

February 13, 2022



Welcome to
**NATIONAL
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH**

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

*Ask and it will be given you;
search, and you will find;
knock and the door will be opened for you.*

Matthew 7:7

Senior Pastor Dr. David Renwick
Associate Pastors Rev. Donna Marsh
Dr. Quinn Fox
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)
Jonathan Edwards (Serve)

TODAY AT NATIONAL

Super Sandwich Sunday Is Back!

Today in Stone Hall at 9:45, 10:45 and Noon

Before settling in at home for the big game, join other NPC members in Stone Hall to make sandwiches for Martha's Table. Opportunities for sandwich making will be available following Sunday School and both worship services. For questions, please contact sobanion@nationalpres.org or kfranke@nationalpres.org.

Spring Adult Sunday School Semester Classes

We have a great line-up this semester with continuations from fall and new classes, all at **9:55-10:45 am**. Please visit our [Adult Classes page](#) online for all the details. All classes are in-person with one online choice.

- *Protestant Christian Traditions Part 2*, teacher: R.V. Seep, Chapel and online
- *The Story Behind "The Story" (Continued)*, teacher: Quinn Fox, Garden Room A
- *For Such a Time as This: Stories to Inspire Biblical Justice from Queen Esther to Today*, teacher: Nancy Fox, Room #209
- *Exploring John's Gospel (Continued)*, teacher: Currie Renwick, Garden Room C
- *Letters To a Birmingham Jail – Book Discussion Group*, facilitator: Elder Peggy Lewis, Room #109
- *Parent Gathering*, facilitators: Kristin Franke and others, Jones Hall in the Education Building

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Children's Check-In and Check-Out

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

8:45 am: Contemporary Worship

- Join us for worship in-person or online on our Watch page.
- Nursery & Toddler care for ages 0-4 years available throughout the morning.

9:55-10:45 am: Sunday School

- Children's Sunday School for ages 2 years-5th grade
- Youth Sunday School for middle and high school students
- Adult Sunday School: See schedule above or visit our [Adult Classes page](#) online.

11:00 am: Traditional Worship

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

8:45 AM WORSHIP

Sanctuary and Online

*Welcome! By DC mandate, masks are required at all times in our facility, regardless of your vaccination status. Masks should stay on throughout the entire worship service.
Thank you for loving your neighbor in this way!*

WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

GATHERING

Improvisations

Joanna Zorack-Greene, keyboard

CALL TO WORSHIP

Dr. David Renwick

▲ OPENING SONG

O How Good It Is

Keith and Kristyn Getty

O how good it is when the family of God
dwell together in spirit, in faith and unity.
Where the bonds of peace, of acceptance and love
are the fruit of his presence here among us.

Chorus

*So with one voice we'll sing to the Lord,
and with one heart we'll live out his word
til the whole world sees the Redeemer has come,
for he dwells in the presence of his people.*

O how good it is on this journey we share
to rejoice with the happy and weep with those who mourn.
For the weak find strength, the afflicted find grace,
when we offer the blessing of belonging. *Chorus*

O how good it is to embrace his command
to prefer one another, forgive as he forgives.
When we live as one we all share in the love
of the Son with the Father and the Spirit. *Chorus*

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

Dr. Quinn Fox

Holy One, you see us as we are,
and yet you love us with a Father's patient heart.
In light of your faithfulness and enduring love,
we see both our guilt and our pardon.
Forgive us, Lord. We need your guidance and your steadying hand,
that lifts us when we fall, that sets us on a firm path.
Draw us with cords of kindness and bands of love,
so we may learn to trust your care and walk in your ways,
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 Dr. Fox

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 Rev. Donna Marsh

Children grades K-5 will then be dismissed for Children's Chapel.

Younger children may remain with their parents (worship bags available) or parents may take to nursery.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Dr. Renwick

SCRIPTURE Matthew 7:7-11 Deacon Jake Puryear

⁷ Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door
will be opened for you. ⁸ For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches
finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. ⁹ Is there anyone among
you who, if your child asks for bread, will give a stone? ¹⁰ Or if the child asks for a fish,
will give a snake? ¹¹ If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your
children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good things to those who
ask him!

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON Someone Got My Order Wrong Rev. Marsh

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

CALL FOR OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS Dr. Fox

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

OFFERING SONG Wide As The Sky Matt Redman

Chorus

Hands up, hearts open, wide as the sky. We lift you high. We lift you high.

Hands up, hearts open, wide as we cry, God, we lift your name high! (2x)

Verse

Let all the other names fade away.

Let all the other names fade away, until there's only you.

Let all the other names fade away.

Jesus, take your place. Jesus, take your place. (2x) *Chorus*

Our God, we lift you high. We lift you high.

Hands up! God, we lift your name high!

Our God, we lift you high. We lift you high.

Hands up! God, we lift your name high! *Verse* (1x)

Children return to join their parents in the sanctuary.

▲ 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! Alleluia!

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Dr. Renwick

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

Battle Belongs

Brian Johnson and Phil Wickham

When all I see is the battle, you see my victory.

When all I see is a mountain, you see a mountain moved.

And as I walk through the shadow, your love surrounds me.

There's nothing to fear now, for I am safe with you.

Chorus

So when I fight, I'll fight on my knees, with my hands lifted high.

O God, the battle belongs to you!

And every fear I lay at your feet. I'll sing through the night,

O God the battle belongs to you.

And if you are for me, who can be against me?

For Jesus, there's nothing impossible for you.

When all I see are the ashes, you see the beauty.

When all I see is a cross, God, you see the empty tomb. *Chorus*

O God, the battle belongs to you.

▲ BENEDICTION AND PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Rev. Marsh

▲ SENDING

NPC Band

▲ Congregation standing, as able

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PRELUDE

Sinfonia No. 10 in G Major
Improvisation, Op. 84, No. 5

J. S. Bach
Gabriel Fauré
John Varcoe, guest pianist

CHIMES

CALL TO WORSHIP

Dr. David Renwick

▲ HYMN 288

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

Ellacombe

I sing the mighty power of God that made the mountains rise;
That spread the flowing seas abroad and built the lofty skies.
I sing the wisdom that ordained the sun to rule the day;
The moon shines full at God's command, and all the stars obey.
I sing the goodness of the Lord that filled the earth with food;
God formed all creatures with a word, and then pronounced them good.
Lord, how thy wonders are displayed, where'er I turn my eyes;
If I survey the ground I tread, or gaze upon the skies!
There's not a plant or flower below but makes thy glories known;
And clouds arise, and tempests blow, by order from thy throne;
While all that borrows life from thee is ever in thy care,
And everywhere that we can be, thou, God, art present there.

▲ PRAYER OF ADORATION

Dr. Quinn Fox

▲ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Ellacombe

To God the Father, God the Son, and God the Spirit now,
We come as one in worship here; in blessing humbly bow;
As children graced in every way with gifts from heav'n above,
We raise our grateful voices high for such providing love.

CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

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you see us as we are, and yet you love us with a Father's patient heart.
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we see both our guilt and our pardon.
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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.

▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed

Dr. Fox

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.

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the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;

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WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PATHWAY MOMENT

Dr. Renwick

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 7:7-11

Elder Linda Botsford

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ask him!

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Someone Got My Order Wrong

Rev. Donna Marsh

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Lafferty

Choir

Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness,

And all these things shall be added unto you. *Allelu, Alleluia!*

Congregation

Ask and it shall be given unto you, seek and ye shall find,

Knock and the door shall be opened unto you. *Allelu, Alleluia!*

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CALL FOR OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Dr. Fox

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OFFERTORY

Like as a Father

Luigi Cherubini

Like as a father, filled with compassion, lovingly careth for his children,
So the Lord has mercy on those who seek him.

DOXOLOGY

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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.

▲ HYMN 310

Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee

St. Agnes

Jesus, the very thought of thee with sweetness fills my breast;
But sweeter far thy face to see, and in thy presence rest.

O hope of every contrite heart, O joy of all the meek,

To those who fall, how kind thou art! How good to those who seek!

But what to those who find? Ah, this nor tongue nor pen can show:

The love of Jesus, what it is none but his loved ones know.

▲ BENEDICTION

Rev. Marsh

▲ CHORAL AMEN

▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

▲ POSTLUDE

Finale in D Major

Jacques Nicolas Lemmens

Todd Fickley, organ

▲ Congregation standing, as able

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This Coming Week at a Glance

For information about all of these events, please see our [Events page](#) online.

Today, February 13

- 8:45 & 11:00 am: Worship
- 9:55-10-45 am: Sunday School for all ages
- Winter Warmth Collection for Central Union Mission
- Super Sandwich Sunday: following both worship services and Sunday School in Stone Hall

Monday, February 14

- 1:00 pm: Adult Fellowship Broadcast
- RSVP deadline for Winter Small Groups Mini-Study (Start week of Feb 20)

Wednesday, February 16

7:00 pm: Faith Connection, *Faith in a Time of Plague*

Saturday, February 19

8:30 am: Men's online prayer group

Sunday, February 20

- 8:45 & 11:00 am: Worship
- 9:55-10-45 am: Sunday School for all ages
- 9:55-10-45 am: Family Sunday School Social
- Winter Warmth Collection for Central Union Mission
- 12:15 pm: Military Ministry Meeting
- 12:30 pm: Moldova prayer meeting in Room #109
- 7:00 pm: High school small groups
- Winter Small Group Mini-Study starts

Winter Warmth

Collection for Central Union Mission Today and Next Sunday

Central Union Mission has immediate need for men's new gloves, hats, and new or gently used men's coats. Please bring your items to the bins in the main entrance and narthex this Sunday and next. Only requested items, please.

Faith Connection Online

Wednesdays in February at 7:00 pm

Dr. Quinn Fox will discuss *Faith in a Time of Plague: Conversations With the Past About the Present—Divine Providence Amidst a Pandemic*. Please visit our [Events page](#) online to read more.

Winter Small Group Mini-Study Starts February 20, RSVP by February 14

Go deeper into relationship and Scripture by joining *Following Christ Toward a Cross-shaped Life*, a 6-week small group discussion based on Sunday sermons. For more information and to RSVP, please [click here](#) or visit our Events page online.

Adult Fellowship Broadcast Online

Monday, February 14 at 1:00 pm

This month, we will feature *National's Flower Ministry – an aspect of Sunday Worship*, with Beverly Tam and Gerri Hall. Their program will include a history of our Flower Ministry, how the ministry operates, examples of the displays, and the production and meaning of flowers within corporate worship. To join us, please visit our [Watch page](#).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Military Ministry Meeting

Sunday, February 20 at 12:30 pm

Our next Military Ministry Meeting will feature speakers Mary Leggit, Chair of Volunteers at Walter Reed Military Hospital and Linda Miller, NPC member and volunteer at Walter Reed, who will be “team captain” for our Afghan Refugee Ministry. They will share the amazing story of the Afghan family we are supporting. This meeting is open to all. Please [click here](#) or visit our Events page for information on how to join in-person or online via Zoom.

Women's Ministry Dessert

Please join us for fellowship, sharing, and dessert in-person on Friday, March 4, 7-8:30 pm in Stone Hall. We will also have an online option. Our special guest speaker will be Children's Ministry Director, Terry Kumnick. For more information and to RSVP, please [click here](#) or visit our Events page online.

Early Registration Open for VBS

July 11-15

Early registration for NPC families is now open! Please visit our Events page online. You may also [click here](#) to register your children ages 4 years to 5th grade and [click here](#) to register rising 6-12 graders to volunteer to be a youth helper.

Middle School Summer Camp:

On the Edge

July 17-21, 2022

All middle school youth, from rising 6th graders through graduating 8th graders are invited for a week of adventures, growing in community, and studying God's Word together. For more information and registration please [click here](#) or visit our events page.

Afghan Refugee Ministry

We are excited to announce that God has been working on an opportunity to minister to a family from Afghanistan! You can [read all about it and sign up to help here](#) or at nationalpres.org/refugee.

Congregational Assessment

Coming Soon

Can a church get a CAT scan? Yes! Our presbytery requires a standardized, all-congregation survey called the "CAT Scan" (Congregational Assessment Tool) to be completed as part of any senior pastor transition. This survey will be sent to the congregation in the coming weeks and will then be available for three weeks. The results will be shared with you, with the session, and with the Pastor Nominating Committee to inform their work. Stay tuned!

My NPC

Looking for our online directory? Click “My NPC” at the top of our website to connect! My NPC is a secure, password-protected website for our NPC family where you can find our directory, upload your photo, locate groups, view your giving and more!

Visit Our New Library!

Come by the gorgeous new library for all ages! Visit us on Level 2 of the Main Church and chat with our new volunteer librarians and Transitional Librarian, Currie Renwick. Questions about the library can be addressed to Currie at npclibrary@nationalpres.org.

SERVING AT NATIONAL

Use Your Gifts to Bless Our Children!

Children's Ministry volunteers needed: Become a teacher, room aide, host docent or check-in/out host. For more information contact Terry Kumnick at tkumnick@nationalpres.org.

Flowers to Share!

Have you noticed the little flower 'bud vases' at the center sanctuary entrance most Sunday mornings? The Flower Ministry team invites you to take one home to bless another... perhaps a shut-in, or someone in need of cheer or a thank you.

Do You Love to Sing and Love Children?

Children's song leader needed: 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 Contemporary Service 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 [Serve at Church](#) page!

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

For more information or to apply, please [click here](#) or visit our jobs page online.

Administrative Assistant for Care Ministries (Full time)

Would you love to be on the front lines of helping our church members to access pastoral care and support? The Care AA plays a pivotal role in pastoral care case management, administrative support for the Care pastor and Care ministries, as well as coordination of funerals and special events. If you have a warm presence with people of all ages, strong administrative skills, the ability to quickly master our church database software (CCB), and can maintain airtight confidentiality, we would love to hear from you!

Part Time Communications Contractor

Are you organized, energetic and ready to learn? This is a part-time administrative position with room to grow. Sunday morning availability is required.

Youth and Children's Summer Interns

Applications are now open for summer interns for our youth and children's ministry! These full-time, paid internships are great opportunities to learn about ministry, spend time with younger NPC members, and grow in your own faith. Minimum age is 18.

AV Part Time Assistant

This entry level paid contract position requires weekend availability, a positive attitude, excellent hearing and a willingness to learn. Minimum age is 18.

Part Time AV Engineer

Some experience with audio engineering is required. A related degree or current enrollment in a related program is required. Weekend and evening availability is a must.

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 online ways to connect with us:

[Click here](#) to sign our online guestbook.
[Click here](#) or visit our home page at nationalpres.org to sign up for our e-newsletter.
Follow us on social media!
[Facebook](#) | [Instagram](#) | [YouTube](#)

Join us for in-person worship (and we're always 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 [click here](#) or visit nationalpres.org/return.

Weather Announcements

If weather is looking dicey, please be sure to check the home page of our website for a banner announcement of any cancellations or closures. We also have a link to [Weather Announcements](#) at the bottom of our home page.

Children and Youth E-newsletters

If you have little ones or youth in your household and would like to receive our updates, please:
[Click here](#) or visit our Children's Ministry page for kids up to 5th grade.
[Click here](#) or visit our Youth Ministry page for kids in middle and high school.

Prayers

We mourn the death of:

Peter Vandevanter on December 25, 2021.

We pray for:

Friendship Place as it provides care for those experiencing homelessness through street outreach, mentoring, medical care and housing assistance.

How can we pray for you?

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

Need a Bible?

We have free gift Bibles in the narthex for you or anyone who does not have a Bible of their own. Please pick one up today as our gift to you!

Today's Flowers

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given by Linda Botsford in grateful memory of her parents, Charles "Duke" and Doris Botsford who now enjoy their eternal rest.

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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