



# NATIONAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Wesley Campus  
5312 Connecticut Avenue, NW Washington, D.C.

October 8 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.*

[www.nationalchurch.org](http://www.nationalchurch.org) | (202) 363-4900 | [communications@nationalchurch.org](mailto:communications@nationalchurch.org)  
Wi-Fi Password: Welcome!

## FAITH COMES TO US AS SEED

**PRELUDE and PRAISE** *Every Time I Feel the Spirit* UMH 404, Verses 1-2

**WELCOME** Rev. Dr. Rachel Livingston

**SONG of PRAISE** *Standing on the Promises* UMH 374, Verses 1-4

**PRAYER of THANKSGIVING** Paula Pree

**SHARING the PEACE**

**CALL TO OFFERING** Rev. Dr. Rachel Livingston

Please register your attendance and write prayer requests at this time. Ushers will receive these with the morning offering during the following song. Online gifts may be shared using this QR code.



**OFFERTORY** *Guide My Feet* TFWS 2208

**DEDICATING OUR GIFTS to MINISTRY**

**Pray: 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**

## FAITH BLOSSOMS

**BIBLE LESSON** Tanner Carlson

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE** Rev. Dr. Rachel Livingston

*Young people are invited to join the leader near the children's area at this time*

**SERMON** Rev. Dr. Rachel Livingston

## DISCIPLES' LIVES BEAR FRUIT

**INVITATION to DISCIPLESHIP**

**HOLY COMMUNION** Rev. Dr. Rachel Livingston

*Taste and See (See Insert)*  
Israel Houghton

*All are welcome to come to the table to receive the gluten free bread and grape juice of the sacrament.*

**LORD'S PRAYER** *(please feel free to pray in the language of your heart)*

*(English)*

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name  
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven  
Give us this day our daily bread  
And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us  
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom  
and the power and glory forever. Amen**

Padre nuestro que estás en el  
Cielo, Santificado sea tu nombre,  
Venga [a nosotros] tu Reino,  
Hágase tu[er] voluntad en la Tierra como [es] en el Cielo,  
Danos hoy [nuestro/el] pan de cada día,  
Y perdona nuestras ofensas,  
Como también nosotros perdonamos a los que nos ofenden,  
No nos dejes caer en la tentación,  
Y líbranos del mal,  
[Porque Tuyo es el Reino el Poder y la Gloria por Siempre Señor] Amén

**CLOSING SONG**

*My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less*

UMH 368, Verses 1-4

**BLESSING**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Paula Pree and Rita Guenthe



Artwork created by young people of the TraRon Center will be featured in the Silence the Violence Concert  
**Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, 7:30-9:30pm.**



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## 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](http://www.nationalchurch.org/silencetheviolence)

## 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.



## JENNY WILSON Trio

DATE: OCTOBER 28, 2023  
TIME: 6:30-8:30 PM

### Staff-Parish Relations Committee Clergy Evaluation Survey

The Staff-Parish Relations Committee (SPRC) of National United Methodist Church invites YOUR feedback for the annual evaluation of our clergy. While this vital process is the responsibility of the SPRC, we recognize that the congregation's input greatly enriches the feedback we can provide.

There are 3 ways for you to participate:

1. Complete an online survey
2. Send an email to [SPRC@nationalchurch.org](mailto:SPRC@nationalchurch.org).
3. Communicate directly with a member of SPRC via email, a written note, or phone, including:

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|-------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. Brian Boyle    | 2. MeLisa Creamer         |
| 3. Paula Pree     | 4. Belva Newsome          |
| 5. Barbara Tate   | 6. Elizabeth Burks        |
| 7. Phil Potter    | 8. Marsha Matthews        |
| 9. Connie Sommers | 10. Carissa Moffat-Miller |

**SPRC is accepting input from the  
congregation through Wednesday, 10/25.**

**Please email [SPRC@nationalchurch.org](mailto:SPRC@nationalchurch.org)  
or contact Brian Boyle with any questions**

**[bboyle@omm.com](mailto:bboyle@omm.com)**