



# Palm Sunday

April 13, 2025  
9 a.m. & 11:15 a.m.



# Lenten Season at Foundry

**Stead Park Easter Egg Hunt -  
April 19, 2025  
11 a.m.**

**Palm Sunday - April 13  
9 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.**

**Maundy Thursday - April 17  
7 p.m.**

**Good Friday - April 18  
12 p.m. and 7 p.m.**

**Easter Worship Service - April 20  
9 a.m. and 11:15 p.m.**

# 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 [foundryumc.org](https://foundryumc.org) 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 [foundryumc.org/prayer](https://foundryumc.org/prayer). 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.

## FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN

Foundry offers a variety of childcare and worship options for our youngest congregants every Sunday! Children of all ages are welcome to join their families in the Sanctuary at both the 9 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. worship services. Before the sermon, a servant leader will invite children (pre-K through 5th grade) to attend a special Children's Worship. They will rejoin their families in the Sanctuary during the Offertory/Last Hymn.

Sunday School is available for pre-K through 6th grade Sunday School starts at 10:10 a.m. to 10:55 a.m. (pick up between 10:55 – 11:05 a.m.), in the following classrooms located in the upstairs Education Wing:

- 204 – PreK3-Kindergarten
- 206 – 1st & 2nd Grade
- 205 – 3rd & 4th Grade
- 207 – 5th & 6th Grade

Nursery care is available for infants up to 2 years old from 8:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Volunteers near the Community Commons will help you find the Child Care Center or your child's Sunday School class.

## 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 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](https://foundryumc.org/safe). Our Nut and Allergy Safety Policy can be found at [foundryumc.org/allergies](https://foundryumc.org/allergies).

# Grounded In Grace

Lent is a time to slow down, to reflect on our lives, and to contemplate how we might grow closer to Christ in our words and deeds. Such growth requires risk, letting go, confronting things that may be painful, and shifting patterns of thinking and acting. Wise teachers of psychology, sociology, and spirituality agree that for this kind of growth to occur, a key requirement is a deep sense of safety. Throughout scripture, we are reminded in manifold metaphors that God is our safe space. God is our shelter; we dwell in the "shadow of God's wings," we are held in God's strong arms, God is our refuge and fortress, the solid rock that holds us firm, the lover in whose heart we abide. Like a seed that is planted in the earth to do its work of growth, we are held in God's grace to do ours. In this Lenten season, we will reflect on the gift of being grounded in grace, held and nourished to move ever closer to the light of Christ.

# 9 A.M. | WORSHIP CELEBRATION

We will begin worship on the Plaza in front of the Church. Please make sure you receive a palm branch from one of our ushers prior to the start of worship.

**Welcome**

Ginger E. Gaines-Cirelli

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**+Proclamation**

One Voice: Hosanna to the Son of David!

**Many Voices: Hosanna in the highest!**

One Voice: Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord!

**Many Voices: Hosanna in the highest!**

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**+Opening Processional**

Stephen Schwartz

*PREPARE YE THE WAY OF THE LORD*

*Foundry Children; Jackie Wright, guitar*

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**Children's Message**

Jonathan Brown

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**+Hymn AAHH #224**

Evelyn Simpson Curenton

HOSANNA

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**Sharing Joys and Concerns**

Ed Crump

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**Call to Prayer AAHH #227**

Dave Moody

*ALL HAIL, KING JESUS*

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**Pastoral Prayer**

Ed Crump

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**The 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

Cynthia Brown

PSALM 118:1-2, 19-29  
LUKE 19:28-40

One Voice: Receive what the Spirit is saying.

**Many Voices: Thanks be to God.**

*Children pre-kindergarten – 5th grade are invited to depart for Children's Worship.*

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## Anthem

*Negro Spiritual, arr. Stephen Key*  
**RIDE ON, KING JESUS**

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## Sermon

Ginger E. Gaines-Cirelli  
**IT'S GONNA GET LOUD**

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## Offertory

Benjamin Musasizi

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## Music at the Offertory

*Keith Hampton*  
**PRAISE HIS HOLY NAME**

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## +Doxology AAHH #651

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

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## +Hymn AAHH #246

*Daniel Towner*  
**AT CALVARY**  
*Verse 4 & repeat Refrain*

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## +Benediction

Ginger E. Gaines-Cirelli

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## Postlude AAHH #248

*John Stockton*  
**DOWN AT THE CROSS**

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## Individual Prayer

If you are in need of individual prayer, you're invited to pray with a member of our Sunday Prayer Team at the front of the Sanctuary.

# 11:15 A.M. | WORSHIP CELEBRATION

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## Welcome

Ginger E. Gaines-Cirelli

## +Proclamation

One Voice: Hosanna to the Son of David!

**Many Voices: Hosanna in the highest!**

One Voice: Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord!

**Many Voices: Hosanna in the highest!**

## +Opening Processional

Stephen Schwartz

*PREPARE YE THE WAY OF THE LORD*

*Foundry Children; Jackie Wright, guitar*

## Children's Message

Jonathan Brown

## +Hymn UMH #278

*adapt. W. H. Monk*

*HOSANNA, LOUD HOSANNA*

## Sharing Joys and Concerns

Ed Crump

## Call to Prayer UMH #279

*Ruben Ruiz Avila*

*MANTOS Y PALMAS*

*Verses 1 & 2 sung in English*

## Pastoral Prayer

Ed Crump

## The Lord's Prayer

Our Mother/Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom 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 kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen

## Scripture Reading

Nancy Groth

PSALM 118:1-2, 19-29

## +Sung Response UMH #57

*Carl Glaser, arr. Lowell Mason*

*O FOR A THOUSAND TONGUES TO SING*

*Verses 1 & 3*

LUKE 19:28-40

One Voice: Receive what the Spirit is saying.

**Many Voices: Thanks be to God.**

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**Anthem**

*from the Moravian Liturgy,  
Christian Gregor, arr. Roberta Bitgood*  
HOSANNA

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**Sermon**

Ginger E. Gaines-Cirelli

**IT'S GONNA GET LOUD**

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**Offertory**

Benjamin Musasizi

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**Music at the Offertory**

*Robert Ray*

*HE NEVER FAILED ME YET*

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**+Doxology** UMH #94

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 who's power uplifts!  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit,  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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**+Hymn** UMH #280

*Melchior Teschner, W. W. Monk*

*ALL GLORY, LAUD, AND HONOR*

*Verses 1, 2 & 4*

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**+Benediction**

Ginger E. Gaines-Cirelli

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**Postlude**

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**Individual Prayer**

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## DECORATING FOR EASTER

Join us on **Saturday, April 19** as we **adorn our worship spaces for Easter Sunday**. We'll begin at 10 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Contact Pastor Ben ([broberts@foundryumc.org](mailto:broberts@foundryumc.org)) with any questions.

## FAMILY AND YOUTH MINISTRIES

### CHILDREN ACOLYTE TRAINING – SIGN UP NOW!

Is your child interested in becoming an **acolyte**? Family Ministries is looking for **Acolytes-in-Training** to serve on **Easter Sunday** and (yearly) for the 11:15 AM Sunday services.

Who can participate?

- Children in 3rd grade or older
- Available to attend a training/rehearsal today from 12:30 PM to 1:15 PM in the sanctuary (A parent/guardian must be present during the training)

Serving as an acolyte is a meaningful way for children to participate in worship, and we'd love to have your child join us! For questions or to sign up, please email our Director of Family Ministries at [nharvey@foundryumc.org](mailto:nharvey@foundryumc.org).

### THE 2025 BUNNY HOP!

Foundry is partnering with Friends of Stead Park this Easter season for the annual Bunny Hop at Stead Park, **Saturday, April 19th!** There will be games, prizes, crafts, food, fun, and so much more! Start time is 10:30 a.m. **This is also a great volunteering opportunity for all.** Consider spreading some fun and love this Easter Season to the families in the Dupont Community. Interested in joining the volunteer team, email [nharvey@foundryumc.org](mailto:nharvey@foundryumc.org)

### FOUNDRY SCHOLARSHIPS

The **application window for Foundry UMC scholarships for the school year 2025–2026 will open soon** and the deadline for applying will be May 31, 2025. Foundry offers two types of one-year scholarships: the Alida Smith Memorial Scholarship – for undergraduate or graduate students at any institution (Community colleges, 4-year institutions, or graduate institutions) and the Edward W. Bauman Scholarship – for those attending seminary and planning to enter Christian ministry upon graduation.

Any student who is a member of, or closely associated with \*Foundry United Methodist Church is eligible to apply.

*\* for example, a regular attendee, an immediate family member of a Foundry member, a participant in Foundry UMC mission activities.*

## ADULT CLASSES AND FELLOWSHIP

### INTERFAITH BOOK CLUB: EXPLORING FAITH THROUGH YOUR FAVORITE COMICS

Embark on a heroic journey at **Fantom Comics located at 2010 P St. NW, Washington D.C. 20036, April 27 at 4 p.m.**, where our Interfaith Book Club will delve into *Buddha* by Osamu Tezuka. Together, we'll **explore themes of hope, sacrifice, and unity from a variety of faith perspectives.** Need a copy? Free copies are available on our book cart. Share your insights, learn from others, and celebrate the power of storytelling in a welcoming community.

### REST IS RESISTANCE

In the NYT best-selling book, *Rest is Resistance: A Manifesto*, author Tricia Hersey encourages us to push back against capitalism and white supremacy by connecting to the liberating power of rest, daydreaming, and naps as a foundation for healing and justice. MJ Jean will lead a **drop-in-friendly** class on this book from **10:10–11:00 a.m. through April 13, in Room 203 and on Zoom.** Whether you're familiar with the book or new to the conversation, all are welcome to join us as we seek to create spaces of healing and liberation together. Register at [foundryumc.org/rest-is-resistance](https://foundryumc.org/rest-is-resistance)

## QUEERING WESLEY, QUEERING THE CHURCH

Join us for a four-week exploration of Keegan Osinski's thought-provoking work, diving into Wesleyan theology and what it means to foster an inclusive, radical hospitality in the church today. Class begins **April 27 at 10:10am in Room 203**. Facilitated by Noah Neiting Everyone is welcome—bring your curiosity and engage in the conversation!

Register at [foundryumc.org/queering-wesley](https://foundryumc.org/queering-wesley)

## HARRY POTTER AND CHRISTIANITY, FANTASY AND FAITH

Join us as we share our favorite parts of the beloved series and look into how they echo (or contradict) the ideas of Christian teaching. The class will be held at **10:10 am in Room B2, on Sundays, May 4 – 18**. All are welcome (yes, even Slytherins).

Register at [foundryumc.org/harry-potter](https://foundryumc.org/harry-potter)

## PASTOR'S COFFEE AND DISCIPLE'S PATH: APRIL 27

Are you curious about joining Foundry? Pastor's Coffee is an opportunity for those who wish to begin the journey toward official membership to meet with our clergy, learn more about our church, and move on to the next steps in A Disciple's Path: our six-week new member class starting on May 4. Register at [foundryumc.org/pastors-coffee](https://foundryumc.org/pastors-coffee)

## LGBTQ+ POTLUCK

Our next **LGBTQ+ Potluck** will be held at the **home of Bob Van Heuvelen on Sunday, April 13, from 6 – 8 p.m.** Please bring a generous dish or beverage to share. You can email [lgbtpotlucks@foundryumc.org](mailto:lgbtpotlucks@foundryumc.org) for more information.

## SOCIAL JUSTICE & SERVICE ACTIVITIES

### EARTH DAY CLEAN-UP

As part of Foundry's Earth Day celebration, we are partnering with the Anacostia Watershed Society for an **Earth Day clean up on Saturday, April 26 from 11-1 p.m. at Anacostia Park**. Join us as we pick up trash and learn more about how we can protect the Anacostia River and our other local waterways. Register at [foundryumc.org/earth-day](https://foundryumc.org/earth-day)

### GREAT DAY OF SERVICE- SAVE THE DATE!

Foundry will once again partner with **Rise Against Hunger** for our spring Great Day of Service on **Sunday, May 4th**. Please join us for this Foundry favorite!

Register at [foundryumc.org/gdos](https://foundryumc.org/gdos)

### RALLY WITH THE COLLECTIVE OF QUEER CHRISTIAN LEADERS

You are invited to join a **Rally at the U.S. Capitol on Monday, April 14th, at 10am hosted by the Collective of Queer Christian Leaders**, which includes Reconciling Ministries Network. The rally will take place near the intersection of Independence Ave SE & First Street SE. Please contact Pastor T.C. at [tmorrow@foundryumc.org](mailto:tmorrow@foundryumc.org) for more information.

### BOOKS TO PRISON (PAPERBACK) BOOK DRIVE – SUNDAY, APRIL 27

Books to Prisons will be holding a **paperback book drive on Sunday, April 27**. Please consider donating paperbacks in good condition to this important program. The books will be collected in the Welcome Center. For questions, email Jane Northern at [lensrink@yahoo.com](mailto:lensrink@yahoo.com)

### CIVIL RIGHTS PILGRIMAGE WITH ASBURY UMC AND JOHN WESLEY AME ZION

Embark on a powerful **Civil Right's Tour through the American South, June 16 – 2**, exploring key sites that shaped the movement for justice and equality. From Atlanta to Selma, visit historic locations such as the Martin Luther King Jr. For more information and to register, visit [foundryumc.org/civil-rights-pilgrimage](https://foundryumc.org/civil-rights-pilgrimage)

## CONGREGATIONAL CARE

### FOUNDRY FEDS NETWORKING SPACE

Every Sunday through April 13 at 10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall, you can join other Foundry federal employees and contractors for a networking opportunity. This is a time to connect and be supported by the Foundry community as we navigate a changing landscape together. Email [foundryumc@foundryumc.org](mailto:foundryumc@foundryumc.org).

### STEPHEN MINISTRY BOOK STUDY; THE GIFT OF EMPATHY

Join the Stephen Ministry Team, Sundays, 10 am from April 27 – June 1 for a book study of "The Gift of Empathy" by Joel P. Bretscher and Kenneth Haugk. This is a book about creating meaningful connections in all areas of our life.

Register at [foundryumc.org/stephenministry-bookstudy](https://foundryumc.org/stephenministry-bookstudy)

## OPERATIONS AND IMPACT

### PARKING UPDATE

Effective April 1, we are pleased to share that Vital Voices has generously allowed us to use 17 parking spaces on Sundays and special holidays at their location:

#### Vital Voices

1509 16th St. NW, Washington, DC 20036

- **Sunday Hours:** 7 a.m. – 2 p.m.
- **Special Holiday:** Hours: 6 – 9 p.m.

Parking is available on a **first-come, first-served basis**. Foundry will not assign specific spaces or provide parking passes. Please note that Foundry and Vital Voices are not responsible for vehicles parked in these spaces.

Contributions can be made here if you feel led to **help support** the costs absorbed by Foundry. Your generosity is deeply appreciated! [foundryumc.org/parking](https://foundryumc.org/parking)

Thank you for your understanding and support. We are grateful for this opportunity to make parking more accessible for our community!

### GRANT WRITERS NEEDED

Do you have the gift of understanding and writing grants? Foundry's Grant Team is looking to expand its team. For more information, email [communication@foundryumc.org](mailto:communication@foundryumc.org)

### SEEKING VOLUNTEERS FOR THE FOUNDRY ARCHIVES AND HISTORY COMMITTEE

Ever wondered about the history of Foundry UMC and the community it has served for over 200 years? Do you have an **interest in document preservation, curation, or historical research? Or perhaps digitizing records, videography, or highlighting historical moments of Foundry for today's congregation members?** The Foundry Archives and History Committee is looking for volunteers with a variety of skills to help archive our past and bring that history alive in digital formats. Contact AHC Chair John McCormick at [jtmccormick58@gmail.com](mailto:jtmccormick58@gmail.com) to learn more.

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