

May 10, 2015

THE NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

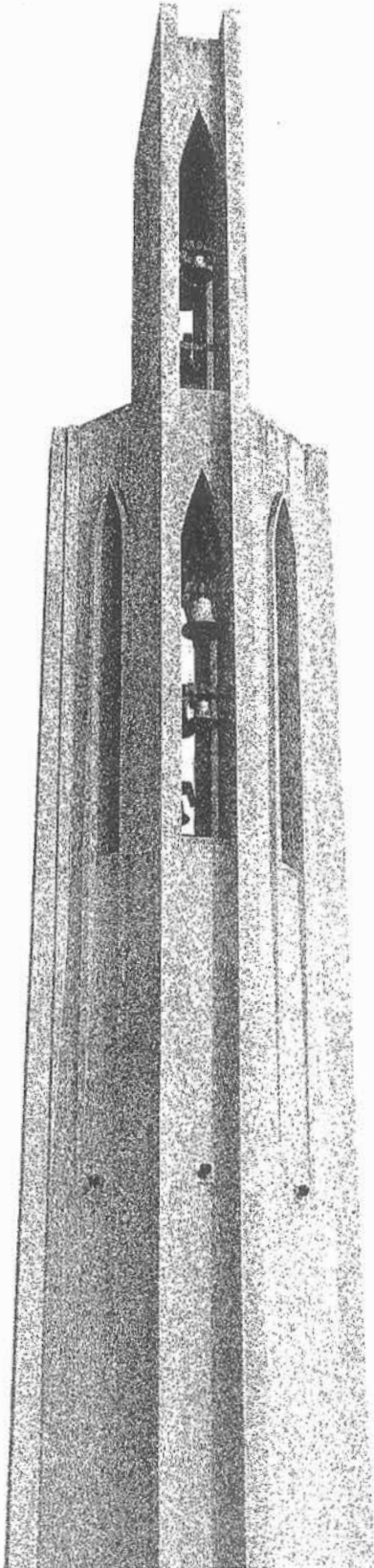
LEADING PEOPLE TO BECOME
FAITHFUL FOLLOWERS OF JESUS CHRIST
TOGETHER IN GOD'S WORLD

YOUTH SUNDAY

*O God, from my youth you have taught me,
and I still proclaim your wondrous deeds.*

Psalm 71:17

Dr. David Renwick, *Senior Pastor* · Dr. Quinn Fox, *Associate Pastor*
Rev. Donna Marsh, *Associate Pastor* · Rev. Evangeline Taylor, *Associate Pastor*
Parish Associates: Rev. Nancy T. Fox and Dr. Donald R. Wilson
Dr. Michael Denham, *Director of Music Ministries*
William Neil, *Organist* · Hilda Gore, *Contemporary Music Leader*
Ministry Directors: J. Theodore Anderson (Library & Older Adults),
Jill Meek (Children), Leslie Saum (Connections), McLane Stone (Youth)



RECOGNITION OF CONFIRMATION 11 a.m.

Dr. David Renwick

Robert Lescher

Isabelle Rakow

Zachary Schauer

Molly Moore

11 a.m. *Children (grades K–2) may meet their Sunday School leaders in the Court of Flags to go to the Children’s Church program in Church Room 106, returning after the sermon*

SCRIPTURE

Romans 8:35-39

9:15 a.m. Laura Abbott

The Word of the Lord.

pew Bible pp. 919, 920

11 a.m. Tabitha Johnson

Thanks be to God.

SENIOR TESTIMONIES

McLane Stone, Director of Youth Ministries

9:15 a.m. Sarah Dickey, Ryan Holman, Nirosha Beekhuysen

11:00 a.m. Kathryn Young, Ryan Holman, Hannah Thompson

RESPONDING TO GOD’S GRACE AND CALL

▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles’ Creed

9:15 a.m. Miranda Woods

11 a.m. Isabelle Rakow

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead,
and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father
Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost;

the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

9:15 a.m. Magruder Dent

11 a.m. Michaela Johnson

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors;

and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS FOR YOUTH MINISTRY

Immortal, Invisible

arr. Mary McDonald

Immortal, invisible, our God only wise, in light inaccessible that’s hid from our eyes.

Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

Immortal, invisible God.

Unresting, unchanging, and silent as light, nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might.

Thy justice like mountains high soaring above thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

Immortal, invisible God.

To all, life thou givest, to both great and small; in all life thou livest, the true life of all.

We blossom and flourish like leaves on the tree, then wither and perish; but naught changeth thee.

Immortal, invisible God.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light, thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight.

All praise we would render, O help us to see ‘tis only the splendor of light hideth thee!

Immortal, invisible God.

Youth Choir

▲ DOXOLOGY

Old Hundredth

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;

Praise him above, ye heav’nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

- ▲ PRAYER OF DEDICATION 9:15 a.m. Michael Hammaker
11 a.m. Zachary Schauer
- ▲ HYMN 339 Be Thou My Vision *Slane*
- ▲ BENEDICTION 9:15 a.m. Madeleine Stewart
11 a.m. Adam Schauer

Please be seated

INSTRUMENTAL RESPONSE Molly Moore and Mitchell Moore

▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

POSTLUDE Jean Joseph Mouret
William Neil, organ

Rondeau
from Sinfonies de Fanfares

- ▲ Congregation standing, as able

Prayers during worship this morning are written by youth confirmands and seniors.

Happy Mother's Day!

The Flower Ministry invites all mothers and grandmothers of NPC Youth participating in today's services to take home a rose bowl from the table in Stone Hall.

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God in recognition of the wedding anniversary on May 20th of Gerri Hall and David Nickels and in memory of their parents, Helen and Randy Hall, and Evelyn and Horace Nickels.

The flowers in the Baptismal Fount are given to the glory of God in celebration of the birth of Ezra Martin Rosenfeld on April 28th, by his grandparents, Carolann Haley and the late Martin Rosenfeld.

Want to brighten someone's day? If you are planning to visit someone who is ill or home-bound, take along flowers to bring some cheer! Bud vases with fresh flowers may be found on the table outside of Elson Parlor.

Chapel prayers after worship: If you have a joy or concern on your heart, come to the chapel down the hall to the right as you exit the sanctuary. A pastor, elder or deacon, and Stephen Minister will be there to pray with you privately about your concerns and celebrations.

WELCOME, GUESTS!

We are so glad you are here today.

- **Welcome packets** and information on the church are available at the information table to the right as you exit the sanctuary, and at the entrances to the church building.
 - Enjoy **coffee and cookies** downstairs in Stone Fellowship Hall after worship.
 - Our **Connections Team**, wearing purple badges, are here to welcome you and answer questions.
 - **Tours of the church** on Sundays or weekdays are available upon request. *Please call: 202.537.7529.*
- In order to share God's word with the world, our services are video recorded and broadcast online. If you do not wish to appear on camera, seating is available in the balcony and first ten pews as you enter the Sanctuary.*

TODAY

YOUTH SUNDAY

Today we celebrate God's faithfulness as our middle school and high school youth take part in leading all worship services. Each service includes testimonies from some of NPC's high school seniors, and we will receive this year's Confirmation class as new members during the 11 a.m. service.

- *A special offering will be received this morning to support our ministry to youth. Envelopes are in the pews (mark check "Youth Ministry") or give online at www.nationalpres.org/giving.*
- Many thanks to McLane and Charley Stone and all the volunteers who serve our youth so faithfully!
- Please remember to pray for Youth Mission Trips this summer: High School trip to Dominican Republic, June 20-27; Middle School trip to Harrisonburg VA, July 20-25.

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ADULTS, YOUTH, AND CHILDREN

Sundays through May 17, 9:30 a.m.

Classes and locations listed on pg. 8.

CRISIS IN NEPAL: YOU CAN HELP

Over 7,000 people are feared dead and there is great destruction in Nepal after a massive earthquake. If you would like to help, we encourage you to support Samaritan's Purse, a Christian organization providing immediate aid and shelter on the ground in Nepal. *You may donate at www.samaritanspurse.org, or make a check out to NPC clearly marked for Samaritan's Purse and put it in the offering plate.*

GRIEFSHARE

Sundays, 12:30 p.m., Culbertson Library

GriefShare provides a community of support for those experiencing the loss of a loved one. Weekly meetings provide a safe place to meet others with the same confusing emotions and tough decisions as you. Explore ways to recover through small group discussion and Bible study.

Contact: Barb Dear, 202.537.7540 or BDear@NationalPres.org.



GREAT DAY OF SERVICE

SATURDAY, MAY 16



SIGN UP TODAY

in Stone Hall or online at

www.nationalpres.org/GreatDayofService

All are welcome for a meaningful morning of family-friendly service projects at NPC and around Northwest DC!

- Work in a community garden that grows food for a homeless shelter.
- Help package 10,000 nutritious, dehydrated meals to be sent to the world's poorest people. *Perfect project for families – kids can work alongside adults!*
- Join with others to pray for Great Day of Service participants, projects and partners.
- Receive, sort, and box clothes for the needy.
- Cook meals for the homeless.

Contact: Susan O'Banion, SObanion@NationalPres.org or 202.537.7503.

THIS WEEK AND UPCOMING

AFTERNOON T.E.A.

Wednesday, May 13

1:30–2:30 p.m. Elson Parlor

All women with school-aged children are invited for a monthly gathering with *Teaching, Encouragement, and Adoration* as we study the The Sermon on the Mount from Matthew 5-7, share our lives and worship God together. *Contact Alison Dickey: NPCafternoonTEA@gmail.com.*

WEDNESDAY WOMEN BIBLE STUDY AND PRAYER GROUP

Wednesday, May 13, 10 a.m.–1 p.m.,

Church Room 110/111 & 105

Women are invited for prayer at 10 a.m., followed by a study of Ahab and Jezebel from our focus on “Biblical Bad Girls, Rogues, and Fools.” After the study we will enjoy snacks, and address cards of encouragement to NPC members in need of care and prayer.

ADULT FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON

Monday, May 18, Noon, Stone Hall

All adults are invited for food, fellowship and a special program with former U.S. Ambassador Clyde and Ginny Taylor, entitled “Life and Work in the U.S. Foreign Service.” *Sign up today in Stone Hall or call 202.537.0800.*

PRAYER MINISTRY

Please pray for:

Gloria Borden

Ruth McKelvie

Mary Elisa Norment

*Confidential prayer requests:
www.nationalpres.org/prayer*

SUMMER SCHEDULE BEGINS JUNE 14

Mark your calendars for a transition to the summer schedule beginning June 14.

8:30 A.M.

Worship in Jones Hall (School Gym)

9:30 A.M.

Sunday school for all ages

10:45 A.M.

Worship in the Sanctuary

MORNING WORSHIP, JUNE 14

A Festival of Music and Worship

The summer worship schedule begins with glorious services of “Psalms, Hymns, Spirituals and Stories.” Join your hearts and voices to the choirs and musicians making music with organ, brass, and timpani, in the Sanctuary; and with piano, guitars, bass, and drums in Jones Hall.

Invite a friend!

MUSIC AT NATIONAL

Sunday, May 17, 5 p.m.

The Washington Chorus presents “Israel in Egypt.” *Tickets and information at www.thewashingtonchorus.org*

Tuesday, May 19, 7:30 p.m.

Whitworth University Symphony Orchestra will perform as part of their Spring 2015 Tour Concert. *No tickets are required; a free-will offering will be accepted.*

Sunday, June 21, 5 p.m.

The Heritage Signature Chorale presents its 15th Annual Concert. *Tickets and information at www.heritagesignaturechorale.org*

Greeting and ushering opportunities are available for all these events! *Please contact Carolann Haley, CHaley@NationalPres.org.*

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

July 6–10, 9:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

Register online today: nationalpres.org/VBS
Children age 4 to the 5th grade will enjoy a week filled with service projects, outdoor games, cool crafts, yummy snacks, awesome music, and stories from the Bible. This year's theme is "Everest: Conquering Challenges with God's Mighty Power."

SUMMER HORIZONS CAMP

June 22–August 28

Registration is open to all children for the National Presbyterian School's annual Summer Horizons Camp, held on the church campus. Kids can experience a memorable summer of friendship, laughter and learning with traditional day camp (age 3-grade 4), soccer camp (ages 4-5), and project-based STEM programs (grades 1-6). Extended day programs and instructional swimming are also available. For more information: nps-dc.org/summer or contact summerhorizons@nps-dc.org.

YOUR RECOMMENDATION NEEDED FOR CHURCH LEADERS

Your Congregational Nominating Committee asks your help in selecting our church's leaders as elders, deacons, board members for the Fund for Charitable Giving, or participants on next year's Congregational Nominating Committee.

Submit your recommendations:

- **online:** www.nationalpres.org/nominate
- **email:** Cong-Nomination@NationalPres.org
- **brochures:** available at church entrances

NPC DIRECTORY ONLINE & IN PRINT

Printed congregational directories are available on the information table and at the church office. You may also access the current directory any time on "NPC Online." Members of the congregation receive a secure login and password to access these features. Step-by-step instructions to access NPC online are at the information table.

MAY'S FOOD DONATION: UNSWEETENED CEREAL

Please bring donations of unsweetened cereal for mission partner Martha's Table to the baskets outside of Stone Hall, or upstairs at the information table. *You can help gather food donations or pack and deliver food to Martha's Table! Contact: Nancy Chapman Collb, nancy@nchapman.com.*

EXPERT ADVICE FOR OLDER ADULTS

Lisa Rindner, MSW LGSW, is a trusted resource to our congregation, providing expert advice on practical and emotional matters of aging. *Free appointments available at NPC. Contact Lisa at 202.895.9440 or LRindner@iona.org.*

CONGRATULATIONS, MIKE DENHAM

Director of Music, Michael Denham, graduated May 6 with a Doctor of Ministry degree from Beeson Divinity School of Samford University in Birmingham, Alabama.

DID YOU KNOW? YOU CAN CONTRIBUTE TO NPC THROUGH YOUR ONLINE SHOPPING

Shop on AmazonSmile with "The National Presbyterian Church, Inc." as your designated charity, and NPC receives a donation of .05% of the price of your eligible purchases. Learn more about AmazonSmile: www.smile.amazon.com. *You may also give online through the NPC website: www.nationalpres.org/giving*

THIS IS "WILLS EMPHASIS" MONTH

You can make a significant contribution to the future of NPC by mentioning NPC in your will (or updating your existing will). *Contact Joe Abatemarco, (NPC Finance Manager) at 202.537.7484 or JAbatemarco@NationalPres.org for questions about wills.* In addition, The NPC Fund for Charitable Giving is an affiliate of NPC that can assist you with tax-efficient planned giving. *Contact Chuck Petty, CPetty@NationalPres.org for questions about planned giving.*

CLASSES AND GROUPS

ADULTS

LECTIONARY READINGS

Year 1

May 10-17

Sunday

Psalms 93; 117
Deuteronomy 15:1-11
1 Timothy 3:14-4:5
Matthew 13:24-34a

Monday

Psalms 97; 115
Deuteronomy 8:1-10
James 1:1-15
Luke 9:18-27

Tuesday

Psalms 98; 116
Deuteronomy 8:11-20
James 1:16-27
Luke 11:1-13

Wednesday

Psalms 99; 118
Deuteronomy 19:1-7
James 5:13-18
Luke 12:22-31

Thursday

Psalms 47; 113
Ezekiel 1:1-14, 24-28
Hebrews 2:5-18
Matthew 28:16-20

Friday

Psalms 96; 138
Ezekiel 1:28-3:3
Hebrews 4:14-5:6
Luke 9:28-36

Saturday

Psalms 92; 114
Ezekiel 3:4-17
Hebrews 5:7-14
Luke 9:37-50

Sunday

Psalms 93; 117
Ezekiel 3:16-27
Ephesians 2:1-10
Matthew 10:24-42

Sunday Classes, 9:30 a.m.,

Classes continue through May 17; Adult Plenaries begin May 31

- Life in Progress: Seeking God Amidst Life's Complexities *School Room 236*
- Exploring John's Gospel: A Bible Study *Agencies 105*
- Book study of *Playing God* (by Andy Crouch) *Elson Parlor*
- Experiments in Christlikeness: Spiritual Formation 101 *Church Room 5*
- The Gospel of Luke *Church Room 110/111*
- Wrestlers: Engaging Contemporary Issues *Agencies Lower Level*

Groups

- Across the Aisle (ages 22–35) **Sundays, 12:30 p.m.** *Church Room 110/111*
- GriefShare **Sundays, 12:30 p.m.** *Culbertson Library*
- The Circle Family Group **3rd Sunday of the month, 4:30–6 p.m.** *Jones Hall/School Gym*
- Adult Fellowship Luncheon **3rd Monday of the month, Noon** *Stone Hall*
- Cub Scout Troop 1946, **Every other Tuesday, 6–7 p.m.** *MP Bldg. & Agencies Lower Level*
- “Real Moms” Coffeehouse **Wednesdays, 9:30 a.m.** *Church Room 107*
- Wednesday Women **2nd Wednesday of the month, 10 a.m.–1 p.m.** *Church Room 110/111*
- Boy Scout Troop 1946, **Wednesdays, 7–8:30 p.m.** *Agencies Lower Level*
- Afternoon T.E.A. Bible Study **2nd Wednesday of the month, 1:30–3 p.m.** *Elson Parlor*
- WomenConnect **3rd Wednesday of the month, 7–8:45 p.m.** *Elson Parlor*
- Community Bible Study **Thursdays, 7–9 p.m.** *Agencies 105*
- Men's Breakfast **1st Saturday of the month, 8 – 9:30 a.m.** *Stone Hall*
- B&P Women's Guild Luncheon **1st Saturday of the month, Noon** *Stone Hall*
- Saturday Morning Bible Study **Saturdays, 8:30 – 10 a.m.** *Satellite Library*
- Women in the Word Bible Study **Saturdays, 9:30–11 a.m.** *Church Room 105*

YOUTH

Sunday School, 9:15 – 10:30 a.m.

- Middle School (6th & 7th grade) *Multipurpose Building Room 101*
- Middle School (8th grade) *Agencies 102*
- High School (9th – 12th grade) *Youth House*

Youth Group, Sundays, 5–7:30 p.m.

- Middle School (6th–8th grade): **5–6 p.m.** *Youth House*
- NPC Youth dinner (*parents welcome!*): **5:45–6:45 p.m.** *Multipurpose Room*
- High School (9th–12th grade): **6:30–7:30 p.m.** *Youth House*

CHILDREN

Preschool Sunday School, 9:15 – 10:30 a.m.

Parents drop off children between 9:10-9:15 and pick up children in their classrooms at 10:30 a.m.

- 2 and 3-year olds: School Room 104
- 4-year olds: School Room 106

Elementary Sunday School, 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.

Children meet teachers in the school gym at 9:30 a.m., whether coming directly to Sunday School, or from worship after the Time for Children. Parents, pick up children in their classrooms at 10:30.

- Kindergarten: School Room 108
- 3rd Grade: School Room 208
- 1st Grade: School Room 132
- 4th Grade: School Room 240
- 2nd Grade: School Room 200
- 5th Grade: School Room 242

Children's Church, 11 a.m.

Church Room 106
Children grades K-2 begin in worship, attend the children's church program, and return after the sermon.

CHILDCARE 8 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

- Crib Room: Babies 6 weeks – Crawling *Church Room 16*
- Walker Room: Toddlers and walkers up to 4 yrs. *Church Room 7*

MUSIC

- Chancel Choir **Wednesdays, 7:30 – 9:30 p.m.** *Choir Room*
- Contemporary Music Team **Every other Wednesday, 6:30 – 7:45 p.m.** *Chapel*
- Grace Chimes Handbells **Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.** *Church Room 110*
- Children's Choir (K–5th grade) **Sundays, 10:30–10:55 a.m.** *School Building*
- Youth Choir (6th grade +) **Sundays, 10:25–10:55 a.m.** *Multipurpose Room*

BOOKSTORE & LIBRARY Sundays 8 a.m. – 1 p.m.

- Culbertson Library (also: M-TH 8 a.m. – 3 p.m.) *Admin. Bldg., Second Floor*
- Satellite Library & Moehrle Bookstore *Adjacent to Stone Hall*

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