

May 31, 2015

# The National Presbyterian Church

Leading People to Become Faithful Followers of Jesus Christ Together in God's World

**TRINITY SUNDAY** 

When God saw that Moses had turned aside to see, God called to him, "Moses, Moses!"

Exodus 3:4

Dr. David Renwick, Senior Pastor · Dr. Quinn Fox, Associate Pastor Rev. Donna Marsh, Associate Pastor · Rev. Evangeline Taylor, Associate Pastor Parish Associates: Rev. Nancy T. Fox and Dr. Donald R. Wilson Dr. Michael Denham, Director of Music Ministries William Neil, Organist · Hilda Gore, Contemporary Music Leader Ministry Directors: J. Theodore Anderson (Library & Older Adults), Jill Meek (Children), Leslie Saum (Connections), McLane Stone (Youth)

# Order of Worship

# 9:15 & 11 а.м.

Kindly turn off your cell phone and other electronic devices.

# Entering God's Presence

	Prelude	Prelude on the Hymn Tune Slane	Healey Willan William Neil, organ
	Call to Worship		
•	HYMN 138 verses 1-3	Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!	Nicaea
•	Prayer of Adoratic	DN	
•	All thy works sh Holy, holy, holy	ESPONSE ord God Almighty! aall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea; ! Merciful and mighty! rsons, blessed Trinity!	Hymn 138, verse 4
	CONFESSION OF SIN <i>in unison</i> Lord God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, You created heaven and earth. You rule over all. You are the true, the only God. There is no god but you. You are infinite in mercy, full of loving kindness, and gracious in all your ways. We bow before you in humble confession of our sins. Forgive us, Lord. Through our Savior Jesus Christ, and by the power of your Holy Spirit, grant that we may come to know you more and more, for you alone are God.		
	Silent Confession		
	Assurance of Pardo Believe the good n In Jesus Christ we		
		ESPONSE her, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; inning, is now, and ever shall be, world without	Gloria Patri end. Amen, amen.
		Hearing God's Word	
	A TIME FOR CHILDRE	en of All Ages	

Children may meet their Sunday School leaders in the Court of Flags: 9:15 a.m. (grades K–5) to join their peers in Sunday School in the school building. 11 a.m. (grades K–2) to go to the Children's Church program in Church Room 106, returning after the sermon.

#### Welcome and Announcements

Dr. David Renwick

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

Sermon

Exodus 3:1-10 pew Bible p. 44

9:15 a.m. John Neely 11 a.m. Don Wheat

Dr. David Renwick

Wer nur den lieben Gott

Moses: What's Your Excuse? Exodus 3:11-15; 4:1-5; Jeremiah 1:4-8

# Responding to God's Grace and Call

#### Response

#### Choir

If thou but trust in God to guide thee, with hopeful heart through all thy ways, God will give strength, whate'er betide thee, to bear thee through the evil days. Who trusts in God's unchanging love builds on the rock that nought can move.

#### Congregation

Sing, pray, and swerve not from God's ways, but do thine own part faithfully; Trust the rich promises of grace, so shall they be fulfilled in thee. God never yet forsook at need the soul secured by trust indeed.

▲ Affirmation of Faith

#### Apostles' Creed

Rev. Donna Marsh

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

#### 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 Go Down, Moses

Go Down, Moses	Gary Davison
Go down, Moses!	Spiritual
When Israel was in Egypt land (let my people go),	
oppressed so hard they could not stand (let my people go),	
Go down, Moses, way down in Egypt land. Tell ol' Pharaoh to let my people go!	
"Thus saith the Lord," bold Moses said, "Let my people go!	
If not I'll smite your firstborn dead. Let my people go!"	
"No more in bondage shall they toil, let my people go!	
Let them come out with Egypt's spoil, let my people go!"	with Adam Strube, bass Sheri Jackson, soprano

#### Doxology

Lasst uns erfreuen Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

#### ▲ Prayer of Dedication

New Member Recognition and Baptism 11 a.m. Exchange of Vows Baptism Prayer (in unison) God of love, we rejoice to receive these newest brothers and sisters in the Body of Christ. May they discover your grace in Jesus Christ, through membership in this church family. May your love hold them, your truth guide them, your joy delight them. Gracious God, touch us all again this day with your grace of belonging. Give us new lives for old, new spirits, new faith, and new commitment in place of all that has grown tired or stale in our lives. We have heard your call and are made new by your Spirit. So may we rise and go from here to discover whatever awaits us, in joy and in trust. To the glory of your Name. Amen. ▲ Hymn 426 Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak Canonbury

- ▲ BENEDICTION
- ▲ CHORAL RESPONSE Kurt Kaiser My mouth shall speak the name of the Lord, my mouth shall speak the word of the Lord. All nations now bless God's holy name forever and ever.
- ▲ Passing the Peace of Christ
- ▲ Postlude

Fanfare

John Cook

▲ Congregation standing, as able

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God by Jerry and Mildred Wheat in celebration of their 60th wedding anniversary (May 21), Don and Ann Wheat's 35th anniversary (May 31), and the 60th anniversary of Jerry's ordination as a Teaching Elder (May 31). After the 11 a.m. service, the Wheats will be in Elson Parlor to greet friends who would like to meet their family.

Take flowers to brighten someone's day. Are you planning to visit someone who is ill or homebound? Take along flowers to bring some cheer! Bud vases with fresh flowers may be found on the table outside of Elson Parlor.

**Chapel prayers after worship:** If you have a joy or concern on your heart, come to the chapel down the hall to the right as you exit the sanctuary. A pastor, elder or deacon, and Stephen Minister will be there to pray with you privately about your concerns and celebrations.

# WELCOME, GUESTS!

#### We are so glad you are here today.

- Welcome packets and information on the church are available at the information table to the right as you exit the sanctuary, and at the entrances to the church building.
- Enjoy a reception downstairs in Stone Fellowship Hall after worship.
- Our **Connections Team**, wearing purple badges, are here to welcome you and answer questions.
- Tours of the church on Sundays or weekdays are available upon request. *Please call: 202.537.7529.*

In order to share God's word with the world, our services are video recorded and broadcast online. If you do not wish to appear on camera, seating is available in the balcony and first ten pews as you enter the Sanctuary.

# TODAY

#### YOUTH CAR WASH Behind the Youth House after 9:15 & 11 a.m. services

Tired of a dirty car? Treat your vehicle to the NPC Youth Car Spa! All proceeds will go towards supporting our NPC Youth summer mission trips to the Dominican Republic and rural Virginia.

> ADULT PLENARY Sundays, 9:30 a.m., Stone Hall See full schedule on p.7

# CRISIS IN NEPAL: YOU CAN HELP

Over 9,000 people are feared dead and there is great destruction in Nepal after massive earthquakes. If you would like to help, we encourage you to support Samaritan's Purse, a Christian organization providing immediate aid and shelter on the ground in Nepal.

To date, the NPC family has raised \$12,150 for Nepal relief efforts. You may donate at www.samaritanspurse.org, or make a check out to NPC clearly marked for Samaritan's Purse and put it in the offering plate.

### Assisted Listening Devices

Assisted listening receivers with a standard single ear bud, or for certain hearing aids, a T-Coil compatible neck loop, can be found on the information table to the right as you exit the sanctuary. Ushers will be happy to assist you. Please return the device after the service.

# NEW MEMBER CONNECTIONS SUNDAY

Join in welcoming our newest members into the NPC church family! Please wear a nametag and come to a reception in Stone Hall after each sanctuary service to meet the new members.

NPC welcomes the following new members: Christopher Bailey, Arlington, VA Stewart Colten, Arlington, VA Lauren Favreau, Washington, DC Michelle Fenton, Takoma Park, MD Joseph Green, Washington, DC Ludy Green, Washington, DC Ryan Hedrick, Chevy Chase, MD Smythe Kannapell, Washington, DC Anne Kennedy, Washington, DC Flora Li\*, Chevy Chase, MD Kirika Mugo, Washington, DC Audrey Orteza, Bethesda, MD Stephen Replogle, Washington, DC Ann Rondeau, *Vienna, VA* Carolyn Vincent, Arlington, VA

\*baptism

If you are interested in membership at National or want to learn more, you are invited to the next Pathway to Membership class on Saturday, Sept. 26. *Contact: Kemet Rakiatu, KRakiatu@ NationalPres.org, 202.537.7578.* 

# GriefShare

Sundays, 12:30 p.m., Culbertson Library GriefShare provides a community of support for those experiencing the loss of a loved one. Weekly meetings offer a safe place to meet others with the same confusing emotions and tough decisions as you. Explore ways to recover through small group discussion and Bible study. Contact: Barb Dear, 202.537.7540 or BDear@NationalPres.org.

# THIS WEEK AND UPCOMING

#### MEN'S BREAKFAST Saturday, June 6 8 a.m.–9:30 a.m., Stone Hall Meet other men at NPC for a hearty breakfast and a presentation by NPC's Youth Director, McLane Stone, on "Ernest Gordon: A Life of Witness." Reserve your place: Men@NationalPres.org or call 202.537.7527.

#### Business & Professional Women's Guild Saturday, June 6, 11:45 a.m.-2 p.m. Stone Hall

All women are invited for lunch and time with one another. New 2015-2016 officers will be installed during the gathering. *Contact Joan Anderson to join the noon luncheon (\$12): 202.362.7475.* 

#### JOIN THE PRAY EAT LOVE TEAM Sunday, June 7, 12:30 p.m. Church Room 5

**Be a part of the planning team** for our annual "Pray, Eat, Love" event on Sunday, Sept. 6. There are many ways to lend a hand in planning this fall event where we worship, grow, care, and serve as a church family. *Contact: Leslie Saum, LSaum@ NationalPres.org 202.537.7494.* 

#### SUNDAY SANDWICH MAKING Sunday, June 7, Stone Hall after 9:15 & 11 a.m. worship

All ages can help feed the hungry in our city by making sandwiches for the homeless to be distributed through NPC mission partner Martha's Table. Together we can make 700 sandwiches!

## JUNE'S FOOD DONATION: 1 LB. BAGS OF RICE

Please bring donations of 1 lb. bags of brown or white rice for mission partner Martha's Table to the baskets outside of Stone Hall, or upstairs at the information table. You can help gather food donations or pack and deliver food to Martha's Table! Contact: Nancy Chapman Colb, nancy@ nchapman.com.

# SUMMER SCHEDULE BEGINS IN 2 WEEKS, JUNE 14:

8:30 A.M. Worship in Jones Hall (School Gym)

> **9:30 а.м.** Sunday School

**10:45** A.M. Worship in the Sanctuary

# MORNING WORSHIP, JUNE 14

Special Music at 8:30 & 10:45 a.m. The summer worship schedule begins with glorious services of "Psalms, Hymns, Spirituals and Stories." Join your hearts and voices to the choirs and musicians making music with organ, brass, and timpani, in the Sanctuary; and with piano, guitars, bass, and drums in Jones Hall.

# Invite a friend!

#### ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING June 14, Noon, Sanctuary

Members of the congregation are requested to stay in the sanctuary following 10:45 a.m. worship for a meeting of the congregation. During the meeting, the congregation will vote on a recommendation to call Revs. Marsh and Taylor to be installed at NPC. Light refreshments will be available in Stone Hall after the meeting. *Annual Reports are available on the information table outside of the Sanctuary.* 

#### WEDNESDAY WOMEN BIBLE STUDY AND PRAYER GROUP Wednesday, June 10, 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Church Room 110/111 & 105

Women are invited for prayer at 10 a.m., followed by a study of Ananias and Sapphira, and Demas from our focus on "Biblical Bad Girls, Rogues, and Fools." After the study we will enjoy snacks, and address cards of encouragement to NPC members in need of care and prayer. This will be the last meeting of the group until September.

#### EXPERT ADVICE FOR OLDER ADULTS

Lisa Rindner, MSW LGSW, is a trusted resource to our congregation, providing expert advice on practical and emotional matters of aging. *Free appointments available at NPC. Contact Lisa at* 202.895.9440 or LRindner@iona.org

### Share Your Musical Gifts This Summer:

#### Sing in Summer Choir Sundays beginning June 21 10 a.m., Choir Room

**Come sing in Summer Choir!** No Wednesday rehearsals, just Sunday morning prep before the 10:45 service. Participate as often as your schedule permits. We would love to welcome you! *Contact: Michael Denham, MDenham@ NationalPres.org; or Carolann Haley, CHaley@NationalPres.org.* 

#### Join the Contemporary Worship Band Sundays 8:30 a.m., Jones Hall Starting June 14

Come join the contemporary worship band this summer! Let us know if you are a drummer, bass guitarist, singer, or keyboard player. Rehearsals are on Wednesday nights. Musicians play on a rotating basis depending on availability on Sundays at 8:30 a.m. in Jones Hall. *Contact contemporary music leader, Hilda Gore at HGore@NationalPres.org.* 

# **PRAYER MINISTRY**

*Please pray for:* Adele Jackson Katherine Kranenburg Mary Elisa Norment

We mourn the death of: Jim Kendrick on May 24

Confidential prayer requests: www.nationalpres.org/prayer

#### ADULT PLENARIES Sundays, 9:30 a.m., Stone Hall

June 7, Dr. Os Guinness Renaissance: The Power of the Gospel However Dark the Times The best days of Christian faith are not behind us... if we will answer the call to a new Christian Renaissance. Dr. Guinness is the author of over 30 books. His book, Renaissance: The Power of the Gospel However Dark the Times, will be available for sale and signing.

**June 14**, Dr. Timothy George *The Place of Grace in an Age of Terror: Wisdom from St. Augustine* 

**June 21**, Dr. Quinn Fox Animated Virtue: Finding Wisdom in the Films of Pixar

June 28, Dale Hanson-Bourke Glimmers of Hope from the Holy Land

July 5, Dr. John Bernbaum What Does the Lord Require? An Exploration of Biblical Justice

July 12, Dr. Michael Root The Morally Divided Body: Ethical Disagreements in the Church

**July 19**, Dr. Darrell Guder The Continuing Conversion of the Church: Mission as the Response to the Current Crisis in the Church

July 26, NPC Serve Council NPC's Mission in the City and the World

August 2, Dr. David Renwick Joining God's Mission

August 9, Michael Cromartie and Christine Guteleben Every Living Thing: Animal Welfare and Christian Faith

August 16, Tom Lippman Religion and Rebellion: What's Next in the Arab World?

August 23, Karen Wright Marsh Saints, Sleep and Sanity: An Ancient Path to Balance in Life

August 30 Youth Mission Trip Reports

# CLASSES AND GROUPS

#### LECTIONARY READINGS

Year 1

#### May 31- June 7

Sunday

Psalms 103; 139 Deuteronomy 6:1-15 Ephesians 4:1-16 John 1:1-18

#### Monday

Psalms 57; 47 Deuteronomy 11:13-19 2 Corinthians 5:11-6:2 Luke 17:1-10

#### Tuesday

Psalms 54; 99 Deuteronomy 12:1-12 2 Corinthians 6:3-7:1 Luke 17:11-19

#### Wednesday

Psalms 65; 91 Deuteronomy 13:1-11 2 Corinthians 7:2-16 Luke 17:20-37

#### Thursday

Psalms 143; 116 Deuteronomy 16:18-20, 17:14-20 2 Corinthians 8:1-16 Luke 18:1-8

#### Friday

Psalms 88; 20 Deuteronomy 26:1-11 2 Corinthians 8:16-24 Luke 18:9-14

#### Saturday

Psalms 122; 63 Deuteronomy 29:2-15 2 Corinthians 9:1-15 Luke 18:15-30

#### Sunday

Psalms 108; 23 Deuteronomy 29:16-29 Revelation 12:1-12 Matthew 15:29-39

ADULTS		
Plenaries, Sundays, 9:30 a.m.	Stone Hall	
Groups • Across the Aisle (ages 22–35) Sundays, 12:30 p.m. Church Row	om 110/111 rtson Library Stone Hall	
<ul> <li>Cub Scout Troop 1946, Every other Tuesday, 6–7 p.m. MP Bldg. &amp; Agencie "Real Moms" Coffeehouse Wednesdays, 9:30 a.m. Church Wednesday Women 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month, 10 a.m1 p.m. Church Re Boy Scout Troop 1946, Wednesdays, 7–8:30 p.m. Agencies Men's Breakfast 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month, 8 – 9:30 a.m. B&amp;P Women's Guild Luncheon 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month, Noon</li> </ul>	ies Lower Level ch Room 107	
YOUTH		
<ul> <li>High School (9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grade)</li> <li>Youth Group, Sundays, 5-7:30 p.m.</li> <li>Middle School (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade): 5-6 p.m.</li> <li>NPC Youth dinner (<i>parents welcome!</i>): 5:45-6:45 p.m. Multip</li> </ul>	ng Room 101 Agencies 102 Youth House Youth House urpose Room Youth House	
CHILDREN		
Orthory         Preschool Sunday School, 9:15 – 10:30 a.m.         Preschool Sunday School, 9:15 – 10:30 a.m.         Preschool Sunday School, 9:15 – 10:30 a.m.         Orthory off children between 9:10-9:15 and pick up children in their classrooms at 10:30         • 2 and 3-year olds: School Room 104         • 4-year olds: School Room 106         Elementary Sunday School, 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.         Children meet teachers in the school gym at 9:30 a.m., whether coming directly to Sunday School, 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.         Children meet teachers in the school gym at 9:30 a.m., whether coming directly to Sunday School, 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.         • Kindergarten: School Room 108         • Stindergarten: School Room 108         • Stindergarten: School Room 132         • Ath Grade: School Room 200         • Sth Grade: School Room 240         • Sth Grade: School Room 240         • Sth Grade: School Room 242         Children's Church, 11 a.m.		
Children grades K-2 begin in worship, attend the children's church program, and return after		
8	rch Room 16 urch Room 7	
MUSIC <ul> <li>Chancel Choir Wednesdays, 7:30 – 9:30 p.m.</li> <li>Contemporary Music Team Every other Wednesday , 6:30 – 7:45 p.m.</li> <li>Grace Chimes Handbells Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.</li> </ul>	Choir Room Chapel ch Room 110	
BOOKSTORE & LIBRARY Sundays       8 a.m 1 p.m.         • Culbertson Library (also: M-TH 8 a.m 3 p.m.)       Admin. Bldg.,         • Satellite Library & Moehrle Bookstore       Adjacent	Second Floor to Stone Hall	

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