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## NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

### *“Staying Connected in Christ”*

11:00 am Online Worship, June 13, 2021

## WE ENTER GOD’S PRESENCE

**PRELUDE** Allegro from Organ Concerto No. 4 G. F. Handel  
Todd Fickley, organ

**CHIMES**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS** Dr. David Renwick

**CALL TO WORSHIP** Philippians 3:13-14 Dr. Renwick  
*This one thing I do: Forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead,  
I press on toward the goal of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.*

**HYMN** *please sing!* All Creatures of Our God and King John Rutter  
*Fanfare* *Lasst uns erfreuen*

1. All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us sing;  
*Alleluia! Alleluia!*  
Thou burning sun with golden beam, thou silver moon with softer gleam:  
*O praise him! O praise him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*
2. Thou rushing wind that art so strong, ye clouds that sail in heav’n along,  
*O praise him! Alleluia!*  
Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice, ye lights of evening, find a voice:  
*O praise him! O praise him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

### **Chancel Choir**

3. Thou flowing water, pure and clear, make music for thy Lord to hear,  
*Alleluia! Alleluia!*  
Thou fire so masterful and bright, that givest us both warmth and light,  
*O praise him! O praise him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*
4. Let all things their Creator bless, and worship God in humbleness,  
*O praise him! Alleluia!*  
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, Three in One:  
*O praise him! O praise him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

William Neil, organ

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**CONFESSION OF SIN** *in unison*

Dr. Quinn Fox

Holy God, you see us as we are,  
and yet you love us with a Father's patient heart.  
In the light of your faithfulness and enduring love,  
we see both our guilt and our acquittal.  
For the sake of your own goodness, Lord, forgive our sins.  
We need your guidance and your steadying hand,  
that lifts us when we fall, that sets us on a firm path.  
Draw us with cords of kindness and bands of love,  
So we may learn more and more to trust your care  
and walk in your ways; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**SILENT CONFESSION**

**CHORAL MEDITATION**

Softly and Tenderly

René Clausen

Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling, calling for you and for me.  
Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling, calling, "O sinner, come home.  
Come home, come home, you who are weary, come home."

*Thompson*

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Dr. Fox

Believe the good news of the Gospel.  
**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.**

**RESPONSE OF PRAISE** *please sing!* To God Be the Glory

*To God Be the Glory*

To God be the glory, great things he has done!  
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,  
Who yielded his life an atonement for sin,  
And opened the life gate that all may go in.  
*Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the earth hear his voice!*  
*Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the people rejoice!*  
*O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,*  
*And give him the glory: great things God has done!*

Mr. Fickley, organ

**WE HEAR GOD'S WORD**

**A TIME FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES**

Dr. Renwick

*Children in sanctuary please remain seated.*

**RECOGNITION OF 50 YEAR MEMBERS**

*Became members prior to 1970 (listed in order of date joined)*

Anne Grosvenor

Joan Whetstone

Eloise Summers

Irene Stadick

Gena Stephens

Harry Summers

Beverly Elson

Gene Thompson

Harry Summers Jr.

Eleanor Elson Heginbotham

Mary McLean

Susan Neal Smink

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Jo Carlberg  
Bette Schintzel  
Rick Gorrell  
Susan Meyer  
Susan Wright  
Joy Blair

Ann Bailey  
Roma Samuel  
Margaret Johnson  
Ronald Carlberg  
Emmett Bittick  
Marianne McCulloch

Darlene Johnson  
William Budke  
Carol Knouse  
Kristy Chikes  
June Dickinson  
Joan Sharkey

**Joined in 1971:** Kristin Green, James Stone

**SCRIPTURE**

Deuteronomy 3:23-28

Deacon Kristy Chikes

<sup>23</sup>At that time, too, I, Moses, entreated the Lord, saying: <sup>24</sup>“O Lord God, you have only begun to show your servant your greatness and your might; what god in heaven or on earth can perform deeds and mighty acts like yours! <sup>25</sup>Let me cross over to see the good land beyond the Jordan, that good hill country and the Lebanon.” <sup>26</sup>But the Lord was angry with me on your account and would not heed me.

The Lord said to me, “Enough from you! Never speak to me of this matter again! <sup>27</sup>Go up to the top of Pisgah and look around you to the west, to the north, to the south, and to the east. Look well, for you shall not cross over this Jordan. <sup>28</sup>But charge Joshua, and encourage and strengthen him, because it is he who shall cross over at the head of this people and who shall secure their possession of the land that you will see.

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

**SERMON**

Unfinished Business  
Hebrews 11:32-40

Dr. Renwick

**WE RESPOND TO GOD’S GRACE AND CALL**

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Apostles’ Creed

Dr. Fox

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**

**OFFERTORY**

Blow Ye the Trumpet, Blow!

Ann Frohbieter

Blow ye the trumpet, blow! Let all the nations know, to earth’s remotest bound.

*Lenox*

*The year of jubilee is come! Return, ye ransomed sinners, home.*

Jesus, our great high priest, hath full atonement made. Forgiven of the past, ye righteous souls, be glad.

*The year of jubilee is come! Return, ye ransomed sinners, home.*

The Gospel trumpet hear, the news of heavenly grace; and, saved from earth appear before your Savior’s face.

*The year of jubilee is come! Return, ye ransomed sinners, home.*

Mr. Neil, organ

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**DOXOLOGY**

*Old Hundredth*

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.

Mr. Neil, organ

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

Dr. Kerry Stoltzfus

**THE LORD'S PRAYER** *sung by Sheri Jackson*

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.

**HYMN** *please sing!*

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

*Ein' feste Burg*

1. A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;  
Our helper he amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.  
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe;  
His craft and power are great, and, armed with cruel hate, on earth is not his equal.
2. Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing;  
Were not the right Man on our side, the Man of God's own choosing.  
Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is he;  
Lord Sabaoth his name, from age to age the same, and he must win the battle.
3. God's Word above all earthly powers, no thanks to them, abideth;  
The Spirit and the gifts are ours through him who with us sideth;  
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also;  
The body they may kill, God's truth abideth still, his kingdom is forever.

Mr. Neil, organ

**BENEDICTION**

Dr. Renwick

**CHORAL RESPONSE**

God Be with You

Peter Anglea

God be with you till we meet again,  
by his counsels guide uphold you, with his sheep securely fold you.  
God be with you till we meet again. Amen.

**PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

Dr. Renwick

**POSTLUDE**

Now Thank We All Our God

Sigfrid Karg-Elert  
Mr. Fickley, organ

# Let's Stay Connected! Announcements for You

## 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](#) or visit our home page at [nationalpres.org](http://nationalpres.org) to sign up for our e-newsletter.
- Follow us on social media!  
[Facebook](#) | [Instagram](#) | [YouTube](#)

## WELCOME!

### Online and in-person worship:

We are so pleased to welcome you to online and in-person services every Sunday!

### Choice of 2 worship services:

This week and through Labor Day,

- 11:00 am traditional worship service, in the sanctuary and online
- 4:45 pm informal, 45-minute worship service in the sanctuary and online.

### Please register for in-person worship:

For now, we will require masks and seating will be in every other pew. There will be no special check-in procedures. Please [click here](#) to pre-register or visit our webpage at [nationalpres.org/return](http://nationalpres.org/return).

Read more at [nationalpres.org/return](http://nationalpres.org/return).

## Today – Lunch & Learn 12:15-1:15 pm

We are delighted to welcome **James Ackerman, President of Prison Fellowship**. He will be our Adult Speaker Series speaker at 9:30 am AND he will also speak in-person at the Lunch and Learn event following worship.

## Father's Day BBQ

Join us for a food truck BBQ to celebrate Father's Day on Sunday, June 20, 5:30-6:30 pm. For more information and to register, please visit [nationalpres.org/events/fathers-day-bbq](http://nationalpres.org/events/fathers-day-bbq).

## Prayers

We rejoice in celebration of our 50-year members!

*We pray for our mission partners including: Friendship Place as they care for people experiencing homelessness, from street outreach, to mentoring to medical and housing assistance.*

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

## Adult Fellowship Broadcast

The June Luncheon will be 1:00 pm on June 21<sup>st</sup> and feature, Reverend Todd Sutton, Chaplain at National Presbyterian School. The program is *My Life in Ministry and Working with Youngsters*. He will discuss his background in ministry and talk about his work as the Chaplain at the school. For more information, please visit [nationalpres.org/events/adult-fellowship](http://nationalpres.org/events/adult-fellowship).

## Nominations for Officers

The Congregational Nominating Committee asks for your help in selecting Elders, Deacons, board members for the Fund for Charitable Giving and next year's Congregational Nominating Committee. Please submit recommendations on our webpage at [nationalpres.org/nominate](http://nationalpres.org/nominate).

## 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 visit [nationalpres.org/serve-church](http://nationalpres.org/serve-church) to fill in the form, and we will be in touch.

## Floral Dedication

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in appreciation and thanks to Dr. David Renwick, the Elders, the Deacons, the Staff and the National Presbyterian Church congregation from the National Presbyterian School Class of 2021 on the occasion of their graduation that was held on June 9, 2021.

## Learn & Grow

### **NPC Summer Reading Challenge**

Join us in reading “*One Blood: Parting Words to the Church on Race and Love*” by John M. Perkins. For more information and to join, please visit [nationalpres.org/events/reading](http://nationalpres.org/events/reading).

### **Wednesday Night Faith Connection**

7:00 pm on Wednesdays - join us at [nationalpres.org/live!](http://nationalpres.org/live!)

*True Confessions: What Presbyterians Believe:* On June 9, Dr. Quinn Fox begins a four-week class on the Presbyterian Church (USA) *Book of Confessions*. This is a follow-on to his *Why Presbyterian?* class this past January.

### **Summer Adult Speaker Series:**

Please join us online starting **9:30 am on Sundays** for our Adult Speaker Series! Each Sunday this summer we'll hear about an important topic that helps us to think faithfully about our current situation. We will take advantage of the online platform to bring speakers from across the country. Please visit [nationalpres.org/adults](http://nationalpres.org/adults) for the Zoom link and to read all about the speakers and their topics. If you plan to attend the 11:00 am worship service in-person, you are invited to view the class in our Chapel. Upcoming speakers are:

- Today, June 13: James J. Ackerman, President and CEO, Prison Fellowship, *Prison Reform and Race*
- June 20: John Molina Moore, General Presbyter, National Capital Presbytery

### **Summer Evening Schedule: Children & Youth Sunday School**

Today we are kicking off our summer evening schedule! For more information please visit [nationalpres.org/events/summer-sundays-national](http://nationalpres.org/events/summer-sundays-national).

- 4:45: Informal in-person worship
- 5:30 Children and youth Sunday School, fellowship and discussion for adults
- Bring your own dinner for a picnic on the lawn if you'd like to stay for additional fellowship time!

### **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. 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.

### **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](http://nationalpres.org/giving) or text “NPC” to (833) 414-9444.

**Struggling due to the pandemic? We are here for you.** 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.

#### **Why Presbyterian? now on YouTube**

Want to find out *Who We Are, What We Believe, and How We Work?* Visit [youtube.com/user/nationalpres](https://youtube.com/user/nationalpres) to watch this series, taught by Dr. Quinn Fox, and more!

## **NPC Job Openings**

### **Want to join a great team?**

Visit <https://nationalpres.org/jobs> to read about our openings for the following:

- Director of Serve Ministries
- Director of Children’s Ministries
- Communications Contractor (part time)



# JUNE 2021

## BUILDING TOGETHER UPDATE

# WALK THIS WAY!

... and come on in! The construction team is busy completing our **NEW ENTRANCE**, which is located in the northeast corner of the church building, next to Stone Hall. Two sweeping sidewalks lead you to the main entrance. While both sidewalks are accessible by Americans with Disabilities Act (**ADA**) standards, one walkway is level. There is also a flush curb providing safe and convenient passenger drop-off before parking.

The new walkway features shrubs, low maintenance and colorful border grasses and perennials. Two Sweet Bay Magnolia trees will be planted along the sidewalk closer to Stone Hall. We plan to add a few benches along the path as well.

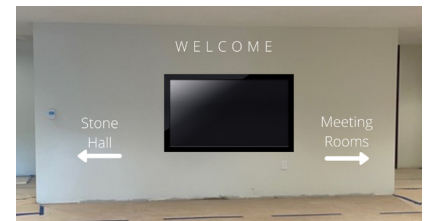
As you walk into the entrance, you'll pass through a **VESTIBULE** with air lock doors providing shelter from inclement weather. When you enter the main **LOBBY**, you'll immediately see a large wall with a video screen as well as directional signage. While this area will display important information for everyone, it will be especially helpful for first-time visitors. Our two new **ELEVATORS** are also located in the Lobby, and it's just a few steps to the **COLUMBARIUM, STONE HALL**, and the new **CENTRAL STAIRS**, which take you to the middle level and Sanctuary levels.



Artist's rendering of the New Entrance



New Entrance under construction



Lobby wall with sample of screen and signage



New Vestibule taking shape



## CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS

The **GARDEN ROOMS** are light-filled by large, glass windows while five sets of doors provide easy garden access. On the Sanctuary level, two pairs of glass doors are in place for convenient passage to the newly enlarged **PLAZA** above the Garden Rooms, and four pairs of doors have been installed at the **NEW ENTRANCE**.



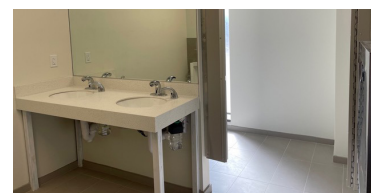
Garden rooms doors and windows



The flower team loves their new space!

The **FLOWER ROOM** is occupied! Now demolition is underway to upgrade the former Flower Room (next to the Parlor) to serve as the Sacristy as well as a Kitchenette to support events and activities on the Sanctuary level.

And, at last, we have a renovated **MEN'S RESTROOM** on the Sanctuary level.



Renovated men's restroom

# MISSION COMMITMENT



**Little Lights Urban Ministries**, one of our local Capital Campaign Partners, quickly adjusted to the needs of its students when the DC Public Schools partially reopened in April. **Learning Hubs** allow students to stay socially distanced while accessing computers, attending virtual classes and receiving supplementary homework help. Learning Hubs also provide students with nutritious meals and snacks. The **Zoom Heroes** program provides 1-on-1 tutoring.

Since January, Little Lights staff have been piloting a **College and Career Readiness** program, and they are seeing remarkable results: drastically improved grades and even one college acceptance! Some school administrators have been so impressed with the results that they have asked if additional students can participate. As more middle and high school students join, both the scope of the program and the need for resources continue to grow. Services include essay-writing skills for applications; connecting students with tutors; navigating available financial aid, scholarships and grants; offering SAT prep classes; college and vocational school guidance services; and helping students determine careers that match their individual gifts and skills.



A Learning Hub student getting homework help.



Little Lights student receiving socially distanced instruction.

## CAPITAL



## CAMPAIGN

A thank you message from our Capital Campaign Continuity Committee co-chair **Delores Ziegler**:



*NPC's family and friends really came through in April, supporting the Capital Campaign by doubling contributions of the first quarter. With this type of continuing support, we will reach our goal sooner than anticipated and delay/reduce our use of the construction loan which lowers our financing costs. The joy of seeing our money at work in the mission projects we are supporting makes our spirits soar. Soon we will be back together, enjoying learning and working together to serve the Lord in our renovated spaces. Praise God from whom all blessings flow!*

Can you help us reach our campaign fund-raising goals? Contact our Director of Finance and Administration Leah Skrine at [lskrine@nationalpres.org](mailto:lskrine@nationalpres.org) or (202) 537-7484.

**Email Us: [BuildingTogether@nationalpres.org](mailto:BuildingTogether@nationalpres.org)**

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