



## **Peoples Congregational United Church of Christ**

4704 13th Street NW  
Washington, DC 20011

**Sunday, May 10, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.**  
**Women's Day Service**

Rev. Benjamin Ledell Bragg-Reynolds  
Interim Minister

Love God and Love Your Neighbor

**ENTER TO WORSHIP . . .**

**THE ORDER OF WORSHIP**  
Sixth Sunday of Easter  
**MOTHER'S DAY/WOMEN'S DAY**  
**CELEBRATING OURSELVES: WE ARE FABULOUS**  
**FEARFULLY AND WONDERFULLY MADE**  
Sunday, May 10, 2026, at 10:00 a.m.  
The Liturgical Color is White

**CENTERING THOUGHT**

*"Success of every woman should be the inspiration to another ... be strong, be extremely kind, and above all humble."*

Serena Williams

**PRELUDE**

**\*PROCESSIONAL**

No. 329\*\* AAHH

*Holy, Holy, Holy*

**\*OPENING HYMN**

No. 410\*\* AAHH

*Faith of Our Mothers*

**WELCOME**

Diana Veiga

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Diana Veiga

**Leader:** Holy One, you have searched us, and you know us. You know every story carried in this room— every joy, every wound, every hope still unfolding.

**People: We praise you, for we are fearfully and wonderfully made.**

**Leader:** Before we spoke a word, you knew our voice. Before we took a step, your hand was guiding us. In every season, you have been our shelter and our strength.

**People: We praise you, for your knowledge of us is too wonderful for words.**

**Leader:** Where can we go from your Spirit? Your presence meets us in the heights and in the depths, in the work of our hands and the quietness of our hearts.

**People: We praise you, for your love holds us fast.**

**Leader:** Today, we honor the women you have formed— women who lead, nurture, create, resist, heal, and rise. We honor the image of God reflected in every life.

**People: Search us, O God, and lead us in the way you would have us to go.**

*All: With gratitude and courage, we come to worship the God who knows us, calls us, and delights in us.*

**\*INVOCATION AND SAVIOR'S PRAYER**

Diana Veiga

Holy and Loving God, You who formed us with intention and breathed Your image into every daughter of creation, we gather in Your presence with gratitude and expectation. Bless this space with Your Spirit. Let Your wisdom rise among us, Your courage steady us, and Your compassion flow through us. Thank you for the women who have carried your light through generations — women who prayed us through, who stood their ground, who dreamed boldly, who loved fiercely, who refused to let hope die. Bless every woman gathered — the young and the seasoned, the weary and the strong, the ones who lead from the front and the ones who hold things together quietly. Let each one feel seen, celebrated, and empowered. Gather our voices into one chorus of praise as we celebrate the women who shape our families, our communities, our churches, and our world. Honor the stories carried in this room— stories of resilience, leadership, tenderness, and truth. Make this hour holy. Make our hearts open. Make our worship worthy of the one who taught us to pray by saying:

"Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.

Thy kingdom come. They will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.

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 READINGS**

Psalm 139:14

Laura Minor

Ephesians 2:10

Naomi Fitzpatrick

**\*GLORIA PATRI**

Saint Hilary of Poitiers

*Glory be to the Father and to the Son,  
And to the Holy Ghost as it was at the beginning,  
Is now and ever shall be,  
World without end.  
Amen*

**PRAISE AND WORSHIP**

*Open the Eyes of My Heart*

**STATEMENT OF THE OCCASION**

Constance Harris,  
*President, Women's Fellowship*

**POEM**

Lucille Clifton

"Won't You Celebrate with Me"  
*Tuere Marshall*

**SONG OF PREPARATION**

*If I Don't Praise the Lord*

**WOMEN'S DAY MESSAGE**

Albertha Workman and Amber Romine  
*Moderator, Constance Harris*

**"HER STORY: OUR TALK ACROSS GENERATIONS"**

**INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP**

Diana Veiga

**\*PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Diana Veiga

**OFFERTORY**

Diana Veiga

**OFFERTORY SELECTION**

*He Has Done Marvelous Things*

**OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Madeline Romine

**\*DOXOLOGY**

Thomas Ken

*Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, Ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen*

**CLOSING REMARKS**

Rev. Benjamin Ledell Bragg-Reynolds

**\*CLOSING HYMN**

No. 633\*\* AAHH

*As You Go, Tell the World*

**\*BENEDICTION**

Tuere Marshall

*Words from Harriet Tubman*

**POSTLUDE**

**. . . DEPART TO SERVE**

**DIANA VEIGA, WOMEN'S DAY WORSHIP LEADER**

**Dr. Robert L. Jefferson**, Director of Worship and Peoples Congregational Choir  
**Minister Diedre D. Gray**, Assistant Director of Worship and Peoples Praise

**Minister Geneva Hudson**, Minister of Congregational Care  
**Minister Francis Smith**, Minister of Community Engagement  
**Dr. Helga Baskett -Tippett**, Ministerial Team  
**Rev. George Walker**, Ministerial Team

**\*All who are able, please stand**

**\*\*AAHH- African American Hymnal**

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# **Happening at Peoples . . .**

**Sunday, May 17, 2026 – 3:00 p.m.**  
**Ordination Service for Dr. Helga Baskett-Tippett**

**Pentecost Sunday, May 24, 2026 – 10:00 a.m.**  
**Confirmation Sunday - Class 2026**

**Friday, May 29 – Sunday, May 31 – All Day**  
**Women's Fellowship Retreat**

**Sunday, June 7, 2026 – 10:00 a.m.**  
**Evangelism and Outreach: Preparing for Our Senior Minister**  
**Church-wide Potluck 11:30 am – 2:00 p.m.**

**Monday, June 8, 2026 – 9:00 am to 5:00 p.m.**  
**Church Open for Prayer with Ministerial and Prayer Teams**

**Monday, June 8, 2026 – 6:00 p.m.**  
**Congregational Prayer Service**

**Sunday, June 14, 2026 – 10:00 a.m.**  
**Student Recognition Sunday**

**Saturday, June 20, 2026 – 9:30 a.m.**  
**The Wellness Ministry sponsors a CPR Certificate Class**

**Sunday, June 21, 2026 – 10:00 a.m. (Father's Day)**  
**Men's Fellowship Sunday**

**Sunday, June 28, 2026 – 10:00 a.m.**  
**Annual Caribbean-American Interfaith Service**

\*The schedule is subject to change.

# PEOPLES PREACHING AND WORSHIP LEADER SCHEDULE MAY 2026

**Sunday, May 3, 10:00 a.m.** (Fifth Sunday of Easter) \*

*"Moved and Challenged" Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16; Romans 1:8-17*

- **Rev. Benjamin Ledell Bragg-Reynolds**, *Preaching*
- **Rev. George Walker**, *Worship Leader*

**Sunday, May 10, 10:00 a.m.** (Sixth Sunday of Easter)

**Mother's Day and Women's Day** – Women's Fellowship

*"Her Story, Our Talk Across Generations" Psalm 139:14*

- **Diana Veiga**, *Worship Leader*

**Sunday, May 17, 10:00 a.m.** (Seventh Sunday of Easter) \*

*"You, Me, and David" Psalm 51; Romans 7*

- **Rev. Benjamin Ledell Bragg-Reynolds**, *Preaching*
- **Minister Geneva Hudson**, *Worship Leader*

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**Sunday, May 24, 10:00 a.m.** (Pentecost Sunday)

**Confirmation Sunday**

*"Gift of the Spirit" Psalm 104:24-34, 35b; Acts 2:1-21*

- **Rev. Benjamin Ledell Bragg-Reynolds**, *Preaching*
- **[Rev.] Dr. Helga Baskett-Tippett**, *Worship Leader*

**Sunday, May 31, 10:00 a.m.** (Trinity Sunday) \*

*"Make a Choice" Psalm 8; I Corinthians 13:11-13*

- **Rev. Benjamin Ledell Bragg-Reynolds**, *Preaching*
- **Minister Francis Smith**, *Worship Leader*

*\* Indicates Sermon-Talk-Back following the service in the Corbin Lounge*



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