

WORSHIP IN LENT

WEDNESDAY EVENING SERVICES

"Jesus' Questions"

7 p.m., Sanctuary

- FEBRUARY 25 *"What Will the Owner Do?"*
Dr. Quinn Fox
- MARCH 4 *"How Can the Scribes Say?"*
Dr. David Renwick
- MARCH 11 *"Why Do You Trouble Her?"*
Rev. Donna Marsh
- MARCH 18 *"Are You Still Sleeping?"*
Rev. Evangeline Taylor
- MARCH 25 *"Who Is Greater?"*
McLane Stone

SUNDAY MORNING SERVICES

"Questioning Jesus"

8:15 a.m. (Chapel), 9:15 & 11 a.m. (Sanctuary)

- FEBRUARY 22 *"Do You Not Care?"*
Dr. David Renwick
- MARCH 1 *"Who Is My Neighbor?"*
Dr. Craig Barnes
- MARCH 8 *"By What Authority?"*
Dr. David Renwick
- MARCH 15 *"When Will This Be?"*
Dr. David Renwick
- MARCH 22 *"What Is Truth?"*
Dr. David Renwick
- MARCH 29 *"Is It Not Written?"*
Dr. David Renwick
- PALM SUNDAY

Palm Sunday Concert, 5 p.m., Sanctuary

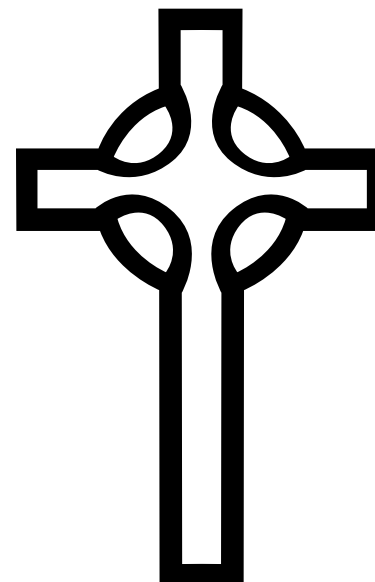
"Written on His Hands"

National Presbyterian Church Chancel Choir & Orchestra

THE NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

2015 Lenten Vespers

Ash Wednesday, February 18, 2015



ASH WEDNESDAY

LENTEN WORSHIP AT THE LORD'S TABLE

7 P.M.

PRELUDE Prelude on the Ave Verum W.A. Mozart
William Neil, organ

CALL TO WORSHIP Rev. Donna Marsh
One O Lord, open my lips,
All **And my mouth will declare your praise.**
One You do not delight in sacrifice, or I would bring it.
All **You do not take pleasure in burnt offerings.**
One The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit;
All **A broken and contrite heart,**
O God, you will not despise. from Psalm 51

▲ HYMN 260 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God *Ein' feste Burg*

CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison* Rev. Evangeline Taylor
Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your steadfast love;
according to your great compassion
blot out my transgressions.
Wash away all my iniquity,
and cleanse me from my sin.
Surely you desire truth in the inner parts;
teach me wisdom in the inmost place.
Create in me a pure heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and grant me a willing spirit. from Psalm 51

SILENT CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Believe the good news of the Gospel.
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

▲ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *Stuttgart*
Like the pity of a father
Has the Lord's compassion been.
Far as east from west is distant,
God has put away our sin.

SCRIPTURE Matthew 4:1-11 McLane Stone
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

MEDITATION Testing Jesus Dr. David Renwick

CHORAL RESPONSE A Lenten Walk Hal Hopson
Jesus walked this lonesome valley, he had to walk it by himself. Spiritual
Oh, nobody else could walk it for him, he had to walk it by himself.
We must walk this lonesome valley, we have to walk it by ourselves.
Oh, nobody else can walk it for us, we have to walk it by ourselves.

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

Dr. Quinn Fox and Rev. Donna Marsh

Invitation to the Table
Words of Institution and Distribution
Marking with Ashes *offered for those who so desire*
Music Meditation
Prayer of Response and The Lord's Prayer

▲ HYMN 269 O God of Bethel, by Whose Hand *Dundee*

▲ BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Rhosymedre Ralph Vaughan Williams

An offering will be received at the doors as you exit.