



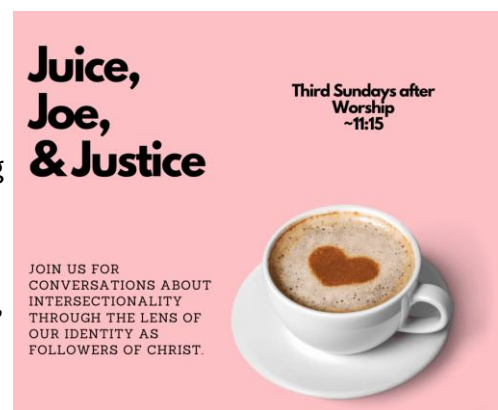
Friday, June 6, 2025

Celebrating Our Sunday School Teachers

Next Sunday, June 15, is the last day of Sunday School until fall. We believe Sunday School is a time to connect with other children and adults who love God so that we grow in faith as a community. Join us during worship and fellowship time as we thank our Sunday School teachers for their commitment to plan lessons and to model God's love.

Juice, Joe & Justice next Sunday, June 15, following worship - last one for the season

We are continuing our monthly discussions about how our own identity and experiences may impact how we work to expand our love for all our neighbors. Please join us in any month. These events are not a continuing series, so every conversation stands alone. Come share your experience and learn alongside others on the journey. If you can't make the discussion in person, there is also an opportunity for folks to join on-line. In the next issue of *What's Working at Faith*, we will include detailed information about the topic and suggested readings.



Please note that childcare is available! Teens are welcome in all JJ&J conversations.

UPDATE: Neighborhood Renewal Groups

Thank you to all who responded to our survey! We have found several people who have volunteered to be group leaders, and they should be contacting the members of their neighborhood group sometime in the next week if they haven't already. We do expect to have at least one (possibly more) online-only groups.

We hope to publish information about upcoming group organizational meetings and/or expected meeting days/times by June 20th, so that if your neighborhood group doesn't have a leader, you can join another one. The books for the study should be available for distribution by June 22nd and **we expect the study sessions to start June 29th** (or thereafter).

Stay tuned for more updates.

-Janelle Veazey and Jane Rall

News & Events

Messy Church on June 7

Saturday, June 7, 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.



SEE THE POWER OF GOD IN CREATION

We will celebrate the immense power of God as seen through creation, using Jeremiah 32:17 as our theme verse. We will have fun with "messy" inspirational creative activities, a short sermon and good food. It is a wonderful fellowship opportunity as well as a chance to disciple one another as we marvel at the glory of what God has created in nature, the heavens, animals, fish, insects, birds, man and everything else.

World Pride Parade This Saturday

Saturday, June 7 at 2:00 p.m.

Faith UMC is registered to be a part of this parade and as in previous years, this will be a festive opportunity to provide witness to God's love for all LGBTQIA+ persons. We invite folks from Faith to join us at the [viewing area](#), arranged by the DC Capital UMC Pride. In this area, people from all participating congregations will gather to watch the parade together. Please contact Jeff Bryant at bryantjc4@icloud.com to let him know you will be coming to the viewing area. Below are some basic logistics.

Viewing area for spectators: We will gather at 12:30 at the National City Christian Church, located at 5 Thomas Cir NW, Washington, DC 20005. There will be a UMC Holy Communion service at approximately 1:30 p.m. for viewers.



Transportation: We strongly recommend using public transportation. The closest Metrorail station to the National City Christian Church at 5 Thomas Cir NW is [McPherson Square](#), which is accessible via the Orange, Blue, and Silver Lines. A short walk north on 14th Street (approximately three blocks) from the 14th Street exit will take you to the church. Another option is to take the Red Line to [Dupont Circle](#) and walk southeast on Massachusetts Avenue (approximately five blocks) to the church.

Water: Bring plenty of water to stay hydrated; we suggest bringing more than you think you'll need.

Sun protection: Wear sunscreen, sunglasses, and/or other UV protective gear.

What to wear: lightweight, breathable clothing and comfortable/sturdy shoes. Check the forecast for parade day and bring weather-appropriate gear.

Preparing for Communion

Communion will be this Sunday, June 8 (this is a change from June 1). On the Sundays we share the Communion feast, we also share our abundance with others. We encourage you to bring non-perishables to worship. Items can be left in the shopping basket in the narthex. Your donations help keep the Blessing Box stocked.

Check out the link below for a list of suggested food items. Toiletries and feminine products are greatly appreciated. The Blessing Box is a community effort so no one person is responsible. In addition to donations, taking the initiative to move items into the storage area near the office (room 103) or directly into the Blessing Box is always appreciated.

[Download the List](#)

Opportunities to Serve

Get Involved with Faith!

We commit to serve as members of Faith. Here are some ways you can serve in the weeks to come:

NEW! Welcome Host: We need hosts to welcome worshipers and provide them with the resources they need to worship while offering warm hospitality – a Faith strength! If your smile is something you want to share, **sign up in the narthex** (next to the Flower Calendar) to be a host. There is a brief training that will ensure you feel comfortable. Our goal is to create a team of 16 hosts to volunteer once every other month; Faith already has six people that continue to host joyfully each Sunday. Join us!

Audio Visual Team: Join the team in the balcony on Sunday mornings! Even if you know nothing about sound or projection - we will train you. The following volunteer positions are needed to serve once a month. *Do you hear what I hear?* manage the sound board; *Feel the urge to direct?* operate the camera; *Control freak?* control the projection for those in the sanctuary and online! Contact Jason Spriggs to volunteer in the balcony at jason@jasonspriggs.com.

Sunday, June 8, 2025

Pentecost Sunday

Sunday at 10:00 a.m.

Preaching: Rev. Dr. Laura Norvell

Scripture: Acts 2:1-4, Galatians 4:1-7, Galatians 5:16-26 (CEB)

Communion

This Sunday, we will gather in person and online to celebrate communion. Communion calls us to remember and live into our oneness as the body of Christ. To participate virtually, you will want to take some time to gather grape juice and bread or crackers of some sort. Take a moment to think about holy space, and consider lighting a candle, setting out some flowers, or creating a little escape from the everyday things of home for this act of worship.

Livestream Service

How do I get to the worship service on the Faith website?

There are three ways to access our worship experience on Sunday mornings through our website. [Click here](#) to learn about those options.

Last Sunday's Worship Service

[Listen and watch last Sunday's online worship service.](#) See and hear Rev. Dr. Laura Norvell from last Sunday's worship service featuring music, scripture and prayers.

Sunday School for Our Elementary and Middle School Kids

Sunday during worship

Kids gather in the sanctuary for 10:00 a.m. worship and will be dismissed following the "Children's Message" and then return to the sanctuary after the sermon. Children in K-5th grade, led by Jan Spencer and Janelle Veazey, will meet in room 203, and middle schoolers in 6th-8th grade, led by Jeff Bryant and Sara Romeyn, will meet in room 206. All teachers are trained, screened, loving and committed to teaching God's Word.

Children are ALWAYS welcome in worship - if your child is most comfortable staying in the pews or hanging out at the kids table up front, they are welcome throughout our worship gathering!

Wednesday, June 11

Small Group Led by Bill Maas

Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

This group meets the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays from 7:00-8:00 p.m. via Zoom. If you have questions or would like to join, contact Bill Maas at billmaas@verizon.net.

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87429970926?pwd=OXp0WDMvQVByQzhWZXJXSzZaTThUQT09>

Meeting ID: 874 2997 0926

Passcode: 568601

Thursday, June 12

Chancel Choir

Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

The Chancel Choir rehearses every Thursday at 7:30 p.m. under the direction of Dr. Michael Wu, Faith Music Director, in the sanctuary.

Prayer Requests

Please email your prayer requests to prayer@faithworkshere.com. Our Congregational Care Minister (CCM), Tamara James-Fish, Jim Johnston, Susan Keller, Emily Sama-Miller, Chuck Spencer, Sue Walters and Kristen Wayne will receive your request.

Prayers for Faith UMC members: Paul King (son of David and Kathy King) and Karen Johnston.

Prayers for those dear to us: Nephew of Nancy Kneisly; Tom Neubauer and his family (friend of Kay McCarty); Shirley Osborne (mother of Curtis Osborne); Family of Brian Ebbs (Bradford Frisby's son's friend) and Mother of André Coleman.