











# Welcome to NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Leading People to Become Faithful Followers of Jesus Christ Together in God's World

COMMUNION

You all are the body of Christ and individually members of it.

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Senior Pastor Dr. David Renwick

Associate Pastors Dr. Quinn Fox, Rev. Donna Marsh

Parish Associate Dr. Nancy Fox

Music Dr. Michael Denham (Director), Todd Fickley (Organist) Hilda Labrada Gore (Contemporary Music Leader)

Ministry Directors J. Theodore Anderson (Library, Archives, & Older Adults)
Kristin Franke (Youth), Cate McCrory (Children)

Leslie Saum (Connections), John Marienau Turpin (Serve)

# TODAY AT NATIONAL

# "January Term" Classes for Adults

Sundays, Jan. 7-28, 9:30 a.m.

A variety of three week courses begin today:

- Humans: Accident or Inevitable?, Agencies Lower Level
- The Power of Communal Prayer, Church Room 110/111
- Ecclesiastes: Finding Meaning in our World and our Work, Chapel
- Knowing the Savior by Name: Titles for Jesus from the Gospels, Church Room 105
- The Reformation, Protestants, and Islam, Agencies 105

There will be a closing plenary session on Jan. 28 with Karen Wright Marsh, Director of Theological Horizons, who will lead us in thinking about "Vintage Saints and Sinners."

# Parent Gatherings: Milestones in Life and Worship

Sundays in January, 10–10:30 a.m. Elson Parlor

Join other parents for coffee, conversation, and a brief study.

• TODAY: "Talking to our Children about God's Gift of Sexuality," Kristin Franke

# **Organist Todd Fickley**

We are very pleased to welcome Todd Fickley as our interim organist. He is an outstanding organist, harpsichordist, and pianist, serving with many of the area's premiere musical organizations as keyboard artist or conductor. He also has served for many years at The Falls Church Anglican (and Episcopal) as both organist and music director.

# **WEEKLY ON SUNDAYS**

# **Sunday School**

9:30-10:30 a.m.

Adults (see above)

#### Youth

- Grade 6: Multipurpose Room
- Grade 7: Agencies Bldg Lower Level
- Grade 8: Agencies Building Room 101
- Grades 9/10: Youth House Room 1
- Grades 11/12: Youth House Room 2

#### Children

 Age 2–5th grade: Drop off/pick up at the National Presbyterian School building.

## Nursery (Babies-Age 4)

8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

- Infants and Crawlers: Church Room 16
- Walkers: Church Room 7

Children's Choirs (K-5th grade) Sundays, 10:30-10:55 a.m., School Bldg Youth Choir (6–12th grade) Sundays, 12:15–1 p.m., Agencies Room 105

"Across the Aisle" Young Professionals 12:15 p.m., Church Room 105
All young professionals are invited for weekly lunch and conversation.

# **Notes of Encouragement**

Supplies are available in Stone Hall to write to those in need of encouragement.

# **January Donations: Canned Fruit**

Please bring donations for mission partner Martha's Table to the baskets outside of Stone Hall, or upstairs at the info table.

# **Today's Flowers**

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God in gratitude to the faithful service of the NPC staff to the congregation.

# 9 A.M. WORSHIP

Sanctuary

#### WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

Prelude

Prelude in C Major, BWV 547A "Epiphany"

J.S. Bach Todd Fickley, organ

CHIMES AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Dr. David Renwick

▲ Hymn 417

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

Regent Square

#### PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION OF SIN in unison

Almighty and most merciful Father, we bow in worship before you today. We have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep, we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, we have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done, and there is no health in us. O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare those who confess their sins; restore those who repent, according to the promises declared to us in Christ Jesus our Lord. Grant, most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may live a godly and righteous life, to the glory of your holy name.

Thomas Cranmer, Archbishop of Canterbury

#### 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 see p. 5

Gloria Patri

▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH see p. 6 Nicene Creed

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. David Renwick

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

#### The King of Love My Shepherd Is

Dan Forrest

The King of love my Shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never; I nothing lack if I am his, and he is mine forever. Where streams of living water flow, my ransomed soul he leadeth, and where the verdant pastures grow, with food celestial feedeth. Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, but yet in love he sought me, and on his shoulder gently laid, and home, rejoicing, brought me. And so through all my length of days thy goodness faileth never. Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise within thy house forever.

Ethan Greene, bass-baritone and Todd Fickley, piano

### WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

#### A Time for Children of All Ages

Youth and children K-5th grade may leave for Sunday School. After worship, parents are invited for study and conversation in the Parlor before picking children up in the school building at 10:30 a.m.

RESPONSIVE SCRIPTURE Exodus 20:1-17, 24:3-4 (see insert)

Christopher Bailey

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Roots and Wings "Together in Faith" sermon series Acts 1:1-14

Dr. David Renwick

#### WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

Hymn 361 verses 1 & 2

How Firm a Foundation

Foundation

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION see p. 6

Rev. Donna Marsh

▲ HYMN 144 verses 1 & 2

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!

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▲ Benediction and Passing the Peace of Christ

▲ POSTLUDE In Thee Is Gladness, BWV 615

I.S. Bach

# 10:50 A.M. CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

Jones Hall (School Gym)

#### WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

■ Welcome Song

Build My Life

Brent Younker

Welcome and Announcements

Dr. Quinn Fox

CALL TO WORSHIP

Hilda Labrada Gore

▲ Song of Response

Light of the Stable

Elizabeth and Steve Rhymer

#### Prayer of Adoration and Confession of Sin

Almighty and most merciful Father, we bow in worship before you today. We have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep, we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, we have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done, and there is no health in us. O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare those who confess their sins; restore those who repent, according to the promises declared to us in Christ Jesus our Lord. Grant, most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may live a godly and righteous life, to the glory of your holy name.

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▲ RESPONSE OF PRAISE

I Offer Up My Life

Matt Redman

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## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

Affirmation of Faith

Apostles' Creed

Dr. Quinn Fox

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.

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION Touch the Sky

Dylan Thomas

#### 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.

CLOSING SONG offering received

My Lighthouse

Rend Collective

- ▲ CLOSING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION
- Passing the Peace of Christ

# 11 A.M. WORSHIP

#### Sanctuary

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▲ Hymn 417

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Regent Square

- ▲ Prayer of Adoration
- ▲ Congregational Response

Nicaea

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky, and sea.

Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in Three Persons, blessed Trinity!

#### CONFESSION OF SIN in unison

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we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep,

we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts,

we have offended against your holy laws.

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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.

#### WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

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We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated on the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#### OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

#### Christ Calls Us Forth

K. Lee Scott

Christ calls us forth to Jerusalem, among its masses to proclaim,

To all in hopeless Pain and need, the glory of his saving name.

"You shall receive power when the Holy Spirit comes to you,

And you shall be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and Judea and Samaria, to the utmost ends of the earth."

Christ sends us forth to Judea's plains, where angels told his wondrous birth;

humble villages around, retell the Savior's Matchless worth.

Christ sends us forth to Samaria, to those of different clan and race,

That they may know his loving care, the gospel of redeeming grace. Christ sends us forth to the world around: "To every creature bear the Word."

Tell out the tidings through the earth, that all may own him as their Lord.

based on Acts 1:8

#### THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

Invitation to Communion

Words of Institution and Distribution

#### Music Meditation 9 a.m. Let Us Break Bread Together

Moses Hogan

Let us break bread together on our knees.

When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us drink wine together on our knees.

Let us praise God together on our knees.

Sheri Jackson, soprano with Todd Fickley, piano

#### 11 a.m. I Will Not Leave You Comfortless

Everett Titcomb

I will not leave you comfortless. I will come to you yet again: Alleluia! And your heart shall be joyful: Alleluia!

#### Prayer of Response and The Lord's Prayer

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▲ Benediction and Choral Alleluia

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▲ Passing the Peace of Christ

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POSTLUDE In Thee Is Gladness, BWV 615

J.S. Bach

Brass Woody English and Chuck Seipp, trumpets Gus Mitchell and Jeff Cortazo, trombones

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

# Women's Ministry

Come explore how to find hope in God's word, work and world.

- MOMS Group (welcoming moms of kids of all ages): Wednesday, January 10 and 24, Church Room 107, 10– 11:30 a.m. mlenhard@nationalpres.org
- Afternoon TEA: Wednesday, January 17, Elson Parlor, 1 p.m.–2:45 p.m. alisonpdickey@gmail.com
- Women's Bible Study, Saturdays, Church Room 105, 9:30–11 a.m. barbaramitchell@comcast.net

# **Book Discussion**

Thursdays, 7:15–8:45 p.m., Elson Parlor

On January 11 we will discuss *Out of* the Silent Planet, the first of C.S. Lewis's "space trilogy." *Learn more at nationalpres.* org/book-study

# Sandwich Making Sunday, Jan. 14, Stone Hall

All ages can help feed the hungry in our city by making sandwiches for the homeless to be distributed through NPC mission partner Martha's Table.

# Pathway Membership Class Saturday, Jan. 27, 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Learn more about the Christian faith, discipleship, and membership at NPC, and spend time with pastors and church leaders. Contact Kemet Rakiatu by Jan. 17 to register: krakiatu@nationalpres.org, 202.537.7578.

## Read the Bible in 2018!

- Read the Bible's "Top 100" greatest passages in 20 weeks
- Read through the New Testament in a year
- Read through the entire Bible in a year Free reading guides and Bibles are available on the info table (to the right as you exit the Sanctuary) or online: nationalpres.org

# Parenting Seminar with Mark DeVries

Saturday, January 27, Stone Hall 5–6 p.m. (talk), 6–7 p.m. (dinner) Mark DeVries' "Stacking the Stands" seminar will provide parents an opportunity to learn the power of weaving a web of life-giving, intergenerational relationships for their children. For complimentary childcare, please RSVP to childcare@nationalpres.org

## Adult Fellowship Luncheon Monday, Jan. 22, Noon, Stone Hall

William Lake Leonard of the Presbyterian Historical Society will be this month's guest speaker. Call 202.537.0800 to sign up. (Pay at the door; \$15 with advanced registration; \$20 if not registered in advance.)

# Prepare for Marriage Course Saturday, March 3, 8:45 a.m.-3 p.m.

Preparing for a marriage takes a lot more than planning a wedding. Learn the skills you need to thrive in your marriage during this one-day course. This class is offered once per year and is required for all couples whose weddings will be held at NPC. Contact Melanie Lenhard to register: mlenhard@nationalpres.org; 202.552.4252.

# Become Part of a Small Group This Year

Whether you are exploring the possibility of being in a small group for the first time, or have been in a group before, we invite you to discover how Christian community can be life-giving and life-changing. Anyone can join a group; all ages and stages gather at different times and locations in the DC area—just let us know your preferences. *Learn more: nationalpres. org/small-groups or call 202.537.7483.* 

# **WELCOME TO NATIONAL!**

# DAILY BIBLE READINGS

January 7–14

#### Sunday

Psalms 104; 29 Genesis 1:1-2:3 Ephesians 1:3-14 John 1:29-34

#### Monday

Psalms 5; 29 Genesis 2:4-25 Hebrews 1:1-14 John 1:1-18

#### Tuesday

Psalms 42; 133 Genesis 3:1-24 Hebrews 2:1-10 John 1:19-28

#### Wednesday

Psalms 89:1-18; 33 Genesis 4:1-16 Hebrews 2:11-18 John 1:29-42

#### Thursday

Psalms 97; 62 Genesis 4:17-26 Hebrews 3:1-11 John 1:43-51

#### Friday

Psalms 51; 65 Genesis 6:1-8 Hebrews 3:12-19 John 2:1-12

#### Saturday

Psalms 104; 98 Genesis 6:9-22 Hebrews 4:1-13 John 2:13-22

#### Sunday

Psalms 19; 113 Genesis 7:1-10, 17-23 Ephesians 4:1-16 Mark 3:7-19

# We are so glad you are here today.

If you are with us for the first time, welcome! Our prayer is that you will find a spiritual home here – a home where the love and presence of Jesus Christ are experienced as we gather in community to worship God.

Connections Ambassadors, wearing blue badges, are here to welcome you and answer any questions. Come downstairs to Stone Hall after worship to meet others and enjoy coffee and cookies.

Welcome packets and information | Available at the information table to the right as you exit the sanctuary.

**Young Worshipers** | Pick up a "Worshiper in Training" bag outside the Sanctuary for fun things to help children engage in worship. Please return the bags after the service.

**Prayers after worship** | A pastor, elder or deacon, and Stephen Minister will be available to pray with you about your concerns and celebrations.

**Accessible worship** | Assisted listening receivers and large print bulletins and hymnals are available at the information table to the right as you exit the sanctuary.

**Pick up a bud vase** | Available outside of Elson Parlor to take with you if you are planning to visit someone who is ill or home-bound.

In order to share God's word with the world, our services are video recorded and broadcast online. If you do not wish to appear on camera, seating is available in the balcony and back six pews of the sanctuary.

#### **PRAYERS**

We celebrate the birth of: Elizabeth Finley O'Keiff on December 16, 2017 to Conor and Sarah O'Keiff

We pray for our mission priorities, including: Our NPC Youth

Mission prayer calendars are available in the information racks.

How can we pray for you? nationalpres.org/prayer



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