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NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

“Staying Connected in Christ”

11:00 am Online Worship, May 9, 2021

EASTERTIDE

HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS SUNDAY

WE ENTER GOD’S PRESENCE

PRELUDE

Improvisations

Joanna Zorack-Greene, piano

CHIMES

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. David Renwick

CALL TO WORSHIP

SONG OF PRAISE *please sing!*

Who You Say I Am

Ben Fielding/Reuben Morgan

Verse 1 Who am I that the highest King would welcome me?

I was lost but he brought me in, Oh his love for me! Oh his love for me!

Chorus 1 Who the Son sets free, Oh, is free indeed! I'm a child of God, yes I am!

Verse 2 Free at last, he has ransomed me; his grace runs deep.

While I was a slave to sin, Jesus died for me. Yes, he died for me!

Chorus 1 Chorus 2: In my Father's house there's a place for me.

I'm a child of God, yes I am!

Bridge (2x) I am chosen, not forsaken. I am who you say I am!

You are for me, not against me. I am who you say I am!

Chorus 1 Chorus 2 (2x)

with Members of the NPC Band

CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

Sarah Nordlinger

Dear Heavenly Father, we lower our heads before you,

and we confess that we have too often forgotten that we are yours.

Sometimes we carry on our lives as if there were no God,

and we fall short of being a credible witness to you.

For these things we ask your forgiveness,

and we also ask for your strength.

Give us clear minds and open hearts

so we may witness to you in our world.

Remind us to be who you would have us to be

regardless of what we are doing or who we are with.

Hold us to you and build our relationship with you

and with those you have given us on earth.

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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.**

RESPONSE

Living Hope

Phil Wickham/Brian Johnson

How great the chasm that lay between us! How high the mountain I could not climb!
In desperation I turned to heaven and spoke your name into the night.
Then through the darkness your loving-kindness tore through the shadows of my soul.
The work is finished, the end is written. Jesus Christ, my living hope!
Who could imagine so great a mercy? What heart could fathom such boundless grace?
The God of ages stepped down from glory to wear my sin and bear my shame.
The cross has spoken: I am forgiven. The King of kings calls me his own.
Beautiful Savior, I'm yours forever. Jesus Christ, my living hope!

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

A TIME FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

Kristin Franke

Director of Youth Ministries

SCRIPTURE

Hebrews 10:19-25

Imani Nkrumah-Ardayfio

¹⁹ Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), ²¹and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²²let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. ²³Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. ²⁴And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, ²⁵not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

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

SENIOR TESTIMONIES

Noah Detlor Jack Forlines Robert Forlines

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *please sing* Build My Life

Brett Younker/Matt Redman

Verse 1 Worthy of every song we could ever sing. Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring.
Worthy of every breath we could ever breathe. We live for you!

Verse 2 Jesus, the name above every other name. Jesus the only one that could ever save.
Worthy of every breath we could ever breathe. We live for you! We live for you!

Chorus Holy, there is no one like you! There is none beside you.

Open up my eyes in wonder! And show me who you are

and fill me with your heart and lead me in your love to those around me.

Bridge (2x) I will build my life upon your love. It is a firm foundation.

I will put my trust in you alone and I will not be shaken. **Chorus**

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AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed

Natalie DeSarbo

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.

CALL FOR OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Dr. Renwick

OFFERTORY

What a Beautiful Name

Brooke Ligertwood/Ben Fielding

You were the Word at the beginning; one with God the Lord Most High.
Your hidden glory in creation, now revealed in you, our Christ.
What a beautiful name it is, the name of Jesus Christ, my King.
What a beautiful name it is, nothing compares to this.
What a beautiful name it is, the name of Jesus.
You didn't want heaven without us so, Jesus, you brought heaven down.
My sin was great, your love was greater. What could separate us now?
What a wonderful name it is, the name of Jesus Christ, my King.
What a wonderful name it is, nothing compares to this.
What a wonderful name it is, the name of Jesus.
What a wonderful name it is, the name of Jesus Christ, my King.
What a powerful name it is, nothing can stand against.
What a powerful name it is, the name of Jesus.

PASTORAL PRAYER

Dr. Renwick

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.

CLOSING SONG *please sing!*

Holy Spirit

Francesca Battistelli

Verse 1 There's nothing worth more that could ever come close.
Nothing can compare. You're our living hope, your presence, Lord!
Verse 2 I've tasted and seen of the sweetest of loves,
where my heart becomes free and my shame is undone, your presence, Lord!
Chorus *Holy Spirit, you are welcome here. Come flood this place and fill the atmosphere!*
Your glory, God, is what our hearts long for---
to be overcome by your presence, Lord! Your presence, Lord!

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Bridge (2x) Let us become more aware of your presence!
Let us experience the glory of your goodness!

Chorus *Holy Spirit, you are welcome here. Come flood this place and fill the atmosphere!
Your glory, God, is what our hearts long for---
to be overcome by your presence, Lord! Your presence, Lord!*

BENEDICTION AND PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Noah Detlor
Jack Forlines
Robert Forlines

POSTLUDE

You Are My Vision

Rend Collective

We are grateful for this morning's musicians:

Joanna Zorack-Greene - Piano and Vocals
Ethan Greene - Vocals
Felicia Bailey (Member of Senior Class) - Vocals
Keaton Webb - Vocals
Brandon Breazeale - Bass
Dave Orcutt - Guitar
Carlos Balta - Drums

Let's Stay Connected! Announcements for You

Happy Mother's Day to mothers and to those who mother!

New to National?

Welcome and thank you for being with us today! Here are some easy ways to connect with us:

- [Click here](#) to sign our online guestbook.
- [Click here](#) to sign up for our e-newsletter.
- Follow us on social media!
[Facebook](#) | [Instagram](#) | [YouTube](#)

Youth Sunday

Today in worship, we are celebrating our high school graduating class of 2021. We are so grateful to the seniors who are leading in worship today, and pray for all our high school and college graduates as they begin the next chapter of their lives!

Results of Congregational Meeting

Thank you to all who attended the online congregational meeting on May 2. The motion concerning Dr. Renwick's "terms of call" was approved unanimously, with two people abstaining. Our 2020 Annual report is now available. Please [click here](#) to view or download.

Adult Fellowship Broadcast – Construction Update

On Monday, May 17, at 1:00 pm we will feature Diane E. Stewart, Director of Facilities here at National and a Registered Architect. The program is *A Conversation with Diane Stewart on the Capital Building Program Construction*. She will lead us through a pictorial journey of the new work developing and what's in store for the future. Please [click here](#) for more information on how to join.

Floral Dedication

The flowers in the Sanctuary are dedicated to the glory of God in recognition of the wedding anniversary of Gerri Hall and David Nickels and in memory of their parents, Helen and Randy Hall, and Evelyn and Horace Nickels.

Prayers

We pray for:

those that are experiencing hardship in our church, in our nation and in our world.

We pray for our mission partners including: Fraser and Liz Bennett, Wycliffe missionaries working with SIL LEAD to promote literacy and publish books that strengthen minority languages and scripture engagement.

How can we pray for you? Please submit prayer requests to Liz Martin, lmartin@nationalpres.org, (202) 537-7540.

Spring Sandwich Drive for Martha's Table - Sunday, May 23, 2021, 2-3 pm

Help provide sandwiches and bags of trail mix for the hungry served every day by Martha's Table, one of our local mission partners. Prepare sandwiches and trail mix at home and drop them off at the drive through collection station outside the Stone Hall entrance on May 23 rain or shine. Sandwich Making is an NPC tradition, begun in 2014 by Marge Bernbaum. Because of her passion and leadership, NPC has donated 49,780 sandwiches for the hungry in our city! [Click here](#) for more information.

VBS Volunteers Needed!

Join us to help kids learn about God's great love and power in this spirit-filled week: June 28-June 2, 2021. Lead crews, discussions, games, and fun! Help for a day or for the whole week. [Register to help here](#) or contact mlenhard@nationalpres.org for more information. Youth wishing to serve at VBS may [sign up here](#).

Military Ministry Meeting

Join us online on Sunday, May 30th at 1:00 pm to hear our speaker Maj Gen Robert I. Miller, the Director, Medical Operations and Research, Office of the Surgeon General, U.S. Air Force, Falls Church, VA. Please [click here](#) for more information and the link to join in!

Virtual Coffee Hour (Connect LIVE)

Immediately following online worship, you are invited to a casual virtual gathering on Zoom where you can "pass the peace of Christ" with others and enjoy conversation. To join in, just [click here](#) or click the blue Connect LIVE button on your screen to join in!

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.

Why Presbyterian? now on YouTube

Want to find out *Who We Are, What We Believe, and How We Work*? [Click here](#) to watch this series, taught by Dr. Quinn Fox, and more!

Learn & Grow

Wednesday Night Faith Connection

Dr. Renwick continues to teach through Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians at 7:00 pm on Wednesdays. [Join us online!](#)

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](#)

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.

Struggling with Covid isolation? We are here for you. These pandemic days are just plain hard, yet we are in this together! The Care/Connections staff have prepared resources that might help on topics like isolation, anxiety, and difficult conversations. Use them on your own or share with a friend. Find these resources on the [Care webpage](#) or reach out to [Liz Martin](#) in the Care Office if we can help.

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 [click here](#) to fill in the form, and we will be in touch.

NPC Job Openings

Bookkeeper

We're seeking a Bookkeeper with superb attention to detail and strong organization and communication skills. We need a quick learner who will interact well with our congregation and staff. The position requires familiarity with QuickBooks and basic financial operations. It includes accounting and administrative tasks. A minimum of two days per week, working onsite in person is required. Experience in bookkeeping for a non-profit or church is preferred. Please [click here](#) for more info and the job description.

To preserve complete confidentiality, we would prefer that the bookkeeper come from outside our congregation, but we welcome your help in finding qualified applicants. Applications should be sent to lskrine@nationalpres.org.

Communications Contractor

Are you organized, own some great written communication skills and know what a hashtag is used for? The Communications Department is seeking a part-time Communications Contractor. This is a job with room to grow! Visit nationalpres.org/jobs for more information and the job description. Please email cwilkerson@nationalpres.org with your cover letter and resume.