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JANUARY 19, 2025
9 A.M. AND 11:15 AM

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

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. Our Nut and Allergy Safety Policy can be found at foundryumc.org/allergies.

Remember

"This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."
- Jesus

Memory is powerful. What we remember affects how we live our daily lives. Who we remember makes a difference in how we understand our place in the world. The stories we remember shape our sense of identity and belonging. The lessons we remember guide us on our way. At the heart of our Christian faith is a call to remember—to remember God's life-giving, liberating, merciful presence from the beginning of all things, to remember Jesus's love, wisdom, courage, and sacrifice for our sake, to remember Holy Spirit's comfort for the suffering and power to inspire prophets and disciples to proclaim the good news of the Kin-dom. When events in our lives or world pull us off balance, the memory of who we are and whose we are is an anchor in the storm. Throughout this series, we will find strength and guidance as we remember. Join us!

GUEST PREACHER

DR. RODNEY THOMAS SMOTHERS

Rodney Thomas Smothers is a leadership coach and consultant for RTS Coaching Associates, LLC and The Smothers Group. He focuses on creating a leadership pipeline for Next Generation impactors as a coach, mentor, facilitator, teacher, preacher, and leadership strategist.



He has founded new congregations, served as the lead pastor of multicultural, urban, and suburban communities, and as an adjunct seminary professor at the Interdenominational Theological Center (ITC) and the Howard University School of Divinity. He earned his Master of Divinity and Doctor of Ministry degrees from Gammon/ITC.

Dr. Smothers leads online and in-person training for spiritual maturity, leadership productivity, congregational vitality, multi-generational collaboration, and strategic realignment.

Dr. Smothers co-authored the following:

- *RESURGENCE: Navigating the Changing Ministry Landscape* (with Candace M. Lewis)
- *BLANK SLATE: Write Your Own Rules for a 22nd-Century Church Movement* (with Lia McIntosh and Jasmine Rose Smothers)
- *CRY FROM THE PEW* (with Kay Kotan)
- *WHAT'S NEXT: Twenty-Two United Methodist Leaders Discuss the Future of The Church* (with Kevin Slimp)

He is married to Lynn Thomas Smothers, M.D., and is the father of three young adults.

9 A.M. | WORSHIP CELEBRATION

Invitations to Participation and Announcements

Ben Roberts

Welcome

Ginger E. Gaines-Cirelli

+Hymn AAHH #542

*Traditional, adapt. Horton,
Hamilton, Carawan, Seeger*

WE SHALL OVERCOME

Verses 1, 3, 4, 5

Opening Prayer Litany

Jonathan Brown

Hear this, O People of the Dream: It is good and right that you recall the memory of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and the movement which mobilized him. The journey to the Beloved Community is sometimes desperate and dangerous, and we need constellating light to orient our hearts and direct our feet.

God of our weary years, God of our silent tears, Thou who hast brought us thus far on the way; Thou who hast by Thy might led us into the light, keep us forever in the path, we pray.*

We confess, oh God, that the dream once unfurled with unmatched eloquence on our nation's lawn has been tamed by pious sentiment and framed for commercial interests. The oratory that once sent shivers through White House and big house and church house alike has been reduced to polite platitude, "race relations" Sundays and gushy, mushy reverie.

Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met Thee; Lest our hearts, drunk with the wine of the world, we forget Thee;*

Ignite in us again the Word that stirs sacred resistance against every imperial reign, against every forecloser's claim, against every slaver's chain, until the Faith which death could not contain, the Hope which doubt could not constrain and the Love which fear could not arraign lifts every voice to sing till earth and heaven ring!

Let our rejoicing rise, High as the list'ning skies, Let it resound loud as the rolling sea!*

Children's Message

Natalie Harvey

Ministry Moment

Stanley Thurston

Sharing Joys and Concerns

T.C. Morrow

Call to Prayer AAHH #412*Albert Goodson*

WE'VE COME THIS FAR BY FAITH
Refrain

Pastoral Prayer

T.C. Morrow

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

Patty Elder

PSALM 36:5-10, JOHN 2:1-11

One Voice: Receive what the Spirit is saying.

Many Voices: Thanks be to God.

Introduction of Guest Preacher

Ginger E. Gaines-Cirelli

Anthem

Kenneth Morris, arr. Joseph Joubert
I THANK YOU, JESUS

Sermon

Rodney Smothers

A LIGHTHOUSE IN A STORM

Offertory

Ben Roberts

Music at the Offertory *Spiritual, arr. Nolan Williams, Jr.*
HUSH, HUSH, SOMEBODY'S CALLIN' MY NAME

+Hymn AAHH #549 *Spiritual*
THIS LITTLE LIGHT OF MINE
Verses 1, 2, 3

+Benediction Rodney Smothers

+Postlude AAHH #541 *Traditional Spiritual,*
arr. Evelyn Simpson Curenton
WALK TOGETHER CHILDREN

+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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Ben Roberts

Welcome

Ginger E. Gaines-Cirelli

+Hymn UMH #435

William Reid, Jr., harm. David Evans

O GOD OF EVERY NATION

Opening Prayer Litany

Jonathan Brown

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Natalie Harvey

Ministry Moment

Stanley Thurston

Sharing Joys and Concerns

T.C. Morrow

Call to Prayer UMH #427

William Gardiner

WHERE CROSS THE CROWDED WAYS OF LIFE

Verses 1 & 6

Pastoral Prayer

T.C. Morrow

The Lord's Prayer

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Hallowed be thy name.
Thy kin-dom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
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and the glory forever. Amen

Scripture Reading

Celeste Carr

PSALM 36:5-10

+Response UMH #527

*Afro-American Spiritual,
arr. William F. Smith*

DO, LORD, REMEMBER ME

Verse 1

+Gospel Reading

Celeste Carr

JOHN 2:1-11

One Voice: Receive what the Spirit is saying.

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

Introduction of Guest Preacher

Ginger E. Gaines-Cirelli

Anthem

Florence Price, Black Composers Series
PRAISE THE LORD

Sermon

Rodney Smothers

A LIGHTHOUSE IN A STORM

Offertory

Ben Roberts

Music at the Offertory

Thomas A. Dorsey, arr. Arnold Sevier
PRECIOUS LORD

+Hymn UMH #519

James Weldon Johnson,
J. Rosamond Johnson

LIFT EVERY VOICE AND SING

+Benediction

Rodney Smothers

+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

IGNITE

Attention Youth and Parents! Registration is now open for the **Ignite Youth Conference**, happening **March 7-9 in Ocean City, MD!** This is an incredible opportunity for our youth in grades 6th-12th, to grow in faith, connect with one another, and have an amazing experience together.

The **last day to register is February 21**. You can register online at igniteforyouth.com. Once registered, please let us know so we can finalize housing and transportation plans for our group. We're excited to attend this conference for the first time and can't wait to share this experience with you! For more details, reach out to the Director of Family Ministries.

VALENTINE'S COOKIES

Submit Names for Valentine's Cookie Boxes! Parents and family members! Help us make sure your Foundry student or service-member gets a Valentine's cookie box this year. **Please provide names & mailing addresses of your young adults by February 5, 2024.** We must receive updated names and addresses for all box recipients, even if they have received a box in the past.

Submit your address at foundryumc.org/cookies. Questions? Contact Shelley Jessee at valentinecookies@foundryumc.org.

Bake for Foundry Valentine's Cookie Boxes! Valentine cookies have been mailed to Foundry's college-aged students and service members for nearly 60 years! Help us continue to fulfill this Baptismal promise by **baking cookies and treats and bringing them to Community Commons between services on Sunday, February 9.** Don't bake? Candy and postage donations are also appreciated. Questions? Contact Shelley Jessee at valentinecookies@foundryumc.org.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES BEGINS FEBRUARY 16

We are excited to announce that **Confirmation Classes will start on Sunday, February 16, from 10:10 to 11:30 a.m. in the Youth Room.** This 15-week course invites youth to explore their Methodist faith and traditions in a supportive and communal learning environment. To confirm your youth's participation, by contacting our Director of Family Ministries Natalie Harvey nharvey@foundryumc.org. We look forward to growing together in faith!

SAVE THE DATE: ASP REGISTRATION OPENS FEBRUARY 2!

Mark your calendars! **Registration for Foundry's ASP Youth Mission Trip opens on Sunday, February 2.** This year's trip will take place June 21st-29th and is open to all youth who will have completed 9th grade by June 2025 and will be rising sophomores to those who've completed the 12th grade. For more information, please contact the Director of Family Ministries. Don't miss this incredible opportunity to serve and grow together!

ADULT CLASSES AND PROGRAMMING

FOUNDRY CHILI CHAMPIONSHIP

Get ready to spice things up at our annual Foundry Chili Championship! Join us on **March 2 at 12:30 p.m in the Fellowship Hall** for an afternoon of delicious fun. Whether you're a master chili cook or a dedicated taste-tester, everyone is invited to participate and enjoy.

WOMEN'S ANNUAL RETREAT

Foundry's Annual Women's Retreat will be held at Pecometh's Riverview Retreat Center, **February 21-23, 2025.** We're honored to have Rev. Dr. Lydia Muñoz as our keynote speaker and invite the women of Foundry to join as she leads us in her call: An Awakening! The Awareness of God's Presence in Us! Rev. Dr. Munoz may be familiar to most of us as she has served as a Foundry guest preacher during the 2022 Lenten Season. Register at foundryumc.org/womens-retreat

DISCIPLESHIP IDEATION

Mark your calendars for **Sunday, February 9, at 12:30 p.m.** to brainstorm next year's classes and events. Bring your best ideas and help shape our community's discipleship journey. Lunch will be provided, so come hungry and ready to collaborate. Let's work together to create an impactful year of learning and growth! Register at foundryumc.org/ideation-meeting

COVENANT SMALL GROUP FACILITATORS' ORIENTATION

Passionate about building community and guiding others in discipleship? Join us as we launch Covenant Small Groups in February! If you're interested in leading or co-leading, attend our info session on **Sunday, January 26, at 12:30 p.m.** (after the service). Learn about the vision, purpose, and resources to lead effectively. No commitment is required—just come and explore! Register at foundryumc.org/covenant-smallgroup

JESUS AND THE DISINHERITED

Discover the transformative message of **Howard Thurman's *Jesus and the Disinherited* in a four-week class led by Joanne Garlow.** Together, we will delve into Thurman's thought-provoking exploration of Jesus' call to love and justice, examining how these timeless principles can guide our lives today. Gather with us **today through February 2, at 10:10 a.m. in Room B-2.** All are welcome! Register at foundryumc.org/disinherited

COMICS X THEOLOGY: EXPLORING FAITH THROUGH YOUR FAVORITE COMICS

Join us for the inaugural session of **Comics x Theology on Sunday, January 26, 2025, at 3:00 p.m. at Fantom Comics in Dupont Circle.** Dive into the fascinating world where comic book narratives meet theological concepts—whether you're a comic book enthusiast or interested in exploring faith in contemporary culture, this gathering is for you! Bring a friend and join us for an afternoon of insightful discussion and community fellowship. For more information, please contact jbrown@foundryumc.org

2025 LENTEN DEVOTIONAL UNDERWAY

There's still time to create a reflection on the theme "Grounded in Grace," in the form of a 300-word essay, poem, or graphic expression. Yours would be one of the daily devotionals Foundry publishes in print and online beginning Ash Wednesday. The deadline for submissions is Monday, February 3, 2025. Questions or help needed? Email LentenDevotional@FoundryUMC.org

SOCIAL JUSTICE & SERVICE ACTIVITIES

2025 POINT IN TIME COUNT

This year's count will occur on **Wednesday, January 29, 2025, with the 30th as a rain date.** The Point-in-Time count is essential for securing federal funding and provides the District with valuable data to better understand homelessness. This ensures that resources are used efficiently and helps achieve the goals of the Homeward DC initiative. Want more info? Check out the PIT Count Overview. A Foundry team will meet at the church at 8:30 p.m. and work in the Dupont neighborhood near the church building. Register at foundryumc.org/point-in-time
Live in Maryland? Check out Montgomery County's PIT Count here: foundryumc.org/maryland-pit

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 – 21, 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. National Historical Park, the Edmund Pettus Bridge, and the Birmingham Civil Rights Institute. Hear personal stories, walk in the footsteps of icons like Rosa Parks and Dr. King, and reflect on the sacrifices made for freedom. For more information and to register, visit foundryumc.org/civil-rights-pilgrimage

CONGREGATIONAL CARE PRAYING TOGETHER WORKSHOP

Have you ever wanted to have a more robust prayer life? Or would you like to be more comfortable praying with others? If so, this session is for you! Please join us for the **Praying Together Workshop on January 19, 12:30–2 p.m., in room 203**, to deepen your understanding and practice of prayer. This session is sponsored by Foundry's Stephen Ministries.

OPERATIONS SEEKING VOLUNTEERS FOR THE FOUNDRY ARCHIVES AND HISTORY COMMITTEE

Are you interested in the history of Foundry UMC and the community it has served for over 200 years? Do you have special expertise in videography, library sciences, document preservation and curation, archival research, records digitization, or website development and coding? If so, the Foundry Archives and History Committee is looking for volunteers. Contact AHC Chair John McCormick at jtmccormick58@gmail.com to learn more.

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.

Check in!



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smartphone camera.



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