



Friday, January 23, 2026

News & Events

Inclement Weather

Sunday, January 25

Due to the expected weather conditions, **we will not hold in-person worship this Sunday**. Instead, we are recording the service today that will include music, a children's message, and a sermon. The service will be broadcast on Sunday at 10:00 a.m. and may be accessed through our church website (www.FaithWorksHere.com) or the Faith YouTube channel (<https://www.youtube.com/@faithunitedmethodistchurch8448>). Following the initial broadcast, the recording will remain available through these same links.

Please note that the Faith building and church office will be closed Sunday, January 25 and Monday, January 26.

United Women in Faith

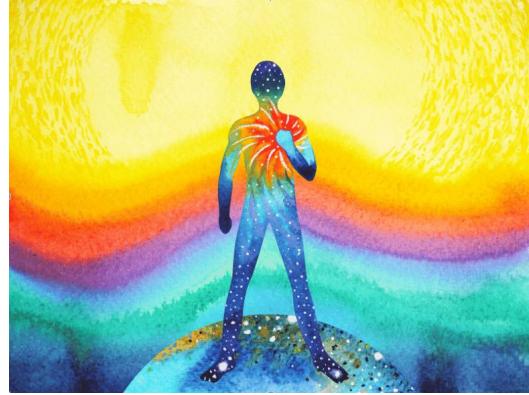
Sunday, January 25 following worship

This event has been postponed as a result of expected weather conditions. We will announce the new date as soon as it has been confirmed.

Vision Retreat

Saturday, January 24

Join us for the Vision Retreat **Saturday, January 24 from 10 - 2 p.m** (lunch included). Let's enter the New Year reflecting on how we become the people God calls us to be and be love in our communities. We will think more deeply about the passions God has placed on your heart, how your God-given talents make a difference in your community, and what we, as a church, can be doing or growing into to love more consistently and effectively.



The morning will start with a time to hear about what calling means and how we might discern ours. We will then hear some of the things currently happening in our church or ideas people have on their hearts and begin to discuss over lunch where we see ourselves currently using our talents to serve our community or where we wish we could use our talents. After lunch we will brainstorm together and hear about some dreams already brewing and spend time naming what we care deeply about, where we think we can make a difference, and how we want to be a more vibrant church for our greater Rockville community. Children, youth, and adults are invited to join us for an afternoon of encouragement, discussion, and brainstorming as we seek to listen to where God might be calling us as a church, and as individuals, in 2026.

So that we may plan appropriately for lunch, we ask that you please RSVP using the button below.

[RSVP Here](#)

YOUTH MISSION TRIP 2026

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JOIN ROCKVILLE YOUTH MINISTRY FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 12TH!

There is room on the team for everyone who wants to serve, regardless of skill level or experience. We need painters, builders, roofers, plumbers, and helpers. There's always things to carry or hold, and we always work as a team. Contact Suzanne Smedberg, Youth Coordinator at 202-436-0322 or ssmedberg@faithworkshere.com.



Join Us for Crockpot Friday

Friday, February 6 at 6:30 p.m.

We will meet on February 6, at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall for a time of fellowship and care for one another. We'll share a simple meal. This is a wonderful opportunity to connect as a community and enjoy meaningful conversation together.

We need five crockpot dishes to share. If you are willing to provide food, please reach out to Tim Evans (advisors@starpower.net). If you're able to assist with set-up, please arrive about 10 minutes early. Clean-up will be a shared effort—many hands make light work!

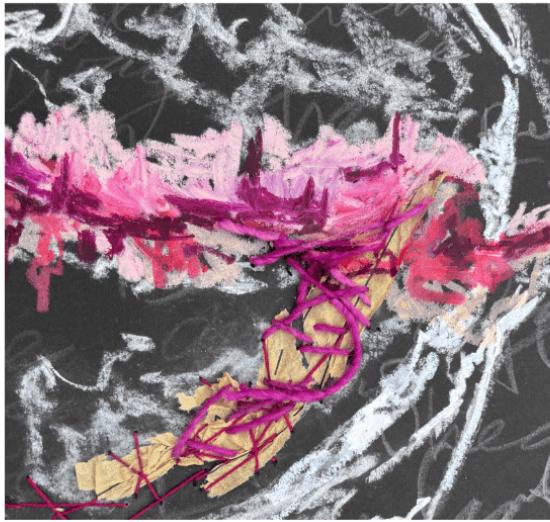
Let's see where this gathering takes us!



Art Exhibit (free)

Thursday, January 29

DEBORAH TOMLIN



SUTRA

AN EXHIBITION OF DRAWINGS AND PAINTINGS

The Writer's Center
4508 Walsh Street
Bethesda, MD

Opening Reception January 29 7:00-9:00

More information: <https://writer.org/event/deborah-tomlin-opening/>

Sunday, January 25, 2026

Third Sunday after Epiphany

Preaching: Rev. Dr. Laura Norvell

Scripture: John 3:1–21

Sunday School

We will not have Sunday school because of inclement weather.

Youth Ministry

Sunday at 5:00 p.m.

Due to the anticipated weather conditions, the Youth Ministry will **not** meet this Sunday evening. For questions, contact Suzanne Smedberg, Youth Coordinator, at ssmedberg@faithworkshere.com.

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 the worship service, led by Rev. Dr. Laura Norvell, from last Sunday's worship service featuring music, scripture, and prayers.

Monday, January 26

The church building will be closed due to inclement weather.

Wednesday, January 28

Small Group Led by Bill Maas

Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

This group meets on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays via Zoom. If you have questions or would like to join, contact Bill Maas at billmaas@verizon.net.

[Join Zoom Meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 874 2997 0926

Passcode: 568601

Thursday, January 29

Bells of Faith

Thursday at 6:30 p.m.

Bells of Faith rehearses every Thursday at 6:30 p.m. under the direction of Nancy Kuhn in the sanctuary.

Chancel Choir

Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

The Chancel Choir rehearses every Thursday from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. under the direction of Faith's music director, Dr. Michael Wu, in the sanctuary.

Prayer Requests

Please email your prayer requests to prayer@faithworkshere.com. Our congregational care ministers — Tamara James-Fish, Jim Johnston, Susan Keller, Emily Sama-Miller, Chuck Spencer, and Kristen Wayne — will receive your request.

Prayers for Faith UMC members: Bill Cooper; Terrie Tuckman; Sue Walters; Ryan and Caroline Babula; Kristen Wayne and Lloydie Zaiser.

Prayers for those dear to us: Sister-in-law of Emily Peck; Wife of Bradford Frisby; Billy Magro, friend of Celine Schmidt; Pastor Laura's son Brook, daughter-in-law Sarah, and grandson Tucker; Family of Rob Grimms, friend of Sara Romeyn, as he recently passed away; Patricia Lull, friend of Sue Walters and Lutheran Bishop of Minneapolis; Mark, younger brother of Rev. John Campbell; Ishmail, Sally Stolz's daughter-in-law's father; the family of Laura Basford's sister-in-law as her stepfather passed away on Christmas Day; Katherine, friend of the Smedberg family; and Sean, friend of the Norvell family.



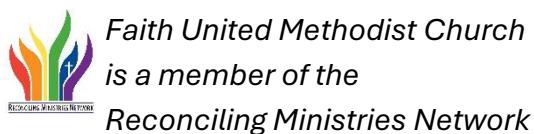
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