

September 25, 2016

Welcome to the NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

Who are my mother and sisters and brothers?
Mark 3:33

Senior Pastor	Dr. David Renwick
Associate Pastors	Dr. Quinn Fox, Rev. Donna Marsh, Rev. Evangeline Taylor
Parish Associate	Dr. Nancy Fox
Music	Dr. Michael Denham (<i>Director</i>), William Neil (<i>Organist</i>) Hilda Gore (<i>Contemporary Music Leader</i>)
Ministry Directors	J. Theodore Anderson (<i>Library, Archives, & Older Adults</i>) Jill Meek (<i>Children</i>), Leslie Saum (<i>Connections</i>) John Turpin (<i>Serve</i>)



TODAY AT NATIONAL

More Reflection on Faith & Politics

9:30 a.m. Agencies Lower Level

Elder John Gregg will lead continuing reflection on Faith & Politics in the Wrestlers Sunday School class. *A schedule of future Wrestlers topics is on the information table in the narthex.*

Today's Flower Dedications

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and with praise and thanksgiving for the life and love of Daniel J. James by his family.

The flowers in the Court of Flags are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Al Yamada for his September 29th birthday by his wife, Kristine Heine.

Join a Small Group

Sign up today; groups meet Oct. 9–Nov. 13

Are you looking for Christian community in the midst of your busy life? Become part of a small group! **Group registration begins today.** Small groups meet regularly for six weeks at different times and locations in the DC area for friendship, prayer, discussion and study based on the previous Sunday's Scripture passage and sermon. *Sign up online: nationalpres.org/small-groups*

Music at National

3 p.m., Sanctuary

Washington Bach Consort begins a new era and season with *Iconic Bach*, honoring the late J. Reilly Lewis and introducing Todd Fickley, serving as music director and organ soloist. Volunteer greeter opportunities are available for this season-opener! *Contact Carolann: CHaley@NationalPres.org*

WEEKLY ON SUNDAYS

Sunday School

9:30–10:30 a.m.

Adults

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

Today's "Wrestlers" class topic:

Elder John Gregg will lead a follow-up discussion on the Faith & Politics forum.

Parents' Gathering

10:00–10:30 a.m. Elson Parlor

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.

"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 Choirs (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

Notes of Greeting and Encouragement

Send postcards to NPC members and friends who are in need of cheer and encouragement. *Supplies are available each Sunday in Stone Hall.*

9 A.M. WORSHIP

Sanctuary

WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE

Andante
from *Symphony No. 1*

Louis Vierne
Dan Campolieta, guest organist

CHIMES AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Dr. Quinn Fox

▲ HYMN 473 *verses 1-4*

For the Beauty of the Earth

Dix

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

We worship and adore you, merciful God, but we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart, and mind, and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy, forgive what we have been, amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

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

Hymn 473, verse 5

For thy church that evermore lifteth holy hands above, offering up on every shore her pure sacrifice of love, Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed *see p. 6*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. David Renwick

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

As a Little Child

Kurt Kaiser

Let the children come to me, for the kingdom of God belongs to them.

Come to God as a little child; he will never refuse you.

Mary Ellen Cain, Michael Denham & Joanna Jones

▲ DOXOLOGY *see p. 6*

Lasst uns erfreuen

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER *see p. 6*

Rev. Donna Marsh

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

A TIME FOR CHILDREN

Children (grades K-5) may leave now for Sunday School. Leaders will escort children to the school building, where parents will pick them up at 10:30 a.m.

SCRIPTURE

Mark 3:13-19, 31-34

Deacon Alfreda Robinson Bennett

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

SERMON

Significant Others

Dr. David Renwick

"What Jesus Said" sermon series

Mark 9:38-41, 10:13-16

WE LEAVE TO SERVE IN GOD'S WORLD

▲ HYMN 441

I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord

St. Thomas

▲ BENEDICTION AND PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

▲ POSTLUDE

Final

Louis Vierne

from *Symphony No. 1*

▲ Congregation standing, as able

10:50 A.M. WORSHIP

Jones Hall (School Gym)

WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

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| ▲ WELCOME SONGS | Look to You | Joth Hunt |
| | Let the Heavens Open | Kari Jobe |

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Donna Marsh

CALL TO WORSHIP

Hilda Gore

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| ▲ SONG OF RESPONSE | Amazing Grace | Chris Tomlin |
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PRAYER OF ADORATION

CONFESSION OF SIN

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, and word, deed, by what we have done, and what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart, and mind, and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy, forgive what we have been, amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

SILENT CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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| ▲ RESPONSE OF PRAISE | If We're Honest | Francesca Battistelli |
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WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

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| ▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH | Apostles' Creed | John Turpin |
| 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 *see p. 6*

CLOSING SONG *offering received*

I Will Follow

Chris Tomlin

- ▲ CLOSING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION

- ▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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CHIMES

CALL TO WORSHIP

Dr. Quinn Fox

▲ HYMN 473 *verses 1-4* For the Beauty of the Earth *Dix*

▲ PRAYER OF ADORATION

▲ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *Hymn 473, verse 5*

For thy church that evermore lifteth holy hands above,
Offering up on every shore her pure sacrifice of love,
Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done, and what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart, and mind, and strength.
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
In your mercy, forgive what we have been,
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To the glory of your holy name.

SILENT CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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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

Dr. David Renwick

PATHWAY OF DISCIPLESHIP

SCRIPTURE

Mark 3:13-19, 31-34

Deacon Gerri Hall

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S GRACE AND CALL

CHORAL RESPONSE

Du meiner Seelen

The cup of water giv’n for thee still holds the freshness of thy grace;
Yet long the multitudes to see the sweet compassion of thy face.

F. M. North

▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed

Rev. Donna Marsh

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

O Magnify the Lord with Me

George Lynn

O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt God's name forever. Hallelujah, amen!

Bay State Collection, 1856

▲ DOXOLOGY

Lasst uns erfreuen

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! Alleluia!

- ▲ PRAYER OF DEDICATION
- ▲ HYMN 441
- I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord
- St. Thomas
- ▲ BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN
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- ▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST
- ▲ POSTLUDE
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UPCOMING EVENTS

Business & Professional Women's Guild Luncheon

Oct. 1, 11:45 a.m.–2 p.m. Elson Parlor

All women are invited for lunch and presentation on "Where in the World? Following the Renwick Library Trail" with Currie Renwick. Presentation begins at 1 p.m. *Contact Jo Schoolfield to join the noon luncheon (\$15): 301.598.6284.*

Men's Breakfast

Saturday, Oct. 1, 8–9:30 a.m., Stone Hall

Enjoy a hearty breakfast and a presentation by Chaplain Steven A. Schaick, Brigadier General, USAF, on "Hounded by Truth." *Reserve your place: Men@NationalPres.org or call 202.537.7527.*

Become a Stephen Minister

Training class begins Oct. 4

Are you called to be a part of this meaningful ministry? Stephen Ministers are members of the congregation who provide one-on-one conversation and prayer for people who are going through a difficult time, such as divorce, grief, unemployment, illness, or loneliness.

Contact: Lucille Smiley 202.832.1596 or Dottie McKnight, 301.320.5168.

"American Ulysses" Evening with the Author

Thursday, Oct. 6, 7 p.m., Chapel

Dr. Ronald C. White, Presbyterian pastor and author of *American Ulysses: A Life of Ulysses S. Grant*, will present a reading of the book followed by audience interaction and book signing. Dr. White was at NPC in 2002 to present his book on Abraham Lincoln's Second Inaugural Address, and again in fall 2006 as theologian in residence.

"The Great Experiment" Book Group

Thursdays, Oct. 13– Nov. 17

7:15 p.m., Elson Parlor

Dr. Quinn Fox will lead a weekly discussion featuring readings from Dr. Os Guinness' Trinity Forum study, *The Great Experiment: Faith and Freedom in America*. The readings include thoughts from some of the greatest political minds of Western society, helping us to examine and reach conclusions about the connection between faith and freedom in society, asking specifically what role faith should play in sustaining freedom today. *Contact: Holly Novak, HNovak@NationalPres.org or 202.537.7527.*

Christians in the Middle East

Friday, Oct. 14, 6 p.m.

Georgetown Marriott Hotel

Join Dr. Renwick and a group from NPC for the annual banquet of NPC mission partner **Holy Land Christian Ecumenical Foundation (HCEF)**. Reserve your free place at NPC's table for the dinner, which will honor the Secretary General of the UN World Tourism Organization, among others, and focus on HCEF's ministry of support to our Christian brothers and sisters in the Holy Land. *Contact: Susan O'Banion, SObanion@NationalPres.org or 202.537.7503, for reservations.*

Party with Purpose

Sunday, Oct. 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.*

Financial Report through August 31, 2016

	YTD ACTUAL	YTD BUDGET	ANNUAL BUDGET
Faith Giving	\$1,504,925	\$1,630,226	\$2,900,000
Other Income	\$1,191,748	\$1,312,014	\$2,038,030
Total Income	\$2,696,673	\$2,942,240	\$4,938,030
Total Expenses	\$3,132,546	\$3,224,389	\$4,938,030
Net Income/(Deficit)	\$(435,872)	\$(282,149)	—

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.

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.

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.

Please pray for:

Colleen "Coke" Evans
Shirley McConnell

Max Schestopol

We mourn the death of:

Mark Gourley on September 17. A service will be held Saturday, Oct. 1 at 11 a.m. in the Chapel followed by a reception in Stone Hall.

Prayer requests: nationalpres.org/prayer

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Year 2

Sept. 25 – Oct. 2

Sunday

Psalms 108; 23
Hosea 1:1-2:1
James 3:1-13
Matthew 13:44-52

Monday

Psalms 62; 9
Hosea 2:2-15
Acts 20:17-38
Luke 5:1-11

Tuesday

Psalms 12; 7
Hosea 2:16-23
Acts 21:1-14
Luke 5:12-26

Wednesday

Psalms 96; 134
Hosea 3:1-5
Acts 21:15-26
Luke 5:27-39

Thursday

Psalms 116; 130
Hosea 4:1-10
Acts 21:27-36
Luke 6:1-11

Friday

Psalms 84; 40
Hosea 4:11-19
Acts 21:37-22:16
Luke 6:12-26

Saturday

Psalms 63; 90
Hosea 5:1-7
Acts 22:17-29
Luke 6:27-38

Sunday

Psalms 103; 139
Hosea 5:8-6:6
1 Corinthians 2:6-16
Matthew 14:1-12



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