The National Presbyterian Church

A MINISTRY OF GRACE, PASSIONATE ABOUT CHRIST'S MISSION IN THE WORLD

Happy are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

Matthew 5:8

ORDER OF WORSHIP

9:15 & 11 а.м.

Kindly turn off your cell phone and other electronic devices.

Entering God's Presence

Prelude

A Trumpet Minuet

Alfred Hollins

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Evangeline Taylor

William Neil, organ

Let us lift up our hearts and voices and together worship God!

▲ HYMN 478 verses 1-3

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

Lauda anima

▲ Prayer of Adoration

▲ Congregational Response

Hymn 478, verse 4

Angels, help us to adore him: Ye behold him face to face;

Sun and moon, bow down before him, dwellers all in time and space.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise with us the God of grace.

Confession of Sin in unison

Almighty God,

to you all hearts are open,

all desires are known,

and no secrets are hidden.

Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the power of your Holy Spirit,

that we may better love you,

and more worthily magnify your holy 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

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

Children may meet their Sunday School leaders in the Court of Flags:

9:15 a.m. to join their peers in Sunday School in the school building. (grades K–5)

11 a.m. to go to the Worship for Life program in Church Room 106, then return after the sermon to sit with their parents or Sunday School leader in the transept on the right. (grades K–2)

Welcome and Announcements

Dr. David Renwick

PATHWAY OF DISCIPLESHIP

Encouraging one another to love and good deeds.

Hebrews 10

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 139: 1-6, 13-14, 23-24

9:15 a.m. Mary Ellen Cain

The Word of the Lord.

Pew Bible pp. 503-504

11 a.m. Elder Delores Ziegler

Thanks be to God.

RESPONDING TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

RESPONSE Blest Are They David Haas and Michael Joncas

Choir then Congregation

Blest are they who show mercy; mercy shall be theirs.

Blest are they, the pure of heart; they shall see God.

Rejoice and be glad! Blessed are you; holy are you! Rejoice and be glad! Yours is the kingdom of God!

▲ 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

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

Thou Wilt Keep Him in Perfect Peace

Samuel Wesley

Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee.

The dark is no darkness with thee, but the night is as clear as the day.

The darkness and the light to thee are both alike.

God is light, and in him is no darkness at all.

O let my soul live, and it shall praise thee,

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forevermore.

Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee.

▲ 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! Alleluia!*

▲ Prayer of Dedication

RECOGNITION OF NEW MEMBERS AND BAPTISM 11 a.m.

Exchange of Vows

Prayer

God of love, we rejoice to receive these newest brothers and sisters in the Body of Christ. May they discover your grace in Jesus Christ, through membership in this church family. May your love hold them, your truth guide them, your joy delight them. Gracious God, touch us all again this day with your grace of belonging. Give us new lives for old, new spirits, new faith, and new commitment in place of all that has grown tired or stale in our lives. We have heard your call and are made new by your Spirit. So may we rise and go from here to discover whatever awaits us, in joy and in trust. To the glory of your Name. Amen.

▲ Hymn 145

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!

Marion

▲ BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace.

Michael Denham

▲ Passing the Peace of Christ

▲ POSTLUDE Fanfare Ronald Arnatt

▲ Congregation standing, as able

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God by Kristin Forsberg Green in loving memory of her father, Franklin S. Forsberg who was born on October 21, and her mother, Ann Rountree Forsberg who joined him in heaven on October 21.

The flowers in the Court of Flags are given to the glory of God in honor and in memory of Sam Schoolfield, on the occasion of his 96th birthday, today, October 19, by his wife Jo, children Linda and David, his five grandchildren, and his four great grandsons.

The flowers in the Chapel of the Presidents are given to the glory of God by the children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren of Dock and Lottie Belton in loving memory on the occasion of their 73rd wedding anniversary.

Take flowers to brighten someone's day. Are you planning to visit someone who is ill or home-bound? Take along flowers to bring some cheer! Bud vases with fresh flowers may be found on the table outside of Elson Parlor.

Chapel prayers after worship: If you have a joy or concern on your heart, come to the chapel down the hall to the right as you exit the sanctuary. A pastor, elder or deacon, and Stephen Minister will be there to pray with you privately about your concerns and celebrations.

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.
- Enjoy **coffee and cookies** downstairs in Stone Fellowship Hall after worship.
- Members of our Connections Team, wearing purple badges, are here to welcome you and answer questions.
- **Tours of the church** on Sundays or weekdays are available upon request. Please call for scheduling and information: 202.537.7529.

TODAY

Sunday School for Adults, Youth, and Children 9:30 –10:30 a.m., see p. 8 for locations

Youth Group: Pumpkin Party! 6–7:30 p.m., Youth House

Come for food, fun, and lots of pumpkins!

- NPC Youth dinner (parents welcome!): 6–6:30 p.m., Multi-Purpose Room
- Middle AND High School 6:30–7:30 p.m., Youth House

Young Adults

12:15 p.m., Church Room 110/111 "Across the Aisle" group for young adults (ages 22-35) gathers for lunch and conversation. Contact: Under35@ NationalPres.org.

PHOTO BOOTH Stone Hall

There are only three Sundays left to have your picture taken for the church directory (today, Nov. 2, and Nov. 16) so please come by before or after worship if you haven't yet had your photo taken. We're updating the church directory, and want to include *everyone*!

College Student Lunch Noon, Elson Parlor

All college students are invited for casual conversation and a home cooked-meal after 11 a.m. worship.

MEET & GREET WITH KEITH PATMAN

Come to Stone Hall after worship and say hello to Keith and Jaci Patman. Keith is an NPC missionary serving translation teams with Wycliffe Bible in Chad and Cameroon. The teams are celebrating the conclusion of two translation projects: Yambetta (36 years) and Nugunu (22 years).

MOLDOVA PRAYER 12:15 p.m., Room 107

All are invited for a special time of prayer for the people of Moldova.

SPECIAL OFFERING FOR REFUGEES AND VICTIMS OF WAR

You are invited to contribute to a special offering to help alleviate the suffering of Christian refugees and victims of war in Iraq, Syria and Gaza. Funds received will be distributed through two channels:

1) To the Synod of Syria and Lebanon through Presbyterian Disaster Assistance.

2) To the Iraq Relief Work Fund through the Presbyterian Mission Agency.

Checks will be received throughout

October and can be made to NPC with the memo line: "Iraq, Syria and Gaza."

New Member Connections Sunday

Join in welcoming our newest members into the NPC church family! Please wear a nametag and come to a reception in Stone Hall to meet the new members after both sanctuary services.

NPC welcomes the following new members:

- Phillip Awtrey, Bethesda, MD
- Jennifer Cibor, College Park, MD
- Angela Freeman, Chevy Chase, MD
- Greg Freeman, Chevy Chase, MD
- Heather Horniak, Washington, DC
- Whitson Huffman, Washington, DC
- Rosalie Norair, Potomac, MD
- Sarah O'Keiff, Arlington, VA
- Skye Replogle, Washington, DC
- Alexandra Rogers, Washington, DC *
- Nick Strnad, Washington, DC
- Nora Szeto, *Potomac, MD*
- Alyson Wilson, Washington, DC
- Kimberly Ziser, Silver Spring, MD

*Baptism

Interested in membership at National? The next Pathway of Christian Discipleship class is on Sunday, January 25, 2015. *Contact: Kemet Rakiatu: KRakiatu@NationalPres.org.*

GRIEFSHARE

Sundays, 12:30 p.m., Culbertson Library Those experiencing the loss of a loved one will find encouragement and support during weekly classes.

THIS WEEK AND UPCOMING

Different schedule

What is God's Future for National? Share in a new vision and plan for NPC

Sunday, Oct. 26, 9:15-10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary

God has bold and exciting plans for the future of National, and the Session invites you to catch the vision next Sunday. Copies of NPC's new strategic plan will be available and our Strategic Planning Team will lead us through the plan and help us envision our part within it. This will truly be a morning of celebration, community, and challenge as we affirm our call to be followers of Jesus Christ together.

October 26 Schedule:

- Presentation, prayer, and praise for the Strategic plan at 9:15
- Worship at 8:15 in the chapel or 11 a.m. in the sanctuary (no 9:15 service)
- Program for children through 5th grade at 9:15; no adult or youth Sunday

BOOK STUDY: G.K. CHESTERTON'S "ORTHODOXY" Thursdays in Sept. & Oct. 7:15 p.m., Elson Parlor

Dr. Quinn Fox continues a study of *Orthodoxy*, a major milestone in 20th century Christian thought which has influenced and shaped the faith of countless believers, including C.S. Lewis. *Please read Chapter 8 for the Oct. 23 discussion.*

ADULT FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON Monday, Oct. 20, Stone Hall, Noon This month we welcome the distinguished Ambassador from Malawi, the Honorable Stephen D. Matenje. The Ambassador, a member of NPC, has been in public service since 1980 and will speak about about his life and his role as a government official. For lunch reservations (\$10) register in Stone Hall today or call 202,537,0800.

University Fellowship

New Time & Place
Tuesday, Oct. 21, 8 p.m.
AU East Quad Building, Room 209
All college students are welcome for conversation, scripture study, and food on the 1st and and 3rd Tuesday of every month. Contact: McLane Stone, MStone@NationalPres.org.

FALL FAMILY FESTIVAL Sunday, Oct. 26, 4:30–6:30 p.m, Stone Hall

Families are invited to our third annual Fall Family Festival. Come for food, games, and fun with other NPC kids and parents. Youth will lead games and activities for kids. Please RSVP to Jill Meek, [Meek@NationalPres.org

NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

Tuesday, Oct. 28, 8:45 a.m. Families with children 5th grade and younger, join us for a Fall Open House at NPS! Applications from NPC families to the 3-year-old and Pre-K classes receive priority consideration. Contact: Katy Harvey, kharvey@nps-dc.org, 202.537.7508.

Men's Breakfast Saturday, Nov. 1, 8–9:30 a.m. Stone Hall

Join us for a hearty breakfast as we hear from RADM Fred Byus (U.S. Navy Retired), an NPC elder who will share some of his experiences of "Faith at Fifty Fathoms" during challenging times in his long military career. For reservations, contact Men@NationalPres.org or 202.537.7527.

Business & Professional Women's Guild Luncheon

Saturday, Nov. 8, 12–2 p.m., Stone Hall All women are invited to a catered luncheon; feel free to invite a friend! For lunch reservations (\$12), call Joan Anderson, 202.362.7475. The program begins at 1 p.m. (no charge).

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING Sunday, Nov. 9, 12:15 p.m., Sanctuary Stay after the 11 a.m. service for a meeting of the congregation to elect officers: Elders, Deacons, 2015 Congregational Nominating Committee, and members for the Board of the NPC Fund for Charitable Giving. Officer nominee biographies will be available at the information table on Nov. 2.

DID YOU MISS ANDY CROUCH AT NPC?

Yesterday we welcomed Andy Crouch, Executive Editor of *Christianity Today*, who spoke to us about redeeming power. If you were unable to come to his presentation, the **audio recording** will be posted on our website at nationalpres. org/lectures. Copies of his books, *Playing God: Redeeming the Gift of Power* and *Culture Making* can be purchased in our bookstore.

October's Food Donation: 1 LB. BAGS OF RICE

Please bring donations of 1 lb. bags of brown or white rice for mission partner Martha's Table to the baskets outside of Stone Hall, or upstairs at the information table. You can help gather food donations or pack and deliver food to Martha's Table! Contact: Nancy Chapman Colb, nancy@nchapman.com.

VOLUNTEER AT INGLESIDE RETIREMENT COMMUNITY

Build friendships and enable residents to participate in worship services. Once a month, you can assist in wheeling residents from their rooms to a Sunday morning (10:30 a.m.) hymn sing or Sunday afternoon (4 p.m.) chapel service held at Ingleside. Contact: Rebekah Liu at Paulreb3@msn.com

EXPERT ADVICE FOR OLDER ADULTS

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 NPC. Contact Lisa at 202.895.9440 or LRindner@iona.org

Prepare for Marriage Seminar Saturday, February 14, 2015 8:45 a.m. – 3 p.m. Elson Parlor

Are you planning on getting married in 2015? Join other engaged couples for a day of preparation, information, and reflection. **This class is offered once per year and is required for all couples whose weddings will be held at NPC.** Cost: \$100 per couple. *Contact: Holly Novak, HNovak@ NationalPres.org; 202.537.7527.*

PRAYER MINISTRY

Please pray for: Nettie Broyhill Colin Perkins Loris Witherspoon Maisie Gordon Wittman

We mourn the death of: Elizabeth Norment, daughter of Nancy Norment McCabe, on October 13.

> Confidential prayer requests: nationalpres.org/prayer

CLASSES AND GROUPS

LECTIONARY

Year 2

Oct. 19 - 26

READINGS

Sunday

Psalms 67; 93 Micah 1:1-9 1 Corinthians 10:1-13 Matthew 16:13-20

Monday

Psalms 57; 47 Micah 2:1-13 Revelation 7:1-8 Luke 9:51-62

Tuesday

Psalms 54; 99 Micah 3:1-8 Revelation 7:9-17 Luke 10:1-16

Wednesday

Psalms 65; 91 Micah 3:9-4:5 Revelation 8:1-13 Luke 10:17-24

Thursday

Psalms 143; 116 Micah 5:1-4, 10-15 Revelation 9:1-12 Luke 10:25-37

Friday

Psalms 88; 20 Micah 6:1-8 Revelation 9:13-21 Luke 10:38-42

Saturday

Psalms 122; 63 Micah 7:1-7 Revelation 10:1-11 Luke 11:1-13

Sunday

Psalms 108; 23 Jonah 1:1-17a 1 Corinthians 10:15-24 Matthew 18:15-20

ADULTS

Sunday Classes, 9:30 a.m. • Life in Progress: Seeking God Amidst Life's Complexities

 Financial Peace University Church Room 105 Men's Sunday School Class Agencies 101 • Exploring John's Gospel: A Bible Study Agencies 105 • A Living Faith for Hostile Times: Guidance from the Apostle Paul Church Room 5 • The Church in the 20th Century Church Room 110/111 Agencies Lower Level • Wrestlers: Engaging Contemporary Issues • Ephesians: Growing Up in Christ, Learning to be the Church Elson Parlor

Groups

• Across the Aisle (ages 22–35) Sundays, 12:15 p.m. Church Room 110/111 • Adult Fellowship Luncheon 3rd Monday of the month, Noon Stone Hall • Cub Scout Troop 1946, Every other Tuesday, 6–7 p.m. MP Bldg. & Agencies Lower Level • "Real Moms" Coffeehouse Wednesdays, 9:30 a.m. Church Room 107 • Wednesday Women 2nd Wednesday of the month, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Church Room 110/111

• Boy Scout Troop 1946, Wednesdays, 7-8:30 p.m. Agencies Lower Level • Afternoon T.E.A. Bible Study 2nd Wednesday of the month, 1:30-3 p.m Elson Parlor • WomenConnect 3rd Wednesday of the month, 7-8:45 p.m. Elson Parlor

• Community Bible Study Thursdays, 7-9 p.m. Agencies 105 • Men's Breakfast 1st Saturday of the month, 8 - 9:30 a.m. • B&P Women's Guild Luncheon 1st Saturday of the month, Noon

Stone Hall • Saturday Morning Bible Study Saturdays, 8:30 – 10 a.m. Satellite Library • Women in the Word Bible Study Saturdays, 9:30–11 a.m. Church Room 105 • GriefShare Sundays, 12:30 p.m. Culbertson Library

YOUTH

Sunday School, 9:15 – 10:30 a.m.

• Middle School (6th & 7th grade) MP Building; Multipurpose Room 101 Middle School (8th grade) Agencies 102 • High School (9th – 12th grade) Youth House

Youth Group, Sundays, 5–7:30 p.m.

• Middle School (6th–8th grade): **5–6 p.m.** Youth House • NPC Youth dinner (parents welcome!): 5:45-6:45 p.m. Multi Purpose Room • High School (9th-12th grade): **6:30-7:30 p.m.** Youth House

CHILDREN

Preschool Sunday School, 9:15 – 10:30 a.m.

Parents drop off children between 9:10-9:15 and pick up children in their classrooms at 10:30 a.m.

• 2-year olds: Church Room 8 • 3-year olds: School Room 104

• 4-year olds: School Room 106

Elementary Sunday School, 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.

Children meet teachers in the school gym at 9:30 a.m., whether coming directly to Sunday School, or from worship after the Time for Children. Parents, pick up children in their classrooms at 10:30.

• Kindergarten: School Room 108 3rd Grade: School Room 208 • 1st Grade: School Room 132 4th Grade: School Room 240 2nd Grade:School Room 200 5th Grade: School Room 242

Children's Church, 11 a.m.

Church Room 106

School Room 236

, Stone Hall

Children grades K-2 begin in worship, attend the children's church program, and return after the sermon.

CHILDCARE 8 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

 Crib Room: Babies 6 weeks – Crawling Church Room 16 • Walker Room: Toddlers and walkers up to 4 yrs. Church Room 7

MUSIC

• Chancel Choir Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m. Choir Room • Contemporary Music Team Wednesdays 6:30 – 8 p.m. Chapel Church Room 110 Grace Chimes Handbells Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. • Children's Choir (K-5th grade) Sundays, 10:30-10:55 a.m. School Building • Youth Choir (6th grade +) Sundays, 10:25-10:55 a.m. Mulipurpose Room

BOOKSTORE & LIBRARY Sundays 8 a.m. – 1 p.m.

• Culbertson Library (also: M-TH 8 a.m. – 3 p.m.) Admin. Bldg., Second Floor • Satellite Library & Moehrle Bookstore Adjacent to Stone Hall

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