



Rev. Kate Murphey brings a great balance of gifts, spirit, and enthusiasm to our team. Before coming to the cooperative parish, Kate was an associate pastor at Grace UMC in Gaithersburg, MD and guided the serving and young adult ministries there. Originally from Columbus Ohio, she is delighted to have found home in DC. “I’m finally doing everything I’ve ever dreamed of doing in ministry! At Wesley UMC, we are an incredibly diverse, joy-filled, and welcoming community that has both rockin’ good music and good theology. At St. Luke’s/Crossroads, a non-profit mission center focused on homelessness ministries is coming together--not only with and through members of the cooperative parish but also the AU and Wesley Seminary communities, Community Council for the Homeless at Friendship Place and DC Central Kitchen Campus Kitchen Project. At MMUMC, there is an incredible cultural and organizational shift happening to empower ministry in the fullest. The values of extending radical hospitality, transforming lives, and pursuing justice is what connects all of the aspects of our work at all of the different campuses. I never cease to be astounded by the commitment, resources, and leadership of our three communities, Wesley, St. Luke’s, and MMUMC, as they live out Christ’s call to discipleship with absolutely all of who they are. I am honored to serve as a pastor here in the midst of such rich possibility.”