



Eight Sunday After Pentecost

July 31, 2022

National United Methodist Church

Metropolitan Memorial Campus 3401 Nebraska Ave
NW

Wesley Campus 5312 Connecticut Ave NW
Washington, DC

METROPOLITAN MEMORIAL 9 AM WORSHIP SERVICE

*The * invites participants to stand as we are able.*

PRELUDE

Morning Prayer
Healey Willian

Bruce Caviness, Organ

WELCOME and CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Dr. Rachel Livingston

ONE: After our having been dispersed this week throughout your world, we are finally gathered now in this one place.

ALL: Yet some present this day may be far from feeling united as one body in Christ. We may still feel scattered, disconnected, and unrelated.

ONE: So we pray to God:

ALL: Quiet us, center us, and reconnect us with our church family.

ONE: Let us begin worship aware of the truth that we are united with our church, united in Christ, and united with members of God's family to a home in which we didn't even know we were related!

*OPENING HYMN

Gather Us In TFWS #2236 Verses 1, 2 & 4

TIME FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS

Rev. Janet Craswell

Young people are encouraged to gather on the chancel steps.

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 12: 13-21

SPECIAL MUSIC

This Day
Lowell Alexander

Beth Revell, Alto

SERMON

This is Us - Generous

Rev. Doug Robinson-Johnson

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

More Precious Than Silver

TFWS #2065

PRAYER OF THE DAY and LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Dr. Rachel Livingston
James Mayo III (Solo)

*CLOSING HYMN *Love the Lord Your God* TFWS #2168

*BENEDICTION and CALL TO ACTION Rev. Doug Robinson-Johnson

POSTLUDE *Go Forth in Faith* Bruce Caviness, Organ
Franklin Ritter

METROPOLITAN MEMORIAL 11AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

*The * invites participants to stand as we are able.*

PRELUDE *Morning Prayer* Bruce Caviness, Organ
Healey Willian

WELCOME and CALL TO WORSHIP Rev. Doug Robinson-Johnson

ONE: We gather in grateful thanksgiving for all that God has given us.

ALL: In the upside down world of the gospel, we measure our wealth not by what we have, but what we can give away.

ONE: We have received the gifts of faith and friendship

ALL: May we be good stewardships of all we have received.

*OPENING HYMN *I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord* UMH #540

TIME FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS Rev. Doug Robinson-Johnson
Young people are encouraged to gather on the chancel steps.

SPECIAL MUSIC *This Day* Beth Revell, Alto
Lowell Alexander

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 12:13-21

HYMN *Glory Be to The Father* UMH #70

SERMON This is Us - Generous Rev. Doug Robinson-Johnson

HYMN *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* UMH #140

PRAYER OF THE DAY and LORD'S PRAYER

*CLOSING HYMN *Forth in Thy Name, O Lord* UMH # 438

***BENEDICTION and CALL TO ACTION**

Rev. Doug Robinson-Johnson

POSTLUDE

Go Forth in Faith
Franklin Ritter

Bruce Caviness, Organ

WESLEY 11 AM GLOBAL PRAISE

*The * invites participants to stand as we are able.*

PRELUDE

Come on in this House

Paula Pree, Mike Wheaton

WELCOME and CALL TO WORSHIP

Paula Pree

ONE: Jesus has called us to proclaim the good news of God's redeeming love.

ALL: We come to worship as people who have heard and responded to God's call in Jesus Christ

ONE: Jesus has called us to heal the nations and bring hope to all we meet

ALL: We come from all races and cultures to be Christ's disciples

ONE: Jesus called us to demonstrate compassion and commitment

ALL: We come together as disciples to worship and gain strength for our journey. Let us worship God together. Alleluia!

***OPENING HYMN**

Cuando El Pobre UMH #434

ANNOUNCEMENTS and *PASSING OF THE PEACE

Rev. Dr. Rachel Livingston

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Dr. Rachel Livingston

SPECIAL MUSIC

Bridge To You

Wesley Choir

SCRIPTURE

Luke 12:13-21

Curtis Pree

SERMON

This Is Us: Generous

Rev. Dr. Rachel Livingston

***HYMN OF RESPONSE**

We Are Marching

TFWS #2235-b

***WESLEY PRAYER OF COMMITMENT**

Curtis Pree

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.

***BENEDICTION and CALL TO ACTION**

Rev. Dr. Rachel Livingston

***POSTLUDE**

Si Tuvieras Fe

Mike Wheaton, Piano

NATIONAL UMC is a RECONCILING CONGREGATION. That Means...

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.



Welcome Team Sundays AND School Days!

We are seeking volunteers Monday through Friday mornings starting in late August, to greet families as they drop off children for school at Metropolitan Memorial Campus. Would you like to commit one day a week to offer hospitality for about three hours? Let us know! Communications@NationalChurch.org We will offer orientation and training in early August.

We are also still seeking volunteer hosts to greet those attending worship on Sundays. Please let us know if you would enjoy being that first face of welcome standing outside of Wesley or Metropolitan Memorial campuses. Newcomers love meeting people outside the building to help them understand what to expect inside. Will you join us?



3rd Grade Bibles

At National UMC, children receive Bibles of their very own when they are in third grade. If you have a third grader in your family, please send their name to Rev. Janet at jcraswell@nationalchurch.org before August 7 so we can order Bibles. We will present Bibles during worship on September 18.



Join the AV Team!

If you are interested in joining the Audio/Visual team, please send an email with your name and the services when you are available to our new Worship Media Director Greg Denton at [gdenton@nationalchurch.org](mailto:g Denton@nationalchurch.org)



Project Transformation

Join us in the Metropolitan Memorial Vestry on Aug 7 after the 9 am worship service to fill backpacks and make sandwiches for the final week of camp.

Also, Sunday, July 31, come make sandwiches in the Metropolitan Memorial Vestry after the 9 am worship service for Campus Kitchen. Donations of sliced turkey and cheese are welcomed.

Offerings can be left in the red box in the sanctuary or shared via this code. **THANK YOU** for your support!
Pastoral Care: (202)-510-8555, congregationalcare@nationalchurch.org

