Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

2020 was a year like no other! The coronavirus pandemic swept the world, our country, and our region, leading to great loss and suffering, as well as upheaval in our daily lives. At the same time, renewed focus on the dynamics of race in our country took center stage and rightly demanded our attention. Here on the NPC campus, heavy construction equipment arrived and work began to renovate the main church building.

In the midst of these changes, The National Presbyterian Church stood strong as a beacon of Gospel hope. I am grateful for God’s grace and providence, and for your faithfulness and generosity all year long.

We began 2020 in our normal patterns of worship, study, and fellowship, but had to pivot quickly to online worship services and new modes of ministry. I am so proud of our staff and lay leaders for adapting to changing ministry needs, and continuing to encourage people of all ages through our livestream worship services, Zoom classes, outdoor activities, and personal contacts. We didn’t miss a beat!

What you will read in this annual report is truly a celebration. We celebrate that our risen Lord Jesus is alive and well even when death and sin seem to be everywhere. We celebrate that he is our rock even when our worlds are shaken. We celebrate that God’s Word is rich in hope and wisdom for our time. We celebrate that people continue to meet Christ through our messages and mission. We celebrate that our congregation is caring for one another and loving one another through hard times. We celebrate that we are making improvements in our facilities which will bring joy and possibility to our ministry for years to come. And we celebrate the people whom God has called to be part of this family of faith. We celebrate you, and we thank you.

Glad to be your pastor,

[Signature]

DR. DAVID RENWICK
Senior Pastor
Our Mission:

NPC is leading people to become faithful followers of Jesus Christ together in God’s world.
2020 WAS A YEAR OF ADAPTATION AND CHANGE

I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. Isaiah 43:19

Communion at home
Fellowship, classes, Sunday School and Youth Group on Zoom
During the pandemic, we found new and different ways to be together. Worshipping online meant worshipping from new places and taking advantage of technology. It meant that some families and friends could be together even when apart. NPC added Wednesday Night Faith Connection, a mid-week teaching session, to keep our faith growing while we are apart. We also held our first outdoor worship service!

Have family in DC and Virginia...we watch every Sunday 'together'
-NPC Member

Once again I am moved by the sense of "being there," despite not being there in-person, and by the Holy Spirit's ability to impact us as a group, despite our having to remain physically distant during worship.
-NPC Member
CONNECTING AT NATIONAL

NPC is committed to discipleship, to community, to service, and, most importantly, to a deep and abiding faith in Christ. When greeting people in person on campus was not an option, NPC sought creative ways to welcome newcomers and care for regular attenders and members, showing them the love of Jesus and inviting them deeper into community and their faith.

Pre-Covid
- "Granola Bars for the Hungry" provided granola bars with resource cards for parishioners to hand out to those in need.
- About 170 people received devotionals, welcome packets, gift Bibles, notes and devotional books inviting them to connect on a deeper level with NPC.

I am really excited about joining NPC. You need to know this is absolutely the best prospective new member class I have been a part of. I have lived in four major metropolitan areas and have moved multiple times. Everyone who has been a part of planning and contributing to the Zoom classes should be highly commended!

-Sue Butler, new member

I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. Philippians 1:3-5

575 guests welcomed
41 new members
1560 total members

Our NPC church family is spread across the US and around the world!
- Still joining you from Ottawa Canada.
- Back in Hong Kong! Still connected to NPC!
- Happy to be joining you from Prague.
- Location: Pajamas in Potomac!
- Participating again from the Swiss Alps.
- I am viewing this worship service this morning from Omaha, Nebraska.
- Back for another online visit from Okemos, MI.
- Appreciatively listening from Phoenix, Arizona.
- At home in DC.
- Watching outside...such a lovely day!!
- We are with you every week.
- Hello from TX. Thanks for being a bright light of faith...
Thanks for your email of concern...I ...have been tuning in each Sunday to the NPC church services. I have also enjoyed reading all the communications sent by NPC. Since the start of the pandemic, I tried to think of positive things to do, and I now make it a daily habit to faithfully read my Bible.

-Barbara Wood

The ornaments are beautiful! And the message was so warm and appropriate given these strange times we are in. I was amazed and so deeply touched ... Thank you to you and all who took part in making that happen.

-Jennifer

Thank you for the handwritten note! Haven’t received many of those in the last few years. I am so glad that when the Covid situation began I did an online search for a church with a live service and NPC came up... I am just so glad I found all of you.

-Lynda Bancroft
"FAITH MASKS"
Gifted 1,100 "Faith Masks" with NPC's logo to our congregation and friends of NPC.
The months of Covid quarantine offered me some beneficial time to do telephone outreach and written notes to many in our church family. I had such wonderful, often fascinating, sometimes hilarious conversations and was grateful for every interaction... Thanks be to God for leading me in the path of fellowship and friendship.

-Gretchen Asmuth, Steven Minister

90 calls were answered during Prayer LIVE since our kick-off in May.

Sunday Chapel prayers went virtual! We introduced a call-in number for prayer after Worship with a Deacon or Stephen Minister.

175 care packages were packed and shipped by the Military Ministry to troops in Afghanistan and Iraq. The NPC congregation donated these supplies during a drive-through drop off.

173 people prayed for 3 days starting on Maundy Thursday and concluding at sunrise on Easter during our Easter Prayer Vigil!

Truly, I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me. Matthew 25:40

Thank you for the care packages that you packed for my company. It means a lot to my Soldiers to see such tremendous and altruistic support from complete strangers. For many of them, this was the one piece of personal mail that they received during the entire deployment.

-CPT J.P. Shannon

Offering care neither slows nor stops during a pandemic. NPC staff and Deacons were called to innovate and find different ways to offer other than in-person care to members of the NPC community. This took the form of one-on-one care, meals, prayer, phone calls, dropping off supplies, delivering flowers and more.

Welcome new Pastor for Care: Rev. Katie Francis!
Worship can be powerfully transforming. It can help change us from the inside out for God’s glory and our good. At the root of it all is doxology: Our words of praise and glory offered to God, and lives that glorify the holy, righteous, gracious, and merciful God that God is. This happens through every element and rubric of worship, including the music we sing and play together.

The last year has been one of adjusted creativity for NPC’s music ministries. The pandemic has curtailed the gathering of the Chancel and Festival Choirs, Grace Chimes, and our Music at National concert series. Yet weekly worship has continued apace with a professional vocal sextet, occasional guest instrumentalists, and of course the stirring sounds of our magnificent organ. Every six weeks or so we also have been blessed by contemporary or blended worship, sometimes featuring NPC’s band members.

Easter and Christmas have remained “high holy days” with virtual pre-recorded services carefully assembled from special musical moments from past years along with new moments from our more recent days. We all certainly do miss being together, but we trust that all these efforts have been engaging and edifying to our large online congregation. Each effort has been an offering from the heart to the Holy One who holds us securely, and who is graciously and sovereignly leading us into a future filled with hope.

Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth; sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise. Say to God, “How awesome are your deeds!” Psalm 66:1-3

A photo of members of the choir from March 8, just before we went to 100% online services

Number of worship services without music due to the pandemic: 0
Early in 2020, as planning continued and permit preparation was underway for major construction, several smaller, but significant, building projects were completed. Four stained glass windows from our predecessor church, Church of the Covenant, were removed for restoration. These “Booth” windows, were located just outside the Parlor on the Sanctuary level, and needed to be moved to make room for the new elevators. They will have a new home in the building when construction is completed.

A foldable one-person wheelchair lift was installed in the choir room, which sits a half floor below the Stone Hall level. It makes the choir room accessible to everyone. Several marble coatracks were removed to provide greater hallway access and options for fellowship space.
In July, our construction project began in earnest, and we celebrated our Ground Breaking on September 6, with almost 1,200 people participating “virtually” online. Early accomplishments included improvements in deferred maintenance. By the end of the year, our 50-year-old switchgear equipment and two boilers had been replaced, the stage had been removed to prepare for the future central staircase, and new ductwork was being installed for existing and new equipment.

Outside, in front of the building, the Sanctuary level plaza concrete was removed and a new waterproofing system was installed to eliminate water penetration in the building. Significant work in the fountain garden area began in order to prepare for the construction of our new garden rooms.

In the back of the church building, the new rear entrance was constructed to house our two new elevators. Adjacent to the parking lot, a Bio-Retention rain garden was completed. The garden, required by the District of Columbia, was filled with native plants and captures stormwater runoff from the parking lot.
COVID-19 Changes
The onset of Covid-19 re-prioritized NPC's 2020 facility operations plans, elevating the importance of air quality, strict health and safety protocols, and robust audio / visual capabilities. The facilities team quickly established procedures to cycle air through necessary spaces (such as the sanctuary), as well as maintenance standards for cleaning to prevent any spread of the disease. In March, when the congregation moved to solely online worship to comply with DC regulations, increased emphasis was placed on the quality of the broadcasts and audio visual technology to enable successful broadcasts to a significantly larger audience. This required upgrades to equipment and systems to improve performance.

Security Grant Project
Our Security Grant project awarded by FEMA in 2018 was completed in September after two years of continuous work. The $405k project was offset by the $150k FEMA grant. The rest of the project was funded by the capital campaign. Components included installation of all new doors, cabling, power panels, cameras, alarms and controlled access equipment for the Church and Administration buildings. The improvements enable National’s staff to monitor access 24/7.

Other Projects
Additional projects were accomplished as well. Due to new FCC frequency requirements, a new wireless microphone system was required in the Sanctuary, Chapel, Stone Hall and Jones Hall. In addition, the obsolete, campus-wide telephone system (PBX) was replaced in 2020. Toward the end of the year, significant work began to improve the heating and air conditioning system and related ductwork in the Agencies Building, which is home to several staff offices, as well as classrooms.
MISSION PARTNERS

- Our capital campaign partners did heroic work providing for refugees in Lebanon, Jordan, and Kenya.
- Mission Partner Friendship Place opened The Brooks, the Ward 3 family housing center, on Idaho Ave.
- NPC mission partners from Friendship Place to Wycliffe Bible Translators were instrumental in educating the church and the world on how to counter racism.

NPC MISSION PROJECTS

- In the early days of the pandemic, the church gave most of the gloves and lysol wipes that we would have used for sandwich making to Central Union Mission & Martha's Table.
- Club 45 (4th & 5th graders) assembled "Welcome Kits" for new Habitat for Humanity homeowners, including cleaning supplies, Bibles, and notes from the kids.
- Youth assembled Christmas gifts for Little Lights.
MISSION GIVING

At a time when needed most, NPC gave the most ever given externally to Mission and met the strategic goal of allocating 20% of tithes and offerings to external missions!

**EASTER COVID RELIEF APPEAL**

Target was $50,000
Received: $88,000!

**FOOD DRIVES**

The church responded tremendously to food drives for the Central Union Mission Family Ministry Center on July 4th Weekend, in September, and on Thanksgiving. This included a total of over seven tons of food and clothes and $3,000 in gift cards.
WE ARE BETTER TOGETHER!

We hosted our first ever living nativity with live animals and both walk-through and drive-through options!

Living Nativity:
- 17 new families
- 214 people attended (max capacity)
- 41 youth & adult volunteers

A socially distanced men's prayer meeting

Our adult Sunday School classes were not deterred by the pandemic and concluded their study of Following Jesus—The Story of His Life and Ours online.

Meeting online enabled our Sunday Summer Speaker Series to bring speakers from across the country and one (N.T. Wright) from across the Atlantic! We took advantage of Zoom and YouTube each week for a vital engagement on timely issues pertaining to the Christian faith, including a month-long focus on the issue of race and reconciliation.

In September we returned to our four-class adult Sunday morning class format, all meeting online. The online format made attendance easier for some, particularly when the weather was bad.
NPC youth ministries did not a miss beat, switching to an all virtual format throughout DC's lockdown, with Sunday School, Confirmation and weekly hangouts continuing on Zoom. Though the summer looked different from a traditional year, NPC youth found ways to continue to grow in Christ and in fellowship:

- High-schoolers camped in West Virginia and dove deep into 1 John.
- In a Stay-treat at NPC, middle-schoolers learned about living by the Spirit and being Kingdom Workers in everyday life.
- High school student leaders met weekly with Club 45 and helped lead the middle school Stay-treat.
- Small groups met outdoors discussing how to grow in faith.

For fall, Sunday school continued online with a weekly focus on the books of the Bible. Youth Group met in person each week, braving the cold weather around fire pits. A small group Book Club met weekly to discuss C.S. Lewis' *Mere Christianity*.

Our youth grew their faith through service by helping with (and starring in!) the Journey to Bethlehem Living Nativity, helping with NPC food drives, and assembling Thanksgiving baskets for our Capital Campaign partner, Little Lights.
Operating Expenses  

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Personnel, administration, and governance expenditures are included in each ministry area.

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Net Income:  

- 2019: $2,000  
- 2020: $3,000

Commitments (Faith Giving):  

- Given with commitment: $1.6m by 316 families & individuals  
- Given outside of commitment: $1.3m by 650+ families & individuals

INVESTMENTS:  
The investment portfolio began the year at $6,251,000 and ended at $6,570,000.

Thank you!
BY THE NUMBERS

LEGACY GIFTS
In 2020, National was blessed by bequests from these donors:
- Eleanor Ruth McKelvie
- Jean Lightfoot
- Caroline Van Mason

ANNUAL GIVING BY HOUSEHOLD

AVERAGE WEEKLY WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

ATTENDING IN-PERSON

ATTENDING ONLINE

1543 Avg. worship attendance during Covid!
National was blessed with many dedicated leaders and volunteers in 2020, including the following:

PASTORS
- Dr. David Renwick, Senior Pastor
- Rev. Donna Marsh, Executive Pastor
- Dr. Joyce Emery, Interim Associate Pastor for Care Ministries through October
- Dr. Quinn Fox, Associate Pastor for Grow
- Rev. Katie Francis, Associate Pastor for Care Ministries started October
- Dr. Kerry Stoltzfus, Parish Associate
- Dr. Nancy Fox, Parish Associate

STAFF * = part time
- J. Theodore (Jim) Anderson* (Library/Archives/Older Adults)
- Robin Clement (AA for Membership)
- Betty Conn (AA to Senior Pastor)
- Sarah Crumley (Senior Facilities Supervisor)
- Dr. Michael Denham (Music)
- Todd Fickley* (Organist)
- Kristin Franke (Youth)
- Carolann Haley (Asst. to Music)
- Rubelio Interiano (Asst. for Facilities)
- Joanna Zorack-Greene* (Contemporary Music)
- Melanie Lenhard* (Assoc. for Grow)
- Liz Martin (AA for Care)
- Cate McCrory (Children)
- Bill McNett (A/V & Operations)
- Elebat Mengiste (Bookkeeper) through June
- Janet Meyers* (Bookstore)
- Susan O'Banion (AA for Serve)
- Valerie Platz* (AA for Facilities)
- Kemet Rakiatu (Administrator for Membership and Connections)
- Leslie Saum (Connections)
- Leah Skrine (Finance and Administration)
- Diane Stewart (Facilities)
- Kristi Teems (AA for Grow)
- Amy Thompson* (Family Ministry Associate) through August
- John Marienau Turpin (Serve)
- Katharine Wystrach (Office Manager)

SEANION
John Gregg (Clerk)
CLASS OF 2021
- Peter Backlund
- Michelle Fenton
- Barbara Mitchell
- David Moore
- John Neely
- Mary Jo Pera
- Bryce Pippert

CLASS OF 2022
- Trevor Blow
- Jim Bridgeman
- Betty Elliott
- John Forlines
- Mark Goodin
- David Schauer
- May Yamate

CLASS OF 2023
- Dennis Burgart
- David Detlor
- Scott Jung
- Peggy Lewis
- Ann May
- Jennifer Richwine
- Lucille Smiley

THANK YOU!

DEACONS
- David Dragics (Moderator)
- Renee Dragics (Vice Moderator)

CLASS OF 2021
- Alfreda Bennett
- Jane Crumpler
- Ryan Crumpler
- Nyla Beth Gawel
- Lewrene Glaser
- Amelia Kegan
- Kim Kerikos
- John Tingley
- Barbara Young

CLASS OF 2022
- Christopher Chai
- Kristy Chikes
- Roger Coy
- Lauren Favreau-Kim
- Gregg Gochnour
- Lynne Gochnour
- Phil Harris
- George Kabwe
- Joanna Lam through June
- Serge Nya-Wandja
- Craig Person
- Bryan Smith
- Paul Waymack

CLASS OF 2023
- Mark Angehr
- Kathy Arveson
- Doug Biernacki
- Sherrie Biernacki
- Morgan Dodd
- David Dragics
- Renee Dragics
- Janet Gordon
- Dana Granville
- Claudia Hamblen
- Lisa Herndon
- Kristin Koegel
- David Orcutt
- Lisa Orcutt
- M.R. Stainton
- Jeanne Su
- George Tirajoh
- Nova Tirajoh

Facilities Contractors
- Able Services
- Stone House Group

IT Contractors
- Fernando Sabio (IT)
- Jay Gordon (IT) through July
- Joshua Stuart (IT) started August

AV Contractors
- Kaelen Anderson
- Kyla Blazer
- Brandon Breazeale
- Dawson Bristol
- Eric Early
- Desiré McNeil
Thank you!

Church Corporation
- John Neely (President)
- John Forlines (VP)
- Mary Jo Pera (Secretary)
- Gerri Hall (Treasurer)
- Mark Goodin (Asst Treasurer)

Capital Project Steering Committee
- John Neely (Chair)
- Mary Jo Pera (Vice-Chair)
- Jack Lawlah
- Susie Westrup

Congregational Nominating
- Bryce Pippert (Chair)
- Allison Dickey
- Grant Franke
- Susan Lockwood
- Ron Martinson
- Janice Sessing
- David Thompson

Facilities Council
- Mary Jo Pera (Chair)
- Scott Jung (Vice-Chair)
- Russ Brunner
- Mark Gordon
- Gerri Hall
- Scott Jung
- John Weber

Care Council
- Lucille Smiley (Chair)
- Peter Backlund (Vice-Chair)
- Ann May (Elder Member)
- David Dragics
- Renee Dragics
- Glenn Schmitt
- Mary Romano

Connections Ministry
- Peter Backlund (Chair)
- Marilee Davies
- David Dragics
- Renee Dragics
- Marianne Gray
- Lisa Herndon
- Scott Herndon
- David Kingsland
- Emily Kingsland
- Peter Kozel
- Wanda Martinson
- Russ Bruner
- Mark Gordon
- Gerri Hall
- John Weber

Deacon Board
- David Dragics (Moderator)
- Renee Dragics (Vice Moderator)

Military Ministry
- Ginny Beeson (Chair)
- Glenn Schmitt (Vice Chair)
- Dennis Burgart
- Melinda Moore
- Dick Pera

Stephen Ministry
- Glenn Schmitt (Chair)
- Dottie McKnight

Grow Council
- Betty Elliott (Chair)
- Peggy Lewis (Vice-Chair)
- Michelle Fenton (Elder Member)
- Emily Kingsland
- Michelle Melenwick

Children’s Ministry
- Betty Elliott (Chair)
- Dorrie Yale (Vice Chair)
- Audrey Orteza
- Ashley Rehr
- David Rehr

Youth Ministry
- David Detlor (Co-Chair)
- Wray Muoio (Co-Chair)
- Laura Atchison
- Patrick Burton
- June Im
- Jen Kaleda
- Joel Velasco

Adult Ministry
- Fred Byus (Chair)
- Peggy Lewis (Vice Chair)
- Margaret Gardner
- Gregg Gochnour
- Patrick Zhou

Library and Archives
- Eleanor Heginbotham (Chair)
- Grace Endres (Vice Chair)
- Anita Apted
- Wills Broughton
- Peter Byrd
- Susan Denecke
- William Doole
- Peggy Doole
- Thomas Webster

Serve Council
- Jennifer Richwine (Chair)
- David Moore (Elder Member)
- David Schauer (Elder Member)

Local/National Mission
- Anne Shelburne (Chair)
- Joanne Lesher (Vice-Chair)
- Marge Bernbaum
- Gabe Chikes
- Nancy Chapman Colb
- Miley Frost
- Amelia Kegan
- Claire Levy
- Michael Maddox
- Jennifer Richwine
- Bryan Smith
- Ginny Taylor

International Mission
- John Bernbaum (Chair) through April
- Evangeline Paschal (Chair) started May
- Jane Gore (Vice-Chair) through April
- Kathy Arveson
- Scottie Griffin

Finance Council
- John Forlines (Chair)
- Mark Goodin (Vice-Chair)
- Beth Bartholomew
- Trevor Blow
- John Gregg
- Barbara Guido
- Gerri Hall
- David Kingsland
- Taffy Kingscott

Steership
- Trevor Blow (Chair)

Audit
- Jim Bridgeman (Chair)

List of council members is current as of March, 2020 Session minutes.
& THANK YOU!

Because of your generosity, National continues to bear powerful witness to the Good News of Jesus Christ. Your membership, participation, service, gifts and commitments all support Christ's ministry in and through National. Your faithfulness is priceless, and National is grateful for you.

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. Romans 15:13