

January 16, 2022



Welcome to  
**NATIONAL  
PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH**

Leading people to become  
faithful followers of Jesus Christ  
together in God's world  
in 2022

*God was in Christ  
reconciling the world to himself  
and entrusting to us  
the ministry of reconciliation.*

2 Corinthians 5:19

**Senior Pastor** Dr. David Renwick

**Associate Pastors** Rev. Donna Marsh

Dr. Quinn Fox

Rev. Katie Francis

**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)

# TODAY AT NATIONAL

## Moldova Prayer, Today at 12:30 pm, Garden Room C

Join us to pray for Moldova and for National's mission partner there, the University of Divine Grace.

# SUNDAYS AT NATIONAL

## 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](mailto: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 in-person or online - see below for the January class schedule.

## 11:00 am: Traditional Worship

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

## Adult Sunday School January Term

In January, Adult Sunday School will meet at 9:55-10:45 am. For the complete class descriptions and directions for joining online, please visit our adults [Classes webpage](#).

## Parent Gathering:

Parents of children of all ages are invited to meet each week in Jones Hall in the Education Building.

### 3-week mini sessions on January 9, 16 and 23:

We offer a choice of 4 new classes:

- Chapel and Online (to join online [click here](#))  
*The Case for a Creator*, teacher: David Siegrist
- Parlor and Online (to join online [click here](#))  
*Exploring Intellectual Humility in Our Christian Lives*, teachers: Carol Cadou & Donald Borchert
- Garden Room A  
*Bioethics in Private and Public Life*, teacher: Patrick Zhou,
- Garden Room C  
*Poetry & Prayer as Conversation with God*, teacher: Margaret

## January 30:

We'll meet together in Stone Hall for a presentation by Dr. David Renwick titled *Why I Believe: God, Jesus and the Bible*. This class meets in person or online.

# 8:45 AM WORSHIP

*Sanctuary and Online*

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*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

How Great Thou Art

*O Store Gud*

O Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder  
consider all the worlds thy hands have made.

I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,  
thy power throughout the universe displayed.

*Chorus:*

*Then sings my soul, my Savior, God to thee.*

*How great thou art. How great thou art! (repeat)*

And when I think that God his Son not sparing  
sent him to die, I scarce can take it in.

That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing  
he bled and died to take away my sin. *Chorus*

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation  
and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!

Then I shall bow in humble adoration and there proclaim,  
my God, how great thou art. *Chorus*

How great thou art! How great thou art!

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

Rev. Donna Marsh

Incarinate Word of God, we praise you,  
for in your flesh you reconciled us to God the Father,  
and continue to bring your reconciling peace to all,  
who in heartfelt repentance, confess their sins.

Grant us such a heartfelt repentance as this,  
that we might know your forgiveness, your cleansing, and your power  
to persevere in serving you as agents of your reconciliation.

In all things, direct our thoughts, words and deeds by the presence of your Holy Spirit  
to bring you honor and glory, now and forever.

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                      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. Renwick
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## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- SCRIPTURE                      Matthew 5:21-26, 43-48                      Janice Sessing
- Scripture text on page 7.*

- SERMON                      Breaking Up Is NOT Hard to Do                      Dr. Renwick
- Matthew 18:15-22

## 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.  
 Children return to join their parents in the sanctuary.*

- OFFERING SONG                      If We're Honest                      Francesca Battiselli
- Truth is harder than a lie. The dark seems safer than the light.  
 And everyone has a heart that loves to hide.  
 I'm a mess and so are you. We've built walls nobody can get through.  
 Yeah, it may be hard but the best thing we could ever do, ever do...
- Chorus*  
*Bring your brokenness and I'll bring mine.*  
*'Cause love can heal what hurt divides.*  
*And mercy's waiting on the other side,*  
*if we're honest (ooh ooh), if we're honest (ooh ooh).*
- Don't pretend to be something that you're not,  
 living life afraid of getting caught.  
 There is freedom found when we lay our secrets down  
 at the cross, at the cross. *Chorus*

▲ 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!*

*Children return to join their parents in the sanctuary.*

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Dr. Fox

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

Living Hope

Brian Johnson, Phil Wickham

How great the chasm that lay between us.

How high the mountain I could not climb.

In desperation I turned to heaven

and spoke your name into the night.

Then through the darkness your loving-kindness

tore through the shadows of my soul.

The work is finished, the end is written.

Jesus Christ, my living hope.

Who could imagine so great a mercy?

What heart could fathom such boundless grace?

The God of ages stepped down from glory

to wear my sin and bear my shame.

*The cross has spoken: I am forgiven. The King of kings calls me his own.*

*Beautiful Savior, I'm yours forever. Jesus Christ, my living hope. (2x)*

▲ BENEDICTION AND PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Dr. Renwick

▲ SENDING

NPC Band

▲ Congregation standing, as able

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PRELUDE

Pastorale

César Franck  
Todd Fickley, organ

CHIMES

CALL TO WORSHIP

Dr. David Renwick

▲ HYMN

Stand Up and Bless the Lord

*Carlisle*

Stand up and bless the Lord, ye people of God's choice;

Stand up and bless the Lord our God with heart and soul and voice.

Though high above all praise, above all blessing high,

Who would not fear God's holy name, and praise and magnify?

God is our strength and song, now is salvation ours;

Then be God's love in Christ proclaimed with all our ransomed powers.

▲ PRAYER OF ADORATION

Rev. Donna Marsh

▲ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

*Carlisle*

Stand up and bless the Lord; the Lord our God adore;

Stand up and bless God's glorious name, henceforth and evermore.

CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

Incarnate Word of God, we praise you,

for in your flesh you reconciled us to God the Father,

and continue to bring your reconciling peace to all,

who in heartfelt repentance, confess their sins.

Grant us such a heartfelt repentance as this,

that we might know your forgiveness, your cleansing, and your power

to persevere in serving you as agents of your reconciliation.

In all things, direct our thoughts, words and deeds by the presence of your Holy Spirit

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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.

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SCRIPTURE                      Matthew 5:21-26, 43-48                      Elder Peggy Lewis  
<sup>21</sup> 'You have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, "You shall not murder";  
and "whoever murders shall be liable to judgement." <sup>22</sup>But I say to you that if you are  
angry with a brother or sister, you will be liable to judgement; and if you insult a brother  
or sister, you will be liable to the council; and if you say, "You fool", you will be liable  
to the hell of fire. <sup>23</sup>So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that  
your brother or sister has something against you, <sup>24</sup>leave your gift there before the altar  
and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift.  
<sup>25</sup>Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are on the way to court with him,  
or your accuser may hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you  
will be thrown into prison. <sup>26</sup>Truly I tell you, you will never get out until you have paid  
the last penny...  
<sup>43</sup> 'You have heard that it was said, "You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy."  
<sup>44</sup>But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, <sup>45</sup>so that  
you may be children of your Father in heaven; for he makes his sun rise on the evil and  
on the good, and sends rain on the righteous and on the unrighteous. <sup>46</sup>For if you love  
those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax-collectors do the  
same? <sup>47</sup>And if you greet only your brothers and sisters, what more are you doing than  
others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? <sup>48</sup>Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly  
Father is perfect.

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

SERMON                      Breaking Up Is NOT Hard to Do                      Dr. Renwick  
Matthew 18:15-22

*Choir*

“Forgive our sins as we forgive,” you taught us, Lord, to pray,  
 But you alone can grant us grace to live the words we say.  
 How can your pardon reach and bless the unforgiving heart  
 That broods on wrongs and will not let old bitterness depart?

*Congregation*

In blazing light your cross reveals the truth we dimly knew:  
 What trivial debts are owed to us, how great our debt to you!  
 Lord, cleanse the depths within our souls and bid resentment cease.  
 Then, bound to all in bonds of love, our lives will spread your peace.

Rosamund Herklots

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## OFFERTORY

## Ubi Caritas Pastoralis

Craig Courtney

Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est. Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor.  
 Exultemus et in ipso jucundemur. Timeamus et amemus Deus vivum.  
 Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero. Amen.

*Where there are charity and love, God is there. The love of Christ has gathered us together.  
 Let us exult and in him be joyful. Let us fear and love the living God.  
 And from a sincere heart let us love one another.*

with Joelle La Rue-Gardner, clarinet

## ▲ DOXOLOGY

*Lasst uns erfreuen*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below:  
*Alleluia! Alleluia!*

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 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 563

Lift Every Voice and Sing

*Lift Every Voice*

Lift every voice and sing till earth and heaven ring,  
ring with the harmony of liberty.

Let our rejoicing rise high as the list'ning skies,  
let it resound loud as the rolling sea.

Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us;

Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us;

Facing the rising sun of our new day begun,  
let us march on, till victory is won.

Stony the road we trod, bitter the chast'ning rod,  
felt in the days when hope unborn had died;

Yet with a steady beat, have not our weary feet  
come to the place for which our fathers sighed?

We have come over a way that with tears has been watered;

We have come, treading our path through the blood of the slaughtered.

Out from the gloomy past, till now we stand at last  
where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.

God of our weary years, God of our silent tears,  
thou who hast bought us thus far on the way;

Thou who hast by thy might led us into the light,  
keep us forever in the path, we pray.

Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met thee;

Lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we forget thee;

Shadowed beneath thy hand may we forever stand,  
true to our God, true to our native land.

James Weldon Johnson

▲ BENEDICTION

Dr. Renwick

▲ CHORAL AMEN

Craig Courtney

▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

▲ POSTLUDE

Prelude on the Introit of Epiphany

Maurice Duruflé

Mr. Fickley

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **Club 45 (4th & 5th graders)**

**January 21 & 28, 7:00 pm**

Calling all 4th and 5th graders! Please join us for fun, faith and fellowship. If you are interested in attending, please contact [tkumnick@nationalpres.org](mailto:tkumnick@nationalpres.org) for more information.

## **Congregational Meeting**

**Sunday, January 23, 12:00 pm**

A Congregational Meeting of the members has been called for Sunday January 23, 2022, at noon, to:

1. Receive a report from the Congregational Nominating Committee (to elect new members of the Congregational Nominating Committee and one elder to fill an unexpired term).
2. To dissolve the pastoral relationship between National Presbyterian Church and the Rev. Katie Francis.w

## **Annual Convocation of the Reformed Institute of Metropolitan Washington Saturday, January 22, 9:30-11:30 am Online**

Dr. Brian Blount, President, Union Presbyterian Seminary will speak on *The Liberation Trajectory in the Reformed Tradition*. For more information and to RSVP through the Reformed Institute, please [click here](#).

## **Bible Reading Guides for 2022**

Go deeper into God's word with our convenient Bible reading guides. You can pick up a printed version in our Welcome Center or [download your copy here](#) from our Resources page. There are full-Bible and New Testament only versions to choose from.

## **Mission Lunch & Learn**

**January 23, 12:30 pm**

### **Garden Rooms B and C**

Following the Congregational meeting you are invited to a Lunch & Learn with our mission partner, the Evangelical Theological Seminary (ETS) in Osijek, Croatia. ETS has been a flagship seminary in Eastern Europe after the fall of Communism training pastors and church workers who serve throughout the Balkans and Eastern Europe. ETS grads have played key roles in church planting, reconciliation work among ethnic groups, and in helping refugees from the Mideast. Speakers will include the ETS' Chairman of the Board, the Vice-Dean for Academic Affairs. Join us in person or [click here](#) to join online.

## **Women's Dessert**

The Women's Dessert has been postponed. Please stay tuned for the new date!

## **Mission Gifts 2021**

Thank you to all who contributed to our Mission Gifts partners during the Christmas season. It was a very successful season and your contributions to support God's work locally and internationally totaled over \$56,000!

## **Plan Ahead for 2022:**

- February 11 - NPC Great Date Night
- June 25-July 1 - High School Mission Trip to the Dominican Republic
- July 11-15 - Vacation Bible School
- July 17-21: Middle School Camp - On the Edge
- July 20-24 - Family Camp at Camp Ligonier

# 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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 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.

## **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. Applications are due January 10, 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.

# 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](http://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](http://nationalpres.org/return).

## **Prayer LIVE**

Would you like to pray with a live person after worship? Please call 202.800.9121 between 12-1 pm. A Stephen Minister or Deacon will be prepared to take your call. If all lines are busy, please leave a voicemail with your name and number and you will receive a return call.

## **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!

## **Prayers**

### **We mourn the passing of:**

Lester Crawford, on December 23, 2021.  
David Zweifel, on January 2, 2022.  
Joy Blair, on January 5, 2022.

### **We pray for:**

International Justice Mission,  
a global Christian human rights mission  
seeking justice for the poor.

### **How can we pray for you?**

Please submit prayer requests to  
Liz Martin,

[lmartin@nationalpres.org](mailto:lmartin@nationalpres.org), 202.537.7540.

## **Today's Flowers**

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God in recognition of the January 15th birthday and the legacy of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and in gratitude for his significant contributions to make our nation a more perfect union for all.

## **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](http://nationalpres.org/giving), text "NPC" to (833) 414-9444 or scan the QR code below:



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