

July 23, 2023



Welcome to
**NATIONAL
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH**

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

*Why do you see the speck in your neighbor's eye,
but do not notice the log in your own eye?*

Matthew 7:3

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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 info@nationalpres.org!

Summer Speaker Series

Today, 9:45 am, Stone Fellowship Hall

Rev. Dr. Margaret Kibben, Chaplain, United States House of Representatives will discuss *Prayer in the House: The History of Legislative Prayer*.

Summer of Serving

Today, 9:45 and noon, Garden Rooms

Solutions in Hometown Connections

We will be making school care packages for refugee children. Come on down and join us!

Club 45 (4th & 5th graders)

Tonight 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 jmeek@nationalpres.org or check our [Events page](#) for more information and meeting dates.

Park Night for Youth

Tuesday, July 25, 7:00 pm

Calling all youth – are you ready for some fun and friends? Come and join us for Park Night at Turtle Park! For more information, please email Kyle at kputnam@nationalpres.org. See you there!

Celebrating 50-Year Members With Gratitude!

Today we honor those who have been members at National Presbyterian Church for 50 years or more. They have seen many changes, and have remained faithful to God's work in and through our church. Please join us for a reception in Elson Parlor following the 11:00 am service.

Became members prior to 1973 (listed in order of date joined):

Edwina McLean	Rick Gorrell	Marianne McCulloch
Jim Bomkamp	Susan Harmon	Harry Summers
Barbara Bomkamp	Susan Wright	Eloise Summers
Jim Vis	Gena Stephens	Harry Summers Jr.
Frances Atchison	Gene Thompson	Susan Neal Smink
Elizabeth Cardoso	Mary McLean	Darlene Johnson
Diana Schwanhausser	Ann Bailey	William Budke
Irene Stadick	Roma Samuel	Carol Knouse
Beverly Elson	Margaret Johnson	Kristy Chikes
Eleanor Elson Heginbotham	Ronald Carlberg	Joan Sharkey
Jo Carlberg	Emmett Bittick	Kristin Green

Became members in 1973:

Mary Romano	Sharon Buchet	Jane Peterson
Donner Buchet	Nan Muntzing	Nancy Schultze

Nominations for Church Officers

The Congregational Nominating Committee asks for your help in selecting Elders, Deacons, and board members for the Fund for Charitable Giving and next year's Congregational Nominating Committee. Please click here or visit nationalpres.org/nominate for more information or to submit recommendations.

8:45 AM WORSHIP

Sanctuary and Online

WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

GATHERING

Improvisations

Joanna Zorack-Greene, piano

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Lisa Larsen

▲ OPENING SONG

Lift High the Name of Jesus

Keith and Kristyn Getty

Lift high the name of Jesus, of Jesus our King.

Make known the power of His grace, the beauty of His peace.

Remember how His mercy reached and we cried out to Him.

He lifted us to solid ground—to freedom from our sin.

Chorus: *Oh sing my soul! And tell all He's done!*

'Til the earth and heavens are filled with His glory.

Lift high the name of Jesus, of Jesus our Lord.

His pow'r in us is greater than, is greater than this world.

To share the reason for our hope, to serve with love and grace.

That all who see Him shine through us might bring the Father praise. **Chorus**

Lift high the name of Jesus, of Jesus our Light.

No other name on earth can save, can raise a soul to life.

He opens up our eyes to see the harvest He has grown.

We labor in His fields of grace as He leads sinners home. **Chorus (2x)**

▲ PRAYER OF ADORATION

CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

Let not your Word, O Lord, become a judgment upon us,

that we hear it and do not do it,

that we know it and do not love it,

that we believe it and do not obey it.

Forgive our sins of disobedience and pride,

whereby we judge others heavily, and ourselves lightly.

Guide us in your ways to the glory of your name,

you, who with the Father and the Holy Spirit,

live and reign One God, eternal in the beauty of holiness.

From Thomas à Kempis

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

Nettleton

Glory be to God the Father, glory also to the Son, glory to the Holy Spirit,

Ever Three and ever One;

As it was in the beginning, now and evermore shall be;

Alleluia and thanksgiving, now and through eternity.

▲ 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

Rev. Larsen

*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

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 7:1-5

Elder Dennis Burgart

"Do not judge, so that you may not be judged. ²For with the judgment you make you
will be judged, and the measure you give will be the measure you get. ³Why do you see the
speck in your neighbor's eye, but do not notice the log in your own eye? ⁴Or how can you
say to your neighbor, 'Let me take the speck out of your eye,' while the log is in your own
eye? ⁵You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to
take the speck out of your neighbor's eye.

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

SERMON

The Questions Jesus Asked

Dr. Ray Hylton, Sr.

Can You See the Log in Your Eye?

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

Children return to join their parents in the sanctuary.

CALL FOR OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Rev. Donna Marsh

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

▲ OFFERING SONG

Battle Belongs

Brian Johnson and Phil Wickham

When all I see is the battle, you see my victory.

When all I see is a mountain, you see a mountain moved.

And as I walk through the shadow, your love surrounds me.

There's nothing to fear now, for I am safe with you.

Chorus: *So when I fight, I'll fight on my knees, with my hands lifted high.*

O God, the battle belongs to you!

And every fear I lay at your feet. I'll sing through the night,

O God the battle belongs to you.

And if you are for me, who can be against me?

For Jesus, there's nothing impossible for you.

When all I see are the ashes, you see the beauty.

When all I see is a cross, God, you see the empty tomb. **Chorus**

O God, the battle belongs to you.

▲ 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!

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Marsh

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.

▲ CLOSING SONG

1000 Tongues

Matt Maher and Chris Tomlin

We are a sea of voices, we are an ocean of your praise gathered under one name.

We are a tide that's rising and we cannot be contained, gathered under one name.

Chorus: *O for a thousand tongues to sing the glories of our Lord God Almighty.*

O to sing the Savior's praise, a triumph of his grace. You are worthy, you are worthy God.

We have found our anthem at the cross where sin was slain; gathered under one name.

Where ev'ry chain is broken and ev'ry sorrow swept away; gathered under one name.

Chorus

With all Heaven sing, and all earth below: One Holy King, one highest throne! **(2x)**

Chorus (2x)

▲ BENEDICTION AND PASSING THE 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

All Glory Be To God On High, BWV 662

J. S. Bach

Todd Fickley, organ

CHIMES

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Lisa Larsen

▲ HYMN 133

All Glory Be to God on High

Allein' Gott in der Höh'

▲ PRAYER OF ADORATION

▲ CHORAL RESPONSE

My Mouth Shall Speak

Kurt Kaiser

My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord.

Let ev'ry word bless God's holy name forever and ever.

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that we hear it and do not do it,

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Gloria Patri

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As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.

Amen, amen.

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CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

In Babilone

There's a wideness in God's mercy, like the wideness of the sea;
There's a kindness in God's justice, which is more than liberty.
There is no place where earth's sorrows are more felt than up in heav'n;
There is no place where earth's failings have such kindly judgment giv'n.

F. W. Faber, 1854, alt.

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OFFERTORY

Search Me, O God

Heather Sorenson

A Psalm of Humility

Search me, O God, and know my heart.
See if there be any wickedness in me.
Is there strife? Is there pride? A transgression that is hidden from my eye?
Search me, O God, and know my heart.
And lead me, lead me in the path eternal.
And lead me, lead me to life that's everlasting, eternal.
Search me, O God, and know my heart.
Try me. Know me. Search my heart.

Based on Psalm 139:23-24
With Christine Lightner, cello

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▲ HYMN 339

Be Thou My Vision

Slane

▲ BENEDICTION

Dr. Hylton

▲ CHORAL RESPONSE

Search me, O God, and know my heart.

Try me. Know me. Search my heart.

▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Rev. Marsh

▲ POSTLUDE

II. Fugue (from Sonata No. 10 in B minor)

Josef Rheinberger
Mr. Fickley, organ

▲ Congregation standing, as able

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.

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. We will consider eleven poignant questions. These questions are still relevant today. They will encourage us to think Christianly, grow in faith, to understand ourselves better, and to make a difference in the world.

Did you know that NPC has a podcast?

To learn how to follow, please [click here](#) or visit nationalpres.org/podcast.

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 bmcnett@nationalpres.org.

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.

This Coming Week at a Glance

For information about all of these events, please see the [Events page](#) on our website.

Today, July 23

- 8:45 am: Contemporary Worship
- 9:45 am: Summer Speaker Series
- 9:45 am: Summer of Serving (in place of Children & Youth Sunday School)
- 11:00 am: Traditional Worship
- 12:00 pm: Summer of Serving
- 12:15 pm: 50-Year Member Celebration
- 12:15 pm: Youth Group *The Amazing Race*
- 5:00 pm: Club 45 (4th & 5th graders)

Tuesday, July 25

- 7:00 pm: Youth at Turtle Park

Thursday, July 27

- 6:30 pm: College Student Bible Study

Sunday, July 30

- 8:45 am: Contemporary Worship
- 9:45 am: Summer Speaker Series
- 9:45 am: Summer of Serving (in place of Children & Youth Sunday School)
- 11:00 am: Traditional Worship
- 12:00 pm: Summer of Serving
- 5:00 pm: Club 45 (4th & 5th graders)
- 6:30 pm: Youth group

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 [click here](#) 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 [Events webpage](#) and mark your calendars!

Youth Ministry

- Please [click here](#) 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 [Events webpage](#) and mark your calendars!

College Students' Bible Study on Thursday, July 27, 6:30 pm

If you'd like to connect with other college-aged students this summer, come join us for Bible study! We'll meet on Thursday nights at the Youth House through August 17 for food and fellowship! For more information, please email Grace deMaine at demainegn@wofford.edu.



Called to Care

Prayer Cards: How can we pray for you?

We believe in lifting each other up in prayer in times of need. Our prayer cards are a way to share your prayer requests with us. You'll find these small cards in the guestbooks in the pews. You can drop cards in the offering plates or place them in the prayer box in the Welcome Center.

I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings should be made for everyone. 1 Timothy 2:1

Children and Youth E-newsletters

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

- [Click here](#) or visit our Children's page for kids up to 5th grade.
- [Click here](#) or visit our Youth page for kids in middle and high school.

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 [click here](#) or visit our Adult Classes page to read more about the speakers and their topics as well as for the Zoom link.

- **Today, July 23: Rev. Dr. Margaret Kibben**, Chaplain, US House of Representatives, *Prayer in the House: The History of Legislative Prayer*
- **Next Sunday, July 30: Rev. David Bailey**, Founder and Executive Director, Arrabon, *Cultivating a Reconciling Community for the Kingdom of God*
- **August 6: Dr. Jennifer Wiseman**, Astrophysicist, *Discovery, Wonder, and Challenge: Science, Values, and Faith in 21st Century*
- **August 13: Dale Hanson Bourke**, Foundation President and Author, *Strong Girls, Strong World*

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 [click here](#) or visit our our Events webpage. We have both online and in-person options for helping!

Summer of Serving Schedule

Today, July 23

Solutions in Hometown Connections

9:45 am and noon in the Garden Rooms:

We will be making school care packages for refugee children.

Next Sunday, July 30

Care Outreach - Flowers for Smiles

9:45 am and noon in the Garden Rooms:

We will be making flower bud vases and cards to take to a neighbor or someone who just needs a smile. We will supply the materials just come and join in and share God's love with others.

Donation Shopping List for August 6: Young Lives

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

- Diapers – all sizes
- Pull-ups – all sizes
- Diaper rash cream
- Baby shampoo
- Baby body wash
- Pacifiers

Summer of Serving Report

Thank you to all who helped with Summer of Serving last Sunday. With your help and generosity, we provided more than 225 hygiene bags to folks in need at Central Union Mission. You are making a difference!

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:

- [Click here](#) or the button on our Watch page to sign our online guestbook.
- [Click here](#) or visit our home page at nationalpres.org to sign up for our e-newsletter.
- Follow us on social media!
[Facebook](#) | [Instagram](#) | [YouTube](#)

Prayers

We pray for:

We pray for those with dementia and those who care for them.

We pray for:

Forman Christian College, in Lahore, Pakistan as they provide Christian education and witness.

How may we pray for you?

Please submit prayer requests to the Care Office,
careoffice@nationalpres.org
202.537.7540.

Your Giving and Commitments Make a Difference

Thank you! Because of your financial generosity, National continues to bear powerful witness to the Good News of Jesus Christ at this critical time.

You can support the general ministry of National:

- Go to nationalpres.org/giving
- Text “NPC” to 833.414.9444
- Scan the QR code below:



Want to support the Capital Building Campaign? Please click [here](#) or visit our Giving webpage.

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 lskrine@nationalpres.org.

Today's Flowers

The flowers in the Sanctuary today are given to the glory of God
in loving memory of
Elder Eugene (Gene) Martin
by his wife, Joyce and their children
remembering his July 30th birthday.



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