

# *Union Wesley*

*African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church*

— *Worship Time: 10:00 AM* —



— *Serving Christ and Community Since 1844* —



1860 Michigan Avenue, NE • Washington, DC 20018

*Rev. Dr. Brian S. Relford, Sr., Pastor*

**ORDER OF SERVICE | MAY 17, 2026 | 10:00 AM**

The Call to Worship  
Invocation .....Rev. Ray Gregg, Sr.

The Morning Hymn.....“Glory To His Name”

Affirmation of Faith: Apostles’ Creed.....  
*I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost. Born of the Virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate; Was crucified, dead, and buried: The third day He rose from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the Holy catholic church; the Communion of Saints; the Forgiveness of sins; the Resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.*

The Announcements.....

The Scripture Reading.....Luke 7:11-17 (NIV).....Mrs. Deborah Hobbs

The Morning Prayer.....Dr. Harriett Kargbo

The Musical Selection.....

**\*OUR GIFTS TO GOD** *The giving of Tithes, Offerings and the Ministry of Kindness Offering*  
**THE OFFERTORY**     *“All Things Come of Thee”*

The Musical Selection.....

The Message.....Rev. Dr. Brian S. Relford, Sr.

The Invitation to Christian Discipleship.....

The Benediction.....

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

All Ministry Leaders, please join Pastor Relford on Thursday, May 21 at 6pm for an important leaders' meeting. He will be sharing key updates and information. A Zoom Meeting link is forthcoming.



Members Meeting Saturday, June 6, 2026 | 10:00 AM | In person



### A Note from the Board of Stewards

Each week, the BOS receives several tithing envelopes that are incomplete or missing donation details. We kindly ask all members to be **intentional and thorough** when filling out their envelopes. Please **indicate each donation area** (Tithes, Offering, Men/Women's Day, Food Pantry, etc.) **and include the total amount** on the envelope. Thank you for your continued support and attention.

	Name: <u>Mary Church</u>	Date: <u>5/26/26</u>
1236 First Street, NE Washington, DC 20002	Address: <u>1236 First Street, NE</u>	
	City: <u>Washington, DC</u>	
	State: <u>DC</u>	
	Zip: <u>20002</u>	
	Ministry of Members	\$ 250.00
	Offering	\$ 250.00
	Church Fund	\$ 0.00
	Scholarship Fund	\$ 0.00
	Food Pantry	\$ 0.00
	Capital Campaign	\$ 0.00
	Administrative Expenses	\$ 0.00
	Other (Designate)	\$ 0.00
	Total	\$ 500.00

### JOIN US!

**Intercessory Prayer:** Tuesday, May 19 | 7 PM conference call

**Wednesday Bible Study** | Join us on our various social media platforms.

**Thursday Morning Manna** | 6 AM Conference Call

**We will not have Morning Manna Thursday, May 28, 2026**

### Celebration of Life

Services for Ms. **Pamela Hackett** will be held Saturday, May 23, 2026 at Union Wesley. Family Hour: 10:30 am Service: 11:00 am



## ANNOUNCEMENTS



The **Archives and Seniors Ministry** will sponsor a **Yard Sale on the lawn of Union Wesley on Saturday, June 13, from 9 AM to 3 PM. Reserve your table today!**  
**Cost: \$30 per table. Table rental includes 2 chairs.**

The **United Men in Christ** will host their annual **Father's Day Prayer Breakfast on Saturday, June 20th** beginning at **9:00 AM**. Our guest speaker will be **Rev. Handel Smith of Celebration Church** in Anderson, Indiana. **Tickets are \$25**, and you may see **Mr. Calvin Marshall** for tickets.

**Vacation Bible School | June 22-26**

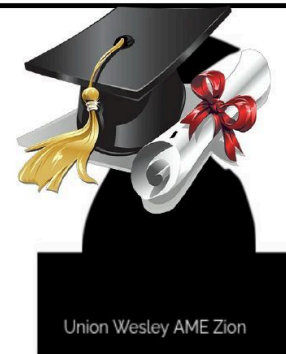
Washington District Planning Meeting and "The Talent of Black Folk: A Juneteenth Experience" following the Planning Meeting (1:00 PM) June 27, 2026 @ Union Wesley  
Cost for the event: \$25.00

**Sunday, July 5, 2026** marks the beginning of Pastor Relford's **8th** year of faithful and dedicated leadership at Union Wesley.

Union Wesley and friends, you are invited to join the **DC Ministry** for our annual **Crab Feast on Saturday, July 18th**. We are excited to return to **Suicide Bridge Restaurant**, where many of you gathered with us last year for a wonderful time of fellowship, great food, and beautiful views. The cost is **\$125**, and a **\$50 deposit** will reserve your seat. Please remember that **June 15** is the deadline to secure your reservation.

You may see Lois Williams or any member of the DC Ministry for tickets.

**2026**  
**SCHOLARSHIP  
APPLICATIONS NOW  
AVAILABLE**



**Application Deadline: June 8, 2026**

**\* ALL ELIGIBLE CANDIDATES ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY**



**Scholarship Sunday | July 19, 2026**

You can pick up a **scholarship application** at the church office. Union Wesley, thank you for your continued support. Your generosity plays a vital role in ensuring the ongoing success of this program, and we are truly grateful for your commitment.

## MAY BIRTHDAYS

May 2nd Carla Thompson  
May 5th Catherine Hargrove  
May 5th Jenaia Cosbert  
May 6th Brian Madison  
May 8th Delores Fletcher  
May 8th Ronald Dent  
May 11th Sowande Tichawonna  
May 13th Michael Garrett  
May 15th Linda Brown  
**May 17th Kristie Bates**  
**May 17th McGrath Jean Thomas**  
**May 19th Tracie Hood**  
**May 19th Almera Carter**  
**May 19th Emery Belle Bookard**  
**May 19th Kamyia Gregg**



**May 20th Sherylin Davis**  
**May 20th Sarai Relford**  
**May 21st Helen Wilson**  
**May 21st Ellington Bookard**  
**May 22nd Kaiden Fair**  
**May 22nd Kayleigh Fair**  
May 24th Reginald Washington  
May 24th Bernice Brace  
May 25th Betty Germany  
May 26th Melinda Higgins  
May 28th Agnes Carter  
May 30th Sheena Ziegler  
May 31st Kiarra Lucas  
May 31st Tambo Prince



Let's keep our sick and shut-in members in our thoughts and prayers. Take a moment to reach out with a card, a call, or a heartfelt prayer to let them know they are not forgotten. Your kindness and support can make a world of difference to those who need it most.

“Pray at all times in the Spirit with every prayer and request, and stay alert with all perseverance and intercession for all the saints.” Ephesians 6:18 (CSB)

Mrs. Kathleen Barber  
4218 12th Place, NE Washington, DC 20017

Ms. Lillian Dean  
Sunrise of Chevy Chase, 2201 Colston Drive

Sis. Delores Guy  
Life Springs Elder Care, 6207 Joyce Drive  
Temple Hills, MD 20748

Ms. Carolyn Howard  
10118 Towhee Avenue, Adelphi, MD 20783

Ms. Patricia Ann Martin  
Cadia Health Care Wheaton, 4011 Randolph Rd. #201-B, Silver Spring, Md. 20902

Mr. David Watson  
9711 Surratts Manor Drive, Clinton, MD 20735

Ms. Ann Williams  
Complete Care, 310 Genesis Way, Severna Park, MD 21146

Mrs. Mignon Wilson  
6404 Gateway Blvd , District Heights, MD 20747



**SUNDAY SCHOOL**  
[www.unionwesleyamez.org](http://www.unionwesleyamez.org)



**Sunday Worship**  
[www.unionwesleyamez.org](http://www.unionwesleyamez.org)

**Tuesday Prayer** | 7:00 p.m.  
1-978-990-5000 Code: 791926

**Wednesday Bible Study**  
12 p.m. | 6:30 p.m. | [www.unionwesleyamez.org](http://www.unionwesleyamez.org)

**Thursday Morning Manna**  
Dial-in: 1-267-807-9495 Code: 355-119-736

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### **MINISTERIAL STAFF**

Reverends Cedric Stroud, Verlie H. Peters, Christine Madison,  
Veronica Graves, Stacey Lytle, Delmar Lytle, Ray Gregg, Rev. Demetros Benton,  
Sis. DeLores Guy, Sis. Adwoa Aggrey, Sis. Crystal Miller



The Reverend Dr. Alvin T. Durant, Presiding Elder, Washington District  
The Rev. Felica R. Thompson, Missionary Supervisor, Mid-Atlantic Episcopal Area  
The Right Reverend Brian R. Thompson, Sr., Presiding Prelate Mid-Atlantic Episcopal Area

### **OUR VISION**

To be a growing church of faith that passionately models the life of Christ by equipping and training seekers and believers to do the work of ministry in the church and community.

### **MISSION STATEMENT**

It is the mission of Union Wesley African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church to love God and one another, impact and improve our community and the world; and to proclaim and witness to the life changing message of Jesus Christ.



Church Office: **202-526-1242**

