



The Voices of Women: Wisdom, Wit, & Wonder

Wednesday, February 11

2 PM - 4 PM

St. John's Lutheran Church

An afternoon of poetry, storytelling, and refreshments featuring:

Anne Bucey grew up in Atlanta, Georgia, graduated from Kenyon College, and received an MFA in Writing from the Naslund-Mann Graduate School of Writing at Spalding University. Certified in Spiritual Direction, she has worked as a companion to people in hospice. Recent publications include historic persona poems for *Arkansas Review* and "Canebrake," which was a finalist for the Ron Rash Award and appeared in *Broad River Review*. Anne will be reading from a chapbook of her poems, *A Shade Pulled Just Barely*, which was published last year by Finishing Line Press.

Nancy Luana grew up in Decatur, Georgia where she lives today and where most of her writing is set. She received her MFA from the Naslund-Mann Graduate School of writing in 2022, and her work has appeared in *Appalachian Review*, *Sport Literate* and the *Atlanta Journal Constitution*. Nancy will be reading from her recently completed, yet-to-be-named memoir, a memoir which she hopes to find a home for in 2026.

Melanie Weldon-Soiset is a highly sensitive person (HSP) who prioritizes sleep and is the author of *Welcome Calm, Silence Tyrants: Adult Lullabies* (Shanti Arts 2026). She has 300-year-old roots in Georgia, and grew up near Stone Mountain. Melanie is a #ChurchToo survivor, former pastor for foreigners in Shanghai, and an MDiv and MFA graduate. Melanie served as the final Poetry Editor at *Geez Magazine*. Find her in real life biking on greenways in Washington, DC, where she lives. Find her online at melanieweldonsoiset.com.