

April 3, 2022
Communion
Fifth Sunday in Lent



Welcome to
**NATIONAL
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH**

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

*Jesus told his disciples,
"If any want to become my followers,
let them deny themselves
and take up their cross
and follow me."*

Matthew 16:24

Senior Pastor	Dr. David Renwick
Associate Pastors	Rev. Donna Marsh Dr. Quinn Fox Rev. Lisa Larsen
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Ministry Directors	Jonathan Edwards (Serve) Kristin Franke (Youth & Families) Leslie Saum (Connections)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Communion

Today, April 3, you are invited to share in the celebration of communion. If you are celebrating from home, please [click here](#) to read the guidelines for preparation.

Milestones in Worship

This morning at 11:00 am we welcome our Kindergartners who are leading us in the Doxology as part of the Children's Ministry Milestones in Worship program. This program teaches key elements of the reformed liturgy to students in each grade so that children may learn how to become lifelong worshippers of God.

NPC Fund for Charitable Giving Informational Meeting Today, 12:15 pm, Parlor

Tax Day is almost here! Interested in setting up a Donor-Advised Fund (DAF)? Don't know what a DAF is? Join members of the NPC Fund for Charitable Giving to learn more or email npcfund@nationalpres.org for more information.

Lenten Evening Service Wednesday, April 6 at 7:00 pm

Join us in-person or online on our Watch page as we conclude *The Mighty Minor Prophets*, our time of contemplative worship and communion during Lent as we journey to the cross.

HOLY WEEK & EASTER

Invite your friends!

All of our services are both in-person and online.

- **Palm Sunday**, April 10: Between services, at 10:30 am, we will celebrate Jesus' triumphal entrance to Jerusalem with our Palm Sunday Procession, featuring a donkey!
- **Maundy Thursday**, April 14, 7:00 pm
- **Good Friday**, April 15, 7:00 pm

Easter Worship - Sunday, April 17

8:30 am, 10:00 am, and 11:30 am

Rejoice with us in the resurrection of our Lord!

Easter Egg Hunt: immediately following 10:00 am worship

Please visit nationalpres.org/Easter for all the details about our events celebrating Holy Week and Easter.

If you would like *Pocketful of Practices for Lent*, you are invited to pick one up at the Welcome Center or [click here](#) to download.

Easter Flowers

Would you like to honor or remember a loved one by supporting NPC's Easter flower displays? You may make your donation to NPC by check or online, noting "*Easter Flowers*" on the memo line. You will find Flower Ministry envelopes in the resource racks outside the sanctuary.

8:45 AM WORSHIP

Sanctuary and Online

Welcome! Masks are now optional at our 8:45 service, with the exception of the balcony and transepts where masks are required. Our ushers are happy to help you find the seating area where you will be most comfortable.

WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

GATHERING Improvisations Joanna Zorack-Greene, keyboard

CALL TO WORSHIP Dr. Quinn Fox

- ▲ OPENING SONG All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name *Coronation*
- All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall.
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all.
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord of all!
- Ye chosen seed of Israel's race ye ransomed from the fall,
Hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all.
Hail Him who saves you by His grace, and crown him Lord of all!
- Let ev'ry kindred ev'ry tribe on this terrestrial ball,
To him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all.
To him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all!
- O that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall!
We'll join the everlasting song and crown him Lord of all.
We'll join the everlasting song and crown him Lord of all!

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison* Rev. Donna Marsh

Gracious God,

We know that those baptized into Christ Jesus are baptized into his death,
so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father,
we too might walk in newness of life.

We also know that our old self was crucified with him,
so that the body of sin might be destroyed,
and that we might no longer be enslaved to sin.

Merciful God, forgive our willful disobedience and persistent sinfulness.

Help us daily to consider ourselves dead to sin and alive to you in Christ Jesus.

From Romans 6

SILENT CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Believe the good news of the Gospel.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

- ▲ LENTEN CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *sung first by the band, then the congregation*
- The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; God's mercies never come to an end.
They are new every morning, new every morning!
Great is thy faithfulness, O Lord, great is thy faithfulness!

▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed Rev. Marsh

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 Dr. Fox

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Dr. David Renwick

SCRIPTURE Galatians 2:19-21 Deacon David Orcutt

¹⁹Through the law I died to the law, so that I might live to God. I have been
crucified with Christ; ²⁰and it is no longer I who live, but it is Christ who lives
in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who
loved me and gave himself for me. ²¹I do not nullify the grace of God; for if
justification comes through the law, then Christ died for nothing.

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

SERMON The Cross-Shaped Life Dr. Fox

Transformed by the Cross
2 Corinthians 5:17

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

CALL FOR OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS Dr. Renwick

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

OFFERING SOLO Take My Life Chris Tomlin

Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to Thee.
Take my moments and my days, let them flow in ceaseless praise.
Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of thy love.
Take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for thee.
Take my voice and let me sing always, only, for my King.
Take my lips and let them be filled with messages from thee.
Take my silver and my gold, not a mite would I withhold.
Take my intellect and use ev'ry power as you choose.

Chorus

*Here am I, all of me. Take my life it's all for thee.
Here am I, all of me. Take my life it's all for thee.*

Take my will and make it thine, it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is thine own, it shall be thy royal throne.
Take my love, my Lord, I pour at your feet its treasure store,
Take myself and I will be ever, only, all for thee. **Chorus**

Children return to join their parents in the sanctuary.

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

Dr. Renwick

Invitation to the Table

Words of Institution and Distribution

Communion Song Jesus Messiah

Chris Tomlin

He became sin, who knew no sin that we might become his righteousness.

He humbled himself and carried the cross!

Love so amazing! Love so amazing!

Chorus

Jesus Messiah, Name above all names, Blessed Redeemer, Emmanuel.

The rescue for sinners, the ransom from heaven. Jesus Messiah, Lord of all.

His body, the bread, his blood the wine broken and poured out, all for love.

The whole earth trembled and the veil was torn.

Love so amazing! Love so amazing, yeah! **Chorus**

All our hope is in you! All our hope is in you!

All the glory to you, God, the light of the world! **Chorus**

Prayer of Response 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.

▲ CLOSING SONG O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

Indelible Grace

O Love that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in thee;

I give thee back the life I owe,

that in thine ocean depths its flow may richer, fuller be.

O light that followest all my way, I yield my flickering torch to thee;

My heart restores its borrowed ray,

that in thy sunshine's blaze its day may brighter, fairer be.

O joy that seekest me through pain, I cannot close my heart to thee;

I trace the rainbow through the rain,

and feel the promise is not vain, that morn shall tearless be.

▲ BENEDICTION AND PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Dr. Fox

▲ SENDING

NPC Band

▲ Congregation standing, as able

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PRELUDE

Meditation: Love Unknown

Francis Jackson
Todd Fickley, organ

CHIMES

CALL TO WORSHIP

Dr. Quinn Fox

▲ HYMN 151 *verses 1-3* Crown Him with Many Crowns

Diademata

▲ PRAYER OF ADORATION

Rev. Donna Marsh

▲ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Hymn 151, verse 4

Crown him the Lord of years, the Potentate of time;
Creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime.
All hail, Redeemer, hail! For thou hast died for me;
Thy praise shall never, never fail throughout eternity.

CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

Rev. Marsh

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From Romans 6

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.

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RESPONSE *Hendon*
Choir
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Congregation

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OFFERTORY**O Love**

Elaine Hagenberg

O Love that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in thee;
 I give thee back the life I owe, that in thine ocean depths
 Its flow may richer, fuller be.
 O cross that liftest up my head, I dare not ask to fly from thee;
 I lay in dust life's glory dead, and from the ground there blossoms red
 life that shall endless be.

George Matheson

DOXOLOGY Kindergarten Milestone in Worship*Old Hundredth**Sung first by the Kindergartners, then the Congregation.*

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.

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Invitation to the Table

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Music Meditation Savior, Source of Every Blessing

W. A. Mozart

Ave verum corpus, K. 618

Savior, Savior, source of every blessing, sent from God, and of the Virgin born,
 Truly thou hast suffered greatly, once broken on the cross for man.
 Thou, the crucified, from whose piercèd side freely water and blood did flow.
 Savior, thou hast become the firstfruits of all who belong to God.

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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 393

Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said

*Bourbon**verses 1, 3 & 4***▲ BENEDICTION**

Dr. Fox

▲ CHORAL AMEN**▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST****▲ POSTLUDE**

Prelude and Fugue in E minor, BWV 533

J.S. Bach

John Varcoe, organ

▲ Congregation standing, as able

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2nd Sunday Sandwich Making

April 10, 12:15 am

Join us on 2nd Sundays in Stone Hall after the 11:00 am worship service to make sandwiches for Martha's Table. This is a great event for the whole family!

Ukraine Response

NPC cares deeply about our world. We are actively responding to urgent needs in Ukraine:

- How can you help? NPC is collecting a special offering, which will go to Mission Eurasia, a highly rated Christian charity where NPC members are involved. You may donate now by [clicking here](#), by putting *Ukraine* on the memo line of a check or scanning this QR code:



- In addition, NPC has provided emergency grants! The Serve Council approved \$7,500 in emergency funding from its budget to help two of our mission partners care for Ukrainians in desperate need. European Christian Mission International (ECMI) is running a shelter in a church basement in Lviv and University Divitia Gratiae (UDG) in Moldova is using its main campus to house Ukrainian refugees.

Pathway of Christian Discipleship Class Saturday, April 30

Becoming a church member at National can be a meaningful step forward in your spiritual journey. To inquire about membership or learn more about Christian faith, please attend the in-person Pathway of Christian Discipleship class on Saturday, April 30. For more information, please [click here](#) or visit our Events page. You may also contact Kemet Rakiatu to register by April 20th at 202-537-7578 or KRakiatu@NationalPres.org.

This Coming Week at a Glance

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

Today, April 3

- 8:45 & 11:00 am: Worship with Communion
- 9:55-10:45 am: Sunday School for all ages
- 12:15 pm: NPC Fund for Charitable Giving Informational Meeting

Wednesday, April 6

- 7:00 pm: Lenten Evening Service

Friday, April 8

- 7:00 pm: Club 45
- 7:00 pm: Middle school youth group

Saturday, April 9

- 8:30 am: Men's online prayer meeting

Sunday, April 10, Palm Sunday

- 8:45 & 11:00 am: Worship
- 9:55-10:45 am: Sunday School for all ages
- 10:30 am: Palm Sunday Procession with donkey!
- 12:15 pm: 2nd Sunday Sandwich Making
- 7:00 pm: High school small groups

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Children's Check-In

Please visit one of our children's check-in stations when you arrive in the main building or the Education building.

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 [Adult Classes page](#) online.

11:00 am: Traditional Worship

Join us for worship in-person or online on our [Watch page](#).

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

You are welcome at our **9:55-10:45 am** Adult Sunday School classes! Please visit our [Adult Classes page](#) online for the details. All classes are in-person with one online class.

- *Protestant Christian Traditions*, teacher: R.V. Seep, Chapel and online
- *The Story Behind "The Story,"* 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*, 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

SERVING AT NATIONAL

Use Your Gifts to Bless Our Children!

Children's ministry volunteers are needed in all areas: Sunday School teachers and aides, Children's Chapel assistants, Children's song leader, and more! For more information, please contact us at npckids@nationalpres.org.

Job Opportunities

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

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

For more volunteer opportunities, please visit our [Serve at Church](#) page!

PLAN YOUR SUMMER

Registration Open for VBS

July 11-15, 2022

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

Vacation Bible School Leaders Needed

From July 11-15, we will welcome dozens of children into NPC to learn how God loves them. We need help from the whole congregation to make that possible, from snacks, crafts, games, and leading small groups! For more information, contact us at npckids@nationalpres.org.

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.

Family Camp at Camp Ligonier

July 20-24, 2022

Join other NPC families this summer for campfires, beach days at the lake, group worship, family devotions and much more! For more information and how to register please [click here](#) or visit our Events page.

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Mask Update

After session review, masks are now optional at all NPC worship services with the exception of the balcony and transept pews. This will be the policy on Easter Sunday as well. Our goal is to create safe, comfortable worship spaces for all. Masks are also optional at all adult programs.

Our Family Ministry will provide further direction on mask requirements for children's and youth programs. Masks will continue to be mandatory for all child care staff.

Planets in Peril

Now on YouTube

Catch up or share with your friends! Dr. Quinn Fox's series *Planets in Peril: The Science Fiction Novels of C.S. Lewis* is now on [YouTube](#) as well as in the speaker archives on our website.

Afghan Refugee Ministry

We are excited that God has given us 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.

Adult Fellowship Broadcast

April 18, 1:00 pm

The April Adult Fellowship Broadcast will feature our own Glenn R. Schmitt, of the Military Ministry. His presentation commemorates the parishioners of National and its predecessor congregation, Church of the Covenant, who served in the World Wars and have been memorialized on bronze tablets at the Chapel entrance of the church.

To join us, please visit our [Watch](#) page.

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](#)

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.

Need a Bible?

We have 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 to the glory of God in memory of G. Joseph Sears on the occasion of his April 3rd birthday with love from his wife Margaret Smith Sears.

Prayers

We rejoice with:

Heather and Brad Bailey in the birth of their new son.

We pray for:

Steve and Janice Quakenbush and their work with Wycliffe Bible Translators.

How can we pray for you?

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

Your Giving and Commitments

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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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