

March 8, 2015

# THE NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

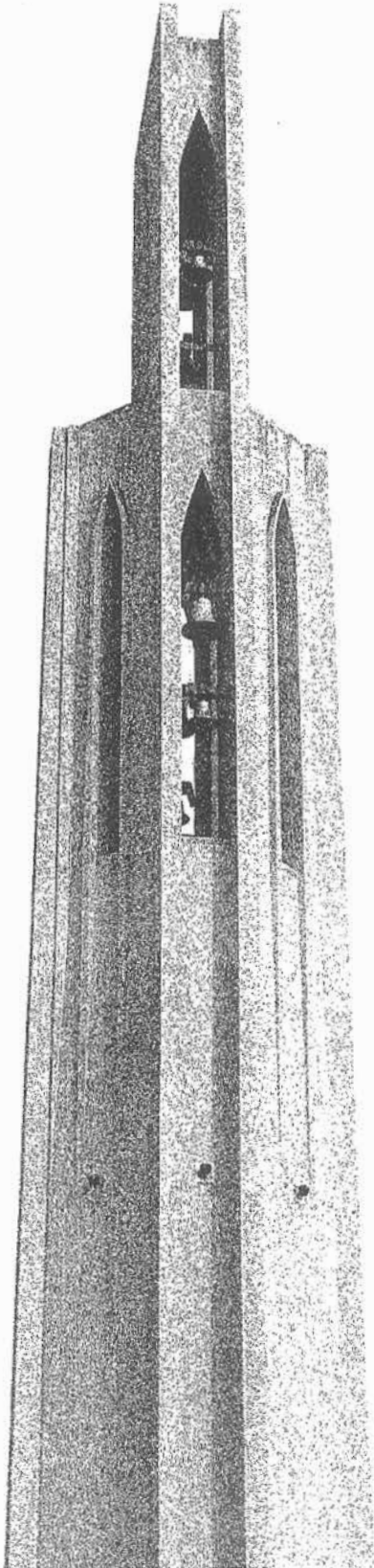
LEADING PEOPLE TO BECOME  
FAITHFUL FOLLOWERS OF JESUS CHRIST  
TOGETHER IN GOD'S WORLD

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

*Teacher, do you not care?*

Mark 4:38

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)



# ORDER OF WORSHIP

9:15 & 11 A.M.

*Kindly turn off your cell phone and other electronic devices.*

## ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE *see insert*

Like as the Hart  
I See the Heaven's Glories Shine  
Magnify, Glorify

Maurice Greene  
Andrea Ramsey  
Robert Adams  
Wheaton College Women's Chorale  
Dr. Mary Hopper, director

CALL TO WORSHIP

9:15 a.m. Rev. Donna Marsh  
11 a.m. Dr. Quinn Fox

▲ HYMN 476 *verses 1-4* O Worship the King, All Glorious Above *Lyons*

▲ PRAYER OF ADORATION

▲ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Hymn 476, verse 5

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,  
in thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail;  
Thy mercies, how tender, how firm to the end,  
our maker, defender, redeemer, and friend.

LENTEN CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

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 KYRIE *sung first by the choir then the congregation*

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Hymn 572

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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

▲ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Olivet

My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine:  
Now hear us while we pray, take all our guilt away; O let us from this day be wholly thine!

## HEARING GOD'S WORD

A TIME FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

*Children may meet their Sunday School leaders in the Court of Flags:*

9:15 a.m. (*grades K-5*) to join their peers in Sunday School in the school building.

11 a.m. (*grades K-2*) to go to the Children's Church program in Church Room 106, returning after the sermon

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. David Renwick

SCRIPTURE

The Word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

Mark 4:35-41  
*pew Bible p. 816*

NPC mission partners from  
Chiang Mai, Thailand

SERMON

*Questioning Jesus*  
Do You Not Care?  
Luke 10:38-41

Dr. David Renwick

RESPONDING TO GOD’S GRACE AND CALL

CHORAL RESPONSE

Be Not Afraid

Craig Courtney

Be not afraid, for I have redeemed you. Be not afraid, I have called you by name.

*When you pass through the waters, I will be with you,*

*When you pass through the floods, they will not sweep o’er you,*

*When you walk through the fire, you will not be consumed:*

*You are mine, you are precious in my sight.*

My love for you is everlasting; my love for you shall have no end.

NPC Chancel Choir  
Joanna Jones, piano

▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles’ Creed

Rev. Evangeline Taylor

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.

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

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

Gladsome Light

Pavel Chesnokov

*Svete tihiy*

from Op. 44, no. 3. Vespers

Gladsome light of the holy glory of the Immortal One –

Heavenly Father, holy and blessed – O Jesus Christ!

Now that we have come to the setting of the sun,

and behold the light of evening,

We praise God – the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

You are worthy at every moment to be praised in hymns by reverent voices.

O Son of God, you are the Giver of Life;

therefore all the world glorifies you.

Wheaton College Women’s Chorale

▲ DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF NEW OFFICERS 11 a.m.

Litany of Ministry

There are different gifts,

**But it is the same Spirit who gives them.**

There are different ways of serving God,

**But it is the same Lord who is served.**

God works through people in different ways,

**But it is the same God who achieves his purpose through them all.**

Each one is given a gift by the Spirit

**To use it for the common good.**

Within our common ministry, some members are chosen for a particular work as teaching elders, ruling elders or deacons. In ordination we recognize these special ministries, remembering that our Lord Jesus said, "Whoever among you wants to be great must become the servant of all, and if he wants to be first among you, he must be the slave of all."

Constitutional Questions

Ordination and Installation of Elders and Deacons

Prayer of the Congregation

**God of grace, who called us to a common ministry as ambassadors of Christ, trusting us with the message of reconciliation, give us courage and discipline to follow you where your servants rightly lead us, that together we may declare your wonderful deeds, and show your love to the world, through Jesus Christ, the Lord of all. Amen.**

▲ HYMN 361 *verses 1, 3 & 5*      How Firm a Foundation      *Foundation*

▲ CHORAL RESPONSE      *Ich halte Treulich still*

Give to the winds thy fears; hope and be undismayed;  
God hears thy sighs and counts thy tears, and shall lift up thy head.  
Through waves and clouds and storms God gently clears the way;  
Wait patiently, so shall the night soon end in joyous day.

▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

▲ POSTLUDE      Prelude and Fugue in G Minor      J.S. Bach  
William Neil, organ

▲ Congregation standing, as able

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in memory of Dr. Elizabeth Wenger Stone, former Director of The Library and Archives by Mr. J. Theodore Anderson.

Take flowers to brighten someone's day. Are you planning to visit someone who is ill or homebound? 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. An usher will be happy to seat you if you do not wish to appear on camera.*

# TODAY

## GLOBAL CHURCH LUNCH & LEARN

*12:30–2 p.m., Elson Parlor*

Come to learn how God is using McGilvary Seminary in Chiang Mai, Thailand to reach across Southeast Asia with the Gospel. McGilvary is a longtime mission partner of NPC, and today we are honored to welcome McGilvary's Dean Satanun Boonyakiat and guests from Chiang Mai.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ADULTS, YOUTH, AND CHILDREN

*Sundays, 9:30 a.m.*

Classes and locations listed on pg. 8.

## NPC YOUTH

*5–7:30 p.m., Youth House*

Gather for food, fun, and fellowship!

- **Middle School** (6<sup>th</sup>–8<sup>th</sup> grade):  
5–6 p.m., Youth House
- **NPC Youth dinner** (*parents welcome!*):  
5:45–6:45 p.m., Multi-Purpose Room
- **High School** (9<sup>th</sup>–12<sup>th</sup> grade):  
6:30–7:30 p.m., Youth House

## WRESTLERS CLASS

*Sundays, 9:30 a.m., Agencies Lower Level*

**Today:** "Our Technocracy and Our Christian Faith: How Should We Relate Them?" *Ann White and Cyril Draffin*

**Next Week:** "Pilgrimage through Loss: Strength and Renewal after Life's Shipwrecks" *Linda Hunt, author, speaker, and professor emerita of Whitworth University*

## MUSIC AT NATIONAL CONCERT

*4 p.m., Sanctuary*

Washington Master Chorale presents *Rachmaninoff Vespers*. Tickets available at the door or [washingtonmasterchorale.org](http://washingtonmasterchorale.org)

## CHORISTERS' GUILD YOUTH CHOIR FESTIVAL

*The Lutheran Church of Saint Andrew, Silver Spring, MD, 7 p.m.*

All are invited to hear members of our NPC Youth Choir as they perform in the Chorister's Guild Youth Choir Festival.

## SMALL GROUPS THIS LENT

It's not too late to become part of a small group this Lent!

### **Become part of a group today:**

**Come to Stone Hall after 9:15 or 11 a.m. worship** to find your place in an open group.

### **Groups for parents of younger children continue today:**

- **Square One** (parents of infants),  
*10:15–11 a.m., Church Room 107*
- **The Circle** (parents of pre-school or early elementary-aged children),  
*4:30–6 p.m., Jones Hall/School Gym*

## SECOND SUNDAY SANDWICH MAKING

*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!

## WOMEN'S RETREAT: LAST DAY FOR EARLY BIRD PRICING!

*April 17–19, Ellicott City, MD*  
*Register today through March 15*

This year's retreat speaker will be Rev. Glenda Simpkins Hoffman, Associate Pastor at Vienna Presbyterian Church. Rev. Hoffman will guide us through the topic of "Cultivating a Flourishing Faith," from Isaiah 58:11. This retreat is a wonderful way to strengthen your relationship with Christ. ***Don't miss early bird pricing, ending today!*** Register today in Stone Hall or online at [nationalpres.org/womens-retreat](http://nationalpres.org/womens-retreat)

## NEW ASSISTED LISTENING DEVICES

Need help hearing during the service? Twelve assisted listening receivers with your choice of a *T-Coil compatible* neck loop or a standard single ear bud can be found on the information table, to the right as you exit the sanctuary.

# THIS WEEK AND UPCOMING

## LENTEN WORSHIP

### “Jesus’ Questions”

*Wednesdays, 7–8 p.m., Sanctuary*

Come for mid-week spiritual refreshment during these one-hour evening services featuring music, prayer and preaching, and Communion.

*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

### “Questioning Jesus”

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

*March 15* “By What Authority?”  
Dr. David Renwick

*March 22* “When Will This Be?”  
Dr. David Renwick

*March 29* “Is It Not Written?”  
PALM SUNDAY Dr. David Renwick

## AFTERNOON T.E.A.

*Wednesday, March 11*

*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. Come for meaningful connection and fellowship before your kids get home from school.

Contact Alison Dickey: [NPCAfternoonTEA@gmail.com](mailto:NPCAfternoonTEA@gmail.com).

## WEDNESDAY WOMEN BIBLE STUDY AND PRAYER GROUP

*Wednesday, March 11, 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 “Solomon,” 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.

## BUILD WITH HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

*Saturday, March 14, 8:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.*

Participate in NPC’s sponsored build, and help provide a home for a DC family in need. NPC sponsors a Habitat build on the second Saturday of every month. For information or to sign up, contact Linda Butcher, [lbutcher07@gmail.com](mailto:lbutcher07@gmail.com)

## FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY & ARCHIVES ANNUAL LUNCHEON

*Saturday, March 14, 11:30 a.m.  
Stone Hall*

Dr. Patricia Daly-Lipe, an award-winning author, will discuss her latest book, *Helen Holt: Memoir of a Servant Leader*. Come hear about this unique book, enjoy lunch and fellowship, and explore new additions within the library and archives. Sign up today in Stone Hall or call 202.537.7529 for reservations (suggested donation of \$35 at the door).

## WHOLENESS AND HEALING SERVICE Sunday, March 15, 1:30 p.m., Chapel

All are invited to a service of Wholeness and Healing led by Pastors, Deacons, Stephen Ministers. Special guest Linda Hunt, author of multiple articles and books, including her most recent *Pilgrimage Through Loss*, will lead the afternoon’s reflection. Come experience Jesus’ healing touch at this beautiful and powerful chapel service. Communion will be served and anointing with oil will be available for those who wish to receive it.

## ADULT FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON

*Monday, March 16, Noon, Stone Hall*

Come for great food, fellowship, and a presentation by special guest, former U.S. **Senator Elizabeth Dole** who will share stories of her life and work. *For lunch reservations (\$10), sign up today in Stone Hall or call 202.537.0800.*

## COLLEGE FELLOWSHIP

*\*NEW TIME & LOCATION\**

*Tuesday, March 17, 8:30 p.m.*

*AU Kay Spiritual Life Center Basement*

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

## CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

*Sunday, March 22, 12:30 p.m., Sanctuary*

Members of the congregation are requested to stay in the sanctuary immediately following 11 a.m. worship for a brief meeting of the congregation to:

- approve the creation of two called and installed Associate Pastor positions, and
- elect Session as the Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) with the express purpose of presenting Reverends Marsh and Taylor for election at a subsequent meeting.

## MUSIC AT NATIONAL PRESENTS:

**The City Choir of Washington**

Sunday, March 15 – 4:30 p.m.

*Mozart Coronation Mass*

*Arvo Pärt Te Deum*

[www.thecitychoirofWASHINGTON.org](http://www.thecitychoirofWASHINGTON.org)

**Washington Bach Consort**

Sunday, March 22 – 3 p.m.

*All in the Family:*

*Motets of the Bach Dynasty*

[www.bachconsort.org](http://www.bachconsort.org)

**Greeter opportunities** are available for each of these performances. Welcome our guests and enjoy a complimentary seat at the concert! *For information and to volunteer, contact Carolann Haley, CHaley@NationalPres.org*

## PALM SUNDAY CONCERT

*Sunday, March 29, 5 p.m., Sanctuary*

The National Presbyterian Church Chancel Choir & Orchestra present, “Written on His Hands,” a Palm Sunday Concert. *No tickets required; a freewill offering will be accepted.*

## EASTER FLOWERS

Support this year’s Easter Garden! Flower Ministry envelopes are available at the information table to the right outside of the sanctuary. *You may make your donation by check, payable to “NPC Flower Fund” and write “Easter” on the memo line.*

## MONTHLY SESSION REPORT

At its meetings so far this year, Session among other things has: adopted an FY 2015 budget of \$4,939,832; taken procedures for calling and installing Reverends Marsh and Taylor; resolved long-term matters in NPC’s retirement plans; approved the “Serve Council Guiding Principles for Mission Partnership”; reviewed NPC’s Biblical Standards for Leadership; and taken further steps to implement the Strategic Plan.

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

*July 6–10, 9:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.*

Children age 4 to the 5th grade will have a week filled with faith and fun! Vacation Bible School includes service projects, outdoor games, cool crafts, yummy snacks, awesome music, and stories from the Bible. Kids will hear about God’s love and care and that nothing is impossible with God, as we take on “Everest: Conquering Challenges with God’s Mighty Power.” *Register online today: [nationalpres.org/VBS](http://nationalpres.org/VBS)*

## FOOD DONATIONS IN MARCH: CANNED TUNA

Please bring donations of canned tuna 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](mailto:nancy@nchapman.com).*

# CLASSES AND GROUPS

## ADULTS

### LECTIONARY READINGS

Year 1

#### March 8-15

##### Sunday

Psalms 84; 32  
Jeremiah 6:9-15  
1 Corinthians 6:12-20  
Mark 5:1-20

##### Monday

Psalms 119:73-80; 6  
Jeremiah 7:1-15  
Romans 4:1-12  
John 7:14-36

##### Tuesday

Psalms 34; 91  
Jeremiah 7:21-34  
Romans 4:13-25  
John 7:37-52

##### Wednesday

Psalms 5; 51  
Jeremiah 8:4-7, 18-9:6  
Romans 5:1-11  
John 8:12-20

##### Thursday

Psalms 27; 102  
Jeremiah 10:11-24  
Romans 5:12-21  
John 8:21-32

##### Friday

Psalms 22; 130  
Jeremiah 11:1-8, 14-17  
Romans 6:1-11  
John 8:33-47

##### Saturday

Psalms 43; 143  
Jeremiah 13:1-11  
Romans 6:12-23  
John 8:47-59

##### Sunday

Psalms 84; 32  
Jeremiah 14:1-22  
Galatians 4:21-5:1  
Mark 8:11-21

### 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*
- 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, 12:15 p.m.** *Church Room 110/111*
- The Circle Family Group **3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month, 4:30–6 p.m.** *Jones Hall/School Gym*
- Adult Fellowship Luncheon **3<sup>rd</sup> 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 **2<sup>nd</sup> 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*
- B&P Women's Guild Luncheon **1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month, 1:30–3 p.m.** *Elson Parlor*
- WomenConnect **3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month, 7–8:45 p.m.** *Elson Parlor*
- Community Bible Study **Thursdays, 7–9 p.m.** *Agencies 105*
- Men's Breakfast **1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month, 8 – 9:30 a.m.** *Stone Hall*
- B&P Women's Guild Luncheon **1<sup>st</sup> 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 (6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> grade) *MP Building; Multipurpose Room 101*
- Middle School (8<sup>th</sup> grade) *Agencies 102*
- High School (9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade) *Youth House*

### Youth Group, Sundays, 5–7:30 p.m.

- Middle School (6<sup>th</sup>–8<sup>th</sup> grade): **5–6 p.m.** *Youth House*
- NPC Youth dinner (*parents welcome!*): **5:45–6:45 p.m.** *Multipurpose Room*
- High School (9<sup>th</sup>–12<sup>th</sup> 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
- 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 **Lenten Wednesdays, 8 – 10 p.m.** *Choir Room*
- Contemporary Music Team **Thursdays, 6:30 – 7:45 p.m.** *Chapel*
- Grace Chimes Handbells **Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.** *Church Room 110*
- Children's Choir (K–5<sup>th</sup> grade) **Sundays, 10:30-10:55 a.m.** *School Building*
- Youth Choir (6<sup>th</sup> 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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