



May 8, 2016

Welcome to the NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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



YOUTH SUNDAY



*From my youth you have taught me, O God,
and I still proclaim your wondrous deeds.*

Psalm 71:17



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

Youth Sunday

8:30, 9:15 & 11 a.m.

Today we celebrate God's faithfulness as our middle school and high school youth take part in leading worship services (*please note: there is no 10:50 Jones Hall service today*). In 11 a.m. worship we will receive this year's Confirmation class as new members.

A special offering will be received this morning to support our ministry to youth: please mark checks with "Youth Offering"; you may also give online at nationalpres.org/giving.

There will be a reception in Stone Hall following 11 a.m. worship.

CDs of Sermons

Now available in the bookstore

Audio CDs of the previous Sunday's Scripture reading and sermon are now available for sale (\$5 each) at the bookstore just outside of Stone Hall.

SIGN UP TODAY:

Great Day of Service

Saturday, May 14

All ages can participate in this morning of hands-on service projects.

- **Sign up today:** www.nationalpres.org/GreatDayofService
- **Another way to help:** You can provide the supplies for backpacks we'll assemble for Syrian refugee children. Donate one or more, \$24 each, by marking a check "Refugee Backpacks" or giving at www.nationalpres.org/GreatDayofService

Sandwich Making

Stone Hall, 10:30 & 12:15 p.m.

All ages can help feed the hungry in our city by making sandwiches for the homeless to be distributed through NPC mission partner Martha's Table. Together we can make up to 800 sandwiches in 15 minutes!

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.

Today in Wrestler's Class (*Agencies Bldg. lower level*): "What is Randomness? Does it Exclude God's Action?" David Siegrist and Paul Arveson continue a 3-part series on contemporary issues in science and theology.

Youth

Youth Sunday School will resume next Sunday, May 15. There will be no youth Sunday School this morning.

Children

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

Youth Group

Youth group will resume Sunday, May 22. There will be no youth group today.

Postcards of Encouragement

Send greetings to NPC friends in need of friendship and encouragement! 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.

May Food Donations: Canned Fruit

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

"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.

9:15 & 11 A.M. WORSHIP

Sanctuary

Kindly turn off all electronic devices.

ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE

Adagio
from *Concerto in G Minor*

Max Bruch
Molly Moore, violin
Cha Young Park, piano

CALL TO WORSHIP

9:15 a.m. Margaret & Magruder Dent

Leader: Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth!

11 a.m. Madeleine Murphy

All: **Sing to the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise!**

Leader: Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!"

▲ HYMN 288

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

Ellacombe
William Neil, organ

▲ PRAYER OF ADORATION

9:15 a.m. Will Muoio
11 a.m. Caroline Holman

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Ellacombe

To God the Father, God the Son all praise and thanks be giv'n,
Who with the Holy Spirit rule o'er all of earth and heav'n.
So to the Lord my heart shall sing, my voice God's goodness raise;
Thou art my God forevermore, my life shall sing thy praise.

CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

9:15 a.m. Malachi Woods

Lord, forgive us when we fail to follow you.

11 a.m. Charlie Thompson

You have called each of us to live in the fullness of Christ,

but we hide our faith and live fearfully,

even when the gospel gives us every reason to live bravely.

Teach us to rely fully upon you and your Word.

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.

HEARING GOD'S WORD

A TIME FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

McLane Stone, Director of Youth Ministries

"Great Day of Service"

9:15 a.m. *Children (grades K-5) may exit to meet their leaders for Sunday School in the school building.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sarah Greisdorf, Julia Stucky, Sarah Thompson

CONFIRMATION OF BAPTISM 11 a.m.

Dr. David Renwick

Allyn Abbott

Tabitha Johnson

Madeleine Murphy

Clara Pierson

Emily Rehr

Harrison Rehr

Madeleine Stewart

Charlie Thompson

11 a.m. *Children (grades K-2) may exit to meet their leaders in the Court of Flags for Children's Church in Church Room 106, returning after the sermon.*

9:15 a.m. Isabelle Rakow

11 a.m. Matthew Brunner

Thanks be to God.

9:15 a.m. Leah Gordon, Laura Abbott, Mitchell Moore

11:00 a.m. Adam Schauer, Laura Abbott, Alex Pierson

RESPONDING TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

Moses Hogan

O Lord, please hear my prayer, in the morning when I rise.

It's your servant bound for glory.

O dear Lord, please hear my prayer.

O Lord, please hear my prayer, keep me safe within your arms.

It's your servant bound for glory.

O dear Lord, please hear my prayer.

When my work on earth is done, and you come to take me home,

Just to know I'm bound for glory, and to hear you say, "Well done."

Done with sin and sorrow, have mercy, mercy. Amen.

Youth Ensemble

9:15 a.m. Josh Dickey

11 a.m. Madeleine Stewart

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.

9:15 a.m. Luke Schauer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

11 a.m. Zack Schauer

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.

9:15 a.m. Mikaela Woods

11 a.m. Anna MacKenzie

Maurice Ravel

9:15 a.m. Zach Gardner, piano

Frédéric Chopin

11 a.m. Avery Gagliano, piano

Old Hundredth

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

Praise him above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

▲ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

9:15 a.m. Benny Thompson

11 a.m. Ben Holman

▲ HYMN 339

Be Thou My Vision

Slane

▲ BENEDICTION

NPC High School Seniors

Please be seated after the Benediction

INSTRUMENTAL RESPONSE

Wedding Day at Trolldhaugen

Edvard Grieg

9:15 a.m. Mitchell Moore

Rigaudon

André Campra

11 a.m. William Neil, organ

▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

▲ Congregation standing, as able

On behalf of the students and parents of Youth Sunday, we would like to thank the congregation for its continued support of our ministry to the youth of NPC. Each one of us is blessed to belong to this church family, and we are thankful to God for the love and encouragement we receive through you. We also extend a special "thank you!" to the dedicated team of volunteers that serve our youth on a weekly basis. Our ministry is made possible by your steadfast commitment and love for our kids. – McLane & Charley Stone

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God in recognition of the wedding anniversary on May 20th of Gerri Hall and David Nickels and in memory of their parents, Helen and Randy Hall, and Evelyn and Horace Nickels.

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. 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.

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:
Mark Gourley

Prayer requests: nationalpres.org/prayer

8:30 A.M. WORSHIP

Chapel

PRELUDE

Come Sunday

Duke Ellington
Sam Wilson, piano

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

▲ HYMN 288 I Sing the Mighty Power of God

Ellacombe
Dottie Seep, piano

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION OF SIN

SCRIPTURE 2 Corinthians 12:9-10

McLane Stone

SENIOR TESTIMONIES Mitchell Moore and Leah Gordon

▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

PRAYER OF RESPONSE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

▲ DOXOLOGY

Old Hundredth

▲ CLOSING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION

▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

An offering will be received at the center aisle.

CONFESSION OF SIN

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AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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)

The 10:50 a.m. service will resume next Sunday, May 15.

Please join us in the 8:30 (Chapel), 9:15, and 11 a.m. (Sanctuary) worship services this morning as we celebrate the ministry of our middle and high school students!



GREAT DAY OF SERVICE

SATURDAY, MAY 14



SIGN UP TODAY

www.nationalpres.org/GreatDayofService

Join in this meaningful morning of service for all ages at NPC and around DC!

- Community gardening to feed the homeless
- Habitat for Humanity build
- Serve lunch at a shelter
- Read to kids and make lunch together
- Pack dehydrated meal kits for famine zones overseas
- Bring, sort and donate clothes for the needy
- Be on the prayer team supporting it all
- ...more projects and details on our website!

Contact: John Turpin, JTurpin@NationalPres.org or 202.537.7505.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Annual Congregational and Corporation Meeting

Sunday, May 15, 12:15 p.m., Stone Hall

Members of the congregation are requested to stay after the 10:45 and 11 a.m. worship services for a meeting of the congregation and The National Presbyterian Church, Inc.

During the meeting, the **Facilities Master Planning Team** will share a presentation of their progress so far. *Annual Reports* are available on the information table outside of the Sanctuary.

Book Discussion: "The Chronicles of Narnia"

Thursdays, 7:15 p.m., Elson Parlor

This week we will discuss *The Horse and His Boy*. The weekly schedule is available at www.nationalpres.org/book-study.

Wednesday Women Bible Study & Prayer Group

Wednesday, May 11, 10 a.m.–1 p.m.

Church Rooms 110/111 & 105

Women are invited for prayer, followed by a study of the Mount of Transfiguration. We also write cards for those in need of encouragement. Contact: Mildred Wheat 703.931.1490.

Afternoon TEA Women's Group

Wed., May 11, 1:30–2:45 p.m. Elson Parlor

Women are invited to a monthly gathering for Biblical Teaching, Encouragement and Adoration of God using *In View of God's Mercy*, a study by Timothy Keller. Contact: NPAfternoonTEA@gmail.com.

Adult Fellowship Luncheon

Monday, May 16, Noon, Stone Hall

Newly appointed Historian for the Library of Congress **Dr. John Y. Cole** will share the important story of the Library of Congress. 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.)

Flower Ministry Workshop

Sat., May 21, 10:30 a.m.–2 p.m. Elson Parlor

Learn about the art of floral design in this interactive workshop. A small fee will cover materials and lunch. Please register today in Stone Hall, or contact Nora Szeto at npcflowers@nationalpres.org.

Forum on Faith and Politics

Wednesday, September 21, 7 p.m.

Save the date for this evening conversation with *Washington Post* op-ed columnists E.J. Dionne and Michael Gerson.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Year 2

May 8 – 15

Sunday

Psalms 93; 117
Exodus 3:1-12
Hebrews 12:18-29
Luke 10:17-24

Monday

Psalms 97; 115
Joshua 1:1-9
Ephesians 3:1-13
Matthew 8:5-17

Tuesday

Psalms 98; 116
1 Samuel 16:1-13a
Ephesians 3:14-21
Matthew 8:18-27

Wednesday

Psalms 99; 118
Isaiah 4:2-6
Ephesians 4:1-16
Matthew 8:28-34

Thursday

Psalms 47; 113
Zechariah 4:1-14
Ephesians 4:17-32
Matthew 9:1-8

Friday

Psalms 96; 138
Jeremiah 31:27-34
Ephesians 5:1-32
Matthew 9:9-17

Saturday

Psalms 92; 114
Ezekiel 36:22-27
Ephesians 6:1-24
Matthew 9:18-26

Sunday

Psalms 104; 33
Deuteronomy 16:9-12
Acts 4:18-21, 23-33
John 4:19-26

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

Connections Ministry

You can help to create a culture of caring at NPC so that each person in our church community experiences a sense of belonging! Encourage others in finding ways to grow spiritually, receive support, and serve others. *Contact: Leslie Saum, LSaum@NationalPres.org, or 202.537.7494.*

A/V Team

Bring the Gospel to others through video and audio production as part of our A/V Team on Sunday mornings. Our current volunteers span all ages. No experience needed – training is provided! *Contact: Bill McNett, BMcNett@NationalPres.org or 202.537.7576.*

NPC Library and Archives

If you enjoy books and meeting people, consider helping in the Satellite Library (right outside of Stone Hall) periodically on Sundays, or serving with the Library and Archives Committee (which meets 6 times a year). *Contact Jim Anderson at 202.537.7529 or Library@NationalPres.org.*

Greet our Guests

Be a welcoming presence for all worshipers on Sunday morning by greeting guests at the door and answering their questions. *Contact: Kristy Chikes, jklarsonchikes@hotmail.com.*

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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