



Colesville United Methodist Church

52 Randolph Road, Silver Spring, Maryland 20904

A Community of Faith in Action

OUR VISION

We seek to be a captivating beacon of God's Light to the community that draws people to Christ and provides spiritual sustenance and wholistic support to people's lives.

OUR MISSION

To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

Rev. Dr. Michael W. Armstrong, Pastor

Mrs. Paulette Wright, Lay Leader

Rev. Dr. Ianther Mills, Tidal Basin District Superintendent

Mrs. Sherrill Cole, District Administrator

Bishop LaTrelle Easterling, Resident Bishop

Worship Service | October 25, 2026 | 10 AM

Prelude begins at 9:45am

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Worship Service

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Sunday Worship Service | Young People's Sunday
October 25, 2026

Prelude

His Eye Is on the Sparrow (*arr. by Bill Wolaver*)

Curtis Richardson

Call to Worship

Liturgist: Michael Onojeta

Liturgist: We celebrate athletes who train, musicians who practice, and students who keep learning.

All: Today, we come to grow as followers of Jesus Christ.

Liturgist: Scripture calls us to train ourselves in godliness.

All: Teach us to practice prayer, kindness, generosity, and love.

Liturgist: Jesus shows us greatness through humility, faithfulness, and service.

All: Young and old, we will follow Jesus together!

Liturgist: Come, let us worship the One who calls us, strengthens us, and helps us grow.

All: To God be the glory, today and every day!

Unison Prayer

All: Gracious God, thank you for calling us to follow Jesus. Open our hearts to your Word and help us put our faith into practice. When we become distracted, renew our focus. When we feel discouraged, give us strength to keep going. Teach us to make room for prayer, listen for your guidance, and serve others with joy. May our worship today shape the way we live tomorrow.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

Opening Hymn

How Great Is Our God

Vona Onojeta

Tsongania Rakontondranisa
Thaina Rakontondranisa (music)

Prayer of Confession

Liturgist: Following Jesus takes practice, and all of us have room to grow. Let us confess our sins together.

All: Merciful God, we confess that we sometimes spend more energy looking successful than living faithfully. We compare ourselves with others, seek applause, and overlook people who need our care. We make time for many things but struggle to make time for you. Forgive us when our words wound, our choices exclude, and our actions fail to reflect your love. Give us the courage to begin again. Help us practice the faith we proclaim and follow Jesus in our everyday lives. Amen.

Words of Assurance

Liturgist: Hear the good news: God's grace meets us where we are and leads us toward who we can become. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and called to new life.

All: Thanks be to God! By God's grace, we will keep growing in faith and love. Amen.

Offertory Appeal

Liturgist: Generosity is one way we practice discipleship. When we give, we help our church nurture faith, care for neighbors, and share the love of Christ. Whether we are young or old, each of us has something to offer. Let us bring our gifts with grateful hearts.

Offertory Selection

Way Maker

Thaina Rakontondranisa (recital)

Offertory Prayer

All: Generous God, receive these gifts and the lives we offer with them. Use our resources to feed hungry neighbors, encourage young people, strengthen this church, and bring hope to our community. Help us grow in generosity as we follow Jesus. Amen.

Pastoral Announcements and Welcome

Scripture

1 Timothy 4:7–8

Hymn of Meditation

Cornerstone

**Vona Onojeta
Tsongania Rakontondranisa
Thaina Rakontondranisa (music)**

Sermon

What it Takes to Be the G.O.A.T. for God

Alex Agba

Intercessory Prayer

Liturgist: Loving God, you welcome us into a life of faith and help us grow one faithful step at a time. Hear our prayers for your children everywhere. For our children, teenagers, and young adults: surround them with love, protect them from harm, and help them recognize their worth in you. Give them courage to make wise choices, ask for help, and use their gifts.

All: Lord, strengthen us to follow Jesus.

Liturgist: For students, teachers, coaches, mentors, and school staff: grant patience, wisdom, and encouragement. Make our schools places of safety and belonging. Be near to those facing bullying, loneliness, anxiety, or pressure to prove themselves.

All: Lord, strengthen us to follow Jesus.

Liturgist: For parents, grandparents, caregivers, and all who guide young people: renew their strength. Help us listen carefully, offer patient guidance, and model the faith we teach.

All: Lord, strengthen us to follow Jesus.

Liturgist: For those who are sick, grieving, hungry, unhoused, or burdened by worry: bring healing, comfort, and provision. Open our eyes to their needs and move us to respond with compassion.

All: Lord, strengthen us to follow Jesus.

Liturgist: For Colesville United Methodist Church: help every generation learn from the others. Give our young people opportunities to lead and our adults a willingness to encourage them. Shape us into a congregation that practices justice, extends mercy, and serves with humility.

All: Lord, strengthen us to follow Jesus.

Liturgist: For our communities and our world: guide leaders toward justice and peace. Interrupt violence, confront prejudice, and teach us to honor the dignity of every person. Receive the prayers we speak and those we carry silently. By your Spirit, give us strength to live what we believe. As we now pray the prayer Jesus taught us:

Lord's Prayer

All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom 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 kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

Benediction

Liturgist: Go forth to live a life worthy of your calling. Receive unity as God's gift.

All: We will respond with humility, gentleness, patience, and love.

Liturgist: May the grace of Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit keep you and strengthen you to serve together in peace.

All: Amen.

Postlude

Recessional on “Lasst uns erfreuen”
(by Douglas E. Wagner)

Curtis Richardson