











Welcome to the NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

Let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream. Amos 5:24

Dr. David Renwick, Senior Pastor · Dr. Quinn Fox, Associate Pastor
Rev. Donna Marsh, Associate Pastor · Rev. Evangeline Taylor, Associate Pastor
Parish Associates: Dr. Nancy Fox and Dr. Donald Wilson
Dr. Michael Denham, Director of Music Ministries
William Neil, Organist · Hilda Gore, Contemporary Music Leader
Ministry Directors: J. Theodore Anderson (Library & Older Adults), Jill Meek (Children)
Leslie Saum (Connections), McLane Stone (Youth), John Turpin (Serve)

TODAY AT NATIONAL

Wholeness & Healing Service 1:30 p.m., Chapel

All are welcome for a quiet time of worship, with an opportunity to pray for others as well as to receive prayer for needs of wholeness and healing in body, mind, or spirit. **Rev. Jen Dunfee** will be our guest speaker. Communion will be served and anointing with oil will be available for those who wish to receive it.

Financial Peace University *Begins today, 9:30 a.m., Church Room 105* Get a hold on your finances, make a plan for your money, and reorient your life during nine weeks of 90-minute lessons by founder Dave Ramsey via DVD. Cost for materials: \$99; available in the bookstore outside of Stone Hall.

NPC Missionary Keith Patman 12:30–2 p.m., Church Room 105
Meet NPC missionary Keith Patman and hear an update on the progress of work with indigenous Bible translation teams in Francophone Africa. Light fare provided.

Music at National 5 p.m., Sanctuary
The Washington Chorus presents New Music for a New Age.

Welcome Our New Members!

Join in welcoming our newest members into the NPC church family! All are invited to a special reception in Stone Hall after worship to meet the new members:

- Judy Alden, Washington, DC
- Mike Burke, Cabin John, MD
- Marco Cavaliere, Bethesda, MD
- Gavin Church, Washington, DC
- Laura Cord-Church, Washington, DC
- Bonnie Edwards, Washington, DC
- Dixie Falvey, Washington, DC
- Dyan Gomez, Rockville, MD
- Miles Karner III Washington DC
- Miles Karson III, Washington, DC
- Martina Lydon, Beltsville, MD
- Kurt Moeller, *Bethesda*, *MD*
- Michelle Moeller, Bethesda, MD
- Evangeline Paschal, Washington, DC
- Mat Pierson, Washington, DC
- Jennifer Richwine, Washington, DC
- Al Scanlan Jr., Silver Spring, MD
- Suzanne Scanlan, Silver Spring, MD
- Denise Schaick, Washington, DC
- Steve Schaick*, Washington, DC
- Christina Xiao, Bethesda, MD
- Nancy Zabaloieff, Washington, DC

Interested in church membership at National? *Contact: Kemet Rakiatu: KRakiatu@NationalPres.org.*

*Rev. Steve Schaick is a member of Florida Presbytery and serves as the Air Force Deputy Chief of Chaplains.

WEEKLY ON SUNDAYS

Sunday School 9:30–10:30 a.m.

Adults

Class listings and locations are available in the brochures at the church entrances. (The "Apocalypse Now" class meets in the school library, this week only.)

Youth

- 6th & 7th grade: Multipurpose Bldg. Rm 101
- 8th grade: Agencies Bldg. Room 102
- 9th -12th grade: Youth House

Children

Drop off and pick up children age 2–5th grade in the school building.

GriefShare Resumes Next Week

All GriefShare attendees are encouraged to come to the Service of Wholeness and Healing at 1:30 p.m. in the Chapel. There will be no GriefShare this week; the class will resume as usual next Sunday.

Youth Group

Sundays, 5-7:30 p.m., Youth House

- Middle School (6th–8th grade): 5–6 p.m., Youth House
- Dinner (parents welcome!): 5:45–6:45 p.m., Multi-Purpose Room
- High School (9th-12th grade): 6:30–7:30 p.m., Youth House

9:15 & 11 A.M. WORSHIP

Sanctuary

Kindly turn off all electronic devices.

ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

Prelude

Cortege and Litanie

Marcel Dupre William Neil, organ

CHIMES AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Dr. David Renwick

▲ HYMN 209 verses 1-3

My Song Forever Shall Record

St. Petersburg

- ▲ Prayer of Adoration
- ▲ Congregational Response

Hymn 209, verse 4

With blessing is the nation crowned whose people know the joyful sound; They in the light, O Lord shall live, the light thy face and favor give. Their fame and might to thee belong, for in thy favor they are strong.

The Psalter, 1912

LENTEN CONFESSION OF SIN in unison

Heavenly Father,

in sovereign love you created the world good, and made everyone equally in your image, male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community.

You are our Creator, but we have rebelled against you.

We have often ignored your commandments,

and violated the image of God in others and ourselves.

You are the Truth, but we listen to lies, mistreating neighbors, and treating your creation as if we had made it and owned it.

We deserve your condemnation, yet we call on you still.

Hear our cry to redeem us and your whole creation.

Grant us mercy, and bring us into your covenant of grace, so that we may become a blessing to your world.

Through Jesus Christ your Son.

adapted from A Brief Statement of Faith

SILENT CONFESSION AND KYRIE *sung first by the choir, 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 TO PARDON seated

Hymn 362

I love the Lord, who heard my cry and pitied every groan.

Spiritual

Long as I live and troubles rise, I'll hasten to God's throne.

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

HEARING GOD'S WORD

A Time for Children of All Ages

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM 9:15 a.m.

Dr. David Renwick

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.

Baptisms Frances Mathilde Pierson

Daughter of Eugenia Baker Pierson and Mathews Edward Pierson

George Campbell Vanderbloemen

Son of Christina Vanderbloemen and Brian Davis Vanderbloemen

Prayer of Response

New Member Recognition 11 a.m.

Exchange of Vows

Prayer

God of love, we rejoice to receive theses 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.

Children may meet their Sunday School leaders in the Court of Flags:

9:15 a.m. (grades K-5) to join their peers in Sunday School in the school building.

11 a.m. (grades K-2) to go to the children's church program in Church Room 106, returning after the sermon.

Welcome and Announcements

Dr. David Renwick

SCRIPTURE The Word of the Lord. Amos 5:12-15

pew Bible pp. 746-747

9:15 a.m. George Nethercutt Jr. 11 a.m. Elder John Witherspoon

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Prophetic Words: Justice Rev. Donna Marsh

RESPONDING TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

CHORAL RESPONSE

Keddy

Before the nations God reveals a just and righteous will, remembering in faithful love the house of Israel.

The God of justice comes to save; let earth make melody!

For God will judge with righteousness and rule with equity.

▲ Affirmation of Faith

Apostles' Creed

Rev. Evangeline Taylor

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.

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Kyrie

Ludwig van Beethoven

from Mass in C

Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison.

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

with Sheri Jackson, Mary Ellen Cain, Michael Ford, James Evans

▲ 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.

- ▲ Prayer of Dedication
- ▲ Hymn 452

O Day of God, Draw Nigh

St. Michael

- ▲ Benediction
- ▲ CHORAL AMEN

Ludwig van Beethoven Mass in C

- ▲ Passing the Peace of Christ
- ▲ Postlude

Fugue in G Minor

J.S. Bach

Congregation standing, as able

On each Lenten Sunday this season, the Chancel Choir will sing as an offertory a *Kyrie* set by a different composer. The Greek phrase *Kyrie eleison* ("Lord, have mercy upon us") has been the basis for profound musical expression, as in today's selection from Beethoven's *Mass in C*, Op. 86.

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in memory of Louise McKenzie recognizing what would have been her 99th birthday on February 27th, with love and gratitude from her children, Joyce and John, her six grandchildren, and twelve great-grandchildren.

The flowers in the Court of Flags are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Betty Magruder by John and Ana Carolina Magruder.

Support this year's Easter Garden! Flower Ministry envelopes are available at the information table to the right outside of the sanctuary. You may make your donation by check, payable to "NPC Flower Fund" and write "Easter" on the memo line.

Bring flowers to brighten someone's day. If you are planning to visit someone who is ill or home-bound, pick up a vase with fresh flowers on the table outside of Elson Parlor to take with you!

Chapel prayers after worship. A pastor, elder or deacon, and Stephen Minister will be at the chapel (down the hall to the right as you exit the sanctuary) to pray with you privately about your concerns and celebrations.

PRAYERS

Please pray for: Betty Bennett We mourn the death of: Joan Spencer on February 22.

Prayer requests: nationalpres.org/prayer

8:30 A.M. WORSHIP

Chapel

PRELUDE Dottie Seep, piano

Welcome and Announcements

▲ Hymn 209 My Song Forever Shall Record St. Petersburg

Prayer of Adoration and Confession of Sin in unison

SCRIPTURE Amos 5:12-15

SERMON Rev. Donna Marsh Prophetic Words: Justice

▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

PRAYER OF RESPONSE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

▲ Doxology Old Hundreth

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

An offering will be received at the center aisle.

LENTEN CONFESSION OF SIN

See p. 3

Affirmation of Faith – Apostles' Creed

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.

10:50 A.M. WORSHIP

Jones Hall (School Gym)

▲ Welcome Songs Open the Eyes of My Heart Paul Baloche Chris Tomlin

At the Cross

Welcome and Announcements McLane Stone

CALL TO WORSHIP Hilda Gore ▲ Song of Response Lead Me to the Cross Brooke Ligertwood

Prayer of Adoration and Confession of Sin in unison

SILENT CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

▲ RESPONSE OF PRAISE Give Us Clean Hands Charlie Hall

SCRIPTURE Amos 5:12-15

SERMON Prophetic Words: Justice Rev. Donna Marsh

▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed McLane Stone

Prayer of Response and The Lord's Prayer

CLOSING SONG offering received Your Grace Is Enough Matt Maher

▲ CLOSING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION

A Passing the Peace of Christ

UPCOMING EVENTS

Women's Retreat: Last Day for Early Bird Pricing!

April 8–10, Turf Valley Resort

Ellicott City, MD

Speaker Leigh McLeroy will challenge us to think biblically about our Christian identity and living as "Fully Alive" heirs of God. Get the early bird price through today; the last day for registration is March 5! Register in Stone Hall or online: nationalpres.org/womens-retreat

Wednesday Evenings in Lent Worship: 7–8 p.m., Chapel Soup & Salad meal (\$8 suggested): 5:30–6:45 p.m., Court of Flags Meal, music, prayer, preaching on Micah,

and communion, as a time of mid-week spiritual refreshment in our busy lives.

"Powerful Talk from Micah"

Dr. David Renwick

March 2 "The Power of a Great Vision"

March 9 "The Power of the Few

March 9 "The Power of the Few and the Small"

March 16 "The Power of a Great Question"

Reformed Institute Annual Convocation at NPC Saturday, March 5, 9 a.m.—Noon, Stone Hall Guest speaker **Dr. Suzanne McDonald** will present "Election Again?", suggesting an approach to election that helps us to root our Reformed priorities in the bigger scriptural picture. This event is free, and registration is helpful but not required. Contact: Mary Hill, 703.518.5125, or mhill@reformedinstitute.org. Business & Professional Women's Guild Luncheon Sat., March 5, Noon–2 p.m., Elson Parlor Chaplain Rohn Armstrong, Deputy Chaplain of the White House Military Office, will be this month's speaker. All women are invited for lunch and time with one another! The presentation will begin at 1 p.m. To join the noon luncheon (\$15), sign up today in Stone Hall or contact Jo Schoolfield, 301.598.6284.

Wednesday Women Bible Study & Prayer Group

Wednesday, March 9, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Church Rooms 110/111 & 105

Women are invited for prayer, followed by a study of Jesus on Mt. Calvary, followed by writing cards for those in need of encouragement. *Contact: Mildred Wheat* 703.931.1490.

Men's Breakfast

Sat., March 12, 8–9:30 a.m., Stone Hall Enjoy a hearty breakfast and a presentation by Rev. Don Meeks, pastor of Greenwich Presbyterian Church, on "Touching Heaven: Experiencing the Power of Praying the Psalms Daily" Reserve your place: Men@ NationalPres.org or call 202.537.7527.

Adult Fellowship Luncheon Monday, March 21, Noon, Stone Hall Dr. David McAllister-Wilson, President of Wesley Theological Seminary will share how he came to Washington and Wesley in his presentation, "The Seminary in the 21st Century and My Role as President." Enjoy lunch and time together at this special program. Sign up today in Stone Hall. (Pay at the door; \$12 with advanced registration; \$15 if not registered in advance.)

General Operating Fund Final Results for 2015

	ACTUAL RESULTS	ANNUAL BUDGET
Faith Giving	\$2,650,800	\$2,692,300
Other Income	\$2,349,900	\$2,247,500
Total Income	\$5,000,700	\$4,939,800
Total Expenses	\$4,973,600	\$4,939,800
Net Income/(Deficit)	\$27,100	_

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Year 2

Feb. 28 - March 6

Sunday

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

Monday

Psalms 119:73-80; 6 Genesis 44:18-34 1 Corinthians 7:25-31 Mark 5:21-43

Tuesday

Psalms 34; 91 Genesis 45:1-15 1 Corinthians 7:32-40 Mark 6:1-13

Wednesday

Psalms 5; 51 Genesis 45:16-28 1 Corinthians 8:1-13 Mark 6:13-29

Thursday

Psalms 27; 102 Genesis 46:1-7, 28-34 1 Corinthians 9:1-15 Mark 6:30-46

Friday

Psalms 22; 130 Genesis 47:1-26 1 Corinthians 9:16-27 Mark 6:47-56

Saturday

Psalms 43; 143 Genesis 47:27-48:7 1 Corinthians 10:1-13 Mark 7:1-23

Sunday

Psalms 84; 32 Genesis 48:8-22 Romans 8:11-25 John 6:27-40

UPCOMING

Palm Sunday Concert

Sunday, March 20, 5 p.m.

The National Presbyterian Festival Choir and Orchestra present Mozart's *Requiem*. No tickets required; a freewill offering will be received. *Complimentary childcare is available for children 4 and under with RSVP to childcare@nationalpres.org*.

Intergenerational Mission Trip June 25—July 1, The Dominican Republic

NPC is joining Foundation for Peace and a local congregation of Iglesia de Dios Pentecostal in the Dominican Republic to share life and participate in community development projects. We will help build crucial infrastructure, assist with a community medical clinic, and provide educational opportunities. *Contact John Turpin, JTurpin@NationalPres.org or 202.537.7505*.

Children's Ministry Summer Internship Apply by April 1; begins mid-June

Gain leadership and ministry experience through our 8-week Children's Ministry Summer Internship! The intern will support kids' faith through Sunday School, camps, and more. Contact: Jill Meek, JMeek@NationalPres.org, 202.537.7535.

WELCOME, GUESTS!

We are so glad you are here today.

- Welcome packets and information on the church are available at the information table to the right as you exit the sanctuary and at the entrances to the church building.
- **Childcare** is available from 8 a.m.—12:15 p.m. for infants through age four. Nursery rooms are located in the main church building ground floor, rooms 16 and 7.
- Enjoy **coffee and cookies** downstairs in Stone Hall after worship.
- Our Connections Team, wearing blue badges, are here to welcome you and answer questions.
- Tours of the church are available upon request; call: 202.537.7529.

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.



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To find out if NPC is closed during inclement weather, please check the national pressorg website, or call the main phone at 202.537.0800. If there is no message posted, campus is open. Your safety is our priority, so please use your personal judgment before travelling.