

WELCOME TO NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Summer Evening Worship

4:45 pm, June 13, 2021

PRELUDE

Improvisations

Joanna Zorack-Greene, keyboard

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Deuteronomy 6:4-7

Dr. Quinn Fox

One: Hear, O Israel: The LORD is our God, the LORD alone.

All: Let us love the LORD our God with all our heart, and with all our soul, and with all our might.

One: Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart.

All: Let us recite them to our children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when we lie down and when we rise.

One: Let us lift up our hearts and voices and worship God together.

OPENING SONGS

Lift High the Name of Jesus

Keith and Kristyn Getty

Verse 1

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!

'Till the earth and heavens are filled with his glory.

Verse 2

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**

Verse 3

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

No other name on earth can save, can raise us 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)**

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**

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

Dr. Quinn Fox

Almighty God who made us, we come before you to adore and praise you for your goodness shown to us in Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. We give you thanks for your friendship, love and patience with us, for we have often forgotten you. We have been busy with what we want to do, but have strayed from what you want us to do – in our thoughts, and in our words, and in our actions. Forgive us, we pray, and fill us with the presence and power of your Holy Spirit so that we can change our ways, and grow in love for you and one another. In Jesus’ name and for his sake.

SILENT CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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.

SCRIPTURE

Luke 9:28-36

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²⁸Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. ²⁹And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. ³⁰Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. ³¹They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. ³²Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. ³³Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, “Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah” — not knowing what he said. ³⁴While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. ³⁵Then from the cloud came a voice that said, “This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!” ³⁶When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

MESSAGE

Listen Up!

Dr. Renwick

SONG OF RESPONSE

Wide as the Sky

Matt Redman

Chorus (2x)

Hands up, hearts open, wide as the sky. We lift you high. We lift you high.

Hands up, hearts open, wide as we cry. God, we lift your name high!

Verse (2x)

Let all the other names fade away. Let all the other names fade away, until there's only you.

Let all the other names fade away. Jesus, take your place. Jesus, take your place. **Chorus**

Bridge

Our God, we lift you high. We lift you high. Hands up! God, we lift your name high!

Our God, we lift you high. We lift you high.

Hands up! God, we lift your name high! **Chorus**

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles’ Creed

Kristin Franke

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.

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.

CLOSING SONG

1,000 Tongues

Matt Maher and Chris Tomlin

Verse 1

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.

Verse 2

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**

Bridge (2x)

With all heaven sing, and all earth below: One holy King, one highest throne! **Chorus (2x)**

RECOGNITION OF RISING 6TH GRADERS

Dr. Fox

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

Indelible Grace

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 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.

Read more at 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.

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, (202) 537-7540.

Adult Fellowship Broadcast

The June Luncheon will be 1:00 pm on June 21st 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.

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.

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 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.

Wednesday Night Faith Connection

7:00 pm on Wednesdays - join us at 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 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.

- 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 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 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.

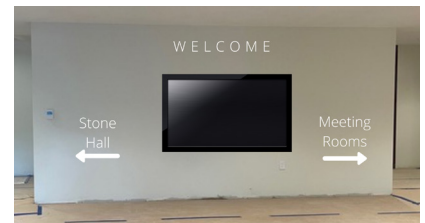
As you walk into the entrance, you'll pass through a **VESTIBULE** with air lock doors providing shelter from inclement weather. When you enter the main **LOBBY**, you'll immediately see a large wall with a video screen as well as directional signage. While this area will display important information 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**.



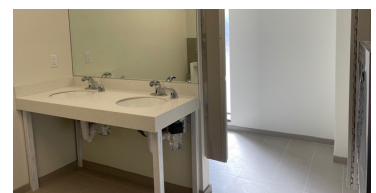
Garden rooms doors and windows



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 or (202) 537-7484.

Email Us: BuildingTogether@nationalpres.org

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