NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Staying Connected in Christ 11:00 AM Online Worship, Sunday, September 20, 2020 WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

Paul Manz Todd Fickley, organ

Dr. David Renwick

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CHIMES

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Acts 2:17-18, 20-21

In the last days it will be, God declares,

I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, And your young men shall see visions and your old men dream dreams...and they shall prophesy.

The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved. Let us worship God!

HYMN please sing!	God's Holy Spirit Came	
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- God's Holy Spirit came with rushing wind and fire, Christ's presence here to comfort, bless, and to inspire. The Spirit thus began God's holy work on earth At Pentecost, a gift that marked the church's birth.
- God sent the Spirit forth, fulfilling prophets' word, To those who followed Jesus, and who called him Lord. Disciples gathered near the temple courts in prayer; The Spirit blew and rested on those gathered there.

God's Spirit filled each one as Jesus had foretold; In many tongues they spoke God's word, renewed and bold. "Repent and be baptized," preached Peter in that hour, And thousands came, believing by the Spirit's power.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Lord God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
you made heaven and earth, and you rule over all.
You are the true, the only God: There is no God but you.
You graciously desire that we should know you and walk in your ways,

yet we turn from you in disobedience and sin.

Forgive us, merciful God, through the merits of our Lord Jesus Christ.

By the work of the Holy Spirit, guide us that we may come to know you more. Strengthen and enable us for faithful and fruitful living. based on Irenaeus of Lyons

Dr. Quinn Fox

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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 please sing!

God's church alive today continues to proclaim Salvation by the Spirit's power in Jesus' name. Let all believers now our tongues and live employ: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, our highest joy!

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

A TIME FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

SCRIPTURE

Acts 2:22, 25-28, 32-33, 37-39

Dr. Joyce Emery Eric Young

²¹Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.' ²²"You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know...²⁵For David says concerning him, 'I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken; ²⁶therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover my flesh will live in hope. ²⁷For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One experience corruption. ²⁸You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.'²⁹... ³²This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses. ³³Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this that you both see and hear...

³⁷Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, "Brothers, what should we do?" ³⁸Peter said to them, "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him."...

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

SERMON

Walk with God Acts 3:1-9

Dr. Joyce Emery

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

CHORAL RESPONSE

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me

Moses Hogan Spiritual

I want Jesus to walk with me. All along my pilgrim journey, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me. On the road, Lord, please walk with me; with the narrow way before me, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me. When I'm lost, Lord, O walk with me. And when the way is long before me, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me. with Sheri Jackson, soprano

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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.

Apostles' Creed

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

Nicholas Brodsky I'll walk with God from this day on; his helping hand I'll lean upon. This is my prayer, my humble plea: May the Lord be ever with me. In spite of death, as eyes grow dim, there is no fear when I'm near to him. I'll lean on him forever, by faith in each endeavor. He will not fail me as long as my faith is strong. Whatever road I may walk along. I'll walk with God, I'll take his hand; I'll talk with God, he'll understand; I'll pray to him, each day to him, and he'll hear the words that I say. His hand will guide my staff and rod, and I'll never walk alone while I walk with God!

Ethan Greene, bass-baritone and Joanna Zorack-Greene, piano

DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

HYMN *please sing!* Christ of the Upward Way Sursum corda 1. Christ of the upward way, my guide divine, where you have set your feet, may I place mine; and move and march wherever you have trod, keeping face forward up the hill of God.

- 2. Give me the heart to hear your voice and will, that without fault or fear I may fulfill your purpose with a glad and holy zest, like one who would not bring less than the best.
- 3. Christ of the upward way, my guide divine, where you have set your feet may I place mine; and when your last call comes serene and clear, calm may my answer be, "Lord, I am here."

Rev. Donna Marsh

Old Hundredth

I'll Walk with God

BENEDICTION

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

POSTLUDE

Prelude in Classic Style

Gordon Young Mr. Fickley

MEETING OF THE NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CONGREGATION AND CORPORATION

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2020

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order Moderator— Dr. David Renwick; Asst.Clerk/Elder Barbara Mitchell
- 2. Quorum Call
- 3. Opening Prayer and Welcome
- 4. Motion from Session: Terms of Call for Rev. Donna Marsh (Elder Barbara Mitchell)
- 5. Motion from Associate Pastor Nominating Committee (Elder Glenn Schmitt) <u>Click here to see Rev. Katie Francis' bio</u>
- 6. Voting Online (Musical Interlude by Mr. Fickley)
- 7. Adjourn

For motion details, please see page 6.

To Vote

- Locate the VOTE HERE button on the Worship Live page, directly under the Worship Live box. (If you are on "Full Screen" view, exit full screen and you will be on the Worship Live page.)
- For additional members of the congregation watching on one computer, please return to the VOTE HERE button, and submit a further vote.
- Once you have voted, please return to the Worship Live page to view the rest of the meeting and voting updates.

Let's Stay Connected: Announcements for You

Farewell to Interim Associate Pastor Rev. Dr. Joyce M. Emery – Sunday September 27, 2020 How do we say farewell to a beloved interim pastor in these COVID times? The Care Council invites you to do so either by phone or in person on Sunday, September 27, 4:00-6:00 pm. <u>Register here</u> for a 10-minute time of conversation or prayer by phone or from your car. Joyce will be waiting to greet you at the curb entrance to Stone Hall or you may call her during your appointment time at 202-537-7540. This is such an unusual farewell, but we know that pastor Joyce will make these moments times of joy!

Connect LIVE on Zoom

Following worship, about 12-12:30 pm on Zoom, you are invited to a casual gathering where you can "pass the peace of Christ" with others. To join, click the "Connect LIVE" button above the livestream window after the service.

Prayer LIVE

Would you like to pray with a live person after worship? Please call 12-1 pm. A Pastor, Stephen Minister, or Deacon will be prepared to take your call. If all lines are busy, please leave a voicemail with your name and number and you will receive a return call. Phone: (202) 800-9121.

Adult Fellowship Online

You are invited to our Adult Fellowship broadcast and listen to our speaker from your home. Join us tomorrow, Sept 21 at 1:00 pm. Our speaker will be Lyman M. Smith, CAPT, CHC, USN, Retired, Director of the Presbyterian Federal Chaplaincies and he will be speaking about "*The How, Where, When of My Life in Ministry*." <u>Click</u> <u>here for more info</u>.

Come and Add Your Prayer Stone

We welcome everyone to visit the <u>new Prayer</u> <u>Pathway of Hope</u> display here on the NPC campus (at the Van Ness Street entrance in front of Youth House). You can write a prayer on stones provided, and place with others' prayers as you meditate on a tranquil pathway of hopefilled Scriptures. Questions? Please email <u>LSaum@Nationalpres.org</u> or call 202-537-7494.

Floral Dedication

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God by Emmanuel Tamen and family in loving memory of J.N. Tamen, beloved husband, father and grandfather.

Prayers

We celebrate the birth of Clara Marion McCrory-Handy to proud parents Cate McCrory and Chauncey Handy.

> We grieve the death of Ann James on Sept 14, 2020.

Learn & Grow

Wednesday Faith Connection Wednesdays, 7-7:45pm ET You are invited to join us on our <u>Worship</u> <u>Live page</u> as Dr. Renwick explores Paul's Letter to the Galatians.

Adult, Children & Youth Sunday School You are invited to join us! You can check out our options for each group here:

- Adult Sunday School info
- Children Sunday School info
- Youth Sunday School info

COVID is just plain hard!

We are in this together. The Care/Connections staff have prepared resources to use during this time. Use them on your own or share with a friend. Feeling Isolated? Grieving? Anxious? Needing to have a hard conversation with someone? Find these resources on the <u>Care</u> webpage or contact <u>Liz Martin</u> or <u>Leslie Saum</u>.

Re-gathering Volunteers Needed

Step one to re-gathering is to recruit and train volunteers to act as greeters, guides and ushers. If you would like to help please <u>click here</u> to fill in the form, and we will be in touch.

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. Not yet made a gift online or by phone? Go to nationalpres.org/giving or text "NPC" to 77977.

MOTIONS FOR THE MEETING OF THE NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CONGREGATION AND CORPORATION SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2020

First Motion – Presented by Personnel Council Chair Barbara Mitchell

To approve the recommendation of the Session to increase compensation for the Rev. Donna Marsh by \$10,000 per year, to the following:

Annual Cash Salary (not including Housing Allowance)	\$58,000	
Housing Allowance	\$46,000	
No change to professional expense allowances. Benefits including pension, medical, disability		
and social security offset, etc., to be adjusted accordingly. Effective January 1, 2020.		

<u>Second Motion</u> – *Presented by Associate Pastor Nominating Committee Chair Glenn Schmitt* To accept the recommendation of the Associate Pastor Nominating Committee to call the Rev. Katherine Westermann Francis as Associate Pastor for Care under the following terms of call:

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Annual Cash Salary	\$39,600.00
Housing Allowance	\$44,400.00
Professional Allowances up to:	\$ 4,460.00
4 weeks vacation, 2 weeks study leave	

Up to \$325,000 housing equity loan from the church, with specific terms to be approved at a future congregational meeting.

How to Vote

- 1. After all motions and supporting information are presented, click the "Vote Here" button just below the screen where you are watching the meeting at <u>www.nationalpres.org/live</u>
- 2. This takes you to a ballot. The ballot will require you to enter your name. This is simply so we can verify that only members of NPC have voted.
- 3. The ballot has two questions on it. Please vote on each question. Your vote does not have to be the same on each question.
- 4. Click "Submit" at the bottom of the ballot when you have entered your responses.
- 5. <u>If another member of your household is a voting member of NPC</u>, that person can vote on the same device or another device. If using the same device, after the first ballot is submitted, each additional voter follows steps 1 through 4 above to submit their own ballot.
- 6. You will have 5 minutes to complete voting.
- 7. Stay online during the voting period to hear an extra musical treat from Todd Fickley.
- 8. Results will be available at the conclusion of the voting period.