



February 16, 2020

# Welcome to NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

*Jesus said: "Concerning that day and hour  
no one knows, not even the angels of heaven,  
nor the Son, but the Father only."*

Matthew 24:36

*Some ask, "Where is the promise of his coming?"...  
Do not ignore this one fact, beloved,  
that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years,  
and a thousand years are like one day.*

2 Peter 3:4, 8

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 ( <i>Director</i> ), Todd Fickley ( <i>Organist</i> ) Joanna Zorack-Greene ( <i>Contemporary Music Leader</i> )
Ministry Directors	J. Theodore Anderson ( <i>Library, Archives, &amp; 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

## Grief Support Group

**1:00–2:30 p.m., Elson Parlor**

Do you need help and encouragement after the death of a spouse, child, family member or friend? *GriefShare* is a seminar and support group designed to help you rebuild your life after losing a loved one. Mary Romano and Dr. Joyce Emery will lead for 10 weeks on Sundays and one Saturday retreat. *Contact Liz Martin to register: [Lmartin@nationalpres.org](mailto:Lmartin@nationalpres.org).*

## Moldova Prayer

**12:30 p.m., Church Room 107**

Come pray for Moldova and for National's mission partner there, the University of Divine Grace.

## We Want to Hear from You

**Take the mission survey today!** We're eager to learn how mission fits into your life, and if we can make it easier-- all for the sake of bringing the light and love of Jesus to our city and our world! *Visit Stone Hall or this **\*case-sensitive\*** link to fill out a survey: [bit.ly/ServeSurvey](http://bit.ly/ServeSurvey).*

## 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**

Young professionals are invited for weekly lunch and conversation.

#### "Roaring 20s" Small Group

**12:15 p.m., Agencies Building Room 102**

Early- to mid-twenties young adults are invited for lunch, conversation, and Bible study.

#### February Food Collection: Nuts and Trail Mix

Drop off donations upstairs at the info table and downstairs outside of Stone Hall.

#### Today's Flowers

**The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God** by Dianne and John Tingley in loving memory of their parents, David and Audrey Rhea, and Ethel and Stuart Tingley.

# 9 A.M. WORSHIP

## Sanctuary

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### WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE

Allegro and Adagio  
(from Concerto in G, BWV 592)

Prince Ernst, arr. Bach  
Todd Fickley, organ

CHIMES AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Dr. Kerry Stoltzfus

▲ HYMN 143

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

*Diadem*

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

O God of the ages, and ages to come, we worship you today. Make us watchful as we await the coming of your Son our Savior. When he comes, may he not find us sleeping in sin, but awake, and rejoicing in his praises. Bring to light things hidden in darkness, even the shadows of our hearts. Forgive our sins, we pray. Then cleanse and renew us, that we may walk in your light and glorify your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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 Glory Be to the Father

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 *see p. 5* Apostles' Creed

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. David Renwick

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

My Lord, What a Mornin'

Howard Helvey

*My Lord, what a morning, when the stars begin to fall!*

The night is passing, soon be gone, then my Lord will come;

Trumpet sound will call me on, to my heav'nly home.

▲ DOXOLOGY

*Old Hundredth*

Praise God, from who all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER *see p. 5*

Dr. Joyce Emery

### WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE

Luke 17:20-37

Dottie McKnight

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

A TIME FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

SERMON

Following Jesus: At the Buzzer  
Luke 21:1-19, 34-36

Dr. David Renwick

### WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

▲ HYMN 6

Jesus Comes with Clouds Descending

*Helmsley*

▲ BENEDICTION AND PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

▲ POSTLUDE

Presto (from Concerto in G, BWV 592)

Prince Ernst, arr. Bach

▲ Congregation standing, as able

# 11:00 A.M. WORSHIP

*Sanctuary*

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*Diadem*

▲ PRAYER OF ADORATION

▲ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Hymn 143, verse 4

O that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall, we at his feet may fall!  
We'll join the everlasting song, and crown him,  
crown him, crown him, crown him, and crown him Lord of all.

CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

O God of the ages, and ages to come, we worship you today. Make us watchful as we await the coming of your Son our Savior. When he comes, may he not find us sleeping in sin, but awake, and rejoicing in his praises. Bring to light things hidden in darkness, even the shadows of our hearts. Forgive our sins, we pray. Then cleanse and renew us, that we may walk in your light and glorify your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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## WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF NEW OFFICERS

Litany of Ministry

There are different gifts,

**But it is the same Spirit who gives them.**

There are different ways of serving God,

**But it is the same Lord who is served.**

God works through people in different ways,

**But it is the same God who achieves his purpose through them all.**

Each one is given a gift by the Spirit

**To use it for the common good.**

Constitutional Questions

Ordination and Installation of Elders and Deacons

Prayer of the Congregation

**God of grace, who called us to a common ministry as ambassadors of Christ, trusting us with the message of reconciliation, give us courage and discipline to follow you where your servants rightly lead us, that together we may declare your wonderful deeds, and show your love to the world, through Jesus Christ, the Lord of all. Amen.**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

CHORAL RESPONSE

*Imminent*

We do not know if Christ will come when life is rough or steady;

We only know that Jesus said, "Keep watching, and be ready."

O watch with care; in grace abound, be ready e'er to greet him,

that when we hear the trumpet sound we'll be prepared to meet him.

J. M. Boice (alt.)

▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed

Dr. Joyce Emery

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

At the Name of Jesus

Ralph Vaughan Williams

*Choir*

At the name of Jesus every knee shall bow, every tongue confess him King of Glory now;

'Tis the Father's pleasure we should call him Lord, who from the beginning was the mighty Word.

At his voice creation sprang at once to sight, all the angel faces, all the hosts of light.

Thrones and dominations, stars upon their way, all the heav'nly orders in their great array.

Humbled for a season, to receive a name from the lips of sinners unto whom he came,

Faithfully he bore it spotless to the last, brought it back victorious when from death he passed:

Bore it up triumphant with its human light, through all ranks of creatures to the central height,

To the throne of Godhead, to the Father's breast; filled it with the glory of that perfect rest.

Name him, Christians, name him with love as strong as death, but with awe and wonder, and with bated breath;

He is God the Savior, he is Christ the Lord, ever to be worshiped, trusted, and adored.

In your hearts enthrone him; there let him subdue all that is not holy, all that is not true:

Crown him as your captain in temptation's hour; let his will enfold you in its light and power.

*Congregation*

Christians, this Lord Jesus shall return again, with his Father's glory, with his angel train;

For all wreaths of empire meet upon his brow, and our hearts confess him King of Glory now.

▲ DOXOLOGY

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▲ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

▲ HYMN 6

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▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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# 11:00 A.M. WORSHIP

*Jones Hall (School Gym)*

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## WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

▲ WELCOME SONG                      All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name                      *Coronation*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS                      Rev. Donna Marsh

### CALL TO WORSHIP

▲ SONGS OF PRAISE                      Sovereign                      Chris Tomlin  
   Hosanna                      Hillsong Worship

### PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION OF SIN

O God of the ages, and ages to come, we worship you today. Make us watchful as we await the coming of your Son our Savior. When he comes, may he not find us sleeping in sin, but awake, and rejoicing in his praises. Bring to light things hidden in darkness, even the shadows of our hearts. Forgive our sins, we pray. Then cleanse and renew us, that we may walk in your light and glorify your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### SILENT CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

▲ RESPONSE OF PRAISE                      How Great Is Our God                      Chris Tomlin

▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

## WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

### A TIME FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

SCRIPTURE                      Luke 17:20-37                      Sydney Brammer

SERMON                      Following Jesus: At the Buzzer                      Dr. David Renwick  
   Luke 21:1-19, 34-36

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### PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

CLOSING SONG *offering received* Did You Feel The Mountains Tremble                      Martin Smith

▲ CLOSING PRAYER



# UPCOMING EVENTS

## **NPC Mission Partner Service Opportunity**

**Friday, February 21**

**10:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.**

Join a team from NPC to help host, serve and clean up lunch at local mission partner, Central Union Mission. Transportation from NPC provided. *More info and sign up at [bit.ly/servcentralnpc](http://bit.ly/servcentralnpc).*

## **Join a Lenten Small Group** **Sundays, February 23 through April 5,** **12:15 p.m., Church Room 105**

Join in study and conversation of the Holy Spirit in the book of Luke in this Lenten small group Bible study. *To sign up, contact Amy Thompson at [athompson@nationalpres.org](mailto:athompson@nationalpres.org).*

## **Ash Wednesday Worship**

**Wednesday, February 26**

**7:00 p.m., Sanctuary**

All are invited to join us for worship and communion as we begin our journey into this season of Lent. There will be an imposition of ashes for anyone who wishes to receive it.

## **Save the Date:** **Women's Conference**

**Friday, March 27–Saturday, March 28**

Join us on Friday night for dinner in local homes, followed by a Saturday conference in Stone Hall with speaker Rev. Barbara Heck, senior pastor at Bush Hill Presbyterian Church in Alexandria. Childcare will be available.

## **Youth and Children's Summer Internships**

Applications are now open to serve at National this summer with our youth and children's ministries. *Learn more at [nationalpres.org/jobs](http://nationalpres.org/jobs).*

## **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](mailto:library@nationalpres.org).*
- **Serve on the Pew Crew** by engaging with folks at church. *Contact Leslie Saum, [lsaum@nationalpres.org](mailto:lsaum@nationalpres.org).*
- **Serve on the A/V Team** by making possible our online worship; no experience required. *Contact Bill McNett, [bmcnett@nationalpres.org](mailto:bmcnett@nationalpres.org).*

## **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 (including adding a photo!) and privacy settings.

## **Expert Advice for Older Adults and their Families**

Lisa Rindner, MSW LGSW, is a trusted resource to our congregation, providing expert advice on practical and emotional matters of aging. *Free appointments available at National. Contact Lisa at 202.895.9440 or [LRindner@iona.org](mailto:LRindner@iona.org).*

# WELCOME TO NATIONAL!

## "FOLLOWING JESUS" WEEKLY READING

### Scripture Reading for February 17-23, 2020

Luke 18:1-19:27

### Questions for Reflection

- In vss. 1-14, how are the parables similar and different? When have you been utterly persistent about something? What kept you going?
- How do children demonstrate the kind of humble trust Jesus has been speaking of? What makes the rich ruler respond with sadness?
- What connection do you see between Jesus' radical demand (18:22, 29), and his own self-sacrifice (18:31-33)?
- Compare and contrast the blind beggar and Zacchaeus. What can we learn from the different way Jesus dealt with each, and their response?
- What does this parable say to us today as we await the final day of God's judgment, the final "coming" of Jesus to our world?

*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!** Please pick up a welcome gift at one of the entrances to the church. 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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**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:*

Children, youth, & parents attending  
the Family Winter Retreat

*We pray for our mission partners, including:*

International Justice Mission, a global mission seeking to prove that with God's help, the poor can get justice.

*Please submit prayer requests to:*

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