTURE READING

Exodus 17: 1-7 and John 4: 5-42 Colin Davies and Julie Niemczura

SERMON

Rev. Doug Robinson-Johnson

HYMN OF RESPONSE

In Christ Alone (my hope is found)

Insert

WESLEY PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

Colin Davies

Work through us and our gifts Lord, so what comes to us as seed, goes forth as flower.

And what comes to us as flower, goes forth as fruit.

CLOSING HYMN

Surely He Died on Calvary

Insert

BENEDICTION

Rev. Doug Robinson-Johnson

MUSIC to SEND US OUT

Si Tuvieras Fe

Please join us for complimentary lunch in the Wesley Fellowship Hall following worship today.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Book Drive TODAY, Noon to 4

Drive through the Metropolitan Memorial Campus parking lot and volunteers will unload your donated boxes of books, vinyl records, DVDs, and CDs for the upcoming Book & Bake Sale organized by the United Methodist Women. Please do not donate VHS and cassette tapes or textbooks and travel books more than five years old.

The sale will be held March 17-19, and benefits Project Transformation DC, Asylum Works, and A&D Memorial Institute. See nationalchurchumw.org for more information.

Holy Week Schedule Announced

- April 1 **"Seeds, Soup, and Songs"** Event @ St. Luke's Mission Center (12-3)
- April 2 **Palm Sunday Celebrations!** (9am Brunch at Wesley)
- April 5 **Prayer and Praise** "Five Means of Grace" (6pm Online)
- April 6 **Maundy Thursday** (In-person @ Great Hall 6pm / FB Live 8pm)
- April 7 **Good Friday** (In-person @ Wesley Sanctuary, Livestreamed)
- April 9 **Easter Celebrations!** (10am Brunch at Metropolitan Memorial)

Lenten Study: Five Means of Grace

During Lent, we are exploring five "means of grace" - spiritual practices that help us renew our relationship with God and help our church community pray more deeply and live with greater commitment to hospitality, mercy, and justice.

Participate either in-person in one of new neighborhood groups (schedules vary), or **Thursday evenings on Zoom. Thursdays, 7-8 PM, Meeting ID: 970 0575 7736, Passcode: justice**

March 16: Holy Communion

March 23: Fasting

March 30: Christian Conferencing

Reconciling Statement

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.

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