



Star of Bethlehem flower

Advent - December 7, 2025

Our one law is love of God and love of neighbor.

Justice matters. Christ is the center.

All identities are celebrated.

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669 Maine Ave SW, Washington, D.C. 20024

*You may rise in body or spirit

Gathering Song

Call to Worship & Candle Lighting

Praise & Worship*

Welcome

*Visitors - We are so excited that you are joining us, in-person and online!
If this is your first time, please fill out a welcome card in the pew or email
"hello" to info@riversidedc.org.*

Passing of the Peace*

Peace Like A River

*I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river in my soul. (2X)*

Offering

1. Text "Give" to 202.5194330
2. Go to RiversideDC.org/giving
3. Offer Cash/check in-person or by mail

Doxology & Prayer of Thanksgiving*

My Tribute

*To God be the glory, to God be the glory,
To God be the glory for the things God has done.*

Musical Selection

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 2:1-4, Matthew 10:34-36 (OT 489, NT 8)

Sermon

Prince of Peace?

Rev. Mia M. McClain

Song*

Ordination of Deacons

The Ordinance of Holy Communion - *Please come to the table as directed by a deacon*

Communion Song – Please join in on the chorus

*So come as you are
Remember that the door is always open
Yes, come as you are
The perfect gift that you could bring is your heart
So come, come as you are*

Benediction*

Sending Song*

Vine and Fig Tree

*And ev'ryone beneath the vine and fig tree shall live in peace and have no fear.
(2X)
And into plough shares turn their swords, nations shall learn war no more.
(2X)*

Gathering Song

Comfort, Comfort Ye My People

Comfort, comfort ye my people,
Speak ye peace, thus saith our God.
Comfort those who sit in darkness,
Mourning neath their sorrows' load.
Speak ye to Jerusalem
Of the peace that waits for them,
Tell her that her sins I cover,
And her warfare now is over.

For the herald's voice is crying
In the desert far and near,
Bidding all to true repentance,
Since the kingdom now is here.
Oh, that warning cry obey,
Now prepare for God a way;
Let the valleys rise to meet him,
And the hills bow down to greet him.

Candle Lighting

Make ye straight what long was crooked,
Make the rougher places plain;
Let your hearts be true and humble,
As befits His holy reign;
For the glory of the Lord
Now o'er earth is shed abroad,
And all flesh shall see the token
That his Word is never broken.

Praise and Worship

Come Thou Almighty King

Come, Thou Almighty King,
help us Thy name to sing;
help us to praise: Father, all glorious,
o'er all victorious, come, and reign over us,
Ancient of Days.

Come, Thou Incarnate Word,
gird on Thy mighty sword,
our pray'r attend:
come, and Thy people bless,
and give Thy Word success:
Spirit of holiness, on us descend.

Come, Holy Comforter,
Thy sacred witness bear in this glad hour:
Thou who almighty art,
now rule in every heart,
and ne'er from us depart, Spirit of pow'r.

To Thee, great One in Three,
eternal praises be hence, evermore.
His sov'reign majesty may we in glory see,
and to eternity love and adore.

Song

O God of Every Nation

O God of every nation,
of every race and land,
redeem the whole creation
with your almighty hand.
Where hate and fear divide us
and bitter threats are hurled,
in love and mercy guide us,
and heal our strife torn world.

From lust for wealth and power,
from scorn for truth and right,
from trust in bombs that shower
destruction through the night,
from pride of race and station
and blindness to your way,
deliver every nation.
Eternal God, we pray.

Keep bright in us the vision
of days when war shall cease,
when hatred and division
give way to love and peace,
till dawns the morning glorious
when truth and justice reign,
and Christ shall rule victorious
o'er all the world's domain.



Pray for: Our community and our world.

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