

February 25, 2018

Welcome to NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

You shall love your neighbor as yourself.

Leviticus 19:18, Matthew 5:43

Senior Pastor	Dr. David Renwick
Associate Pastors	Dr. Quinn Fox, Rev. Donna Marsh
Parish Associate	Dr. Nancy Fox
Music	Dr. Michael Denham (<i>Director</i>), Todd Fickley (<i>Interim Organist</i>) Hilda Labrada Gore (<i>Contemporary Music Leader</i>)
Ministry Directors	J. Theodore Anderson (<i>Library, Archives, & Older Adults</i>) Kristin Franke (<i>Youth</i>), Cate McCrory (<i>Children</i>) Leslie Saum (<i>Connections</i>), John Marienau Turpin (<i>Serve</i>)



TODAY AT NATIONAL

Military Ministry

12:30 p.m., Parlor

Vice Admiral Lou Crenshaw, USN (Ret.) will give a talk on "Avoiding the Failure of Success: Bathsheba, King David, and You." A light lunch will be served and all are welcome.

Dominican Republic Mission Trip Info Session

12:30–2 p.m., Church Room 5

Learn more about this summer's mission trip to the Dominican Republic, where we will serve alongside a local church and orphanage. The trip will take place June 16–22. *Contact: John Turpin, jturpin@nationalpres.org or 202.537.7505.*

Financial Peace University

9–10:30 a.m., Culbertson Library

Lectures by Dave Ramsey via DVD will challenge and motivate you to make a plan for your money, eliminate debt, and save for the future.

WEEKLY ON SUNDAYS

Sunday School

9:30–10:30 a.m.

Adults (see above)

- The Church in an Age of Enlightenment and Revival, *Agencies Building Room 105*
- Men's Bible Class, *Church Room 5*,
- Answering God, *Church Room 105*
- The Book of Acts, *Church Room 110/111*
- Parent Gathering, 10–10:30 a.m., *Elson Parlor*
- Wrestlers, *Agencies Lower Level*
NEXT WEEK: Dr. Matthew Taylor, "Rethinking the Origins of Islam"

Youth

- 6th grade: *Multipurpose Room*
- 7th grade: *Youth House Basement*
- 8th grade: *Multipurpose Basement*
- 9–10th grade: *Youth House*
- 11–12th grade: *Youth House*

Children

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

New Member Connections

Join in welcoming our newest members at a reception in Stone Hall after worship.

- Carol Crawford, *Kensington, MD*
- Alexis Dale-Huang, *Washington, DC*
- Bryan Gray, *Washington, DC*
- Kristen Gray, *Washington, DC*
- Lydia Griggsby, *Silver Spring, MD*
- Barbara Guido, *Silver Spring, MD*
- Rob Guido, *Silver Spring, MD*
- Edward Ifft, *Arlington, VA*
- Carly Ikeler, *Washington, DC*
- Will Ikeler, *Washington, DC*
- Kristin Koegel, *Arlington, VA*
- Jessica Loker, *Washington, DC*
- Adam MacLaury*, *McLean, VA*
- Sean McVeigh, *Germantown, MD*
- Rebecca Nichols, *Chevy Chase, MD*
- Rob Nichols, *Chevy Chase, MD*
- Judith Prowse Roach, *Arlington, VA*
- Jonathan Rajaseelan, *Rockville, MD*
- Emily White, *Kensington, MD*

Interested in church membership?

Contact: Kemet Rakiatu: krakiatu@nationalpres.org.

**baptism*

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

"Across the Aisle" Young Professionals

12:15 p.m., Church Room 105

All young professionals are invited for weekly lunch and conversation.

Today's Flowers

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God by Gloria Borden in grateful appreciation for all that NPC has meant to her, her late husband Ed, and her family since 1987. Thanks be to God.

9 A.M. WORSHIP

Sanctuary

WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE

Solemn Prelude on a Theme of Thomas Tallis

Gerald Near
Todd Fickley, organ
Dr. Larry Greenslit

CHIMES AND CALL TO WORSHIP

▲ HYMN 491

Stand Up and Bless the Lord

Carlisle

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

We worship you today, almighty and most merciful Father. You have given us a new commandment that we should love one another. Yet in disobedience and sin we look to our own needs, and not to those of others. Forgive us, gracious God.

Cleanse us, renew us, and redirect our steps. Make us gentle, courteous, and forbearing. Guide our lives by the blessing of your Spirit, that together we may be devoted to the good of others, in word and deed; for his sake, who loves us, and gave himself for us, even Jesus Christ our Lord.

Brooke Foss Westcott

SILENT CONFESSION AND KYRIE *sung first by a soloist, then the congregation*

Hymn 572

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Believe the good news of the Gospel. **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.**

LENTEN RESPONSE

Hymn 362

Soloist

I love the Lord, who heard my cry and pitied every groan. Long as I live and troubles rise, I'll hasten to God's throne.

Congregation

I love the Lord, who heard my cry and chased my grief away.

O let my heart no more despair while I have breath to pray.

Isaac Watts

▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed *see p. 6*

Dr. Larry Greenslit

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND PATHWAY OF DISCIPLESHIP

Dr. David Renwick

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether

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▲ DOXOLOGY *see p. 6*

Old Hundredth

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Dr. Quinn Fox

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

A TIME FOR CHILDREN

Children (grades K–5) may leave now for Sunday School. Leaders will escort children to the school building, where parents will pick them up at 10:30 a.m.

SCRIPTURE

Acts 6:1-7

Mary Ellen Cain

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

SERMON

Can Love Be Organized?
1 Corinthians 11:16-22, 33-34

Dr. David Renwick

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

▲ HYMN 563

Lift Every Voice and Sing

Lift Every Voice

▲ BENEDICTION AND PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

▲ POSTLUDE

My Faithful Heart Rejoices

Johannes Brahms

10:50 A.M. CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

Jones Hall (School Gym)

WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

- ▲ WELCOME SONGS Sovereign Chris Tomlin
Beautiful Things Lisa and Michael Gungor

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Donna Marsh

CALL TO WORSHIP

Hilda Labrada Gore

- ▲ SONG OF RESPONSE You Are My Vision Rend Collective version

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION OF SIN

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SILENT CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

- ▲ RESPONSE OF PRAISE King of My Heart John and Sarah McMillan

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SCRIPTURE Acts 6:1-7 Rev. Donna Marsh
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON Can Love Be Organized? Dr. David Renwick
"Together in Faith" sermon series
1 Corinthians 11:16-22, 33-34

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

- ▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed Rev. Donna 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.

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* Happy Day Tim Hughes

- ▲ CLOSING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION

- ▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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▲ PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

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

Hymn 491, verse 5

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

CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Dr. Quinn Fox

Baptismal Questions

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 that covenant, we choose whom we will serve, by turning from evil and turning to Jesus Christ.

Baptism

Breck Edward Bailey

Son of Heather Bryant Bailey and Bradley Rolison Bailey

Prayer of Response

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CHORAL RESPONSE

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart

Finest Wheat

You satisfy the hungry heart with gift of finest wheat; come give to us, O saving Lord, the bread of life to eat.

You give yourself to us, O Lord, then selfless let us be,
to serve each other in your name in truth and charity.

▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed

Dr. Quinn Fox

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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.

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or three are met together, you are in the midst of them:

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then with thanks to God the Father break the bread and bless the cup,

Alleluia! Alleluia! So bind now our friendship up.

All our meals and all our living make as sacraments of you,

that by caring, helping, giving, we be disciples true.

Alleluia! Alleluia! We will serve with faith anew.

▲ DOXOLOGY

Old Hundredth

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.

NEW MEMBER RECOGNITION

Exchange of Vows and Baptism

Prayer

God of love, we rejoice to receive these newest brothers and sisters in the Body of Christ. May they discover your grace in Jesus Christ, through membership in this church family. May your love hold them, your truth guide them, your joy delight them. Gracious God, touch us all again this day with your grace of belonging.

Give us new lives for old, new spirits, new faith, and new commitment in place of all that has grown tired or stale in our lives. We have heard your call and are made new by your Spirit. So may we rise and go from here to discover whatever awaits us, in joy and in trust to the glory of your Name. Amen.

▲ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

▲ HYMN 563

Lift Every Voice and Sing

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▲ BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

Toulon

No longer strangers, Lord, are we in thee; now in thy household one community.

Fix in our hearts the grace we find in thee that we may dwell in perfect unity.

▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

▲ POSTLUDE

My Faithful Heart Rejoices

Johannes Brahms

Op. 122, No. 4

UPCOMING EVENTS

Capital Campaign Kickoff Sunday: March 11

God has big plans for our church! Bring the whole family to this joyful morning as we kick off our capital campaign and celebrate our opportunity to serve Christ by building up our church and community for generations to come.

- **10:45–11:00 am:** Prelude concert with the Stillman College Choir.
- **11:00 a.m.–Noon:** One worship service in the Sanctuary with joyful music.
A special children's program for ages five through 5th grade with fun, games, and food will begin after the Time for Children. Children will return from Jones Hall during the presentation at 12:20 p.m. in the Sanctuary.
- **Noon–12:30 p.m.:** Campaign progress update (*find out how much we've already raised!*)
- **12:30–1:00 p.m.:** Celebration and light lunch

Wednesday Worship in Lent: "Proclaiming the Cross" 7–8 p.m., Chapel

Come for a time of mid-week spiritual refreshment with music, prayer, Communion, and preaching by Dr. David Renwick. Light snacks will be available before the service begins.

Youth Summer Trips Register by March 1

High schoolers are invited to "Move," a five-day conference in Tennessee from June 18–23. **Middle schoolers** will travel to Pennsylvania for "The Great Escape," a weeklong conference from July 23–28. *Learn more and register by March 1: nationalpres.org/teens*

Vacation Bible School July 9–13, 2018; Register March 1

Vacation Bible School is a week packed full of faith and fun, including service projects, outdoor games, cool crafts, yummy snacks, awesome music, and stories from the Bible. **Registration begins March 1** at nationalpres.org/children

Men's Breakfast

Sat., March 3, 8–9:30 a.m. Stone Hall
Enjoy a hearty breakfast and a presentation by Robin King on the theme "The Tree of Life." *Reserve your place: men@nationalpres.org or call 202.537.7527.*

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

Learn the skills you need to thrive in your marriage during this one-day course.
Contact Melanie Lenhard to register: melenhard@nationalpres.org; 202.552.4252.

Celebrate Hilda Gore's Ministry

Hilda Gore has been our Contemporary Worship leader for the past six years, and next Sunday, March 4, will be her last Sunday in this position, as she discerns her call in an expanding ministry relating health and faith. Come celebrate at 10:50 a.m. in Jones Hall.

50 Hours of Service: Lenten Focus

Your many gifts can all glorify God! NPC member Nora Szeto helps arrange the stunning floral arrangements in the sanctuary with the Flower Ministry and also tutors kids in Shaw at Unique Learning Center. *Where can God use you? Visit nationalpres.org/50 to tell your story of service.*

WELCOME TO NATIONAL!

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

February 25 – March 4

Sunday

Psalms 84; 32
Genesis 41:14-45
Romans 6:3-14
John 5:19-24

Monday

Psalms 119:73-80; 6
Genesis 41:46-57
1 Corinthians 4:8-21
Mark 3:7-19

Tuesday

Psalms 34; 91
Genesis 42:1-17
1 Corinthians 5:1-8
Mark 3:19b-35

Wednesday

Psalms 5; 51
Genesis 42:18-28
1 Corinthians 5:9-6:11
Mark 4:1-20

Thursday

Psalms 27; 102
Genesis 42:29-38
1 Corinthians 6:12-20
Mark 4:21-34

Friday

Psalms 22; 130
Genesis 43:1-15
1 Corinthians 7:1-9
Mark 4:35-41

Saturday

Psalms 43; 143
Genesis 43:16-34
1 Corinthians 7:10-24
Mark 5:1-20

Sunday

Psalms 84; 32
Genesis 44:1-17
Romans 8:1-10
John 5:25-29

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 | Flowers are available outside of Elson Parlor to take with you if you are visiting 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 baptisms of:

Breck Edward Bailey and Adam MacLaury

We pray for our missionaries and servants including:

University Divitia Gratiae, educating Christian leaders from Eastern Europe and Central Asia in theology, social work, business and education.

Mission prayer calendars are available in the information racks.

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



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