



Easter Sunday

**April 20, 2025
9 a.m. & 11:15 a.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 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. 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

There will be no Sunday School or Children's Worship this Easter Sunday. Sunday School classes and Children's Worship will resume next week, April 27, at our 9 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. worship services.

Children of all ages are welcome to join their families in the Sanctuary for worship. Nursery care will be available for infants up to 2 years old from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Volunteers near the Community Commons can help you find the Child Care Center or answer any questions. We look forward to seeing you there!

This event is being photographed and recorded. Please be advised that by entering this worship space, you agree to be filmed and/or photographed, and the resulting assets may be used for Foundry UMC promotional purposes. Should you wish not to be photographed or recorded on video, please notify one of the clergy members.

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. Our Nut and Allergy Safety Policy can be found at 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.

EASTER SUNDAY

9 A.M. & 11:15 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICES

Ringing of the Foundry Bells

Welcome

Ginger E. Gaines-Cirelli

+Easter Acclamation

T.C. Morrow

One Voice: Today we joyfully celebrate the resurrection of Christ Jesus our Lord. Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting? We are an Easter people. Thanks be to God! Christ is risen!

Many Voices: Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia, alleluia!!!

+Hymn UMH #302

Charles Wesley, Lyra Davidica

CHRIST THE LORD IS RISEN TODAY

Verses 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5

Children's Message

Natalie Harvey

Choral Alleluia

E. E. Ferguson

EASTER FANFARE

Invitations to Ministry

Jonathan Brown

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Ben Roberts

Call to Prayer UMH #315

Arthur Sullivan

COME, YE FAITHFUL, RAISE THE STRAIN

Verse 5

Pastoral Prayer

Ben Roberts



Easter Sunday

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

Anthony Gaines Cirelli – **9:00 a.m.**

Yolanda Bryant – **11:15 a.m.**

PSALM 118:1-2, 14-24

+Response UMH #307

arr. Edith Reed

CHRIST IS RISEN

Verses 1, 2, 3

Gospel Reading

Anthony Gaines Cirelli – **9:00 a.m.**

Yolanda Bryant – **11:15 a.m.**

LUKE 24:1-12

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.*

Anthem

Ludwig van Beethoven

HALLELUJAH CHORUS, FROM MT. OF OLIVES

Sermon

Ginger E. Gaines-Cirelli

ARE WE THERE YET? (EASTER EDITION)

Offertory

Kealani Willbanks

Music at the Offertory

K. Lee Scott

FESTIVAL EASTER HYMN ON GRAFTON

+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!

+Hymn UMH #308

*Harmonia Sacra,
arr. George F. Handel*

THINE BE THE GLORY

+Benediction

Ginger E. Gaines-Cirelli

+Easter Hallelujah

George F. Handel

HALLELUJAH CHORUS, FROM MESSIAH

Choir & Congregation sing together

Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
For the Lord God omnipotent reigneth. Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
The Kingdom of this world is become, the kingdom of our Lord
and of His Christ.
And He shall reign forever and ever.
King of Kings and Lord of Lords. Hallelujah!

Postlude

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.

FAMILY AND YOUTH MINISTRIES

CHILDREN ACOLYTES – SIGN UP NOW!

Is your child interested in becoming an acolyte? Family Ministries is looking for Acolytes-in-Training, in 3rd grade or older, to serve at the 11:15 a.m. Sunday services. 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.

FOUNDRY SCHOLARSHIPS

The application window for Foundry UMC scholarships for the school year 2025–2026 is open. **The deadline for applying is 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 – for example, a regular attendee, an immediate family member of a Foundry member, or a participant in Foundry UMC mission activities – is eligible to apply.

Go to <https://foundryumc.org/scholarships> for more information and to submit your application.

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.

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

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

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

SOCIAL JUSTICE & SERVICE ACTIVITIES

A SACRED PAUSE CONTINUES!

Please join Jackie Wright and others for an ongoing weekday 15-minute virtual meditation at 8 a.m. to help us start our day grounded in sacred community. No prior experience with meditation is necessary. Questions? Email Jackie at jwright@foundryumc.org.

LGBTQIA+ ALLYSHIP 101 TRAINING

Join us on May 18 at 12:30 p.m. to learn how to be a better ally in today's evolving landscape. Whether you're a seasoned queer community member or a straight ally, all are welcome to come, learn, and engage in meaningful discussion on how we can better support the LGBTQ+ community. Register at foundryumc.org/allyship-training.

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

CLOTHING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Foundry is **seeking volunteers to help sort clothing donations and transport them to Charlie's Place**. If you are interested, please email Jackie at jwright@foundryumc.org

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

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

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

WORSHIP AND MUSIC

DURUFLÉ SING AND SUPPER SAVE THE DATE: MAY 21

At 6:00 PM on Wednesday, May 21, the combined Foundry choirs invite you to a light supper followed by a sing-through rehearsal of the Duruflé Requiem. Have you sung this Requiem before? Maybe you haven't and would like to? Have you been looking for an opportunity to dabble in the Foundry Choir scene? This night is for you! More information to come.

OPERATIONS AND IMPACT

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

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 to learn more.

FEATURED HOSPITALITY VENDORS



Linda is the owner of **In Linda's La La Land** pastries. Linda experienced homelessness for years, including spending many nights on the steps at Foundry. Over the years, we watched Linda contend with homelessness, with violence, and with addiction. But Foundry's relationship with Linda is now characterized by a completely different set of circumstances. Linda has now been sober for three years and is housed. Recovery is a long process with some days being more challenging than others. One thing Linda has learned is that baking helps with that recovery. Linda's baked goods have been sold in neighborhood shops, served at Foundry meetings, and are now a regular part of our Sunday morning coffee hours at Foundry. We give thanks for the transformation we have witnessed, for the resilience that Linda and many others have shown on their path to recovery, and for the gift of journeying with them in faith and fellowship.

We are particularly thankful today as Linda has provided all our pastries for our Easter Celebrations. Linda can be reached at lindastuetz.com for all of your pastry needs!



**holiday
thyme**

Holiday Thyme is a minority woman-owned company focused on providing excellent meals and training others in the culinary field. Foundry was initially connected to Monica and Nicole in 2021 as they searched for a space that could accommodate their efforts. Foundry spent several years seeking ways to make better use of our commercial kitchen—ideally in a way that could support individuals or groups needing a place to launch their vision. In a field where space costs can crush even the best ideas before they begin, Foundry knew that a mission-aligned partner could be a good fit for our underutilized church kitchen. When the opportunity came along to connect with Holiday Thyme, everyone knew it was the perfect fit.

We're excited that this Easter Sunday, they are providing most of the refreshments that will support our community celebrations. If you'd like to learn more about their whole story, visit [Our Story](https://www.holidaythyme.com/). If you have catering needs, visit **Holiday Thyme** at <https://www.holidaythyme.com/>

EASTER FLOWER DEDICATIONS

Alan Perry

In memory of Marjorie Hopkins

David A. Klaus

In loving memory of my parents,
Merten and Pauline Klaus

James Early

In loving memory of John Early, Sr.

Zell Murphy & Mark Wasson

In loving memory of Elena Murphy
and Margot Wasson

Jane Northern

In loving memory of Joe and Helen
Strauss

Martha E Kossoff

In loving memory of my parents,
Dr. Hugh and Nancy Kossoff

Martha E Kossoff

In honor of my siblings and their
families – Mirinda, Bob and Bonnie.

Will Carden

In memory of my grandparents,
Blanche and Wallace Carden, and
their grandparents, Minnie and
Goldman B. Carden, members of
Dutch Valley UMC

Doug Barker and Sam Kilpatrick

In honor of Dick and Ginny Barker

Parker Low

In memory of Mr. & Mrs. John L.
Parker, Jr.

Marsha Woods

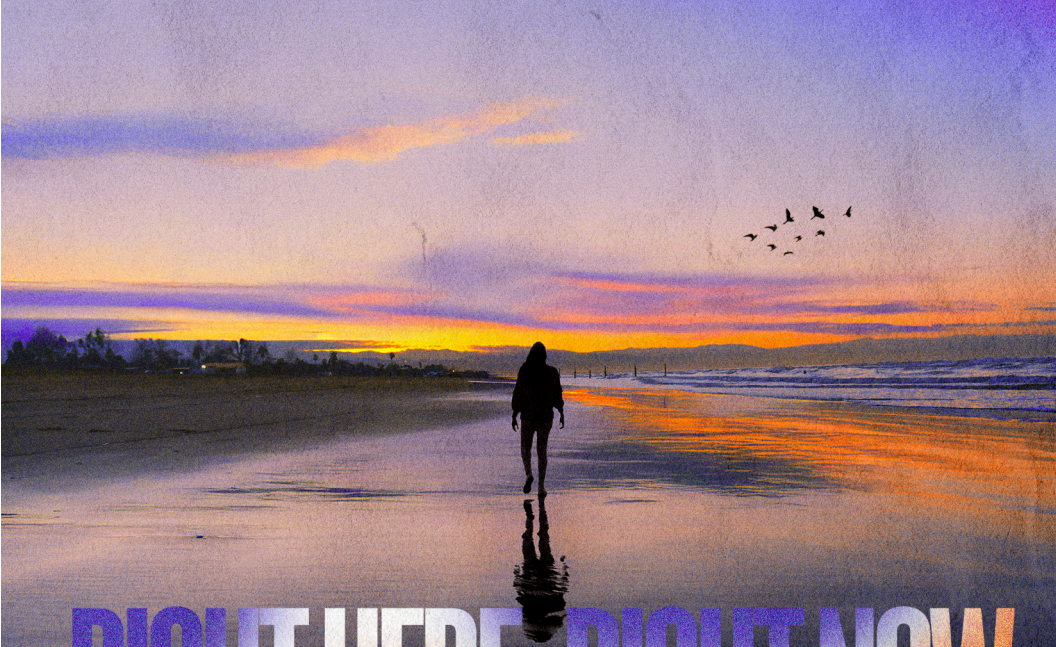
In memory of my parents John and
Myrtle Woods and my nephew
Stephen Kopala

Susan Daisey Rybos and Chuck Rybos

In loving memory of Annie Belle
and Paul Daisey and Virginia and
Karol Rybos.

Clergy and Staff Support Team

With deep appreciation for the
Foundry Clergy and Staff



RIGHT HERE RIGHT NOW

NEW SERIES STARTS MAY 4

May 4th–June 29

*"The time is always right to do what is right."
- Martin Luther King, Jr.*

During this Easter season—traditionally known as “The Great 50 Days of Easter”—we will ponder questions that help us consider not only what we are called by God to do and be, but also why. In a time of chaos and cruelty, what difference does it make to be an “Easter people?” Does the church matter? What is the Gospel we proclaim? What are we saved from and what are we saved for? What does it look like to be a community of purpose on purpose? Join us as we lean in to the promise of Easter and explore being a community that practices resurrection. By the time we reach the culmination of The Great 50 Days—the day of Pentecost—we might just be on fire!

Check in!



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smartphone camera.



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