











July 2, 2023 Communion

Welcome to NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Leading people to become faithful followers of Jesus Christ together in God's world

And they went and woke him up, saying, 'Lord, save us! We are perishing!' And he said to them, 'Why are you afraid, you of little faith?' Then he got up and rebuked the winds and the sea; and there was a dead calm. Matthew 8:25-26

Senior Pastor Associate Pastors

Parish Associates

Music

Ministry Directors

Dr. Ray Hylton, Sr. Rev. Donna Marsh Dr. Quinn Fox Rev. Lisa Larsen Dr. Nancy Fox Dr. Kerry Stoltzfus Dr. Michael Denham (Director) Todd Fickley (Organist) Joanna Zorack-Greene (Contemporary Music Leader) Jonathan Edwards (Serve) Kristin Franke (Youth & Families) Jill Meek (Children) Leslie Saum (Connections)

EVENTS AT NATIONAL

For more information about all our events, please visit the Events page on our website at nationalpres.org. Questions? Email us at <u>info@nationalpres.org</u>!

Communion

Today, July 2, you are invited to share in the celebration of communion with us. If you are celebrating from home, please <u>click here</u> to read the guidelines for preparation.

Summer Sermon Series: The Questions Jesus Asked Sundays Through September 3rd

In the four gospels, Jesus asked approximately 307 questions. His questions were often challenging and thought-provoking. They invited people to examine their hearts and consider their priorities, but they also revealed Jesus's own character and identity. On Sundays, June 25th-September 3rd, we consider eleven poignant questions. These questions are still relevant today. They encourage us to think Christianly, grow in faith, to understand ourselves better, and to make a difference in the world.

Park Night for Youth Thursday, July 6, 7:00 pm

Calling all youth – are you ready for some fun and friends? Come and join us for Park Night at Turtle Park! Depending on the mood, we'll play basketball, gaga, spikeball, Frisbee, or just hang out on the playground. For more information, please email Kyle at <u>kputnam@nationalpres.org</u>. See you there!

Men's Breakfast Saturday, July 8, 8:00 am

All men are invited to join us in person for our men's breakfast. Dr. Quinn Fox will be our speaker for July. Please email Kristi Teems at <u>kteems@nationalpres.org</u> for more information or to RSVP.

Follow Up on Speaker from Ukraine

Many of you have asked how to support the ministry of Dr. Ivan Rusyn, president of the Ukrainian Evangelical Theological Seminary (UETS) in Kyiv, following his timely and powerful talk at NPC last Sunday. You may give by going to <u>https://www.theoutreachfoundation.</u> <u>org/online-giving</u>. At the bottom of the page, select UETS to designate your gift. The website also tells you how to give by check or other means.

Club 45 (4th & 5th graders) Sunday, July 9 at 5:00 pm

Calling all 4th and 5th graders! Invite your friends and join us for fun, faith, and fellowship. If you are interested in attending, please contact <u>imeek@nationalpres.org</u> or check our <u>Events page</u> for more information and meeting dates.

Summer of Serving: You are making a difference!

As we start our second year of Summer of Serving, you are already making a difference in our community. On June 18, you made about 500 trail mix bags and 400 sandwiches for Martha's Table. This past Sunday, you made 400 bags of snacks for kids at Unique Learning Center, with additional snacks donated as well. Thank you to everyone who donated and helped! For more information and the donation list for upcoming weeks, please <u>click here</u> or visit our Events webpage.

8:45 AM WORSHIP

Sanctuary and Online

WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

GATHERING

Improvisations

Kevin Rose, piano

Rev. Lisa Larsen

CALL TO WORSHIP

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	Opening Song	Freedom	Brett Younker and Kris	tian Stanfill	
	Step out of the shadows, s	1 0			
	Break into the wild and				
		spaces; grace is waiting for			
		eight has been lifted; grace	e		
		of the Lord is there is freedo	2		
	Where the Spirit of the Lord is there is freedom, there is freedom. Come out of the dark, just as you are, into the fullness of his love.				
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	1	ere; let there be freedom. Let	t there be freedom!		
	Bring all of your burdens;	nion, come back to the star	t		
		spaces; grace is waiting for			
	-	eight has been lifted; grace	•		
		hake at the sound of Jesus'	e		
	1	rts awake at the sound of Je			
•	Prayer of Adoration				
	CONFESSION OF SIN in unisc	on			
	Almighty God, your ancie	ent prophets proclaimed			
	that all nations will one	e day acknowledge you and	l bow before you.		
		o the truth and power of ye	our word.		
	Forgive the hardness of				
		gthen us to obey and follow			
	• •	tice rolls down like waters,			
	and righteousness in	ke an ever-flowing stream.			
	SILENT CONFESSION AND				
	Believe the good news of	-			
	In Jesus Christ we are for	rgiven. Thanks be to God.			
	Congregational Respon	NSE		Nettleton	
	Glory be to God the Fathe	er, glory also to the Son, glo	ory to the Holy Spirit,		
	Ever Three and ever Or	ne;			
	As it was in the begi	nning, now and evermore	shall be;		

Alleluia and thanksgiving, now and through eternity.

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▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed

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.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

A TIME FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

Children ages 5 to 5th grade will then be dismissed for Children's Chapel. Parents may take children age 4 and under to the nursery.

Welcome and Announcements

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The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Sermon

The Questions Jesus Asked Why Are You Afraid? Dr. Ray Hylton, Sr.

Rev. Donna Marsh

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

Children return to join their parents in the sanctuary.

Call for Offering of Tithes and Gifts

Offering plates are at the back of the sanctuary to receive your tithes, gifts and prayer cards as you exit.

▲ OFFERING SONG Amazing Grace, My Chains Are Gone

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me. I once was lost but now I'm found was blind but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear and grace my fears relieved.

How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!

Chorus:

My chains are gone, I've been set free! My God, my Savior, has ransomed me! And like a flood, his mercy reigns unending love, amazing grace.

The Lord has promised good to me, his word my hope secures.

He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures. *Chorus (2x)* The earth shall soon dissolve like snow, the sun forbear to shine.

But God who called me here below will be forever mine, will be forever mine. You are forever mine.

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Chris Tomlin

	The Sacrament of Communion			Rev. Marsh
	Invitation to the Table			
	Words of Institution and Distribution			
		Behold the Lamb	Keith Getty and S	tuart Townend
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 tempta			
	For thine is the kingdom	and the power and the glo	ory, forever. Ame	en.
	▲ Closing Song	Trust In You		Lauren Daigle
	Letting go of every single drear	n, I lay each one down at y	your feet.	
	Every moment of my wande	ring never changes what y	vou see.	
	I've tried to win this war, I conf	fess. My hands are weary, I	I need your rest.	
	Mighty warrior, King of the fight, no matter what I face you're by my side.			ide.
	Chorus: When you don't move the mountains I'm needing you to move,			
	when you don't part the waters I wish I could walk through,			
	when you don't give the answers as I cry out to you:			
	I will trust, I will trust, I will trust in you!			
	Truth is you know what tomor	row brings. There's not a c	lay ahead you ha	we not seen.
	So in all things be my life an	d breath.		
	I want what you want, Lo	e		
	You are my strength and comfo			
	You are my firm foundation,	, the Rock on which I stan	d	
	Your ways are always high			
	There's not a place whe	ere I'll go you've not alread	ly stood! <i>Choru</i>	s(2x)
•	▲ Benediction and Passing th	e Peace of Christ		Dr. Hylton

▲ Sending

NPC Band

▲ Congregation standing, as able

11:00 AM WORSHIP

Sanctuary and Online

WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE

Fanfare for the Common Man Aaron Copland Todd Fickley, organ, and Jeffrey Grant, timpani

CHIMES

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Lisa Larsen

National Hymn

- ▲ HYMN 262 verses 1-3 God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand
- ▲ PRAYER OF ADORATION
- ▲ Congregational Response

Hymn 262, verse 4

Refresh thy people on their toilsome way; lead us from night to never-ending day; Fill all our lives with love and grace divine, and glory, laud, and praise be ever thine.

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- Yet we remain calloused to the truth and power of your word.
 - Forgive the hardness of our sinful hearts.
- In mercy and grace, strengthen us to obey and follow you, until that day when justice rolls down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

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.

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The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Sermon	The Questions Jesus Asked	Dr. Ray Hylton, Sr.
	Why Are You Afraid?	

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

Response

Choir:

God is our refuge and our strength, our ever present aid,

And, therefore, though the earth remove, we will not be afraid;

Congregation:

Though hills amid the seas be cast, though foaming waters roar, Psalm 46 Yea, though the mighty billows shake the mountains on the shore. The Psalter, 1912

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Offertory

Be Not Afraid

Craig Courtney

Be not afraid, for I have redeemed you; be not afraid, I have called you by name. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; when you pass through the floods, they will not sweep o'er you; when you walk through the fire, you will not be consumed; you are mine, you are precious in my sight.

My love for you is everlasting, my love for you shall have no end. Based on Isaiah 43:1-4

Rev. Larsen

Rev. Donna Marsh

Rev. Marsh

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The Sacrament of Communion Invitation to the Table		Rev. Marsh		
Words of Institution and Distribution				
Music Meditat	ion This Is My Song	Finlandia		
This is my song, O God of all the nations, a song of peace for lands afar and mine.				
This is my home, the country where my heart is;				
here are my hopes, my dreams, my holy shrine;				
But other hearts in other lands are beating				
with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.				
This is my prayer, O Lord of all earth's kingdoms:				
thy kingdo	thy kingdom come, on earth thy will be done.			
Let Chi	Let Christ be lifted up till all shall serve him, and hearts united learn to live as one.			
O hear my prayer, thou God of all the nations; myself I give thee;				
	let thy will be done.			
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, for	orever. Amen.		
▲ Hymn 281	Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah	Cwm Rhondda		
▲ Benediction		Dr. Hylton		
▲ CHORAL RESPONSE You are precious in my sight.				
▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST Rev. Marsh				
▲ Postlude	The Stars and Stripes Forever	John Philip Sousa Mr. Fickley, organ		

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to Our New Senior Pastor Rev. Dr. Raymond I. Hylton, Sr.

June 11 officially marked the beginning of an exciting new chapter for our congregation. Please continue to join us in extending a warm and heartfelt welcome to our new senior pastor, Rev. Dr. Raymond I. Hylton, Sr., and his wife Judith! For more information, please <u>click here</u> or visit our Senior Pastor Search webpage.

Summer Choir

We'd love to welcome you and lift our voices together! Rehearsals are on Sundays only at 10:00 am in the choir room. Just come on in. Questions? Call Emmett Sauchuck in the Music Office 202.537.7553 or email to esauchuck@nationalpres.org.

Gift Bibles for You!

We have Bibles in the narthex for you or anyone who does not have a Bible of their own. Please pick one up today as our gift to you!

Video Team Volunteers

Do you have an interest in video mixing, video cameras or live streaming? If so, we would love to hear from you! Join our volunteer team to help bring the good news of the gospel into hundreds of homes each week. If you'd like to volunteer or have questions, please contact Bill McNett at <u>bmcnett@nationalpres.org</u>.

Join Our Welcome Team!

We need many smiling faces to greet, usher and connect with folks on Sundays. Please <u>click here</u> or visit our Serve at Church webpage and sign up today! You may also may contact Leslie Saum directly at <u>LSaum@nationalpres.org</u>, 202.537.7494.

This Coming Week at a Glance

For information about all of these events, please see the <u>Events page</u> on our website.

Sunday, July 2 - Communion

- 8:45 am: Contemporary Worship
- 9:45 am: Summer Speaker Series
- 9:45 am: Summer of Serving (for all ages and in place of Children & Youth Sunday School)
- 11:00 am: Traditional Worship
- 12:00 pm: Summer of Serving

Tuesday, July 4

• NPC offices closed for Independence Day

Thursday, July 6

• 7:30 pm: Youth Park Night

Saturday, July 8

• 8:00 am: Men's breakfast

Sunday, July 9

- 8:45 am: Contemporary Worship
- 9:45 am: Summer Speaker Series
- 9:45 am: Summer of Serving (for all ages and in place of Children & Youth Sunday School)
- 11:00 am: Traditional Worship
- 12:00 pm: Summer of Serving (2nd Sunday Sandwich Making)
- 5:00 pm: Club 45 (4th & 5th graders)
- 6:30 pm: Youth Group

Trips:

- July 8-14: Intergenerational Mission trip to the Dominican Republic
- July 9-14: High School Fun in the Son

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Our worship services are in the Sanctuary and online on our Watch webpage.

- 8:45 am: Contemporary Worship
- 9:45 am: Summer Speaker Series (Adult Classes)
- **9:45 am:** Summer of Serving (for all ages and in place of Children's and Youth Sunday School)
- 11:00 am: Traditional Worship
- 12:00 pm: Summer of Serving (for all ages)

Children's Ministry

- Please <u>click here</u> or visit our Children's webpage to read about Children's Ministry.
- The Nursery and Toddler Rooms are available on Sundays, 8:30 am-noon for infants to walkers, up to age 4.
- This summer, we have lots of great activities for children, including Club 45 (4th & 5th graders) and Summer of Serving. Please check our <u>Events webpage</u> and mark your calendars!

Youth Ministry

- Please <u>click here</u> or visit our Youth webpage for information about Youth Ministry.
- This summer, we have lots of great activities for youth, including Youth Group, nights at the park, high school and middle school trips and Summer of Serving. Please check our <u>Events webpage</u> and mark your calendars!

Thank you to all who helped with Vacation Bible School!

We are so grateful to all the volunteers, including over 50 youth, who helped bring God's love to over 100 children last week!

Summertime Reading: Visit Our Library

Stop by the Library on the 2nd floor for a display of suggested books for your summer reading! We have books for children, youth and adults. You'll find a fruitful selection to help you grow as we follow the summer sermon series, *The Questions Jesus Asked*. Our Library hours are Sundays, 9:00 am-1:00 pm.



Called

to Care

The Care and Joy List

Please contact the Care Office if you would like to receive prayer or be on our Care and Joy list, which is distributed weekly by email. The Care and Joy list is for those who want our congregation to pray specifically for them. While it lists the names of those seeking prayer, the specific concerns remain confidential. If you feel called to pray for others and would like to receive the Care and Joy list each week, please contact the Care Office at <u>careoffice@nationalpres.org</u> or 202.537.7540.

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone. 1 Timothy 2:1

SUMMER SPEAKER SERIES

Sundays through August 27, Stone Fellowship Hall, 9:45-10:45 am

Each Sunday this summer we'll engage an important theme of our life together—as Christian community and in the larger community. Please <u>click here</u> or visit our Adult Classes page to read more about the speakers and their topics as well as for the Zoom link.

- Today, July 2 : Dr. Quinn Fox, Associate Pastor for Discipleship, National Presbyterian Church, *Animated Virtue: The Gospel According to Pixar*
- Next Sunday, July 9: Dr. Tremper Longman Professor of Old Testament Emeritus, Westmont College, Ancient Wisdom for God's People in the 21st Century
- Next Sunday, July 16 : Cherie Harder, President, The Trinity Forum, Context, Crisis, and Hope: Faith in a Post-Quarantine World
- July 23: Rev. Dr. Margaret Kibben, Chaplain, US House of Representatives, *The State of Faith and Politics*

SUMMER OF SERVING

Sundays at 9:45 am and 12:00 pm

This summer, we invite you to bring your friends, bring your family and bring yourself as we have a great time serving together! This opportunity will be:

- Each Sunday after both worship services, through August 20
- For all ages and takes the place of Children's and Youth Sunday School

We will gather in the Garden Rooms for a different outreach focus each week. There will be coffee and snacks, friends both old and new, and terrific hands-on projects to make a difference in the lives of the hurting, homeless and hungry. To read more and find out how you can help with donations, please <u>click here</u> or visit our our Events webpage. We have both online and in-person options for helping!

Summer of Serving Schedule

Today, July 2 - holiday weekend

- 9:45 am and noon in the Garden Rooms
- Join us for food and fellowship!

Next Sunday, July 9: Martha's Table

- 9:45 am: Making trail mix for Martha's Table in the Garden Rooms
- 12:00 pm: 2nd Sunday Sandwich Making for Martha's Table in Stone Fellowship Hall

Donation Shopping List for July 16: Central Union Mission

You don't have to donate to participate! The donation bins can be found on all three levels of the church building.

- Travel-size of: tissue packs, disposable hand wipes, hand lotion, bar of soap, antibacterial ointment, cotton swabs, shaving cream
- Disposable razors
- Adhesive bandages
- Small washcloths
- Pair of white athletic socks
- Small bottle of water or juice

THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE!

New to National? Welcome!

Welcome and thank you for being here today! Please stop by the Welcome Center just outside the sanctuary. We would love to meet you and we have a gift for you! Here are some easy online ways to connect with us:

- <u>Click here</u> or the button on our Watch page to sign our online guestbook.
- <u>Click here</u> or visit our home page at nationalpres.org to sign up for our e-newsletter.
- Follow us on social media!
 <u>Facebook | Instagram | YouTube</u>

Children and Youth E-newsletters

If you have little ones or youth in your household and would like to receive our updates, please:

- <u>Click here</u> or visit our Children's page for kids up to 5th grade.
- <u>Click here</u> or visit our Youth page for kids in middle and high school.

Prayers

We give thanks for:

The blessing of Vacation Bible School this past week. May the seeds that were planted bear good fruit.

We pray for:

NPC's youth, for God's encouragement and guidance as they grow, and for boldness to share the good news of Jesus.

> How may we pray for you? Please submit prayer requests to the Care Office, <u>careoffice@nationalpres.org</u> 202.537.7540.

Your Giving and Commitments Make a Difference! Thank you!

April 2023 Giving Report

\$1,073,000
\$ 396,000
\$ 115,000
\$ 1,584,000
\$ 1,905,000
\$ (321,000)

Would you like to make a gift?

- Mail or place it in the offering plate
- Go to <u>nationalpres.org/giving</u>
- Text "NPC" to 833.414.9444
- Donate stock
- Disburse your Qualified Charitable Distribution from your IRA
- Scan the QR code below:



For help or questions about giving, please contact our Finance Office at 202.537.7495 or email our Director of Finance and Administration, Leah Skrine at <u>lskrine@nationalpres.org</u>.

Community Health Note

Masks are optional at our services, with the exception of the balcony and the lectern-side transept (at the front on your right), where masks are required. Our ushers are happy to guide you to your preferred seating area.

Today's Flowers

The flowers in the Sanctuary today are given by The Military Ministry in honor of all who have served and are serving in the military to protect our freedom.



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