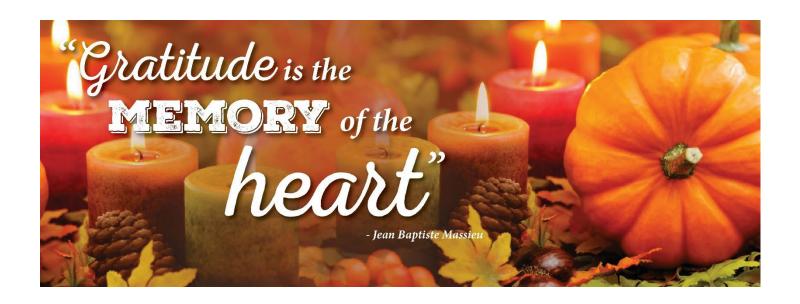


# NATIONAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

November 19 at 9:00 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 attendance registry today and our Minister of Discipleship will extend an invitation to upcoming orientations and then an introduction to the faith community.

www.nationalchurch.org | (202) 363-4900 | communications@nationalchurch.org Wi-Fi Password: Welcome!

Today's service is live-streamed. Those seated in rear remain off-camera.

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

**PRELUDE** 

Adagio - J.S. Bach

Todd Beckham, piano

Children are invited to gather at the back to receive bells to ring.

At the sound of the chime, please be seated while the children walk forward.

WELCOME

Rev. Doug Robinson-Johnson

CHILDREN'S CHOIR ANTHEM

Seek Ye First

PRAYER of PEACE

Rev. Doug Robinson-Johnson

\*SONG of THANKSGIVING

We Thy People Praise Thee

**UMH 67** 

#### 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, financial gifts and Commitment 2024 Pledges at this time. Online gifts may be shared using this QR code.



**ANTHEM** 

For Good - Kirby Shaw

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**

Angela Pupino

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

**SCRIPTURE READING** 

Deuteronomy 8:7-18

MESSAGE for TODAY Memory, Gratitude, Compassion

Rev. Janet Craswell

#### INVITATION to DISCIPLESHIP

In this time of meditation and commitment, participants may move to a prayer station around the sanctuary featuring the following options today:

- •Left Chapel—Praying for peace around the world.
- •Right Hallway—Receiving instructions for peace advocacy from Ken Longmyer
- •Front Altar Kneeler and Pew near cross path—Receiving individual prayer from pastors.
- •Seated and Online---Remember your own family's story of migration, war, danger, or hardship. Turn that memory into a prayer for people in those situations today. Join in Cameron Bellm's "Prayer for a Country Called War" https://cameronbellm.substack.com/p/prayer-for-a-country-called-war

LORD'S PRAYER TFSW back cover

\*CLOSING SONG Lead Me, Guide Me TFWS 2214

**BLESSING** Rev. Janet Craswell

**POSTLUDE** Fantasia in C Major - G.F. Handel Todd Beckham, piano

Then Sings Olly Soul

TOW GREAT

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Place your Commitment 2024 pledge card in today's offering.

Forms are available at the entance.



## **Church Office Closed**

The Church office will be closed:

Thursday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> & Friday, November 24<sup>th</sup> in observance of Thanksgiving. HAPPY HOLIDAYS!



IN-PERSON Security Briefing at Metropolitan Memorial TODAY Metropolitan Memorial, Great Hall | 12:30pm – 3pm Must be registered to attend.



Add to the Cornucopia on the Altar

Next Sunday, bring a non-perishable food item to share with our Campus Kitchen pantry.



# Advent Devotionals and Advent Calendars Advent begins Sunday, December 3

This year, NUMC will use the devotional:

How Does a Weary World Rejoice? An Advent Devotional

by A Sanctified Art, a collective of artists in ministry.

With art, poetry, songs, and reflections on scripture, the devotional takes us through Advent and Christmas in the gospel of Luke. A Sanctified Art also has two different Advent calendars: one for families with children, and one for adults or youth. Copies of the devotional and the Advent calendars will be available at the Wesley campus and Metropolitan Memorial campus after Thanksgiving.

If you worship remotely, please email <u>communications@nationalchurch.org</u> with your postal address and we will mail you a copy.



## **Angel Tree**

National United Methodist Church (together with our wonderful Metropolitan Nursery School) is continuing our beloved tradition of providing holiday gifts to children from the Salvation Army's Angel Tree program. These angels-- children from our metropolitan area—are all from families in need selected by the Salvation Army. We would love your help.

Angel Tree Gift Lists here:

https://nationalchurch.org/angel-tree

There are two ways to participate:

- 1. Select a child from the "Direct Ship List"
- 2. Select a child from the "Bring In Gifts List"

\*BRING YOUR GIFTS to the Metropolitan Campus by Tuesday, Nov. 28 (Nursery School families should bring their gifts to school. National UMC members and friends will be provided instructions for gift drop-off).

Please purchase at least 3 toys and a couple of clothing items, if possible.

Questions? Please contact Marsha Matthews

(marsha.t.matthews@gmail.com or 202-236-2253).

Thank you so much for your generosity and loving support.