



“Let the elders who rule well be considered worthy of double honor, especially those who labor in preaching and teaching.” (1 Timothy 5:17 ESV)

May 14, 2025

Dear Christian Friends,

The Staff Parish Committee of Calloway United Methodist Church invites you to join us for an Appreciation Celebration in honor of Pastor DeLishia A. Davis on Sunday, June 22, 2025, at 2:00 pm. The celebration will be held at Calloway United Methodist Church, 5000 Langston Boulevard, Arlington, Virginia.

After eight years of faithful service, Rev. DeLishia A. Davis has been re-assigned, yet she will leave a powerful legacy of spiritual leadership, love, and community transformation. Her ministry has touched countless lives within and beyond the church walls.

We are excited to announce that the celebration will feature a powerful message from Rev. Dr. James Victor, along with soul-stirring musical tributes by the St. Joseph Gospel Choir, Chris Reynolds and Faith, and Master Carmelo Coleman. A reception will follow, where we will enjoy fellowship, share gifts, and offer personal words of gratitude to Pastor Davis.

Dr. Davis' leadership extends far beyond the pulpit. She serves as the President of the Arlington NAACP, the President of the Arlington Coalition of Black Clergy, and the Chaplain of the National Council of Negro Women's Northern Virginia Section. She also sits on numerous boards and committees in Arlington and beyond, embodying the call to serve both God and community with excellence.

A few community leaders will offer tributes during the celebration, and we invite you to share your sentiments as well. If you would like to share your appreciation, you may:

- Record a short video tribute through this [link https://www.tribute.co/pastorddavis](https://www.tribute.co/pastorddavis)
- Submit a written reflection to office@callowaychurch.com by June 2, 2025.

Our theme is “Worthy of Double Honor”, inspired by 1 Timothy 5:17, as we thank Pastor DeLishia A. Davis for her unwavering commitment to preaching, teaching, and servant leadership. We hope that you, your organization, and your family will join us in this moment of love, gratitude, and celebration. Your presence will mean the world to her and to all of us who have been blessed by her ministry.

Grace and peace,

Bro. Alan-Michael Hill, Staff Parish Chairperson

Sis. Deb Wilson, Office Assistant

The Calloway United Methodist Church Family

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