

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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ROOTED

in Christ



Love Boldly
Serve Joyfully
Lead Courageously

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VISITORS

If you are new to Faith United Methodist Church, welcome! We encourage you to complete a guest card available from a welcome host. Please drop it in the offering chest or hand it to one of the welcome hosts following the worship service.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Faith offers a variety of accessibility resources for your use, including large-print hymnals and Bibles, magnifiers, printed versions of the sermon, FM wireless assistive-listening devices, and noise-cancelling headphones. These items are available on the white bookshelf at the Sanctuary entrance. Please feel free to use whatever you need and return the items after the service. If you have any questions, speak with the welcome hosts at the Sanctuary entrance. You may also contact Jennifer Young, Faith's Accessibility Coordinator, at young.jennifer@gmail.com to request additional accommodations.

WE GATHER

Centering

Prelude: *Metamorphosis Three* (1988)

Ann Bartlow, piano
Philip Glass, b. 1937

Welcome

Mike Coppersmith, member, Leadership Board

Call to Worship

Jane Rall, Liturgist

ONE VOICE: Siblings in Christ, through the waters of baptism, we are claimed, washed clean, and called.

MANY VOICES: We come to remember who we are and whose we are.

ONE VOICE: We are called to renounce the spiritual forces of wickedness, reject the evil powers of this world, and repent of our sin.

**MANY VOICES: We turn away from all that separates us from
God and our neighbor.**

ONE VOICE: Let us worship the God who claims us, redeems us,
and sends us forth in love.

MANY VOICES: With joy and thanksgiving, we worship God!

Morning Prayer

Jane Rall

ONE VOICE: God of generous love,
we come before you today
seeking to know you and your will.

**MANY VOICES: Root us in your grace.
Guide us to your boldness.
Claim us as your own
so that we may be transformed
by love and to love,
today and all days. Amen.**

WORD

Children's Message

Rev. Dr. Laura Norvell

*Hymn # 475 *Come Down, O Love Divine*

Congregation; Dr. Michael Wu, organ

Confirmation

Rev. Dr. Laura Norvell

Bill Maas, Chair, Leadership Board

*Refer to pages 33-39 in the Hymnal or the projection screen
for the liturgy.*

Nicole Madison Baptista

Austin James Fish

Rachel Grace Baptista

Ruth Anjali Gadre

Hannah Colleen Coppersmith

Sofia Harper Anne Kitzman

Ann Auburn Cuddy

Cora Rose Miller

Reception of New Members

Rev. Dr. Laura Norvell

Brian Jones, Lay Leader to Annual Conference

ONE: Do you believe in God, the creator of the universe, in Jesus Christ, the incarnation of God's redeeming love, and the Holy Spirit, God's presence among us to guide, inspire, and transform?

NEW MEMBER: I do!

ONE: Do you desire to become a member of Faith United Methodist Church?

NEW MEMBER: I do!

ONE: Will you commit yourself to be an active part of our worship community?

NEW MEMBER: I will!

ONE: Will you live your life in service to your neighbor and all the world as a follower of Jesus Christ?

NEW MEMBER: I will!

ONE: Will you be a lifelong learner, challenging the limits of your faith through education, prayer, reflection, and examination?

NEW MEMBER: I will!

ONE: Will you invest in this church through your personal efforts, talents, and gifts?

NEW MEMBER: I will!

ONE: And finally, will you make this a place of welcome for all and invite others to share the faith journey with you?

NEW MEMBER: I will!

ONE: Brothers & sisters, we commend to your love and care these persons, whom we this day receive into the membership of our congregation. Do all in your power to increase their faith, confirm their hope, and perfect them in love.

CONGREGATION: We rejoice to recognize you as a member of Christ's holy church, and welcome you to this congregation of the United Methodist Church.

With you we renew our vows to uphold it by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service and our witness. With God's help we will live our lives after the example of Christ that, surrounded by steadfast love, you may be established in the faith, and confirmed and strengthened in the way that leads to life eternal.

ONE: God the Creator, God the Redeemer, and God the Holy Spirit bless, preserve, and keep you, now and evermore.

ALL: Amen.

Scripture Reading: Ephesians 3:14-21

Jane Rall

Scripture can be found on page #193 in the New Testament in the pew Bible.

Message: *Today, this scripture has been fulfilled...*

Rev. Dr. Laura Norvell

Anthem: *O Sing Joyfully* (c.1614-1637)

Chancel Choir: Dr. Michael Wu, Director

Adrian Batten, c. 1591-c. 1637

WONDER

Holy Communion Rev. Dr. Laura Norvell; Jane Rall; Confirmands

Invitation and Confession

Refer to the projection screen.

Great Thanksgiving

Refer to the projection screen for the liturgy.

Please come forward by the center aisle at the direction of the ushers. From the servers on the side you were seated, you will receive a piece of bread, dip it into the cup and eat it immediately. You may then return to your seat by the side aisle.

If you prefer not to receive by dipping bread in a common cup, OR if you need gluten free elements, there are gluten free self-contained communion elements in a basket in the center between the two server teams. Please take one and return to your seat by the side aisle.

If you are unable to come forward for Communion, please let an usher know and Communion will be brought to you.

Prayer After Receiving

**ALL: Gracious God,
You have fed us with the bread of life
and the cup of salvation.
Send us now into the world
rooted and grounded in your love.
May we tell the truth about who we are:
beloved, forgiven, and called.
Strengthen these newly confirmed disciples
and strengthen all of us
to live the promises of our baptism faithfully.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Invitation to Offering

Rev. Dr. Laura Norvell

Offertory Prayer

Jane Rall

WHAT NOW?

Prayers of the People

Rev. Dr. Laura Norvell

*Hymn #348: *Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling* Congregation
Dr. Michael Wu, organ

Sending Forth

Rev. Dr. Laura Norvell

Postlude: *Fanfare-Toccata*

Dr. Michael Wu, organ
Harry Rowe Shelley, 1858-1947

*In Our American Heritage: Organ Voluntaries for the Church Service
by American Composers (1967), compiled, arranged and edited by Jon Spong*

Altar flowers are sponsored today by Alma Rines in gratitude for the time and dedication of the Congregational Care Ministry Team.

*Join us for the next four weeks as we continue our series **Rooted and Grounded: Love Boldly**. Week by week, we'll remember what we have promised as members of the body of Christ: to repent, to resist evil and injustice, to nurture one another in faith, and to live as people who are "rooted and grounded in love."*



ATTENDANCE

Please take a moment to scan the QR code—whether you are a guest or a member—so we know that you joined us today!



OFFERING

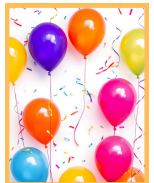
We are not passing an offering plate currently. An offering box has been placed on the welcome table in the Narthex. You may also scan the QR code to the right to give online.



CONFIRMATION AND NEW MEMBER CELEBRATION

Today following worship

Following the service, during Fellowship Time, please continue the celebration by gathering with us downstairs to honor and support them!



SERVING US TODAY

Acolyte: Grace Basford

Altar Guild for June: JoAnn Castagnola & Helen McMunn

Audio Visual Volunteers: Andy Basford & Jason Spriggs

Congregational Welcome: Mike Coppersmith

Fellowship Time Hosts: Julia & Tim Evans; Sara Romeyn

Liturgist: Jane Rall

Money Counters: Jim Johnston & Jan Spencer

Nursery Caregivers: Nancy Hart & Tessa Ricketts

Online Host: Mary Stark

Stewards: Confirmation class members

Welcome Hosts: Bill & Lloydie Zaiser

FAITH UMC STAFF

Rev. Dr. Laura Norvell, Pastor | Ann Bartlow, Organist | André Coleman,
Tenor Section Leader | Keshika Dias, Facilities Manager | Valerie Kunsman,
Office Administrator | Tessa Ricketts, Nursery Staff | Suzanne Smedberg,
Youth Ministry Coordinator | Kim Webster, Financial Manager |
Dr. Michael Wu, Music Director

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY! ROCKVILLE PRIDE

Sunday, 2:00-5:00 p.m.

Join us today at Rockville Town Center. Faith will be represented at a table alongside other United Methodist churches. We'd love for individuals and families to help us in representing our congregation and supporting our community, so come say hello!



FAITH UNITED METHODIST FOUNDATION: GRANTS 2026

Deadline: Saturday, June 13 (this is a revised date)

The Foundation supports charitable, religious, and educational initiatives that expand outreach and ministry in local communities by offering periodic grants. The grant cycle is currently open and applications



need to be submitted by Saturday, June 13. Projects should align with the mission of Faith United Methodist Church and the United Methodist Church's Social Principles. Applications for grants up to \$2,500 are available on the Faith website:

FaithWorksHere.com/Faith-Foundation-Grants.

ACOLYTE TRAINING

Sunday, June 14 following worship

Young people who are finishing third grade this year and older are encouraged to attend a training session for acolytes on June 14 immediately after the worship service. Those already serving are encouraged to also attend as they will be learning new ways of participating in worship. The expectation is that acolytes will serve about once a month. If your young person plans to attend, please let the office know at office@FaithWorksHere.com.

DC PRIDE PARADE

Saturday, June 20



Faith UMC will have reserved spaces to participate with the Capital Area United Methodist float and viewing area. There are two ways individuals and families can participate on Saturday afternoon:

Walk in the parade with the Capital Area UMC float and Methodists from around the area. Or watch the parade with other United Methodists at a specific meet up location. This may be National City Church again, but the venue will be confirmed closer to June 20.

Everyone will have the opportunity to hand out candy, and everyone who participates will receive a T-shirt that matches the capital area UMC group. If you would like to participate, please email Jeff and Denise Bryant at jdsabryant@comcast.net.

HANDBAG DRIVE

Now through Sunday, June 28

The United Women in Faith are collecting new and gently used purses, including handbags, briefcases, and

diaper bags, to benefit the New Neighbor Interfaith Alliance. This organization brings together Montgomery County faith communities to support and assist newly arrived refugees and immigrants.

We invite members of the church and the surrounding community to donate new or gently used items. Your contributions will help provide both practical support and a warm welcome to those beginning new lives in our community. For more information, please contact Nancy Kuhn (Nancykuhn@gmail.com) or Emily Sama-Miller (emsama@gmail.com).



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HELP YOUTH ATTEND ASP MISSION TRIP THIS SUMMER

July 12-18

The youth will again this summer head south to work with Appalachia Service Project to make homes warmer, safer and drier. From July 12-18, we will be in Gate City, VA, working with the community of Scott County to complete home improvements for individuals in need.



We have a team of youth and adults who have committed to the project, but we need you! You can help - with financial support, with snacks for the youth, but most of all with your prayers. To make a financial donation today, please visit the Faith website at FaithWorksHere.com/give and choose “Donation to ASP Mission Trip” from the drop down menu or scan the QR code.



UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH BAKE SALE

Sunday, June 21 following worship

Join us during Fellowship Time for a special Bake Sale benefiting the youth participating in the Appalachia Service Project Mission Trip this summer.

These young people will be traveling to Gate City, Virginia, where they will work to make homes warmer, safer, and drier for families in need.

Please come ready to support this meaningful mission—bring your appetite and your generosity! You might even find the perfect treat to share with your dad. Cash only please. For more information, please contact Nancy Kneisly, chair, United Women of Faith.



BUILDING ACCESS REMINDER

As we continue adjusting to the recent security updates to our building, here is how you can access the FUMC building. **On Sunday mornings, the Main Entrance and Sanctuary door will remain unlocked for members and guests arriving for worship from 9:00 a.m. until 10:10 a.m.** and will automatically lock thereafter. Welcome Hosts will be available at the Sanctuary Doors to assist anyone arriving after that time.



If you need access to the church during the week, members and guests are always welcome to stop by during regular office hours, and a staff member will be happy to help you enter the building. Please press the silver button on the intercom attached to the brick wall. Office hours are **Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.** Thank you for your patience and understanding as we work to keep our church both welcoming and secure for everyone.