











February 27, 2022

Welcome to NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you.

Ephesians 4:32

Senior Pastor	Dr. David Renwick
Associate Pastors	Rev. Donna Marsh
	Dr. Quinn Fox
	Rev. Lisa Larsen
Parish Associates	Dr. Nancy Fox
	Dr. Kerry Stoltzfus
Music	Dr. Michael Denham (Director)
	Todd Fickley (Organist)
	Joanna Zorack-Greene (Contemporary Music Leader)
Ministry Directors	Jonathan Edwards (Serve)
	Kristin Franke (Youth & Families)
	Terry Kumnick (Children)
	Leslie Saum (Connections)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We Welcome Our New Care Pastor

Today we are overjoyed to welcome our Care Pastor, Rev. Lisa Larsen. Please see the bulletin insert for more information about Lisa.

New Member Recognition 11:00 am Service

We welcome our newest members into the NPC church family!

Patty Barthalis, Estero, FL Tanner Beymer, Arlington, VA Meghan Biery, Alexandria, VA Joseph DiCarlo, Bethesda, MD Lisa Fischer, Washington, DC Karen Fitzgerald, Bethesda, MD Aliscia Gerken, Washington, DC Rachel Hanisch, Rockville, MD Elaine Hsu, Washington, DC **Baptism* Forrest Jones, Washington, DC Kelsey Koberg, Arlington, VA Doug Raaberg, Fairfax, VA Claudia Raaberg, Fairfax, VA Thomas Ramage, Washington, DC Rhetta Vinson, Silver Spring, MD

If you are interested in membership here at National or just learning more, come to the next class on April 30. Please check our website, or contact Kemet Rakiatu at <u>krakiatu@nationalpres.org</u>, 202.537.7578.

Mission Lunch & Learn Today, February 27, 12:30 pm Garden Rooms

Today's Lunch & Learn features Joe Mettimano, President and CEO of Central Union Mission. Join us at 12:30 pm in the Garden Rooms for lunch and a presentation of the Mission's new highimpact services to our city. Please <u>click</u> <u>here</u> or visit our Events page for more information.

Ash Wednesday Worship, 7:00 pm, Wednesday, March 2

Join us in the Sanctuary for communion, imposition of ashes and a Lenten challenge from Dr. Renwick, *Tempted and Tested True*. (The service will also be online on our Watch page).

Lenten Evening Services Wednesdays 7:00 pm March 9-April 6

Communion and messages from *The Mighty Minor Prophets*.

Women's Ministry Dessert

Friday, March 4, 7-8:30 pm, Stone Hall Join us for fellowship, sharing, and dessert in-person and online. Our guest speaker will be Children's Ministry Director, Terry Kumnick. For more information and to RSVP, please <u>click here</u> or visit our Events page online.

Laser Tag, Friday, March 4

Camp Ligonier will bring portable laser tag to play on Friday, March 4! K-5th grade will play at 7:00 pm and 6-12th grade will play at 8:00 pm.

Men's Breakfast Saturday, March, 5, 8:00 am Stone Hall

All men are invited to hear a presentation by Paul Lauerman who will be speaking on *Covid Survival Guide: How to Weather a Spiritual Desert.* For more information please <u>click here</u> or visit our Events page.

One Blood Follow-up Luncheon and Discussion

Sunday, March 6, 12:15 pm, Stone Hall

The NPC Race Task Force will host a follow-up discussion on our church's reading of *One Blood* by Dr. John Perkins. For more information or to RSVP, please click here.

8:45 AM WORSHIP

Sanctuary and Online

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WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

Improvisations

Kevin Rose, keyboard

GATHERING

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Call to Worship	Dr. David Renwick
Opening Song You Are My Vision You are my vision, O King of my heart. Nothing else satisfiesonly you, Lord! You are my best thought, by day or by night. Waking or sleeping, your presence my light!	Rend Collective
You are my wisdom. You are my true word. I ever with you and you with me, Lord! You're my great Father and I'm your true son! You dwell inside me together we're one.	
I don't want riches or man's empty praise. You're my inheritance, now and always! You and you only, the first in my heart. High King of heaven, my treasure you are!	
High King of heaven, when victory's won, may I reach heaven's joy, O bright heaven's Son! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all!	
 PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION OF SIN <i>in unison</i> Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and streat 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. Amen. 	ngth,
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

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

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

SCRIPTURE Scripture on page 7.	Matthew 7:1-6; 15-23	Jonathan Edwards Director of Serve Ministries
Sermon	Minding Your Own Business First Ephesians 4:25-32	Dr. Renwick

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 SONGLord, I Need YouChristy NockelsLord, I come. I confess. Bowing here I find my rest.And without you, I fall apart. You're the one that guides my heart.ChorusLord, I need you, O, I need you. Every hour I need you.
My one defense, my righteousness, O God, how I need you.Where sin runs deep, your grace is more.
Where grace is found, is where you are.
And where you are, Lord, I am free. Holiness is Christ in me.
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Dr. Renwick

Nettleton

Rev. Marsh

So teach my song to rise to you, when temptation comes my way. And when I cannot stand, I'll fall on you. Jesus, you're my hope and And when I cannot stand, I'll fall on you. Jesus, you're my hope and <i>Chorus</i> (2x)	
My one Defense, my Righteousness, O God, how I need you!	
Children return to join their parents in the sanctuary.	
 DOXOLOGY Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures her Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghos Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! 	
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.	Dr. Fox
▲ CLOSING SONG Sovereign Sovereign in the mountain air, sovereign on the ocean floor, with me in the calm, with me in the storm! Sovereign in my greatest joy, sovereign in my deepest cry,	Chris Tomlin
 with me in the dark, with me at the dawn! <i>Chorus</i> <i>In your everlasting arms, all the pieces of my life,</i> <i>from beginning to the end, I can trust you.</i> <i>In your never-failing love, you work everything for good.</i> <i>God, whatever comes my way, I will trust you!</i> <i>God, whatever comes my way, I will trust you!</i> All my hopes, all I need, held in your hands! All my life, all of me, held in your hands! All my fears, all my dreams, held in your hands! (2x) <i>Chorus</i> God, whatever comes my way, I will trust you! 	
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WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

	Prelude	Rhosymedre	R. Vaughan Williams Todd Fickley, organ
	Chimes		
	Call to Worship		Dr. David Renwick
•	Rejoice, give thanks a Lift up your heart, lift God's kingdom cannot f The keys of death and Lift up your heart, lift Jesus, our Savior reigns, When he had purged	Rejoice, the Lord Is King g! Your Lord and King adore! and sing, and triumph evermore: <i>up your voice! Rejoice, again I say rejoice!</i> fail, Christ rules o'er earth and heav'n; hell are to our Jesus giv'n: <i>up your voice! Rejoice, again I say rejoice!</i> the God of truth and love; our stains he took his seat above: <i>up your voice! Rejoice, again I say rejoice!</i>	Darwall's 147th
•	Prayer of Adoration		Rev. Donna Marsh
•	To glorify the saints for	! For Christ, the Judge shall come	Darwall's 147th !
	by what we have d We have not loved you we we have not loved ou In your mercy forgive w and direct what we sh so that we may del to the glory of you Through Jesus Christ ou SILENT CONFESSION AND	we sinned against you in thought, word, a one, and by what we have left undone. with our whole heart and mind and streng r neighbors as ourselves. that we have been, amend what we are, hall be, ight in your will and walk in your ways, r holy name. Ir Lord. Amen.	
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Gloria Patri

Rev. Marsh

▲ Response of Praise

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

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WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

A TIME FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

New Member Recognition and Baptism

Exchange of Vows and Baptism

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.

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SCRIPTURE

Matthew 7:1-6; 15-23 Deacon David Dragics "Do not judge, so that you may not be judged. ²For with the judgement you make you will be judged, and the measure you give will be the measure you get. ³Why do you see the speck in your neighbor's eye, but do not notice the log in your own eye? ⁴Or how can you say to your neighbor, 'Let me take the speck out of your eye', while the log is in your own eye? ⁵You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your neighbor's eye.

⁶ "Do not give what is holy to dogs; and do not throw your pearls before swine, or they will trample them under foot and turn and maul you.

¹⁵'Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing but inwardly are ravenous wolves. ¹⁶You will know them by their fruits. Are grapes gathered from

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thorns, or figs from thistles? ¹⁷In the same way, every good tree bears good fruit, but the bad tree bears bad fruit. ¹⁸A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a bad tree bear good fruit. ¹⁹Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. ²⁰Thus you will know them by their fruits.

²¹"Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only one who does the will of my Father in heaven. ²²On that day many will say to me, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many deeds of power in your name?' ²³Then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; go away from me, you evildoers."

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Sermon	Minding Your Own Business First	Dr. Renwick
Ephesians 4:25-32		

CHORAL RESPONSE

There's a wideness in God's mercy' like the wideness of the sea; There's a kindness in God's justice, which is more than liberty. There is no place where earth's sorrows are more felt than up in heav'n; There is no place where earth's failings have such kindly judgment giv'n.

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

Call for Offering of Tithes and Gifts

There are offering plates at the back of the sanctuary to receive your tithes and gifts. Children return to join their parents in the sanctuary.

Offertory

Lord, Lord

Save us, Lord! Save us, Lord! We are not worthy, but we long for your love.
Not everyone who cries "Lord, Lord," is gonna walk into the kingdom of God;
But everybody that heeds his will, and keeps the commandments, too.
Listen to me like a sensible man: You can hold life in the palm of your hand.
Listen to me: Eternal life can be yours, if you follow, if you just follow me.
Not everyone who cries "Lord, Lord," is gonna walk into the kingdom of God;
But everybody that heeds his will, and keeps the commandments, too.

with Victor Holmes, string bass

▲ Doxology

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!*

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.

In Babilone

Dr. Quinn Fox

Thomas More Scott

Lasst uns erfreuen

Dr. Fox

- HYMN In Christ There Is No East or West In Christ there is no east or west, in him no south or north, But one great fellowship of love throughout the whole wide earth. In Christ shall true hearts everywhere their high communion find; His service is the golden cord close binding humankind.
 - Join hands, disciples of the faith, whateer your race may be.

All children of the living God are surely kin to me.

In Christ now meet both east and west, in him meet south and north; All Christly souls are one in him throughout the whole wide earth.

- ▲ BENEDICTION
- ▲ CHORAL AMEN
- ▲ Passing the Peace of Christ
- ▲ Postlude

Allegro from Concerto in G

William Hayes Todd Fickley, organ

Dr. Renwick

St. Peter

▲ Congregation standing, as able

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 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 <u>tkumnick@nationalpres.org</u> for more information or if you'd like to help.

Job Opportunities

- Administrative Assistant for Care Ministries (Full time)
- AV Engineer (Part time)
- AV Assistant (Part time)
- Youth and Children's Summer Interns

For more information or to apply, please_ <u>click here</u> or visit our Jobs page online.

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 <u>jzorackgreene@</u> <u>nationalpres.org.</u>

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

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 <u>Children's Ministry page</u> or contact Terry Kumnick at <u>tkumnick@nationalpres.org</u>. 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 below or visit our <u>Adult Classes page</u> online.

11:00 am: Traditional Worship

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

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

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 <u>Adult Classes page</u> 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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This Coming Week at a Glance

For information about all of these events, please see our <u>Events page</u> online.

Today, February 27

- 8:45 & 11:00 am: Worship
- 9:55-10-45 am: Sunday School for all ages
- 12:15 pm: Lunch & Learn with Central Union Mission
- 7:00 pm: High school small groups

Wednesday, March 2

7:00 pm: Ash Wednesday Service

Friday, March 4

- 7:00 pm:Women's Ministry Dessert
- 7:00 pm: Camp Ligonier laser tag

Saturday, March 5

• 8:00 am Men's Breakfast

Sunday, March 6

- 8:45 & 11:00 am: Worship
- 9:55-10-45 am: Sunday School for all ages

Your Input Needed - Survey Sent to Members and Regular Attenders

Please check your email! A very important survey was sent to members and regular attenders this past Thursday, February 24. This completely confidential standardized survey, called a CAT Scan, is a tool recommended by our presbytery for churches beginning the senior pastor search process. It will help our PNC and Session to have a snapshot of the health and perspectives of our congregation.

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 <u>read all about it and sign up to help</u> <u>here</u> or at nationalpres.org/refugee.

Winter Small Group Mini-Study

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, please <u>click here</u> 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 <u>click here</u> to register your children ages 4 years to 5th grade and <u>click here</u> 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 <u>click here</u> or visit our events page.

What Presbyterians Believe Now on YouTube

Catch up or share with your friends! Dr. Quinn Fox's series *True Confessions: What Presbyterians Believe* is now on <u>YouTube</u> as well as in the speaker archives on our website.

Please visit <u>nationalpres.org/Easter</u> for a full listing of our events celebrating Lent, Holy Week and Easter.

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:

<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 e-newsletter.

Follow us on social media! <u>Facebook | Instagram | YouTube</u>

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 <u>click here</u> or visit <u>nationalpres.org/return</u>.

Children and Youth E-newsletters

If you have little ones or youth in your household and would like to receive our updates, please:

<u>Click here</u> or visit our Children's Ministry page for kids up to 5th grade.

<u>Click here</u> or visit our Youth Ministry page for kids in middle and high school.

Need a Bible?

We have 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!

Prayers

We mourn the death of:

Rev. William E. Forman on February 15, 2022.

We pray for:

New Members whom we welcome to the NPC family today.

We pray for:

Central Union Mission as they minister to the homeless and vulnerable in DC.

How can we pray for you?

Please submit prayer requests to Liz Martin, <u>lizmartin@nationalpres.org</u> 202.537.7540

Today's Flowers

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God by John and Catherine Thomas in celebration of their wedding anniversary.

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 <u>nationalpres.org/giving</u>, text "NPC" to (833) 414-9444 or scan the QR code below:





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