



August 7, 2016

Welcome to the NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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



*The Lord does not see as humans see;
they look on outward appearance,
but the Lord looks on the heart.*

1 Samuel 16:7



Dr. David Renwick, *Senior Pastor* · Dr. Quinn Fox, *Associate Pastor*
Rev. Donna Marsh, *Associate Pastor* · Rev. Evangeline Taylor, *Associate Pastor*
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Leslie Saum (Connections), McLane Stone (Youth), John Turpin (Serve)

TODAY AT NATIONAL

Adult Sunday School Plenary 9:30 a.m. Stone Hall

"Islam and the West: Promoting the Dialogue of Civilizations"

Ambassador Akbar Ahmed

The current state of relations between the West and the Muslim world is a point of vital concern and serious discussion in the public square. Ambassador Ahmed, Ibn Khaldun Chair of Islamic Studies at American University and former Pakistan High Commissioner to the UK and Ireland, will present the urgent need for interfaith dialogue today, in hopes of fostering bridge-building and understanding of the "other."

Next week: "Meeting Brothers and Sisters in Syria and Lebanon," Nancy Fox, *see p. 7 for details.*

Sponsor Supplies for Refugee Children

You can sponsor a backpack full of supplies for refugee children. The 600 backpacks that we'll assemble during Pray Eat Love (*see p. 7 for details*) cost \$24 each – please give what you can!

- Mark checks with the memo line: "Refugee Backpacks"
- Give online at nationalpres.org/PrayEatLove

Check Out Our Library Books

Take a book wherever your summer vacation takes you! Did you know that the church has two well-stocked libraries? Books, magazines and movies on a wide range of religious subjects are available for you to borrow.

- **Satellite Library:** outside of Stone Hall across from bookstore
- **Main Library (Culbertson):** Admin. Building 2nd floor

WEEKLY ON SUNDAYS

Summer Sunday School

Through August 28, 9:30–10:30 a.m.

Adults *Stone Hall & Jones Hall*

A plenary presentation takes place in Stone Hall.

Youth *Multipurpose Building*

Rising middle and high school students gather together.

Children *Church Building*

Through August, elementary-aged children gather in Room 106 and preschool children gather in Room 7.

Bring Canned Fruit: August Food Donations

Please bring donations of **canned fruit** for mission partner Martha's Table to the baskets outside of Stone Hall, or upstairs at the info table. *You can also help by packing and delivering donations to Martha's Table; contact: Nancy Chapman Colb, nancy@nchapman.com.*

Postcards of Encouragement

Send greetings of friendship and encouragement to NPC friends! Supplies are available in Stone Hall every Sunday; simply write your greeting and the person's name, and we'll take care of the rest.

8:30 A.M. WORSHIP

Jones Hall (School Gym)

Please silence all electronic devices.

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| ▲ WELCOME SONG | Lead Me to the Cross | Brooke Ligertwood |
| WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS | | Dr. David Renwick |
| CALL TO WORSHIP | | Hilda Gore |
| ▲ SONG OF RESPONSE | Close to Thee | Fanny Jane Crosby |
| PRAYER OF ADORATION | | Rev. Evangeline Taylor |
| CONFESSION OF SIN | | |
| Merciful Lord, | | |
| Forgive me of my sins, and kindle in me the fire of your Holy Spirit. | | |
| Take away from me the heart of stone, and give me a heart of flesh: | | |
| A heart to love and adore you, a heart to delight in you, | | |
| a heart to follow and enjoy you, for Christ's sake. | | |
| St. Ambrose of Milan | | |
| SILENT CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON | | |
| ▲ RESPONSE OF PRAISE | How Can It Be? | Jason Ingram |
| SCRIPTURE | 1 Samuel 16:1-13 | Dr. David Renwick and
Rev. Evangeline Taylor |
| SERMON | Out of Obscurity | Dr. David Renwick |
| <i>"Life of King David" Sermon Series</i> | | |
| ▲ 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. | | |
| THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION | | |
| O Breath of Life | | Andy Piercy |
| PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER | | |
| CLOSING SONG <i>offering received</i> | Shout Hosanna | Kristian Stanfill |
| ▲ CLOSING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION | | |
| ▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST | | |

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10:45 A.M. WORSHIP

Sanctuary

Please silence all electronic devices.

ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE

Antiphon

Marcel Dupré

I Am Black but Comely, O Ye Daughters of Jerusalem

William Neil, organ

Song of Songs 1:5

CHIMES

CALL TO WORSHIP

Dr. Nancy Fox

- ▲ HYMN 483 *verses 1-3* Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above

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- ▲ PRAYER OF ADORATION

- ▲ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Hymn 483, verse 4

Thus all my gladsome way along, I sing aloud thy praises
That all may hear the grateful song my voice unwearied raises.
Be joyful in the Lord, my heart, both soul and body take your part:
To God all praise and glory!

CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

Merciful Lord,

Forgive me of my sins, and kindle in me the fire of your Holy Spirit.

Take away from me the heart of stone, and give me a heart of flesh:

A heart to love and adore you, a heart to delight in you,

a heart to follow and enjoy you, for Christ's sake.

St. Ambrose of Milan

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Believe the good news of the Gospel.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

- ▲ 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.

HEARING GOD'S WORD

A TIME FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. David Renwick

SCRIPTURE

1 Samuel 16:1-13

Elder Rick Hawthorne and

The Word of the Lord. *pew Bible pp. 226-227*

Deacon Betty Hawthorne

Thanks be to God.

RESPONDING TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Nicene Creed

Dr. Quinn Fox

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

The Best of Rooms

Randall Thompson

Christ, he requires still, wheresoe'er he comes to feed or lodge, to have the best of rooms:

Give him the choice; grant him the nobler part of all the house: the best of all's the heart.

Robert Herrick, 1647

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

Invitation to the Table

Words of Institution and Distribution

Music Meditation

Lord, Who Knows My Heart

Daniel Burton

based on Psalm 139

Lord, who knows my every thought, Lord, who hears my quiet need,

Lord, who walks the path I travel, Lord, who knows my heart:

When I stand or when I sit, you are always close at hand;

Every word upon my lips, you will understand.

Nowhere here in earth or heav'n could I ever run away

From the God who gently guides me to the day.

If I take the morning's wings, soaring to a distant sea,

Sheri Jackson, soprano and Joanna Jones, piano

Prayer of Response 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.

- ▲ HYMN 391 *verses 1, 3, 5 & 6* Take My Life *Hendon*
- ▲ BENEDICTION
- ▲ CHORAL RESPONSE Randall Thompson
The best of all's the heart.
- ▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST
- ▲ POSTLUDE Concerto No. 7 in A Major G.F. Handel
Overture - Allegro
- ▲ Congregation standing, as able

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Eugene (Gene) Martin by his wife, Joyce and his children Gavin, Lindsey, and Lauren remembering his July 30th birthday, and on this Communion Sunday, his service on the Sacraments Committee and as an Usher.

Pick up a bud vase with fresh flowers on the table outside of Elson Parlor to take with you if you are planning to visit someone who is ill or home-bound.

Chapel prayers after worship: If you have a joy or concern on your heart, come to the chapel down the hall to the right as you exit the sanctuary. A pastor, elder or deacon, and Stephen Minister will be there to pray with you privately about your concerns and celebrations.

Need hearing assistance during the service? Assisted listening receivers are available at the information table, to the right as you exit the sanctuary. These can be used in any location in the sanctuary. *Please remember to return the receivers after the service.*

PRAYERS

Please pray for:

Shelley Barr
Betty Bennett

Mark Gourley
Max Schestopol

Gus Wessels

Prayer requests: nationalpres.org/prayer

Fall Schedule Begins September 11

9 A.M.
Sanctuary Worship

10:50 a.m.
Jones Hall Worship

11 a.m.
Sanctuary Worship

9:30 a.m.
Sunday School

UPCOMING EVENTS

"Pray Eat Love" Annual Picnic *Sunday, September 4*

Let's make a difference together!

- One worship service at 10:45 a.m. featuring exceptional music
- Hands-on service project for all ages: packing backpacks for refugee children in Lebanon with school supplies, blankets, toiletries, and other essentials
- Children's book collection for families in our community
- Buffet lunch, music, and games and activities for the kids
- Held rain or shine

You can help facilitate this event! Contact: Diane Stewart, snowmiss@cox.net.

Facilitate a Small Group *October 9–November 13*

Help foster Christian community and spiritual growth as a small group facilitator or host! Training and materials will be provided for facilitators (*no experience needed*); all you need in order to host is a willingness to welcome the group in your home. Groups gather once a week for 6-weeks. *To learn more, contact: groups@nationalpres.org.*

Join the Livestream Team

Help to bring the Gospel live to others every Sunday morning as part of our video production team. No experience needed – training is provided! *Contact: Bill McNett, BMcNett@NationalPres.org or 202.537.7576.*

Adult Sunday School Plenaries

Sundays, 9:30 a.m., Stone Hall

Next Sunday: August 14

Nancy Fox

Meeting Brothers and Sisters in Syria and Lebanon

Though the war and refugee crisis in Syria and Lebanon may seem far away, Presbyterian brothers and sisters in those lands are living out their faith and ministry in this challenging time. Parish Associate Nancy Fox will report on her July visit to schools and other ministries of the church in Lebanon that serve Syrian refugees. She will also share stories from Syrian Presbyterian women who attended a church retreat.

August 21, Os Guinness
Fool's Talk

August 28
NPC Mission Trip Reports

Help an NPC Missionary

A missionary from National is looking for a garage or car-port space in the Washington area during the coming school year (August-May). *Contact: Susan O'Banion, SObanion@NationalPres.org.*

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Year 2

August 7-14

Sunday

Psalms 103; 139
Judges 11:1-11, 29-40
2 Corinthians 11:21b-31
Mark 4:35-41

Monday

Psalms 5; 29
Judges 12:1-7
Acts 5:12-26
John 3:1-21

Tuesday

Psalms 42; 133
Judges 13:1-15
Acts 5:27-42
John 3:22-36

Wednesday

Psalms 89; 33
Judges 13:15-24
Acts 6:1-15
John 4:1-26

Thursday

Psalms 97; 62
Judges 14:1-19
Acts 6:15-7:16
John 4:27-42

Friday

Psalms 51; 65
Judges 14:20-15:20
Acts 7:17-29
John 4:43-54

Saturday

Psalms 104; 98
Judges 16:1-14
Acts 7:30-43
John 5:1-18

Sunday

Psalms 19; 113
Judges 16:15-31
2 Corinthians 13:1-11
Mark 5:25-34

SAVE THESE DATES

Forum on Faith and Politics

Wednesday, September 21, 7 p.m.

An evening conversation with E.J. Dionne and Michael Gerson: two *Washington Post* columnists who write from different "sides of the aisle," with similar Christian conviction. They'll share thoughts and insights about the upcoming elections. In particular, what concerns should Christians have before them?

Pathway Membership Class

Saturday, September 24, 8:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

Learn more about the Christian faith and membership at NPC, and spend time with pastors and church leaders at the Pathway of Christian Discipleship Class. Contact Kemet Rakiatu by Sept. 19: KRakiatu@NationalPres.org, 202.537.7578.

"American Ulysses" Evening with the Author

Thursday, October 6, 7 p.m.

Dr. Ronald C. White, author of *American Ulysses: A Life of Ulysses S. Grant*, will present a reading of the book followed by audience interaction and signing. Dr. White has previously spoken at NPC, presenting his books on Abraham Lincoln.

Party with Purpose

Sunday, October 16, 5 p.m., Stone Hall

The whole church family is invited to an evening with our **local mission partners**. We'll enjoy dinner together, hear more from our partners, and participate in hands-on projects.

Contact: Ginny Taylor, ginnyestj@verizon.net.

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 Ambassadors**, 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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