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THE NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

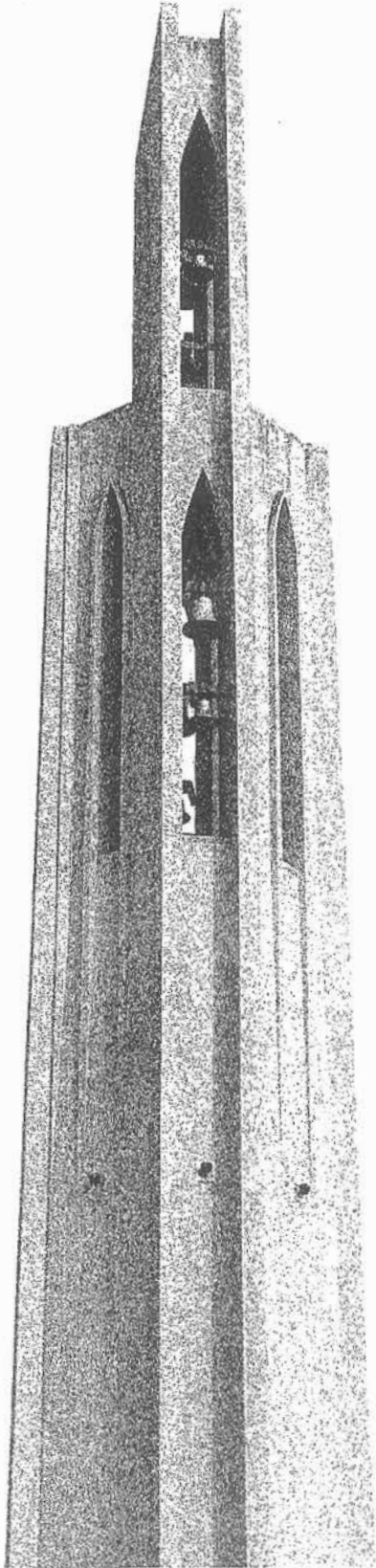
LEADING PEOPLE TO BECOME
FAITHFUL FOLLOWERS OF JESUS CHRIST
TOGETHER IN GOD'S WORLD

REFORMATION SUNDAY

*And Jesus said to them,
"Follow Me"*

Mark 1:17

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
Rev. 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), and Sally Swanson (Serve)



Prayer of Response

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, then return after the sermon to sit with their parents or Sunday School leader in the transept on the right.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. David Renwick

PATHWAY OF DISCIPLESHIP

Encouraging one another to love and good deeds.

Hebrews 10

SCRIPTURE

5th Grade Reformation Milestone

read responsively

Lauren Levinson and Willie Piho

5th Graders

As Jesus walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea – for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.”

Congregation

Immediately they left their nets and followed him.

As he went from there, he saw two brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them.

Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, “Follow me.”

And he got up and followed him.

As Jesus and his followers were leaving Jericho, a large crowd followed him. There were two blind men sitting by the roadside.

When they heard that Jesus was passing by, they shouted, “Lord, have mercy on us, Son of David!”

The crowd sternly ordered them to be quiet: but they shouted even more loudly, “Have mercy on us, Lord, Son of David!”

Jesus stood still and called them, saying, “What do you want me to do for you?”

They said to him, “Lord, let our eyes be opened.” Moved with compassion, Jesus touched their eyes.

Immediately they regained their sight – and followed him.

Jesus said, “My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand.

Matthew 4:18-22, 9:9, 20:29-34; John 10:27-28

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Follow the Leader

Dr. David Renwick

RESPONDING TO GOD’S GRACE AND CALL

CHORAL RESPONSE

O Jesus, I Have Promised

Angel’s Story

Choir

O Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end;
Be thou forever near me, my Master and my friend;
I shall not fear the battle if thou art by my side,
Nor wander from the pathway if thou wilt be my guide.

Congregation

O Jesus, thou hast promised to all who follow thee
That where thou art in glory there shall thy servant be;
And, Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end;
O give me grace to follow, my Master and my friend.

TODAY

STRATEGIC PLAN PRESENTATION 9:15–10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary

PRELUDE

WELCOME

HYMN 276 Great Is Thy Faithfulness
verses 1 & 2

SCRIPTURE (5th grade Reformation Milestone)
read responsively; see page 3

INTRODUCTION AND HISTORY

MISSION AND VISION

VIDEO

GOALS

HYMN 276 Great Is Thy Faithfulness
verse 3

IMPLEMENTATION

PRAYER

THANKS TO STRATEGIC PLANNING TEAM

HYMN Here I Am, Lord
Soloist

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people's cry.
All who dwell in deepest sin my hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

Congregation

*Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.*

*I will go, Lord, if you lead me,
I will hold your people in my heart.*

I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame.

I will set a feast for them;
my hand will save.

Finest bread I will provide
till their hearts be satisfied.

I will give my life for them.
Whom shall I send? *Refrain*

CLOSING PRAYER

5TH GRADE MILESTONE

We welcome our 5th grade leaders today as they begin their Milestone in Worship Education unit. Milestones are a component of our Sunday School program which teach about our worship liturgy and allow kids to lead in what they have learned. The 5th grade milestone, The Reformation, teaches about worship through themes such as salvation by grace, the “priesthood of all believers,” the importance of scripture, and more.

FALL FAMILY FESTIVAL

4:30–6:30 p.m., Stone Hall

Families are invited to our third annual Fall Family Festival. Come for food, games, and fun with other NPC kids and parents. Youth will lead games and activities for kids.

NPC YOUTH

This week we will gather at the Fall Family Festival. Next week our usual youth group schedule will resume.

YOUNG ADULTS

12:15 p.m., Church Room 110/111

“Across the Aisle” group for young adults (ages 22-35) gathers for lunch and conversation. *Contact: Under35@NationalPres.org.*

GRIEF SHARE

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

Those experiencing the loss of a loved one will find encouragement and support during weekly classes led by Rev. Evangeline Taylor. *Contact: Barb Dear, BDear@NationalPres.org, 202.537.7540.*

NEXT WEEK: SUNDAY SCHOOL

9:30–10:30 a.m., see p. 8 for locations

No Sunday School today. Sunday School resumes next Sunday.

THIS WEEK AND UPCOMING

VOLUNTEER TO HELP WITH MISSION GIFTS FOR CHRISTMAS

Stop by the Mission Gifts table in Stone Hall to choose how you can actively support the work of the Mission Gifts for Christmas on Dec. 7 & 14. Some tasks take only 1 hour – sign up today! *Contact: Sally Swanson, SSwanson@NationalPres.org or 202.537.7505.*

NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

Tuesday, Oct. 28, 8:45 a.m.

Families with children 5th grade and younger, join us for a Fall Open House at NPS! Applications from NPC families to the 3-year-old and Pre-K classes receive priority consideration. *Contact: Katy Harvey, kharvey@nps-dc.org, 202.537.7508.*

BOOK STUDY:

G.K. CHESTERTON'S "ORTHODOXY"

Thursday, Oct. 30, 7:15 p.m., Elson Parlor
Dr. Quinn Fox concludes a study of *Orthodoxy*, a major milestone in Christian thought. *Please read Chapter 9 for the final discussion.*

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Saturday, Nov. 1, 8–9:30 a.m.
Stone Hall

Join us for a hearty breakfast as we hear from **RADM Fred Byus** (U.S. Navy Retired), an NPC elder who will share some of his experiences of "Faith at Fifty Fathoms" during challenging times in his long military career. *For reservations, contact Men@NationalPres.org or 202.537.7527.*

MUSIC AT NATIONAL

Sunday, Nov. 2, 3 p.m.

Washington Bach Consort presents "The Little Organ Book – Part I". Receive complimentary admission to the concert by volunteering as an usher. *To volunteer, contact JMullany@bachconsort.org. For tickets, visit: www.bachconsort.org or call 202.429.2121.*

SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

Sunday, Nov. 2, 12:15 p.m., Church Room 5

Rev. Evangeline Taylor will conduct a Service of Remembrance to honor those who are inurned or memorialized in the Columbarium. All are welcome to attend. Beforehand in worship, we will remember the legacy of NPC members who have died in the past year, celebrating the mystery and majesty of our eternal union in Jesus Christ with a "great cloud of witnesses" (Hebrews 12:1-2).

UNIVERSITY FELLOWSHIP

Tuesday, Nov. 4, 8 p.m.

AU East Quad Building, Room 209

All college students are welcome for conversation, scripture study, and food on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of every month. *Contact: McLane Stone, MStone@NationalPres.org.*

BUSINESS & PROFESSIONAL WOMEN'S GUILD LUNCHEON

Saturday, Nov. 8, 12–2 p.m., Stone Hall

All women are invited to a catered luncheon; feel free to invite a friend! Christini Sequenzia Titus will speak to us about her work with International Justice Mission. *For lunch reservations (\$12), call Joan Anderson, 202.362.7475.* The program begins at 1 p.m. (no charge).

FALL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Sunday, Nov. 9, 12:15 p.m., Sanctuary

Stay after the 11 a.m. service for a meeting of the congregation to elect officers: Elders, Deacons, 2015 Congregational Nominating Committee, and members for the Board of the NPC Fund for Charitable Giving. Officer nominee biographies will be available at the information table on Nov. 2. All members are encouraged to attend.

**SECOND SUNDAY
SANDWICH MAKING**

*Sunday, Nov. 9, Stone Hall
after 9:15 & 11 a.m. worship*

All ages can help feed the hungry in our city by making sandwiches for the homeless to be distributed through NPC mission partner Martha's Table. Together we can make 700 sandwiches! *Financial contributions are welcomed to purchase sandwich supplies.*

STEWARDSHIP COMMITMENT SUNDAY

Sunday, Nov. 9

The Biblical concept of first fruits calls on us to give the first and best of the harvest – our resources – to the Lord. Each year on Commitment Sunday, we renew our commitment to God to support his work in and through NPC by giving our first fruits. *Prayerfully consider how you will support God's work in our church in 2015.*

**WEDNESDAY WOMEN
BIBLE STUDY AND PRAYER GROUP**

*Wednesday, Nov. 12, 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 "Samson and Delilah" from our focus on "Biblical Bad Girls, Rogues, and Fools." After the study we will enjoy snacks, and address cards to NPC members in need of care and prayer. *Contact: Mildred Wheat 703.931.1490.*

**SAVE THE DATE:
WINTER CLOTHING DRIVE**
Collection bins: Nov. 16–30

You can help keep the homeless and families in need warm this winter. In a few weeks, we will be collecting new and gently used winter clothing for women, women, and children that will be distributed through some of our local mission partners: Central Union Mission, Martha's Table and Friendship Place.

**NOVEMBER'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 Colb, 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*

PREPARE FOR MARRIAGE SEMINAR
Saturday, February 14, 2015

8:45 a.m. – 3 p.m. Elson Parlor

Are you planning on getting married in 2015? Join other engaged couples for a day of preparation, information, and reflection. This class is offered once per year and is required for all couples whose weddings will be held at NPC. Cost: \$100 per couple. *Contact: Holly Novak, HNovak@NationalPres.org; 202.537.7527.*

**VOLUNTEER AT INGLESIDE
RETIREMENT COMMUNITY**

Once a month, you can assist in wheeling residents from their rooms to a Sunday morning (10:30 a.m.) hymn sing or Sunday afternoon (4 p.m.) chapel service. *Contact: Rebekah Liu at Paulreb3@msn.com*

PRAYER MINISTRY

Please pray for:

Darlene Gardner
Kristin Green
Emmet Mittlebeeler
Colin Perkins
Robert "Bob" Rosette
Lora Tredway
Loris Witherspoon
Maisie Gordon Wittman

*Confidential prayer requests:
nationalpres.org/prayer*

NO SUNDAY CLASSES THIS WEEK.
Sunday School Resumes next week.

ADULTS

LECTIONARY
READINGS

Year 2

Oct. 26 - Nov. 2

Sunday

Psalms 108; 23
Jonah 1:1-17a
1 Corinthians 10:15-24
Matthew 18:15-20

Monday

Psalms 62; 9
Jonah 1:17-2:10
Revelation 11:1-14
Luke 11:14-26

Tuesday

Psalms 12; 7
Jonah 3:1-4:11
Revelation 11:14-19
Luke 11:27-36

Wednesday

Psalms 96; 134
Nahum 1:1-14
Revelation 12:1-6
Luke 11:37-52

Thursday

Psalms 116; 130
Nahum 1:15-2:12
Revelation 12:7-17
Luke 11:53-12:12

Friday

Psalms 84; 40
Nahum 2:13-3:7
Revelation 13:1-10
Luke 12:13-31

Saturday

Psalms 63; 90
Nahum 3:8-19
Revelation 13:11-18
Luke 12:32-48

Sunday

Psalms 103; 139
Zephaniah 1:1-6
1 Corinthians 12:27-13:13
Matthew 18:21-35

Sunday Classes, 9:30 a.m.

- Life in Progress: Seeking God Amidst Life's Complexities *School Room 236*
- Financial Peace University *Church Room 105*
- Men's Sunday School Class *Agencies 101*
- Exploring John's Gospel: A Bible Study *Agencies 105*
- A Living Faith for Hostile Times: Guidance from the Apostle Paul *Church Room 5*
- The Church in the 20th Century *Church Room 110/111*
- Wrestlers: Engaging Contemporary Issues *Agencies Lower Level*
- Ephesians: Growing Up in Christ, Learning to be the Church *Elson Parlor*

Groups

- Across the Aisle (ages 22-35) **Sundays, 12:15 p.m.** *Church Room 110/111*
- 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*
- GriefShare **Sundays, 12:30 p.m.** *Culbertson Library*

YOUTH

Sunday School, 9:15 - 10:30 a.m.

- Middle School (6th & 7th grade) *MP Building; Multipurpose 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.** *Multi Purpose 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-year olds: Church Room 8
- 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
- 1st Grade: School Room 132
- 2nd Grade: School Room 200
- 3rd Grade: School Room 208
- 4th Grade: School Room 240
- 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 p.m.** *Choir Room*
- Contemporary Music Team **Wednesdays 6:30 - 8 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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