











Welcome to the NATIONAL Presbyterian Church

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

Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news." Mark 1:14-15

Senior Pastor Dr. David Renwick

Associate Pastors Parish Associate Dr. Nancy Fox

Dr. Quinn Fox, Rev. Donna Marsh, Rev. Evangeline Taylor

Music

Dr. Michael Denham (Director), William Neil (Organist)

Hilda Gore (Contemporary Music Leader)

Ministry Directors J. Theodore Anderson (Library, Archives, & Older Adults) Jill Meek (Children), Leslie Saum (Connections)

John Turpin (Serve)

TODAY AT NATIONAL

Sunday School for All Ages *Sundays*, 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School classes for adults, youth, and children resume today!

See insert for class locations.

Youth Kickoff Barbecue 5 p.m., Youth House

Middle and high school youth and their families are invited to our annual BBQ and parent orientation. Come meet new friends and hear about exciting plans for the year!

Today's Flower Dedications The flowers in the Sanctuary are given with grateful hearts to the glory of God by Donald and Marcia F. Bini in loving memory of their Mothers, Hilda E. Bini and Ione S. Freeman, remembering their September birthdays. The flowers in the Court of Flags are given in remembrance of September 11, 2001.

WEEKLY ON SUNDAYS

Sunday School *9:30–10:30 a.m.*

Adults

Full class listing, including locations, are enclosed and available in brochures at the entrances to the church.

Today's "Wrestlers" class topic: Paul Arveson will present a summary and discussion of "Fool's Talk" by Os Guinness.

Youth

- Middle School (6th & 7th grade) Multipurpose Bldg. Room 101
- Middle School (8th grade) *Agencies Bldg. Room 101*
- High School (9th –12th grade) *Youth House*

Children

Drop off and pick up children age 2–5th grade at the National Presbyterian School building.

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

Chaplain Larry Greenslit will be our guest speaker, reflecting on his experiences of 9/11. All are welcome for a quiet time of worship, with an opportunity to pray for others as well as to receive prayer for wholeness and healing in body, mind, or spirit. Communion will be served and anointing with oil will be available for those who wish to receive it. Dr. Greenslit served for 27 years in the Navy Chaplain Corps and is currently the Director of the Presbyterian Council for Chaplains and Military Personnel.

Parent Gathering

10–10:30 a.m., Jones Hall (meets weekly in Elson Parlor beginning Sept. 18)
Stop by for good conversation and coffee with other parents before picking up children from Sunday School. Pastors Donna Marsh and Quinn Fox will lead this week's discussion.

"Across the Aisle" Young Adults Group Sundays, 12:15 p.m. Church Room 110/111

All young adults (ages 22-35) are invited for weekly lunch and conversation.

Children's Choir (K–5th grade) Sundays, 10:25–10:55 a.m., School Bldg

Youth Choir (6–12th grade) Sundays, 10:20–10:50 a.m. Church Building Room 5

Bring Unsweetened Cereal: September Food Donations

Please bring donations of **unsweetened cereal** 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.*

9 A.M. WORSHIP

Sanctuary

WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

Prelude

A Hymn for the Lost and the Living

Eric Ewazen

In remembrance of our national tragedies of September 11, 2001

Steven Hendrickson, trumpet and William Neil, organ

CHIMES AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Donna Marsh

▲ Hymn 443

O Christ, the Great Foundation

Aurelia

Prayer of Adoration and Confession of Sin in unison

Almighty and merciful God, fountain of all goodness, you know the thoughts of our hearts. We confess we have sinned against you, and done evil in your sight. Wash us from the stains of our sins, and give us grace and power to put away hurtful things. Deliver us from bondage to sin, that we may bring forth fruits of repentance, and at last enter into your promised joy.

Alcuin of York

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

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.

▲ Affirmation of Faith

Apostles' Creed see p. 6

Welcome and Announcements

Dr. David Renwick

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Ain'-a That Good News!

Uzee Brown, Jr

I got a crown up in-a the Kingdom – ain'-a that good news! *I'm a-goin' to lay down this worl', goin'-a shoulder up-a my cross, goin'-a take it home-a to my Jesus – ain'-a that good news!* I got a robe up in-a the Kingdom – ain'-a that good news! I got news to tell you, I got good news! Yes, he woke me up this mornin' an' he started me on my way. I got a Savior in-a the Kingdom – ain'-a that good news!

Sheri Jackson, soprano & Joanna Jones, piano

▲ DOXOLOGY see p. 6

Old Hundredth

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer see p. 6

Rev. Evangeline Taylor

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

A Time for Children of All Ages

Youth (grades 6–12) and children (grades K–5) may leave now for Sunday School. Today only, parents of children K–5 join their children in the school building for a parent orientation.

SCRIPTURE

Mark 1:1,9-17

Deacon David Nickels

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Time for a Change?
"What Jesus Said" sermon series
Mark 7:1-8, 13:5-8, 32-33

Dr. David Renwick

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

▲ Hymn 155

Rejoice, the Lord Is King

Darwall's 148th

▲ BENEDICTION AND PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

▲ Postlude Festive Trumpet Tune

David German

10:50 A.M. WORSHIP

Jones Hall (School Gym)

WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

▲ Welcome Songs

My Worth Is Not in What I Own Holy Spirit

Keith and Kristyn Getty

Welcome and Announcements

Bryan Torwalt

Dr. Quinn Fox

CALL TO WORSHIP

Hilda Gore

SONG OF RESPONSE

It Is Well

Horatio Spafford

Prayer of Adoration

Dr. Quinn Fox

Confession of Sin

Almighty and merciful God, fountain of all goodness, you know the thoughts of our hearts. We confess we have sinned against you, and done evil in your sight. Wash us from the stains of our sins, and give us grace and power to put away hurtful things. Deliver us from bondage to sin, that we may bring forth fruits of repentance, and at last enter into your promised joy.

Alcuin of York

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▲ RESPONSE OF PRAISE

This Is Amazing Grace

Jeremy Riddle

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A 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.

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

CLOSING SONG offering received

Psalm 121

Brian Doerksen

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

▲ Congregation standing, as able

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11 A.M. WORSHIP

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▲ HYMN 443 verses 1-3

O Christ, the Great Foundation

Aurelia

- ▲ Prayer of Adoration
- Congregational Response

Hymn 443, verse 4

This is the moment glorious when he who once was dead

Shall lead his church victorious, their champion and their head.

The Lord of all creation his heav'nly kingdom brings,

The final consummation, the glory of all things.

Confession of Sin in unison

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you know the thoughts of our hearts.

We confess we have sinned against you, and done evil in your sight.

Wash us from the stains of our sins,

and give us grace and power to put away hurtful things.

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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

A Time for Children of All Ages

Children (grades K–2) may leave now with leaders who will escort them to Church Room 105, returning after the sermon.

Welcome and Announcements

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The Word of the Lord.

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SERMON Time for a Change?

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WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

RESPONSE sung first by the choir, then the congregation

Change my heart, O God, make it ever true.

Change my heart, O God, may I be like you.

You are the Potter; I am the clay.

Mold me and make me, this is what I pray.

▲ Affirmation of Faith

Apostles' Creed

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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.

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

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William L. Dawson Spiritual

I got a crown up in-a the Kingdom – ain'-a that good news!

I'm a-goin' to lay down this worl', goin'-a shoulder up-a my cross,

Goin'-a take it home-a to my Jesus – ain'-a that good news!

I got a harp up in-a the Kingdom - ain'-a that good news!

I got a robe up in-a the Kingdom - ain'-a that good news!

I got a Savior in-a the Kingdom - ain'-a that good news!

▲ Doxology

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!

▲ Prayer of Dedication

▲ HYMN 155 Rejoice, the Lord Is King

Darwall's 148th

Lasst uns erfreuen

- ▲ Benediction and Choral Amen
- ▲ Passing the Peace of Christ

▲ POSTLUDE Festive Trumpet Tune David German
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UPCOMING EVENTS

Pray Eat Love: THANK YOU!

Together you contributed more than \$8,000 for backpacks for refugee children, packed ALL 600 backpacks with 13 essential items each, and donated 19 boxes of books, including Bibles, devotionals and educational volumes. *Thank you!*

Wednesday Women's Bible Study & Prayer Group Second Wednesday of each month beginning Sept. 14, 10 a.m.—1 p.m. Church Rooms 110/111 & 105

Monthly gathering beginning with prayer in room 110/111, followed by a study of "Prayers and Pray-ers" of the Bible. Stay after to write cards to those in need of care and prayer. *Contact: Mildred Wheat 703.931.1490.*

Community Bible Study Thursdays beginning Sept. 15 7–9 p.m., Agencies 105

Become part of a small group-based Bible study, beginning with a study of prayer in the book of Nehemiah. Join any Thursday! Studies of The Book of Revelation and Paul's Epistle to the Philippians will be available later in the year. *Contact: Robin King, 301.706.7147 or robin@kinghome.us.*

Afternoon TEA Women's Group 3rd Wednesday of the month, beginning Sept. 21, 1:30–2:45 p.m, Elson Parlor Women are invited to monthly gatherings for Biblical Teaching, Encouragement and Adoration of God. This year we'll study and share the importance of God's "Living Water" in our lives by looking at inspiring stories and lessons both in the Old and New Testaments. Contact: NPCafternoonTEA@gmail.com for info or to sign up for our weekly devotional.

Habitat for Humanity Build Saturday, Sept. 17, 8:30 a.m—3:30 p.m. Help a family in need build a permanent house with NPC and DC Habitat for Humanity. Contact: Mike Maddox, mike. kentm@gmail.com.

GriefShare

Sundays beginning Sept. 18, 12:30 p.m., Administration Bldg
If you've experienced loss, you may be faced with many questions and challenges. GriefShare classes meet weekly to help you face these challenges and move toward rebuilding your life. Class fee: \$35.

Adult Fellowship Luncheon *Monday, Sept. 19, Noon, Stone Hall* Enjoy lunch and time together at this special program with speaker James Rosebush, author of *True Reagan: What Made Ronald Reagan Great and Why It Matters. Sign up in Stone Hall today.*

Forum on Faith and Politics Wednesday, Sept. 21, 7 p.m.

E.J. Dionne and Michael Gerson – two *Washington Post* columnists who write from different "sides of the aisle," with similar Christian conviction – will share thoughts and insights about the upcoming elections. *Free and open to the public; no tickets required.*

Pathway Membership Class Saturday, Sept. 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.

Become a Stephen Minister Training class begins Oct. 4

Stephen Ministers provide one-on-one discussion and prayer to people who are going through a difficult time. *Learn more:* stop by Stone Hall today or Contact: Lucille Smiley 202.832.1596 or Dottie McKnight, 301.320.5168.

Sandwich Making Sunday, Oct. 9, Stone Hall, 10:15 & 12:15 p.m. All ages can help feed the hungry in our city by making sandwiches for the homeless. Note: there is no sandwich making today.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Year 2

September 11 – 18

Sunday

Psalms 19; 113 Job 38:1, 18-41 Revelation 18:1-8 Matthew 5:21-26

Monday

Psalms 135; 112 Job 40:1-24 Acts 15:36-16:5 John 11:55-12:8

Tuesday

Psalms 123; 86 Job 40:1, 41:1-11 Acts 16:6-15 John 12:9-19

Wednesday

Psalms 15; 4 Job 42:1-17 Acts 16:16-24 John 12:20-26

Thursday

Psalms 36; 27 Job 28:1-28 Acts 16:25-40 John 12:27-36a

Friday

Psalms 130; 139 Esther 1:1-4, 10-19 Acts 17:1-15 John 12:36b-43

Saturday

Psalms 56; 111 Esther 2:5-8, 15-23 Acts 17:16-34 John 12:44-50

Sunday

Psalms 67; 93 Esther 3:1-4:3 James 1:19-27 Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

WELCOME TO NATIONAL!

We are so glad you are here today.

If you are with us for the first time, welcome! Our prayer is that everyone who worships at National will find a spiritual home here – a home where the love and presence of Jesus Christ are experienced whenever we gather in community to worship God. Classes and groups are offered for all ages for us to better know God and one another. Preaching and teaching equip us to act as Christ's light in the world, serving and caring for one another through prayer, networks of support, and service projects locally and internationally.

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.

Childcare | Available 8:45 a.m.–12:15 p.m. for infants through age four in the main church building ground floor, rooms 16 and 7. *Children are always welcome in worship!*

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.

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.

Church tours | Available upon request; call: 202.537.7529.

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.

Notes of Greeting and Encouragement | Send postcards to NPC members and friends; supplies are available downstairs in Stone Hall.

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.

PRAYFRS

Please pray for:

Ilona Bako Mark Gourley

Shirley McConnell Max Schestopol

Prayer requests: nationalpres.org/prayer



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