

NATIONAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Wesley Campus, 5312 Connecticut Ave. NW
Washington, DC



“DO NOT HOLD ME” BY ARTIST HE QI

APRIL 9, 2023

EASTER CELEBRATION!

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance. Mary stood outside the tomb crying. she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not realize that it was Jesus but rather, thought he was a gardener. He asked her, “Woman, why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?” *-John 20:15*

WELCOMING MUSIC

ENTRANCE

He Lives!

UMH 302

WELCOME and CALL TO WORSHIP

Angela Pupino

ONE: How joyful it is, to celebrate the good news of God's love!

ALL: We are called to be Easter people!

ONE: Darkness cannot claim us!

ALL: Fear cannot bind us!

ONE: Christ is risen!

ALL: Christ is risen, indeed! Amen!

OPENING HYMN

Christ the Lord is Risen Today

UMH 302

CHILDREN'S TIME

Young people are encouraged to gather near the chancel steps with Rita Guenther for age-appropriate lesson. Caregivers are welcome to accompany young ones.

ANTHEM

Rise
Mike Wheaton

Wesley Choir featuring Spencer Tate and Wyatt Mitchell

Financial offerings will be received at this time.

We support the Church with prayers, presence, gifts, service, and our witness.

SCRIPTURE READING

John 20: 1-18.

Collin Davies

MESSAGE

The Rev. Dr. Rachel Livingston

HYMN OF RESPONSE

Christ is Alive

UMH 318

HOLY COMMUNION

Following the consecration of communion elements of bread and grape juice, and unison sharing of the Lord's Prayer (UMH 270), all ages are invited to process to one of four serving stations. The gluten free bread is offered on toothpicks which can be dipped into the cup of grape juice and then eaten. Those who wish to kneel at the altar at the front of the sanctuary may do so.

SONG During Communion: *Taste and See*

Taste and see that the Lord is good
You've tried everything that you thought you could
Taste and see that His love is real
Open up right now, let your heart be filled

With peace overflowing, joy everlasting
Love so amazing, taste
Life so exciting, hope so inviting
All who are crying to be free
Taste and see, taste and see, taste and see

Taste and see that His word is true
You've been hurt before, He won't lie to you
Oh, taste and see never thirst again
Every broken heart Jesus Christ will mend

CLOSING HYMN

Thine Be the Glory.

UMH 308

BENEDICTION

The Rev. Dr. Rachel Livingston

POSTLUDE

Join us for community lunch following worship in the Fellowship Hall,
located through the door on the right of the Sanctuary.

Ready to take a next step in faith?

Register to attend Newcomer Orientation, Sundays, 12 to 1:30pm, April 16th and 23rd. Or join a neighborhood small group in Tenleytown, Glover Park/Foxhall, Bethesda, Rockville, Alexandria, or Online. Contact JCraswell@NationalChurch.org

Join with our Gun Violence Prevention Team encouraging a ban on assault weapons H.R. 698 and S.25 have been introduced in Congress and our calls matter. Or learn more about the issue by planning to join us here on June 11th on Gun Violence Prevention Sunday.

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