

October 30, 2022
Reformation Sunday



Welcome to
**NATIONAL
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH**

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

*Give us this day
our daily bread.
Matthew 6:11*

Transitional Senior Pastor
Associate Pastors

Rev. Allan Poole
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)
Jill Meek (Children)
Leslie Saum (Connections)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kindergarten Milestone: The Doxology

Today during 11:00 am worship, our Kindergarteners lead us in singing The Doxology. As a part of Sunday School, each grade, Kindergarten through 5th, learns a “Milestone in Worship,” an element of our worship liturgy. Milestones help children to participate in worship and develop a language of faith.

Congregational Meeting Today after 11:00 am Worship in Sanctuary

The Session of NPC has called a Congregational Meeting for today, following 11:00 am worship. For more information and the agenda, please see page 8. Childcare will be provided if needed.

Special Exhibit Today 75th Anniversary of NPC Designation

2022 marks the 75th anniversary of the designation of The National Presbyterian Church as the representative congregation of the denomination at that time, while remaining a local congregation. Learn more of NPC’s fascinating history by visiting the special exhibit of our History and Archives ministry in the Narthex.

Men's Breakfast Saturday, November 5, 8:00 am

All men are invited to join us in-person on the first Saturday of every month for our men’s breakfast. Our November speaker will be David Montgomery. Please email Kristi Teems at kteems@nationalpres.org for more information.

Women's Brunch Saturday, November 5, 11:00 am

All women are invited for a delicious brunch, faith-building conversation and fellowship! Childcare is provided. Please register for brunch and childcare by October 30 by [clicking here](#).

Daylight Saving Time Ends Next Sunday November 6

Don't forget to fall back next Sunday!

November 4-6 Middle School Retreat

Please be in prayer for our middle schoolers as they grow in their faith and in relationship with each other.



2023 Stewardship *Grateful Hearts, Alive in Christ, for the Sake of God's World*

Can you commit to supporting God's work in and through NPC in 2023? Today we ask you to begin to prayerfully consider how you can support the ministries at National in the coming year. Please click here to visit our webpage at nationalpres.org/grate-fulgivig2023 or scan the QR code if you're ready to make your commitment. If you would like some help with the details for your plan to give, please contact our Finance Office at 202.537.7495 or email our Director of Finance and Administration, [Leah Skrine](#).



8:45 AM WORSHIP

Sanctuary and Online

Welcome! Masks are optional at our services, with the exception of the balcony and the lectern-side transept (at the front on your right), where masks are required. Our ushers are happy to guide you to your preferred seating area.

WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

GATHERING Improvisations Joanna Zorack-Greene, keyboard

CALL TO WORSHIP Rev. Donna Marsh

▲ OPENING SONG May The Peoples Praise You Getty and Townend

You have called us out of darkest night, into your glorious light,
that we may sing the wonders of the risen Christ.

Chorus: *May the peoples praise you, let the nations be glad!*

All your blessing comes that we may praise, may praise the name of Jesus.

May our ev'ry breath retell the grace that broke into our strife
with boundless love and deepest joy, with endless life. **Chorus (2x)**

PRAYER OF ADORATION

CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

O God, your very name is holy.

In our worship today may it also be hallowed.

To this end, O blessed Father, help us in our weakness,
convict us of our disobedience, and forgive us of our sins.

As we hear your Word taught in truth and purity,

help us—your children—to lead holy lives in accordance with it;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Martin Luther, leader of the German Reformation

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 Heidelberg Catechism *Question One*

One: What is your only comfort in life and in death?

All: That I belong—body and soul, in life and in death—not to myself, but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ, who at the cost of his own blood has full paid for all my sins, and has completely freed me from the dominion of the devil; that he protects me so well that without the will of my Father in heaven not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, that everything must fit his purposes for my salvation. Therefore, by his Holy Spirit, he also assures me of eternal life, and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

A TIME FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

Rev. Marsh

*Children ages 5 to 5th grade will then be dismissed for Children's Chapel.
Parents may take children age 4 and under to the nursery.*

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PATHWAY

SCRIPTURE

Exodus 16:1-5, 13-14, 19-20, 31

Laura Puryear

The whole congregation of the Israelites set out from Elim and came to the wilderness of Sin, which is between Elim and Sinai, on the fifteenth day of the second month after they had departed from the land of Egypt. ²The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. ³The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the pots of meat and ate our fill of bread, for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

⁴Then the Lord said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. ⁵On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other days."

¹³In the evening quails came up and covered the camp, and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. ¹⁴When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground.

¹⁹And Moses said to them, "Let no one leave any of it over until morning." ²⁰But they did not listen to Moses; some left part of it until morning, and it became wormy and rotten. And Moses was angry with them.

³¹The Israelites called it manna; it was like white coriander seed, and the taste of it was like wafers made with honey.

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

UNISON PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Rev. Allan Poole

O Lord, our heavenly Father, in you is fullness of light and wisdom.

Enlighten our minds by your Holy Spirit, and give us grace to receive your Word with reverence and humility, without which no one can understand your truth, for Christ's sake. Amen.

John Calvin, leader of the Swiss Reformation

SERMON

Rev. Poole

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

CALL FOR OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Rev. Lisa Larsen

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

OFFERING SONG

Lord, I Need You

Christy Nockels

Lord, I come. I confess. Bowing here I find my rest.

And without you, I fall apart. You're the one that guides my heart.

Chorus: *Lord, 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. **Chorus**

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 stay. **(2x) Chorus (2x)**

My one Defense, my Righteousness, O God, how I need you!

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

Rev. Larsen

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

Sovereign

Chris Tomlin

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,
with me in the dark, with me at the dawn!

Chorus: *In your everlasting arms, all the pieces of my life,
from beginning to the end, I can trust you.*

In your never-failing love, you work everything for good.

God, whatever comes my way, I will trust you!

God, whatever comes my way, I will trust you!

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) **Chorus**

God, whatever comes my way, I will trust you!

▲ BENEDICTION AND PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Rev. Poole

▲ SENDING

NPC Band

▲ Congregation standing, as able

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WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE A Mighty Fortress Is Our God, BWV 720 J. S. Bach
Todd Fickley, organ

CHIMES

CALL TO WORSHIP Rev. Donna Marsh

▲ HYMN 220 All People That on Earth Do Dwell *Old Hundredth*
Genevan and Scottish Reformation Psalters

▲ PRAYER OF ADORATION

▲ CHORAL RESPONSE *O dass ich tausend Zungen hätte*
All creatures that have breath and motion, that throng the earth, the sea, the sky,
Come, share with us our hearts' devotion, help us to sing God's praises high!
Our utmost powers can never quite declare the wonders of God's might! Johann Mentzer

CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

O God, your very name is holy.
In our worship today may it also be hallowed.
To this end, O blessed Father, help us in our weakness,
convict us of our disobedience, and forgive us of our sins.
As we hear your Word taught in truth and purity,
help us—your children—to lead holy lives in accordance with it;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Martin Luther, leader of the German Reformation

SILENT CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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▲ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE 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 Heidelberg Catechism *Question One*
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All: That I belong—body and soul, in life and in death—not to myself, but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ, who at the cost of his own blood has full paid for all my sins, and has completely freed me from the dominion of the devil; that he protects me so well that without the will of my Father in heaven not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, that everything must fit his purposes for my salvation. Therefore, by his Holy Spirit, he also assures me of eternal life, and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

A TIME FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

Rev. Marsh

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Reaffirmation of Baptismal Vows

Through baptism we enter the covenant God has established. Within this covenant God gives us new life, guards us from evil, and nurtures us in love. In embracing this covenant, God claims us as his own, as we choose whom we will serve, by turning from evil and turning to Jesus Christ.

Baptismal Questions

Baptism

Adeline Yuna Kim

Daughter of Lauren Lee Favreau Kim and Alan Hongjin Kim

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SCRIPTURE

Exodus 16:1-5, 13-14, 19-20, 31

Elder Linda Botsford

Please see page 4.

UNISON PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Rev. Allan Poole

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John Calvin, leader of the Swiss Reformation

SERMON

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CHORAL RESPONSE

Genevan Psalter Tune

You only are the Maker of all things near and far;
You paint the wayside flower, you light the evening star;
The wind and waves obey you, by you the birds are fed;
Much more to us, your children, you give our daily bread.

Matthias Claudius

CALL FOR OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Rev. Lisa Larsen

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

OFFERTORY

We Sing the Greatness of Our God

Fred Bock

We sing the greatness of our God, who made the mountains rise;
Who spread the flowing seas abroad and built the lofty skies.
We sing of wisdom that ordained the sun to rule the day;
The moon shines full at God's command, and all the skies obey.
We sing the greatness of our God who filled the earth with food;
Who formed all creatures with a word, and then pronounced them good.
Lord, how thy wonders are displayed, where'er we turn our eye;
If we survey the ground we walk gaze up to the sky!

There is no plant or flower below, but makes thy glories known;
The 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, Lord, thou art present there.

We sing the greatness of our God!

Isaac Watts, alt. Father of English Hymnody

▲ DOXOLOGY

Old Hundredth, led by NPC Kindergarteners

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

Rev. Larsen

THE LORD'S PRAYER *sung by Sheri Jackson, soprano*

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.

▲ HYMN 260

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Ein' feste Burg

▲ BENEDICTION

Rev. Poole

▲ CHORAL AMEN

Heinrich Schütz

▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Rev. Larsen

POSTLUDE

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Helmut Walcha
Mr. Fickley

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Following 11:00 am Service | In-person in the Sanctuary

The Session has called a congregational meeting today immediately following the 11:00 am worship service. 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 and the board of the NPC Fund for Charitable Giving. Please see the separate sheet with names and biographies of nominees or [click here](#) for more information.

MEETING OF THE NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CONGREGATION AND CORPORATION

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2022

AGENDA

1. Call to Order: Rev. Allan Poole, Moderator and John Neely, Clerk
2. Quorum Call
3. Opening Prayer and Welcome
4. Report of the Congregational Nominating Committee
 - Session
 - Deacons
 - NPC Fund
5. Report of the Pastor Nominating Committee
6. Adjourn

SUNDAYS AT NATIONAL

Our worship services are in the Sanctuary and online on our [Watch](#) page.

- **8:45 am:** Contemporary Worship
- **9:55 am:** Sunday School for all ages
- **11:00 am:** Traditional Worship

Adult Sunday School Classes

Please [click here](#) or visit our [Adults Classes page](#) online to read the full description and for the online link.

Class Title	Teacher(s)/Facilitator(s)	Location
<i>Hebrews—Looking to Jesus; Going On To Maturity</i>	R.V. Seep	Chapel, In-person and online available
<i>The Discipleship Journey</i>	Quinn Fox and other church staff	Garden Room A
<i>Talking about Race: Gospel Hope for Hard Conversations</i>	Peggy Lewis, Nancy Fox, Lewrene Glaser	Room #209
<i>Matthew: The Promised Messiah Has Come</i>	Donna Duss, Margaret Gardner and others	Garden Room C
<i>Parent Gathering</i>	Kristin Franke and others	Jones Hall in the Education Building

Youth Sunday School

Please [click here](#) or visit our [Youth page](#) online for more information about Sunday School and other youth events. Youth grades 6-12, please come to the Multipurpose Building for Sunday School. We'll meet there briefly then split to smaller groups by age.

Children's Sunday School

Please [click here](#) or visit our [Children's page](#) online to read about our Children's Ministry.

- The Nursery rooms are available for all infants to walkers, up to age 4, 8:30 am-noon, including during the Sunday School hour.
- Children ages 2-3 years have their Sunday school program in the Toddler Room in the main church building.
- Classes for age 4 through 5th grade are held in the Education Building (National Presbyterian School).

Wednesday Evenings: Fellowship & Bible Study

Join us in Stone Fellowship Hall or online on Wednesday evenings now through November 16 as Dr. Quinn Fox presents *Apocalypse Now: The Challenge of the Book of Revelation for Following Jesus Today*. There will be an informative study with lively discussion.

- **6:15 pm:** Optional dinner together- you're invited to bring your own dinner and join us for fellowship! Beverages provided.
- **7:00 pm:** Dr. Fox's presentation begins in person and online.

Please [click here](#) or visit our [Events page](#) for the details and the online link.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This Coming Week at a Glance

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

Today, October 30

- 8:45 am: Contemporary Worship
- 9:55 am: Sunday School for all ages
- 11:00 am: Traditional Worship
- 12:15 pm: Congregational Meeting

Wednesday, November 2

- 6:15/7:00 pm: Fellowship & Revelation study

November 4-6

- Middle School retreat

Friday November 4

- 7:00 pm: Club 45

Saturday, November 5

- 8:00 am: Men's Breakfast
- 9:30/10:00 am: First Messiah rehearsal
- 11:00 am: Women's Ministry Brunch

Sunday, November 6 - Communion Daylight Saving Time ends - Fall back

- 8:45 am: Contemporary Worship
- 9:45 am: Parent Gathering
- 9:55 am: Sunday School for all ages
- 11:00 am: Traditional Worship
- 12:30 pm: Service of Remembrance
- 6:30 pm: Youth Group

Hurricane Ian Relief

In response to the devastation brought about by Hurricane Ian, Serve Council has authorized \$15,000 from our Disaster Relief budget to go to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance to aid in reconstruction efforts. Anyone who would like to donate individually can do so by [clicking here](#) or following the link below. Thank you so much for your continued generosity! <https://pda.pcusa.org/situation/hurricane-ian/>

Service of Remembrance In Person or Online

November 6 at 12:30 pm

All are welcome to this Service of Loving Remembrance in the Chapel for All Saints Day. The Columbarium will be open following the service. Please [click here](#) or visit our Events page online for the Zoom link.

2nd Sunday Sandwich Making November 13 after Both Services

Our tradition of 2nd Sunday Sandwich Making combines with family, children and youth for an exciting day of double the fun and serving! We'll have sandwich making after both worship services, taking the place of children's and youth Sunday School as well as the Adult Parents Gathering. All sandwiches will be donated to McKenna's Wagon, through which Martha's Table delivers food to the hungry on the streets of DC every day of the year. Come out and serve!

Military Ministry Meeting & Lunch November 13 at 12:15 pm

Garden Rooms

All are invited! Our speaker on will be retired Army Colonel Edna Cummings, an expert on the 6888th Postal Battalion, the only all-African American, all-female unit sent overseas during World War II.

Invite Your Friends

In fact, you might like to invite three! Did you know that one out of three people say that they are likely to come to a worship service if invited? With electronics, social media and the internet at our fingertips, there are a lot of convenient tools available. [Click here](#) to see a few. While none of these are a substitute for relationship and personal invitations, they can be great conversation starters. Give some a try and let us know your experience. We'd love to hear what works!

CHILDREN & YOUTH

Youth Group Dinners

Interested in supporting NPC's youth as they grow spiritually by feeding them physically? [Sign up here](#) to provide a simple dinner for a youth group night, and get a chance to meet the youth in a casual setting! Parents are also welcome to stay after dinner for a Youth Parent Discussion Group for conversations about faith and family.

Club 45 (4th & 5th graders)

Friday, November 4 at 7pm

Calling all 4th and 5th graders! Invite your friends and join us for fun, faith, and fellowship. If you are interested in attending, please contact jmeek@nationalpres.org or check our [Events page](#) for more information and meeting dates.

HANDEL'S MESSIAH IS BACK!

King of Kings and Lord of Lords, Our Coming Savior

The National Presbyterian Church Festival Choir & Orchestra in Handel's Messiah
Sunday, December 11, 5:00 pm

For the first time in three years, [reserve your place](#) in the Festival Choir! Rehearsals for this musical masterpiece begin at 10:00 am on Saturday, November 5, with registration at 9:30 am.

Rehearsal Schedule

Saturday Rehearsals

November 5, 12, 19 and December 3,
10:00 am–1:00 pm

Performance Weekend Rehearsals

Friday, December 9, 7:00-10:00 pm
Saturday, December 10, 10:00 am–1:00 pm

Please [click here](#) for more information or call the NPC Music Office at 202-537-7553.

JOIN THE NPC TEAM

Job Opportunities with National Presbyterian Church

- **Care Ministries Program Coordinator (Full time & part time options)**

If you care deeply about people and have strong organizational and administrative skills, we need your gifts! NPC has a variety of programs for older adults, the military community, grieving families, and church members going through difficult times. Our Care Ministries Program Coordinator will do intake and manage information for these, as well as coordinate meetings and events. S/he will also support our Pastor for Congregational Care and be a part of a warm, wonderful staff team. Read the full position description [here](#). To apply, send a cover email and resume to Executive Pastor Donna Marsh at dmarsh@nationalpres.org.

- AV Engineer (Part time, contract)
- AV Assistant (Part time, contract)

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

THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE!

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.

Prayers

We grieve the deaths of:

Rick Polhamus and Lee Westrate.

We pray for:

The witness of the Church here in Washington, DC.

How may we pray for you?

Please submit prayer requests to the NPC Care Office,

larsen@nationalpres.org

202.537.7537

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.

You can . . . Support the general ministry of National

- Go to nationalpres.org/giving,
- text "NPC" to 833.414.9444 or
- scan the QR code below:



Support the Capital Campaign

- Click [here](#) to give a one-time gift.
- Click [here](#) like to setup a recurring gift through the end of the campaign (12/31/2023).

Questions? Contact Business Manager, Leah Skrine at lskrine@nationalpres.org or call 202.537.7484.

Today's Flowers

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God by Carole S. Kinney and family in loving memory of her parents,

Dorothy and Charles Steadman, especially remembering her mother's October 29th birthday.

Coffee Hour After Worship

Please come to Stone Fellowship Hall after each worship service for great coffee and fellowship. It's good to be back together!



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