

January 5, 2020

# Welcome to NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

## COMMUNION

*While Jesus was praying, the appearance of his face changed,  
and his clothes became dazzling white*

Luke 9:29

**Senior Pastor** Dr. David Renwick  
**Associate Pastors** Dr. Quinn Fox, Rev. Donna Marsh, Dr. Joyce Emery  
**Parish Associates** Dr. Nancy Fox, Dr. Kerry Stoltzfus  
**Music** Dr. Michael Denham (*Director*), Todd Fickley (*Organist*)  
Joanna Zorack-Greene (*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

## Music at National

4:30 p.m.

The City Choir of Washington presents "A Twelfth Night Concert." *Tickets and information: citychoir.org.*

## Lend a Welcoming Hand

You can help at church on Sundays for as little as one hour a month!

- **Serve as an usher** by passing out bulletins, and collecting offerings. *Contact library@nationalpres.org.*
- **Serve on the Pew Crew** by engaging with folks in the pew. *Contact Leslie Saum, lsaum@nationalpres.org.*
- **Serve on the A/V Team** by making possible our online worship. *Contact Bill McNett, bmcnett@nationalpres.org.*
- **Serve as a greeter** by welcoming all who enter the church. *Contact: Michael Wiseman, MichaelLWiseman@aol.com.*

## WEEKLY ON SUNDAYS

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### Sunday School

Adults

- **"Following Jesus" Together**  
*10:00–10:45 a.m., Stone Hall*
- **"Following Jesus:"  
A Call to Discipleship**  
*9:30–10:45 a.m., Chapel*
- **"Following Jesus:"  
Companions on the Journey**  
*9:30–10:45 a.m., Church Room 105*

Youth 9:30–10:45 a.m.

*Gather 9:30–9:40 in the Multipurpose Building*

- Grade 6: *Multipurpose Room*
- Grade 7: *Youth House Basement*
- Grade 8: *Multipurpose Building Basement*
- Grades 9/10: *Youth House Main Room*
- Grades 11/12: *Youth House Game Room*

Children 9:30–10:45 a.m.

- Age 2–5th grade: Children may come directly from the 9 a.m. service or be dropped off at the school building. Pick up children in the school building.

Nursery (Babies–Age 4)

8:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

*Church Rooms 16, and 7/8*

### "Across the Aisle" Young Professionals

12:15 p.m., *Church Room 110/111*

All young professionals are invited for weekly lunch and conversation.

### January Food Collection: Canned Fruit

You may drop off donations upstairs at the information table and downstairs outside of Stone Hall.

### Today's Flowers

**The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God** by by Edward Blanton in memory of Clarence Zylstra (d. December 7, 2019, at age 89), native of Friesland in the Netherlands, U.S. Army Chaplain's assistant in post-WWII Germany, teacher, philanthropist, and dedicated Christian.

# 9 A.M. WORSHIP

*Sanctuary*

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## WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE Chorale Fantasia on "Wie schön leuchtet" Dieterich Buxtehude  
Todd Fickley, organ

CHIMES AND CALL TO WORSHIP Dr. Nancy Fox

▲ HYMN 40 Joy to the World! *Antioch*

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

God of power and might, we enter your presence humbly, aware that we approach you from a world that chooses to walk in darkness, apart from you. Each of us has ignored or resisted the enlightening power of Jesus Christ. As we confess our sins to you now, penetrate our darkness by the power of Christ's light, that we may live in the joy of knowing and loving you.

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. 4* *Gloria Patri*

▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *see p. 5* Nicene Creed

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Dr. David Renwick

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS  
Fairest Lord Jesus *see p. 5* Derek Hakes

## WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE Luke 9:28-36 Deacon Craig Person  
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

A TIME FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

SERMON Following Jesus: Jesus Exposed Dr. David Renwick  
Luke 9:37-45; Exodus 32:29-32

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

CHORAL RESPONSE *Wie schön leuchtet*  
O morning star, how fair and bright! Thou beamest forth in truth and light! O sovereign meek and lowly!  
Thou root of Jesse, David's Son, my Lord and Savior, thou hast won my heart to serve thee solely!  
Thou art holy, fait and glorious, all victorious, rich in blessing, rule and might o'er all possessing.

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION *see p. 5* Rev. Donna Marsh

▲ HYMN Transfigured Christ, in Blazing Light *Mit Freuden zart*

- 1 Transfigured Christ, in blazing light, upon the mount appearing, your figure now a gleaming white, with bright apparel wearing; your countenance a dazzling sight, a sun resplendent in its might: Lord Christ, we see your glory.
- 2 Your glorious feet have sought and found your own in every nation; with everlasting voice you sound the call of our salvation; you search us still with eyes of flame, you know and call us all by name: Lord Christ, we see your glory.
- 3 O sov'reign Christ, today alive, amid your church abiding, who still your blood and body give, new life and strength providing, we join the heav'nly company to sing your praise triumphantly, for we have seen your glory.

▲ BENEDICTION AND PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

▲ POSTLUDE Improvisation on "Wie schön leuchtet" Paul Manz

# 11:00 A.M. WORSHIP

*Sanctuary*

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Chorale Fantasia on "Wie schön leuchtet"

Dieterich Buxtehude  
Todd Fickley, organ

CHIMES AND CALL TO WORSHIP

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▲ HYMN 40

Joy to the World!

*Antioch*

▲ PRAYER OF ADORATION

▲ CHORAL RESPONSE

*Deo gracias*

O wondrous sight, O vision fair of glory that the church shall share,  
which Christ upon the mountain shows, where brighter than the sun he glows!  
All faithful hearts are raised on high by this great vision's mystery,  
for which in joyful strains we raise the voice of prayer, the hymn of praise.

CONFESSON OF SIN *in unison*

God of power and might, we enter your presence humbly,  
aware that we approach you from a world  
that chooses to walk in darkness, apart from you.

Each of us has ignored or resisted the enlightening power of Jesus Christ.

As we confess our sins to you now,  
penetrate our darkness by the power of Christ's light,  
that we may live in the joy of knowing and loving you.

SILENT CONFESSON 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.

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Dr. David Renwick

SCRIPTURE

Luke 9:28-36

Elder Mary Jo Pera

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

SERMON

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Dr. David Renwick

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HYMN 69 *verse 1*

O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright

*Wie schön leuchtet*

▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Nicene Creed

Rev. Donna Marsh

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

Fairest Lord Jesus

Derek Hakes

Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature, O thou of God to earth come down,  
thee will I cherish, thee will I honor, thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands, robed in the blooming garb of spring:

Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight, and all the twinkling starry host;

Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer than all the angels heav'n can boast.

Beautiful Savior, Lord of all the nations! Son of God and Son of Man!

Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be thine! Amen.

## THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

Invitation to Communion

Words of Institution and Distribution

Music Meditation Suite for Two Violins and Piano, Op. 71

Moritz Moszkowski

2. Allegro Moderato Molly Moore and Heather Green, violin,

with Todd Fickley, 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

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Your figure now a gleaming white, with bright apparel wearing;

Your countenance a dazzling sight, a sun resplendent in its might:

Lord Christ, we see your glory.

Your glorious feet have sought and found your own in every nation;

With everlasting voice you sound the call of our salvation;

You search us still with eyes of flame, you know and call us all by name:

Lord Christ, we see your glory.

O sov'reign Christ, today alive, amid your church abiding,

Who still your blood and body give, new life and strength providing,

We join the heav'nly company to sing your praise triumphantly,

For we have seen your glory.

### ▲ BENEDICTION

### ▲ CHORAL AMEN

Derek Hakes

### ▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

### ▲ POSTLUDE

Improvisation on "Wie schön leuchtet"

Paul Manz



# UPCOMING EVENTS

## **Make Sandwiches for the Homeless**

**Sunday, January 12, 12:15 p.m.**

**Stone Hall**

All ages can help feed the hungry in our city by making sandwiches for the homeless.

## **Adult Fellowship Luncheon**

**Monday, January 13**

**Noon, Stone Hall**

Dr. David Renwick will share an interesting take on the generosity of our society in a presentation entitled "Newfoundland 9/11: Before and After." *Call 202.537.7529 for lunch reservations (\$15 donation with advanced registration; \$20 at the door).*

## **Pathway Membership Class**

**Saturday, January 25**

**8:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.**

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

## **Family Winter Camp**

**February 14–16, 2020**

**Falling Waters, WV**

Families with teens and young children are invited for a fun-filled weekend at Potomac Retreat Center—just 30 minutes to Whitetail Ski Resort, where you can spend an optional day of skiing or tubing. Speaker Jeff Dunn-Rankin will help us discover how using love languages can lead to family flourishing. We will meet at the retreat center on Friday evening and will head back to DC on Sunday afternoon. *Register: nationalpres.org/retreat*

## **Prepare for Marriage Course**

**Saturday, March 7, 8:45 a.m.–3 p.m.**

Learn the skills you will 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 National. *Contact Melanie Lenhard to register: mlenhard@nationalpres.org or 202.552.4252.*

## **Ring in the New Year!**

**Tuesdays, 7:00–8:30 p.m.**

**Church Room 110-111**

Grace Chimes Handbell Choir is welcoming new members to the tables! Never rung a handbell? Our experienced ringers will be pleased to share their talents and help you become part of the group. *For information, contact Carolann Haley at chaley@nationalpres.org or 202.537.7553.*

## **Jordan Mission Trip**

**Early August 2020**

You can help our Capital Campaign partner in Amman Jordan with a medical clinic, teacher training, and English language by joining National's refugee ministry team. *For more information, contact John Turpin at jturpin@nationalpres.org or John Bernbaum at jbinternatl@gmail.com.*

## **NPC Online: Your Congregational Directory**

Did you know you can find members and friends of the church on a password-protected congregational directory? Visit [nationalpres.ccbchurch.com](http://nationalpres.ccbchurch.com), and click "request access" to log in. You can search by name (first or last) and edit your own information and privacy settings.

# WELCOME TO NATIONAL!

## "FOLLOWING JESUS" WEEKLY READING

Scripture Reading for  
January 6 – 12, 2020

Luke 10:25-11:54

### Questions for Reflection

- Consider the summary of the law given by the lawyer. Is the last phrase—about loving your neighbor—an adequate statement? How does the parable Jesus told guard against a misinterpretation of the summary?
- Who is your neighbor? How can you prove yourself to be a neighbor?
- Martha and Mary were concerned about different things. Which did Jesus consider the more important? How did he address the tension between the two of them?
- How does Jesus' power over the demonic further reveal his identity?
- How would you summarize the faults of the Pharisees and the lawyers? What attitude and action does Jesus recommend?

*A weekly reading guide is available at [nationalpres.org/adults](http://nationalpres.org/adults)*

*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. If you are a college student, welcome! We would love to be your church home.

**The Pew Crew, wearing blue badges, are here to welcome you** and answer any questions. Head to the Parlor after the 9 a.m. service, or come downstairs to Stone Hall after the 11 a.m. services, to meet others and enjoy coffee and cookies.

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**Welcome gifts** | Available at the entrances to the church.

**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 five pews of the Sanctuary.*

### PRAYERS

*We pray for:*

Members and friends of National Presbyterian Church

*We pray for our mission partners, including:*

Our PC(USA) missionaries in the Middle East, serving in a majority Muslim context that is home to large numbers of displaced people from the region.

*Please submit prayer requests to:*

Liz Martin, [lmartin@nationalpres.org](mailto:lmartin@nationalpres.org), 202.537.7540.



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