



THE CAPITAL DISTRICT

WASHINGTON CONFERENCE

AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Rev. Dr. Dededrick O. Rivers, Presiding Elder

EQUIP • EMPOWER • EXECUTE

Equipping, Empowering, and Executing Relevant Ministry for This Present Age.

May 26, 2026

Dear Capital District Family,

Greetings in the mighty and matchless name of Jesus Christ!

It is with great joy and expectation that I invite you to gather for the Capital District Church School Convention — a time of spiritual renewal, fellowship, learning, worship, and celebration. As we come together, may our souls be refreshed, our hearts encouraged, and our minds sharpened for the work of Kingdom building.

Our 2026 Capital District Homecoming theme is:

“Empowered and Equipped to Lead with Excellence” with our focus scripture from **Ephesians 4:11–12**:

“And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ.”

In these challenging and ever-changing times, the Church must remain strong, vibrant, and impactful as we answer God’s call to ministry and leadership. This convention is designed to inspire, equip, and strengthen us for the work ahead.

We will convene on Saturday, June 27th at 8:45 a.m. on the campus of Union Bethel AME Church – Brandywine, located at 6810 Floral Park Road, Brandywine, MD 20613.

The day will feature:

- Engaging Christian Education classes
- An empowering Evangelism Workshop led by Pastor Brent Edwards
- Dynamic worship and preaching
- Fellowship, food, and fun for the entire district and all ages.

We especially encourage all **Stewards, Trustees, and Class Leaders** to attend the Evangelism Training as we focus on **EQUIPPING** leaders with effective tools to expand God’s Kingdom here on earth.

We are also honored to welcome Min. Cameron Seawright as our guest preacher for the Noon Worship Service. The Capital District Church School Convention is more than just another meeting — it is a sacred gathering of believers united in faith, purpose, and the assurance that with God, all things are possible. We look forward to worshipping and fellowshiping with you. Welcome home!

Peace, Power and Love,

Rev. Dr. Dededrick O. Rivers
Presiding Elder, Capital District

Bro. Reginald Clemons
Host Church School Superintendent

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CHURCHES OF THE DISTRICT

Allen	Emmanuel	Hemingway Memorial	Mt. Olive	Pilgrim	St. Paul DC	Union Bethel
Allen Chapel	Faith	Jordan River Mission	Mt. Pisgah	Quinn Chapel	St. Paul Frederick	Ward Memorial
Bethany	Faith Mission	LaPlata Mission	Mt. Zion Knoxville	Reid Temple	St. Stephens	Wayman
Bethel	Falls Road	Lee Memorial	Mt. Zion Severn	St. James	Star of Bethlehem	Wayman Good Hope
Cowdensville	First AME Manassas	Metropolitan	New Creation	St. Jude	The House Church DMV	
Dickerson	Gaines Chapel	Mt. Gilboa	New Hope	St. Mark	Turner Memorial	