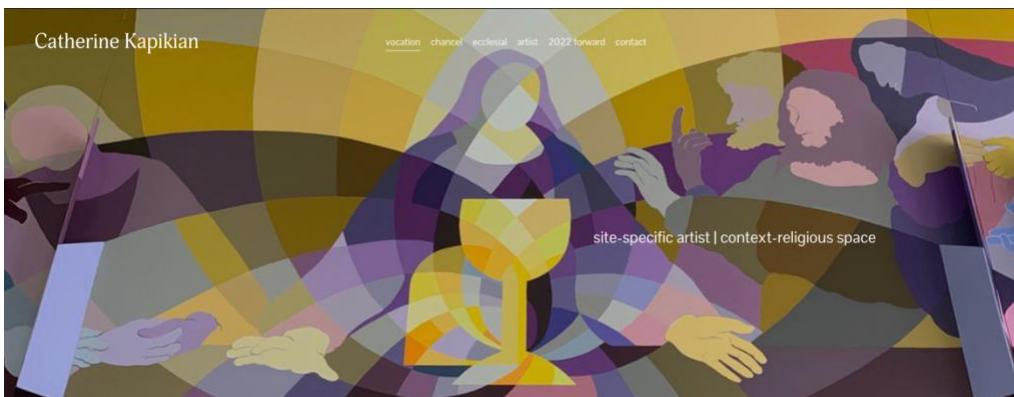


***I invite you to join my wife, Cara, and me on a field trip
to Washington, DC December 3-5 – Pastor Steve***

Purpose

- Visit the National African American History Museum
- Attend a Chapel Service at Wesley Theological Seminary
 - To celebrate the installation of Catherine Kapikian's most recent art: *The Last Supper*
- Possibly tour other sites in D.C. like the National Christmas Tree
- Deepen relationships through shared experience

Itinerary and Details – See page 2 of this flyer



The Last Supper – by Catherine Kapikian



Catherine Kapikian, the Artist

About the Artist

Catherine Kapikian is the Founder and Director Emerita of The Henry Luce III Center for the Arts and Religion at Wesley Theological Seminary, Washington, DC. Pastor Steve and his wife, Rev. Cara both took classes in seminary by Catherine. Her assertion that engaging the creative process as a community of faith is essential for the church to experience transformation has been a central theme in their 20+ years of ministry. Please visit her website and look at the incredible ways she has brought new life to worship and gathering spaces across the United States and in other countries.

www.catherinekapikian.com/ecclesial

About the Art

Watch this 10-minute video about the inspiration, thought and process for creating *The Last Supper*:

<https://fb.watch/ojL9KjEo8J/>

About the Museum

The National Museum of African American History and Culture is the only national museum devoted exclusively to the documentation of African American life, history, and culture. It was established by an Act of Congress in 2003, following decades of efforts to promote and highlight the contributions of African Americans. The Museum opened to the public on September 24, 2016, as the 19th museum of the Smithsonian Institution. *Learn more at:* <https://nmaahc.si.edu/>



Trip Itinerary and Details

- Sunday, Dec. 3, 3:30 - Depart from Mentor UMC
 - Ride together in rented van(s) paid for by GEM (Endowment for Education)
 - We will stop for dinner on our way
 - Travel time to DC with dinner stop is approximately 7 hours
- Sunday, Dec. 3, approximately 10:30 pm - Arrive at hotel/lodging
 - *See Lodging Options below
- Monday, December 4
 - 12:15 pm – Lunch at Smithsonian National Museum of African American History
 - 1:00-5:30 – Tour the Museum
 - 5:30/6:00 – Dinner with Catherine Kapikian at a restaurant – to be determined
 - After Dinner – Optional Driving tour of DC spots of interest
 - i.e. National Christmas Tree, White House, Capital, Mall
- Tuesday, December 5
 - 11:00 am - Attend Chapel Service at Wesley Theological Seminary
 - 4500 Massachusetts Ave NW, Washington, DC 20016
 - Catherine Kapikian preaching
 - No charge
 - <https://www.wesleyseminary.edu/>
 - 12:00 pm – Lunch at Wesley Theological Seminary
 - In honor of Catherine Kapikian
 - Dedication of “The Last Supper” art installation
 - 3:00/3:30 – depart for Mentor, OH
 - 10:30/11:00 – Return to Mentor UMC

*Lodging Options

- Each person is responsible for their own meals and lodging. However, once we know how many are going, we can coordinate an economical plan that meets our needs. NOTE – if you make plans to stay outside the city or too far from the group, you will need to arrange your own transportation (Uber, Metro, subway, etc.) to get back with the group for planned events. Here are three options for lodging are being considered:
 1. State Plaza Hotel – \$172.77/person/night if king bed, \$195.96 if two queens
 - a. www.stateplaza.com/
 2. Large Airbnb Rowhouse – 8 bedrooms, 11 beds, 7 bathrooms Or other Airbnb, depending on how many staying there to split the cost, likely be \$125-\$175 total per person for both nights combined.
 - a. https://www.airbnb.com/rooms/23556288?adults=15&check_in=2023-12-03&check_out=2023-12-05&source_impression_id=p3_1699984237_t3Z%2FoALm%2BEUZlnHo&previous_page_section_name=1000&federated_search_id=fe20cce0-d114-457d-9362-38d90665f4a1
 3. Shalom Place – through National UMC – 2 bedrooms, 12 bunk beds, 5 bathrooms, 2 showers - \$35/person/night
 - a. <https://nationalchurch.org/shalom-place>

Registration / Sign up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4FAAAE2EA3FCC25-46046188-washington>

Please use this link to register/sign up to go by Friday, November 24. If you have any questions, text, email or call Pastor Steve: sstultzcostello@mentorumc.org 330 224-7337