

NATIONAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

October 1 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 attendance registry 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!

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

PRELUDE *Meditation from Symphony I* - Charles Marie Widor Bruce Caviness, organ

WORDS of WELCOME Rev. Doug Robinson-Johnson

ENTRANCE

✠ **PROCESSIONAL HYMN** *Christ for the World We Sing* UMH 568

✠ **CALL to CONFESSION**

✠ **CONFESSION**

O God, whose will it is that all your children should be one in Christ; we pray for the unity of your Church. Pardon all our pride and our lack of faith, of understanding and of charity, which are the causes of our divisions. Deliver us from narrow-mindedness, from our bitterness, from our prejudices. Save us from considering as normal that which is a scandal to the world and an offence to your love. Teach us to recognize the gifts of grace among all those who call upon you.

✠ **SILENT CONFESSION**

✠ **ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

The mercy of God is unending, the love of God is all encompassing, and the peace we share in Christ is fathomless. Knowing this, know that we are forgiven, today and all days.

One: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

All: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

✠ **EXCHANGE SIGNS of RECONCILIATION**

And now, since God has forgiven us in Christ let us share Christ's peace with one another. The peace of Christ be with you all....

RESPONSE IN SONG

Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks and sing! (refrain of UMH 160)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Angela Pupino

HYMN of HOPE *Confitemini Domino (Come and Fill Our Hearts)* TFWS 2157

SCRIPTURE LESSON EXODUS 16:2-15, 17:1-7

RESPONSE IN SONG

**Come and fill our hearts with your peace. You alone, O Lord, are holy.
Come and fill our hearts with your peace, Alleluia!**

SERMON *We Aren't In Kansas Anymore: God Sustains Us Still*

Rev. Doug Robinson-Johnson

INVITATION to OFFERING

Please register your attendance and write prayer requests at this time. Ushers will receive these with the morning offering during the Offertory. The QR code may be used for online sharing.

OFFERTORY

Invitation to Communion - Deborah Governor

Chancel Choir

Come to the table, come to the feast. Come, there is welcome for the greatest and the least. Come for forgiveness, come to confess God's saving power and our unworthiness. Come to the table, come, eat the bread; Christ's body broken, our hungry souls are fed. Come to the table, come, drink the wine, His cup of blessing, gift of love divine. Come to the table, come, one an all, come to remember, come, now, to recall our dying Saviour, our living Lord, hope in heaven: Christ, our great reward. Come to the table, go then in peace; your spirit quicken, and your faith increase. Come to the table, go forth to be Christ's faithful people through eternity.

✠ **DEDICATION**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH 94

HOLY COMMUNION

SONGS for the SACRAMENT

Chancel Choir and Congregation

Baba Tino Tenda - Patrick Matsikenyuri

Traditional Shona, Zimbabwe:

Baba tino tenda. Baba we ku denga, tino tenda.

Translation:

God, we thank you. God in heaven, we thank you.

One Bread, One Body

UMH 620

All will be invited to partake of gluten-free bread and juice. Bread is dipped into cup and then eaten. Those who wish to kneel or stand in prayer at the altar or light candles in the baptismal chapel are invited to do so. Those interested in a food insecurity ministry may also meet in the hallway adjacent the sanctuary on the right, after partaking in communion.

✠ **CLOSING HYMN**

In Christ There Is No East or West

UMH 548

✠ **BENEDICTION**

Rev. Doug Robinson-Johnson

POSTLUDE

We All Believe in One God - J.S. Bach

Bruce Caviness, organ



ALL ARE WELCOME

Fall Community Fest



Sunday, October 8
12:30 noon – 3 pm



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Wesley Campus
5312 Connecticut Ave NW

- Food
- Music
- Games
- Church Tours



Farewell Reception for Bruce Caviness

Sunday, October 15
Noon
Metropolitan Memorial Campus

Join Us for an informal reception and appreciation of 46 years of dedication.



WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY



TOGETHER

OUR REACH IS BEYOND MEASURE

The United Methodist Church's special giving structure ensures your generosity blesses as many people as possible in sustainable, strategic ways

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SILENCE THE VIOLENCE CONCERT

A benefit concert to support The TraRon Center



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2023
7:30 PM - 9:30 PM

www.nationalchurch.org/silencetheviolence

TODAY AFTER 11AM WORSHIP

Bell Choir Rehearsal

Sundays at 1 pm
Metropolitan Memorial Campus sanctuary

YOU ARE INVITED PUMPKIN NIGHT

B.Y.O.P. (Bring Your Own Pumpkin)
Sunday, Oct 29th, 2023
5-7PM, The Vestry

