











NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Leading people to become faithful followers of Jesus Christ together in God's world

Love your enemies.

Matthew 5:44

Senior Pastor Dr. David Renwick Associate Pastors Rev. Donna Marsh

Dr. Quinn Fox Rev. Katie Francis

Parish Associates Dr. Nancy Fox Dr. Kerry Stoltzfus

Music Dr. Michael Denham (Director)

Todd Fickley (Organist)

Joanna Zorack-Greene (Contemporary Music Leader)

Ministry Directors Kristin Franke (Youth & Families)

Terry Kumnick (Children) Leslie Saum (Connections)

TODAY AT NATIONAL

Welcome! Please wear a mask at all times while indoors at NPC, regardless of your vaccination status. This means that masks should stay on throughout the entire worship service. Thank you for loving your neighbor and helping us to comply with DC regulations.

Confirmation of Baptism 8:45 am Service

Congratulations to today's confirmands, who have spent the past several months exploring a deeper understanding of their Christian faith during their confirmation preparation. Thank you to their Sunday School teachers, parents, mentors, and this faith community for encouraging them in their journey of discipleship with Jesus Christ. This morning we welcome:

Isabel Afnan Galen Kabwe

Chip Nordlinger Bobby Skinner

Meghan Thompson Lucas Velasco

New Member Recognition 11:00 am Service

We welcome our newest members into the NPC church family!

Elise Atkins, Washington, DC
John Atkins, Washington, DC
Maryann Bell, Sanibel, FL
Dean Jeffreys, Chevy Chase, MD *Baptism
Jim Senger, Bethesda, MD
Ted Tate, Bethesda, MD

If you are interested in membership at National or just want to learn more about faith or NPC, come to the next class on January 22 and 29, 2022. For information, please contact Kemet Rakiatu at krakiatu@nationalpres.org, or call 202.537.7578.

Jeanne Wilson, Washington, DC

LOOKING AHEAD

Congregational Meeting Next Sunday, October 31 - Noon In-person in the Sanctuary

The session of National Presbyterian Church calls a congregational meeting for Sunday, October 31 immediately following the 11:00 am worship service. This meeting will take place in person; you must attend in person in order to vote. The purpose of the meeting is to hear a report from the Congregational Nominating Committee (CNC) and to vote on nominees for the office of elder, deacon, board of the NPC Fund for Charitable Giving, and the Pastor Nominating Committee. Please see the separate sheet with names and bios of nominees.

8:45 AM WORSHIP

Sanctuary and Online

WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

GATHERING Improvisations Joanna Zorack-Greene, keyboard

CALL TO WORSHIP Dr. David Renwick

▲ OPENING SONG Oh the Deep, Deep Love Bob Kauflin and Samuel Francis

Oh, the deep, deep love of Jesus, vast, unmeasured, boundless, free;

Rolling as a mighty ocean in its fullness over me;

Underneath me, all around me is the current of your love;

Leading onward, leading homeward to your glorious rest above.

Chorus:

Oh, the deep, deep love; all I need and trust is the deep, deep love of Jesus. Oh, the deep, deep love of Jesus, spread his praise from shore to shore;

How he came to pay our ransom through the saving cross he bore;

How he watches o'er his loved ones, those he died to make his own;

How for them he's interceding, pleading now before the throne. *Chorus* (2x)

Oh, the deep, deep love of Jesus, far surpassing all the rest;

It's an ocean full of blessing in the midst of ev'ry test;

Oh the deep, deep love of Jesus, mighty Savior, precious friend;

You will bring us home to glory, where your love will never end. *Chorus (2x)*

Prayer of Adoration and Confession of Sin in unison

Dr. Renwick

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed.

We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength.

We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

In your mercy, forgive what we have been, amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

Nettleton

Glory be to God the Father, glory also to the Son, glory to the Holy Spirit,

Ever Three and ever One:

As it was in the beginning, now and evermore shall be;

Alleluia and thanksgiving, now and through eternity.

▲ Affirmation of Faith Apostles' Creed

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.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

A Time for Children of All Ages Confirmation of Baptism

Dr. Renwick

Prayer in unison

God of love, we rejoice to receive these newest brothers and sisters in the Body of Christ. May they discover your grace in Jesus Christ, through membership in this church family. May your love hold them, your truth guide them, your joy delight them.

Gracious God, touch us all again this day with your grace of belonging. Give us new lives for old, new spirits, new faith, and new commitment in place of all that has grown tired or stale in our lives.

We have heard your call and are made new by your Spirit. So may we rise and go from here to discover whatever awaits us, in joy and in trust, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Children grades K-5 will then be dismissed for Children's Chapel. Younger children may remain with parents (worship bags available) or parents may take to the Nursery.

Welcome and Announcements

SCRIPTURE Matthew 5:43-48 Deacon David Orcutt ⁴³'You have heard that it was said, "You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy." ⁴⁴But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, ⁴⁵so that you may be children of your Father in heaven; for he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the righteous and on the unrighteous. ⁴⁶For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax-collectors do the same? ⁴⁷And if you greet only your brothers and sisters, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? ⁴⁸Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SERMON Non-Conformist Rev. Donna Marsh

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

CALL FOR OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Dr. Quinn Fox

There are offering plates at the back of the sanctuary to receive your tithes and gifts.

OFFERING SONG Amazing Grace, My Chains Are Gone

Chris Tomlin

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me.

I once was lost but now I'm found, was blind but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear and grace my fears relieved. How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!

Chorus

My chains are gone, I've been set free! My God, my Savior, has ransomed me! And like a flood, his mercy reigns unending love, amazing grace.

The Lord has promised good to me, his word my hope secures.

He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures. Chorus

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow, the sun forbear to shine.

But God who called me here below will be forever mine, will be forever mine.

You are forever mine.

▲ Doxology Lasst uns erfreuen

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

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Children return to join their parents in the sanctuary.

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Dr. Fox

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.

▲ CLOSING SONG

His Mercy Is More

Matt Boswell and Matt Papa

What love could remember no wrongs we have done?

Omniscient, all knowing, he counts not their sum.

Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore, our sins, they are many; his mercy is more.

What patience would wait as we constantly roam?

What Father, so tender, is calling us home?

He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor.

Our sins they are many; his mercy is more.

Chorus

Praise the Lord, his mercy is more.

Stronger than darkness, new every morn.

Our sins, they are many; his mercy is more.

What riches of kindness he lavished on us.

His blood was the payment; his life was the cost.

We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford.

Our sins, they are many; his mercy is more. *Chorus (2x)*

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▲ Benediction and Passing the Peace of Christ

Rev. Marsh

▲ SENDING NPC Band

▲ Congregation standing, as able

11:00 AM WORSHIP

Sanctuary and Online

WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

Prelude

Meditation on "Ubi Caritas"

Alan Bullard Todd Fickley, organ

CHIMES

CALL TO WORSHIP

Dr. David Renwick

Lauda anima

HYMN 478 Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven, to his feet thy tribute bring; Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, evermore his praises sing: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the everlasting King.

Praise him for his grace and favor to his people in distress;

Praise him still the same as ever, slow to chide and swift to bless: Alleluia! Alleluia! Glorious in his faithfulness.

Father-like he tends and spares us; well our feeble frame he knows; In his hands he gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes. Alleluia! Alleluia! Widely yet his mercy flows.

▲ Prayer of Adoration

▲ Congregational Response

Lauda anima

Angels, help us to adore him; ye behold him face to face; Sun and moon, bow down before him, dwellers all in time and space. Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise with us the God of grace.

CONFESSION OF SIN in unison

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▲ RESPONSE OF PRAISE

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

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A TIME FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

Dr. Renwick

NEW MEMBER RECOGNITION AND BAPTISM

Exchange of Vows and Baptism

Prayer in unison

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WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

RESPONSE Servant Song

Choir

We are called to follow Jesus, walk together in his way, Serving him and one another every moment, every day.

Congregation

We are told to pray for others, see them as our Savior sees, Loving all to whom Christ sends us: Neighbors, friends, and enemies.

CALL FOR OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Dr. Quinn Fox

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Offertory Ubi Caritas Maurice Duruflé

Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est, Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor.

Exsultemus et in ipso jucundemur Timeamus et amemus Deum vivum.

Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero.

Where there is charity and love, God is there. The love of Christ has gathered us together.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it. Let us fear and love the living God.

And from a sincere heart let us love one another.

▲ Doxology Old Hundredth

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: Praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Dr. Fox

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Give us this day our daily bread,

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

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

▲ Hymn 335

Though I May Speak

O Waly Waly

Though I may speak with bravest fire, and have the gift to all inspire,

And have not love, my words are vain as sounding brass, and hopeless gain.

Though I may give all I possess, and striving so my love profess,

But not be giv'n to love within, the profit soon turns strangely thin.

Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control, our spirits long to be made whole. Let inward love guide every deed; by this we worship and are freed.

▲ BENEDICTION

Rev. Marsh

▲ CHORAL AMEN

Hal Hopson

A Passing the Peace of Christ

▲ Postlude

Toccata in E minor

Johann Pachelbel

Mr. Fickley

▲ Congregation standing, as able

SUNDAYS AT NATIONAL

8:45 am: Contemporary Worship

Join us for worship in-person or online on our Watch page.

9:55-10:45 am: Sunday School

- Nursery & Toddler care for ages 0-4 years
- Children's Sunday School for ages 2 years-5th grade
- Youth Sunday School for middle and high school students
- Adult Sunday School in-person or online

11:00 am: Traditional Worship

Join us for worship in-person or online on our Watch page.

Children's Check-In and Check-Out

These new protocols will help keep our children safe and provide a secure environment. Please visit one of our two check-in stations when you arrive in the main building (see map). If you have question about check-in and check-out procedures, please visit our Children's Ministry page or contact Terry Kumnick at tkumnick@nationalpres.org.

Sunday School Schedule

- Children ages 0-5th grade: Visit any check-in station when you arrive, then bring them to the Nursery, Toddler Room or Sunday School. There are three check-in stations: 1) 3rd floor inside the covered driveway entrance, 2) 2nd floor outside the Nursery & Toddler Rooms, 3) and inside the main entrance of the Education Building (NPS).
- Ages 0 to 4 years: 8:45 am-12:00 pm: During our Sunday programming, our Nursery and Toddler Rooms will be available for children ages 0-4 years old. Our nurseries are located on the second floor of the main church building. You will find a caregiver at the check-in station by the entrance.
- Ages 2 years-5th grade: We are offering Sunday School classes for ages 2 through 5th grade. 2 & 3 year old classes are held in the Toddler room and all other classes are held in the Education Building (National Presbyterian School).
- Youth Grades 6-12: Sunday School starts together at the Multipurpose Building then we split into our smaller groups.
- Adult Sunday School Classes:
 - » Protestant Christian Traditions in the Chapel & online | Teacher: R.V. Seep
 - » God's Many-Colored Kingdom: Bridging the World's Divides temporarily online | Teacher: Nancy Fox
 - » Exploring John's Gospel in Garden Room C | Teacher: Currie Renwick
- One Blood Book Discussion in Room #109 | Facilitator: Elder Peggy Lewis (Chair, Race Task Force)
- » The Story Behind "The Story:" God's Plan of Redemption Through History in Garden Room A | Teacher: Quinn Fox
- Parent Gathering in Jones Hall in the Education Building | Coordinator: Margaret Gardner, with parent facilitators

To read the full Adult Sunday School class description and for Zoom links, please visit our Adult Classes page online.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wednesday Night Faith Connection

Join us online at 7:00 pm on Wednesdays as Dr. Quinn Fox continues his series titled: *Planets in Peril: The Science Fiction Novels of C.S. Lewis.* We will continue our discussion of *That Hideous Strength*.

Family Pumpkin Carving Night Friday, October 29 at 7:00 pm

Save the date for a fun night of pumpkin carving, food and fellowship! Visit our Events page online for more info and to RSVP and reserve your pumpkin.

High School and Middle School Retreats

Youth are invited join us for a weekend away at camp in Greencastle, PA at Momentum Retreat. Let's step out of our busy lives for a moment to listen to what God has to say to us! There will be camp adventures, outdoor activities, worship, friendship, fun and more! Please visit our Events page online to find more information and to register.

High School retreat: November 5-7, Plesae RSVP ASAP Middle School retreat: November 19-21, Please RSVP by November 3

Capital Campaign Giving

For more information about giving to the Capitol Campaign, please visit our <u>Building Project</u> page or use the QR code below for safe and easy electronic giving.





National Presbyterian Church 2022 Stewardship

Stewardship 2022 Faith Giving to Annual Operations

Please be in prayer about how we can rise together generously on the new foundation here at NPC! If you would like to read more about how you can participate, please visit our <u>Rise2022 Stewardship</u> webpage.

Inviting Your Friends to Christ

Did you take photos last week during our Renovation Dedication? This is a great way to invite your friends and neighbors to our church! Post your favorite photo(s) from the dedication on your social media with a message such as "Want to come to church with me this Sunday? I'll save you a seat!"

Resources for Hearing & Sight Impaired

We have assistive hearing devices with operating instructions as well as large print bulletins available for those that need it. These resources are located in the resources racks in the Narthex on either side of the Sanctuary doors.

Trying times take their toll – we are here to support you. The Care/Connections staff have prepared resources that may help on topics like isolation, anxiety, and difficult conversations. Use them on your own or share with a friend. Find these resources on the Care webpage or reach out to Liz at lmartin@nationalpres.org in the Care Office if we can help.

CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS!

New Spaces! New Faces! New Welcome Team!

As our renovated church opens up, we need many smiling faces to greet, usher and connect with folks on Sundays. Join our dynamic new Welcome Team and be part of the excitement. Please click here or visit our Serve at Church page and sign up today! Training provided. You may also may contact Leslie Saum directly at LSaum@nationalpres.org, 202.537.7494.

Children's Ministry Volunteers Needed

Use your gifts to bless our children by becoming a Teacher, Room Aide, Host Docent, or Check-in/out Host. For more information contact Terry Kumnick at tkumnick@nationalpres.org.

Children's Song Leader Needed

Do you love children and love to sing? We are looking for a special person to lead our children in songs of praise to the Lord on Sunday mornings! Please contact tkumnick@nationalpres.org for more information or if you'd like to help.

Call for Musicians!

Do you love to sing? Play guitar, drums, bass, violin, cello, flute or another instrument? Volunteer to play with the NPC band in the Contemporary service! For more information, please email Joanna Zorack-Greene at: jzorackgreene@nationalpres.org.

For more volunteer opportunities, please visit our <u>Serve at Church</u> page!

OPPORTUNITIES

Serve Ministries Director Job Opening

Is your passion mobilizing a congregation to participate in what God is doing to redeem the world? We need someone with highly developed organizational skills and relational skills to manage our complex program of grant-making, direct service, and witness. This involves working with our mission committees and councils to implement our vision, and leading them to explore fresh visions of God's call to our congregation. Visit our jobs page to read the position description and find out how to apply.

AV Assistant and AV Engineer Job Openings

AV Assistant: This entry level position is your ticket into the world of AV work. Weekend availability, a positive attitude, excellent hearing, and a willingness to learn are all you need to get started. This paid contract position requires 15 to 20 hours/week on a rotated basis.

AV Engineer: Some experience with audio engineering is required. Weekend and evening availability is a must. Grow and hone your skills working with one of the DC area's most broadly experienced audio engineers. This paid contract position requires 15 to 20 hours/week on a rotated basis.

Contact Operations & AV Services Manager, Bill McNett for more details: bmcnett@nationalpres.org.

THANK YOU FOR JOINING US!

New to National? Welcome!

Welcome and thank you for being with us today! Please stop by the Welcome Center just outside the sanctuary—we would love to meet you and we have a gift for you! Here are some easy ways to connect with us:

<u>Click here</u> to sign our online guestbook. <u>Click here</u> or visit our home page at nationalpres.org to sign up for our enewsletter.

Follow us on social media!

Facebook | Instagram | YouTube

Join us for in-person worship (and we're still online)!

Ready to come back to church? Please do! Masks are required of all, but there is no pre-registration required, and no limit on the number of people in the sanctuary. For more information, please <u>click here</u> or visit <u>nationalpres.org/return</u>.

Prayer LIVE

Would you like to pray with a live person after worship? Please call 202.800.9121 between 12-1 pm. A Stephen Minister or Deacon will be prepared to take your call. If all lines are busy, please leave a voicemail with your name and number and you will receive a return call.

Today's Flowers

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God in joyful celebration of the October 23 marriage of Jane Byus and Calvin Smith by Fred and Kathy Byus.

Prayers

We mourn:

the passing of Sue Goldman on October 7, 2021.

We pray for our mission partners including:

University Divitia Gratiae in Moldova, as they educate Christian leaders from Eastern Europe and Central Asia and that alumni would strengthen the region's church and protect its vulnerable people, especially orphans.

How can we pray for you?

Please submit prayer requests to Liz Martin, lmartin@nationalpres.org, 202.537.7540.

Your Giving and Commitments Make a Difference

Thank you! Because of your financial generosity, National continues to bear powerful witness to the Good News of Jesus Christ at this critical time. Not yet made a gift online or by phone? Go to nationalpres.org/giving, text "NPC" to (833) 414-9444 or scan the QR code below:





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