

HOLY DARKNESS

THE LENTEN SEASON AT FOUNDRY

HYBRID WORSHIP SERVICE FEBRUARY 26, 2023 | 9 A.M. & 11:15 A.M. "I WILL GIVE YOU THE
TREASURES OF DARKNESS
AND RICHES HIDDEN IN
SECRET PLACES SO THAT
YOU MAY KNOW THAT IT IS
I, THE LORD, THE GOD OF
ISRAEL, WHO CALL YOU BY
YOUR NAME."

— ISAIAH 45:3

WELCOME

Foundry United Methodist Church has been serving downtown Washington, D.C. and the wider world since 1814. Foundry is a Reconciling Congregation, affirming the call of the gospel of Jesus Christ to be in ministry with all people of all races, gender identities, sexualities, ages, immigration status, and physical conditions. We are all on a spiritual journey and we want you to feel welcome here. Please visit <u>foundryumc.org</u> to find more information about our congregation, submit prayer requests, and let us know you've been with us in worship today.

REFERENCES TO GOD

References to God in traditional prayers and hymns may sometimes be gender-specific. As we pray and sing together, you are invited to substitute terms that reflect your understanding of the full inclusiveness of the spirit of God. You are also invited to sing hymns and speak parts of the services, such as the Lord's Prayer, in your native tongue.

CARE AND PRAYER

Please fill out the Prayer Request online at <u>foundryumc.org/prayer</u>. Our prayer team will follow up with you. You will have the option for your request to be kept confidential, or if you'd prefer for it to be shared.

SINGING WITH US

OUR HYMNALS:

UMH — United Methodist Hymnal (Red)

TFWS — The Faith We Sing (Black)

AAHH - African American Heritage Hymnal (on cart as you enter the sanctuary)

THE APPEARANCE OF + INDICATES THAT YOU ARE INVITED TO RISE, AS YOU ARE ABLE.



Hearing assistance devices can be found at the sound desk in the sanctuary.

ONLINE PARTICIPATION

If you are worshipping with us virtually today, we invite you to gather the following items:

- · A candle and, if needed, a way to light it.
- · A bowl or vessel of water.
- · Your preferred Bible or Bible app.

All music featured on our livestream links is used by permission with CCLI License #2668115.

WE ARE ON NATIVE LAND

When we gather for worship and ministry on the corner of 16th and P, we do so upon the sacred, traditional, and unceded lands of the Anacostan, Massawomack, Susquehanock, Piscataway, and Pomunkey peoples, who were forcibly removed from them to allow for English settlement. As occupiers of their territory, we recognize them as the original and perpetual stewards of this land and gratefully acknowledge our responsibility for a more honest recounting of our history that empowers us to work for the thriving of all people.

STAYING SAFE AT FOUNDRY

Foundry is committed to protecting the safety of all persons at our church. Our Safe Sanctuaries Policy — establishing procedures for the protection of children, youth, and vulnerable persons — can be found at **foundryumc.org/safe**. Our Nut and Allergy Safety Policy can be found at **foundryumc.org/allergies**. And you can learn how we're staying safe during the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic at **foundryumc.org/covid**.

HOLY DARKNESS

I will give you the treasures of darkness and riches hidden in secret places so that you may know that it is I, the LORD, the God of Israel, who call you by your name. — Isaiah 45:3

Most of us have learned to be afraid of the dark. To fear the things we cannot see or the less lit road. In fact, without realizing it, we have become victims of what some environmentalists have coined "light pollution." From the street lamp to the light of our computers, we are inundated with light.

What is it about the darkness that turns us away? What metaphors have we used to describe the dark as a sinister place of evil and danger? These and other questions are part of a new preaching series based on Barbara Brown Taylor's book "Learning to Walk in the Dark" for the season of Lent. The dark can be a place where our biggest fears lie, but it can also be a place of sacred discovery if we are willing to learn to embrace it as holy.

LENT AND EASTER AT FOUNDRY

Foundry is excited to welcome special Guest Preachers for our Lent and Easter worship services.



Rev. Dr. Lydia Muñoz will be preaching on Sundays in Lent — beginning this Sunday, February 26, through Sunday, April 2. Rev. Dr. Muñoz is an Ordained Elder in the Eastern Pennsylvania Conference of the United Methodist Church and serves as Executive Director of the National Plan for Hispanic/Latino Ministry, one of six ethnic minority plans of the United Methodist Church. She is a graduate of

Wesley Theological Seminary and holds a Doctor of Ministry from Drew Theological School in Public Theology. To learn more about Rev. Dr. Muñoz, visit <u>foundryumc.org/lyida-munoz</u>.



Bishop Hope Morgan Ward will be our preacher on Easter Sunday, April 9. Bishop Hope Morgan Ward is a Retired Bishop in The United Methodist Church. She was elected to the episcopacy in 2004 by the Southeastern Jurisdiction and retired in 2021, where she was the Resident Bishop of the North Carolina Conference - Raleigh Area in the Southeastern Jurisdiction of The United Methodist Church. Bishop Ward is a graduate of Duke University and Duke Divinity

School. She also ordained our very own Rev. Ben Roberts. To learn more about Bishop Ward, visit foundryumc.org/bishop-ward.

9 A.M. WORSHIP CELEBRATION

Invitations to Participation and Announcements

Ben Roberts

Welcome

David Argo

Centering

Lydia E. Muñoz

+Hymn TFWS #2165

Terry Butler

CRY OF MY HEART

Children's Message

Jonathan Brown

Call to Prayer TFWS #2112

American Folk Hymn

JESUS WALKED THIS LONESOME VALLEY

Verse 1

Pastoral Prayer

Ben Roberts

Lord's Prayer

Our Mother/Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kin-dom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kin-dom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Scripture Reading

Steve Pflasterer

ISAIAH 45: 1-7 MATTHEW 4:1-11

EVEN HERE

Sermon

Lydia E. Muñoz

LED INTO THE DARKNESS

Response to the Word

Lim Swee Hong

DARKNESS IS A GIFT OF GOD Verse 1, Refrain



Music at the Offertory

Geraldine Woods

MY HELP COMETH FROM THE LORD

+Doxology UMH #95

Old 100th

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow Praise God, all creatures here below Praise God above, ye heavenly host Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

+Hymn TFWS #2204

Michael Card

LIGHT OF THE WORLD

+Benediction

Lydia E. Muñoz

+Postlude

Geraldine Woods

MY HELP COMETH FROM THE LORD

+Individual Prayer

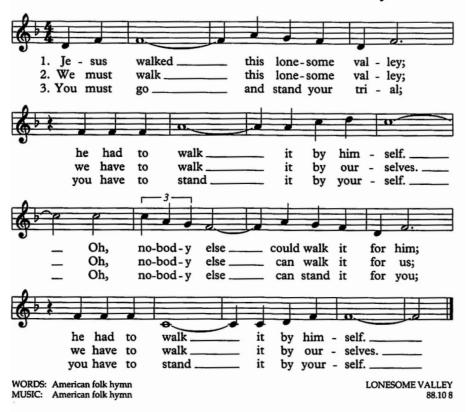
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JOIN US FOR COFFEE HOUR

We hope you will join us in our **Community Commons** following today's service for Coffee Hour and Fellowship. Today's Coffee hour was sponsored by a member of Foundry. If you'd like to sponsor a Sunday Coffee Hour, visit <u>foundryumc.org/sponsor</u>.



Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley 2112



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UPCOMING EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

ORDER YOUR EASTER FLOWERS BY APRIL 2

Honor your loved ones by purchasing Easter flowers to adorn
Foundry's Sanctuary and worship spaces this season or by making
a donation to help adorn Foundry's Sanctuary. Flowers will be
available for pick up following the close of worship on April 9. Visit
foundryumc.org/easterflowers.

STEAD PARK EASTER EGG HUNT ON APRIL 8

 Save the date! Our neighbors from Friends of Stead Park will be holding their annual Easter Egg Hunt on the field at Stead Park on Saturday, April 8 from 10 a.m.-noon.

CLASSES & ADULT PROGRAMMING

- Help us plan our 2023 Discipleship programs! Our 2023 Discipleship Visioning Session, "Creating Safe Spaces to Create," has been rescheduled and will now be held in Room 203 on Sunday, March 5 at 1 p.m. We will discuss possible themes and brainstorm new groups and experiences. Lunch will be provided. We invite anyone who is interested in Discipleship to join! Learn more and register at foundryumc.org/creating.
- Join Associate Pastor and Director of Discipleship Rev. Jonathan Brown for "Be Our Guest: Disney Hospitality and the Church." This six-week course will be offered on Sunday mornings at 10:10 a.m. beginning March 19. We will take a look at the book "Be Our Guest: Perfecting the Art of Customer Service" by the Disney Institute then discuss how Disney welcomes people into their parks and hotels, and what lessons the church can learn from this. Learn more and register at foundryumc.org/quest.
- Starting on Sunday, May 7, Jonathan Brown will host a new class where we will look at the book "Drawn On Religion" by Ken Koltun-Fromm, and discuss how morality and faith are presented in various works of comic art including, but not limited to, "Ms. Marvel," "Rabbi's Cat," "Animal Man," and more. More information to come.

FOUNDY'S NEW BUILDING HOURS

 Please note that Foundry has changed our general public building operating hours to:

Monday: Closed Friday: Closed

Tuesday: 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Saturday: 9 a.m.-noon Wednesday: 10 a.m.-10 p.m. Sunday: 8 a.m.-2 p.m.

Thursday: 10 a.m.-9 p.m.

OTHER FOUNDRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Seeking all your travel sized toiletries! Foundry is looking for travel sized toothpaste, shampoo, soap and deodorant to help our vulnerable neighbors. Drop them off at the Welcome Desk Sunday mornings between 8:30-1pm.
- You can sponsor a Sunday evening meal for our Youth! Our Foundry youth group shares a meal each Sunday evening as part of Youth@ Night as they laugh, talk, and unwind from their day. You can prepare it yourself or pick it up from a restaurant. Please just keep it allergy safe (see foundryumc.org/youthmeals. Sign up to sponsor a meal here: foundryumc.org/youthmeals.
- The memorial service for longtime Foundry member Jean Pucher will be held on Sunday, March 26, at 1:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Parking in the P Street garage will be available until 4:00PM. Please contact communications@foundryumc.org if you would like to view the service online.

11:15 A.M. WORSHIP CELEBRATION

Invitations to Participation and Announcements

Ben Roberts

Welcome

David Argo

Centering

Lydia E. Muñoz

+Hymn UMH #188

Paris Antiphoner, harm. David Evans

CHRIST IS THE WORLD'S LIGHT

Children's Message

Jonathan Brown

Call to Prayer UMH #424

George Allen

MUST JESUS BEAR THE CROSS ALONE
Verses 1 & 3

Pastoral Prayer

Ben Roberts

Lord's Prayer

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Scripture Reading

Joe Freeman

ISAIAH 45: 1-7

+ Psalter UMH #766

Gary Alan Smith

PSALM 32

+ Gospel Reading

Joe Freeman

MATTHEW 4:1-11

Anthem

Jackie Gouche Farris, arr. Carol Cymbala
MY HELP COMETH FROM THE LORD

Kealani Willbanks, alto

Sermon

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Lim Swee Hong

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Offertory

Kealani Willbanks

Music at the Offertory

arr. Stanley Thurston, Black Composers Series

JESUS WALKED THIS LONESOME VALLEY
Kevin Youel Page, bass

+Doxology UMH #94

Lasst Uns Erfreuen

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia, Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

MY FAITH LOOKS UP TO THEE

+Benediction

Lydia E. Muñoz

+Postlude

+Individual Prayer

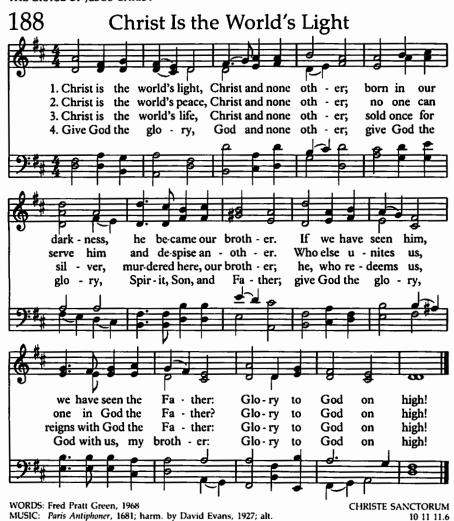
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PERSONAL HOLINESS, see further:

290 Go to Dark Gethsemane
 373 Nothing Between My Soul and My Savior
 585 This Little Light of Mine
 298, 299 When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Psalm 32





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- Blessed are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.
- Blessed are those whom the Lord does not hold guilty, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.
- When I did not declare my sin, my body wasted away through my groaning all day long.
- For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.
- I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not hide my iniquity;
 - I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord"; then you forgave the guilt of my sin. R

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- 6 Therefore let those who are godly offer prayer to you;
 - at a time of distress, the rush of great waters shall not reach them.
- You are a hiding place for me, you preserve me from trouble; you encompass me with deliverance.
- 8 I will instruct you and teach you the way you should go; I will counsel you with my eye upon you.
- Do not be like an unruly horse or a mule, without understanding, whose temper must be curbed with bit and bridle.
- Many are the pangs of the wicked; but steadfast love surrounds those who trust in the Lord.
- Be glad in the Lord, and rejoice, O righteous; shout for joy, all you upright in heart! R

My Faith Looks Up to Thee





Check in!



Scan with your smartphone camera.

