

January 25, 2026

Welcome to
**NATIONAL
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH**

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

*More than that, I regard everything as loss
because of the surpassing value of knowing
Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have
suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them
as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ*
Philippians 3:8

Senior Pastor
Associate Pastors

Dr. Ray Hylton, Sr.
Rev. Lisa Larsen
Rev. Craig Meek
Kristin Franke (Youth & Families)
Dr. Kerry Stoltzfus
Dr. Michael Denham (Director)
Todd Fickley (Organist)
Joanna Zorack-Greene
(Contemporary Music Leader)
Jonathan Edwards (Serve)
Jill Meek (Children)
Carol Han (Connections)

Parish Associate
Music

Ministry Directors



11:00 AM WORSHIP

Sanctuary and Online

WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE

Todd Fickley, piano

CALL TO WORSHIP

Dr. Ray Hylton, Sr.

▲ HYMN 142 *verses 1&2* All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

Coronation

All hail the power of Jesus' name!

Let angels prostrate fall!

Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all!

Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all!

Let every kindred, every tribe

On this terrestrial ball

To him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all.

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Led by Dr. Michael Denham

▲ PRAYER OF ADORATION

Rev. Craig Meek

▲ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Hymn 142, verse 4

O that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall!

We'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all!

We'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all!

CONFESSON OF SIN *in unison*

Rev. Meek

Most merciful God,

We confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,

By what we have done, and by 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. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSON 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.

▲ 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.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Hylton

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE

Philippians 3:1-11
Pew Bible pages 954-955

Kristin Franke
Associate Pastor (Youth and Families)

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

SERMON

Joy Made Visible
All I Want Is Christ

Dr. Hylton

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

RESPONSE

Hamburg

Soloist
When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my gain.

Congregation
Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ my God;
All the vain things that charmed me most, I sacrifice them to his blood.

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small;
Love so a mazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

Isaac Watts

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Meek

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.

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

- **11:00 am:** Traditional Worship



**Called
to Care**

Overwhelmed and not sure where to turn?

Rev. Lisa Larsen is available to meet with you to think through difficult situations. careoffice@nationalpres.org / 202-537-7540

*Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens,
and I will give you rest.*

Matthew 11:28

EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

State of the Church: Finances & Future

All Church Presentation

Sunday February 1, 9:55 am

Stone Fellowship Hall

All are warmly invited to join us for an update by our Senior Pastor on our vision for NPC in 2026. We will also hear from our newly hired Associate Pastors, review 2025 year-end financial results, and share highlights from the 2026 budget approved by Session. There will be no Adult Sunday School classes that day in hopes that you will join us. Nursery and Sunday School classes for children and youth will continue as usual. Light refreshments will be provided as we come together in gratitude and hope for what God is doing among us.

All Church Family Dinner

Sunday, February 1, 5:00 pm

Stone Fellowship Hall

The whole family is invited to an all-church dinner! From 5:00-6:00 pm, we'll have small group sermon discussions, children's care, Club 45, and youth group, before joining for a whole church dinner. For more details or to [signup](#), visit the [Events page](#) or contact Kristin Franke (kfranke@nationalpres.org).

Club 45

Today, February 1, 5:00 pm

Youth House

4th & 5th graders, come grow in faith and friendship through fun games, Bible study and more. For more information, contact Jill Meek (jmeek@nationalpres.org).

Youth Group

Sunday, February 1, 6:30 pm

Youth House

Bring a friend to youth group for dinner, Bible study, and games. Parents and NPC members are invited to sign up to bring an easy meal for dinner.

Men's Breakfast

Saturday, February 7, 8:00 am

Stone Fellowship Hall

Men are invited to join us in-person at NPC on the first Saturday of every month for our men's breakfast. Email grow@nationalpres.org for more information.

Mission Briefing: Lebanon

Sunday, February 8, 12:15 pm

Garden Rooms

All are invited to the Garden Rooms following the 11:00 am service for lunch and a special Mission Briefing focused on Lebanon from our Mission Partners, Dustin and Sherri Ellington, who serve in Beirut at the Arab Baptist Theological Seminary. Come learn how Christ is moving through their ministry and how our church can support the work God is doing to raise up the next generation of pastors and church leadership in the Middle East.

EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Retirement Reception for Dr. Fox
Sunday, February 15, 12:15 pm
Stone Fellowship Hall

Join us in expressing our gratitude to both Quinn and Nancy Fox. Although words cannot fully capture all that they have given, we invite you to share your sentiments by mailing or bringing cards to our office. We also invite you to join us on February 15 for a farewell celebration after the 11:00 am service. And finally, we will honor Quinn with a traditional departure gift known as a Love Gift. If you wish to take part, make a notation “Fox Love Gift” on your online transaction or personal check and get it to the Finance Office through the offering plate, cyberspace, or mail. These pass-through gifts are not tax deductible.

Grace McFarlane Bottelier & Friends
Jamaican Hurricane Relief Benefit Concert
Sunday, February 15, 3:00 pm
Sanctuary

Enjoy an afternoon of classical music compositions for piano, strings, flute, organ, voice, and fundraising for ongoing hurricane relief efforts in Jamaica.

Lenten Small Groups
Beginning February 18, 6:30 pm

Interested in growing in discipleship in community with others? Join a short-term small group discussion of our Lenten sermon series on Encountering God. In-person and online groups will explore Old and New Testament texts that show us how to realize God’s presence more fully in our lives. Please [register online](#) for a group by February 8.

Spring Women’s Ministry Retreat
Saturday, March 7, 9:00 am
Stone Fellowship Hall

We hope you’ll join us for a beautifully paced day of rest, renewal, and rich connection as we gather around this year’s theme, *Loved Beyond Measure*, an exploration of God’s faithful, fulfilling love for us. Our retreat speaker, Elizabeth Fitch, brings a warm, grounded presence shaped by a life that has woven together small-town roots and big-city experience. We’ll enjoy great music, a delicious lunch, and the gift of unhurried time together. Visit the [Events page](#) to [register](#) and for more information.

Serve Summit
Sunday, March 8, 12:30 pm
Garden Room C

All are welcome and invited to enjoy a delicious meal and learn about the many transformational mission partnerships and service opportunities that National Presbyterian Church is engaged in—locally, nationally, and around the world. Discover meaningful ways you can become involved and make a difference as we celebrate the impact of the Serve Ministry and explore the exciting work God is doing throughout our community.

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!

Scan this QR code to learn more about NPC & get connected:



Newcomers and long-timers:

Let us know you are here!

Whether in the Sanctuary or worshipping online - we want to know you and care for you:

- Please sign the guestbook in the pews or online on our [Watch](#) webpage.

Children and Youth E-newsletters

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

- Visit our [Children's webpage](#) for kids up to 5th grade.
- Visit our [Youth webpage](#) for kids in middle and high school.

Get Connected Through Service!

Want to share in faith and fellowship through service?

No matter your age, skills, or ability, you can use your gifts to serve our church, our community, and our world. Scan the QR code to learn more about the opportunities below.



- View upcoming community service opportunities on our [Events](#) page or contact Serve Director Jonathan Edwards (jedwards@nationalpres.org).
- Want to help on Sundays? Visit our [Serve at Church](#) page or contact Carol Han (chan@nationalpres.org).
- If you're interested in photography, we would love to utilize your skills to capture photos on Sundays. Contact communications@nationalpres.org.

Your Giving Makes a Difference

Because of your generosity and faithfulness last year, our church was able to balance the budget and continue fulfilling the mission God entrusted to us. We are deeply grateful for the trust you place in us and for your partnership in God's work. We give thanks for you and for all that was accomplished together in 2025.

To give now scan the QR code or text "NPC" to 833-414-9444. For other ways to give go to nationalpres.org/giving, call our Finance Office at 202-537-7495, or email our Director of Finance and Administration at lskrine@nationalpres.org.



Prayers

We pray for:

those undergoing treatment.

We pray for:

Steve and Janice Quakenbush in their work with Wycliffe Bible Translators.

How may we pray for you?

Please submit prayer requests to the Care Office, careoffice@nationalpres.org 202-537-7540.

Today's Flowers

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God in loving memory of the birthday of Anne Revis Grosvenor by her daughter Sara.

The flowers in the Narthex are given to the glory of God by the NPC Family in honor of Drs. Quinn and Nancy Fox with love and gratitude for their many years of dedicated service and friendship.

“Let the little children come to me...” – Matthew 19:14

NPC loves children in worship! Kids learn how to worship God and what it means to be loved and accepted in God’s family. As adults, we are blessed with the opportunity to honor our baptismal vows and support the spiritual growth of our youngest disciples as we worship alongside them. If you are worshipping with children nearby, please welcome and encourage them as they grow in their faith.



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