



September 16, 2018

Welcome to NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

*"Do not begin to say to yourselves
'we have Abraham as our ancestor.'
For God is able from these stones
to raise up children to Abraham."*

Luke 3:8

*"Abraham trusted God, and because of his faith
God accepted him as righteousness."*

Romans 4:3

Senior Pastor	Dr. David Renwick
Associate Pastors	Dr. Quinn Fox, Rev. Donna Marsh, Dr. Joyce Emery
Parish Associate	Dr. Nancy Fox
Music	Dr. Michael Denham (<i>Director</i>), Todd Fickley (<i>Organist</i>) Joanna Jones (<i>Interim Contemporary Music Leader</i>)
Ministry Directors	J. Theodore Anderson (<i>Library, Archives, & Older Adults</i>) Kristin Franke (<i>Youth</i>), Cate McCrory (<i>Children</i>) Leslie Saum (<i>Connections</i>), John Marienau Turpin (<i>Serve</i>)

TODAY AT NATIONAL

Congregational Meeting: Capital Campaign Celebration & Next Steps

12:00–1:00 p.m., Sanctuary

All members and friends are encouraged to attend a congregational meeting to:

- Celebrate our Capital Campaign achievements!
- Seek congregational approval from members of the congregation for next steps in our Campaign Project.

Thanks to your generosity, we have much to celebrate as we *Build Together for the Next 50 Years*.

Childcare Provided:

- Nursery (Rm. 16) and Walker (Rm. 7) will remain open until the conclusion of the meeting
- K - 5th meet for games and activities in Rm. 5

A chaperone will meet children in the narthex.

WEEKLY ON SUNDAYS

Sunday School

Adults

- **"The Rest of "The Story"**

10:00–10:45 a.m., Stone Hall

Explore how the Bible holds meaning in your life today during a weekly video summary and small group discussion.

"The Story" In Depth

9:30–10:45 a.m., Chapel

Come for a deep dive into the context and content of "The Story" led by R.V. Seep.

"The Story" for Youth 9:30–10:45 a.m.

- Grade 6: *Multipurpose Room*
- Grade 7: *Youth House Basement*
- Grade 8: *Multipurpose Building Basement*
- Grades 9/10: *Youth House Main Room*
- Grades 11/12: *Youth House Game Room*

"The Story" for Children 9:30–10:45 a.m.

- Age 2–5th grade: Drop off/pick up at the National Presbyterian School building.

"The Story:" More Ways for You to be Engaged

• Small Groups

Find friendship, grow spiritually, be cared for and serve one another in a small group! Anyone can join a group; all ages and stages gather at different times and locations in the DC area—just let us know your preferences. *Sign up at nationalpres.org/small-groups*

• Individual or family study

Weekly reading guides with questions for reflection and activities for families are available at nationalpres.org/thestory. A year-long daily devotional, *The Story: 365 Devotionals*, is available for purchase at the church bookstore

Music at National

3 p.m., Sanctuary

Washington Bach Consort presents
"Handel and Bach: Sing a New Song."
Tickets and info at bachconsort.org.

Nursery (Babies–Age 4)

8:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

"Across the Aisle" Young Professionals

12:15 p.m., Church Room 110/111

All young professionals are invited for weekly lunch and conversation

September Donations: Unsweetened Cereal

Please bring donations for mission partner Martha's Table to the baskets outside of Stone Hall, or upstairs at the info table

Today's Flowers

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given with grateful hearts to the glory of God by Donald and Marcia F. Bini in loving memory of their mothers, Hilda E. Bini and Ione S. Freeman, remembering their September birthdays.

9:00 A.M. WORSHIP

Sanctuary

WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE

Prelude on "Land of Rest"

Richard Proulx

Todd Fickley, organ

CHIMES AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Dr. Joyce Emery

▲ HYMN 488

The God of Abraham Praise

Leoni

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

Lord God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, you are the true, the only God; there is no other god but you. In your infinite mercy, you desire for us to know you; but our sins remain a barrier between us and you. For the sake of your only Son our Lord, forgive us, gracious God, and cleanse us. By the power of the Holy Spirit draw us to yourself, for faith, for strength, for obedience, and for true righteousness.

from Irenaeus of Lyons, c. 130-200

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

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.

▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *see p. 5* Apostles' Creed

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. David Renwick

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Sing Unto the Lord

Charles Yannerella

Sing unto the Lord! Let your heart rejoice and your soul fill with gladness! Sing unto the Lord! Let us bless God's holy name! Fill your heart with praises and thanksgiving. Let us go before the Lord and bless God's name forever.

Sing unto the Lord! Let us praise the Son and the Holy Spirit! Sing unto the Lord! Let us bless God's holy name!

Sheri Jackson, Joanna Jones, Mary Ellen Cain, Michael Ford, Michael Denham, Ethan Greene

▲ DOXOLOGY *see p. 5*

Lasst uns erfreuen

▲ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER *see p. 5*

Rev. Donna Marsh

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE

Hebrews 11: 8-12, 17-19

Mary Ellen Cain

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

A TIME FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

Youth grades 6-12 and children K-5th grade may leave now for Sunday School.

SERMON

The Impact of ONE Person

Dr. David Renwick

Genesis 11:31-12:4; 12:10-16; 13:8-12; 22:1-9; Luke 19:9-10

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

▲ HYMN 281 *verses 1 & 2* Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Cwm Rhondda

▲ BENEDICTION AND PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

▲ POSTLUDE Improvisation on "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

Paul Manz

11:00 A.M. WORSHIP

Sanctuary

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Todd Fickley, organ

CHIMES

CALL TO WORSHIP Dr. Joyce Emery

▲ HYMN 488 The God of Abraham Praise *Leoni*

▲ PRAYER OF ADORATION

▲ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *Leoni*

The whole triumphant host gives thanks to God on high:
"Hail, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!" they ever cry.
Hail, Abraham's God and ours! We join the heav'nly lays;
All might and majesty are yours, and endless praise.

CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

Lord God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, you are the true, the only God;
there is no other god but you.
In your infinite mercy, you desire for us to know you;
but our sins remain a barrier between us and you.
For the sake of your only Son our Lord, forgive us, gracious God, and cleanse us.
By the power of the Holy Spirit draw us to yourself,
for faith, for strength, for obedience, and for true righteousness.

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A TIME FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES Dr. David Renwick

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SCRIPTURE Hebrews 11: 8-12, 17-19 Wanda Martinson
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON The Impact of ONE Person Dr. David Renwick
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WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

CHORAL RESPONSE

Tony Payne

Leave your country, leave your people, and your father's household, and go to the land I will show you.

I will make you a great nation, and I will bless you, and I will make your name great,
and you will be a blessing; and all people on the earth will be blessed through you.

▲ 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 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

Within These Walls

Stephen Caracciolo

Within these walls, the sound of praises, radiant alleluias rise;

Ceaseless prayer and hymn ascending, sweet as incense to the skies.

Holy, holy, holy God, all glory! Saints on earth and saints above join to bless the Lord of love.

Within these walls, a faith confessing, joyous alleluias rise;

Songs of hope and revelation, God's own word and sign inspire.

Holy, holy, holy God, all glory! Saints on earth and saints above speak of promise, sing of love.

Within these walls, yet far beyond all, wondrous alleluias rise;

Word and song and all creation praise the Son of God, Most High!

Holy, holy, holy God, all glory! Saints on earth and saints above join to bless the Lord of love.

▲ DOXOLOGY

Lasst uns erfreuen

Praise God, from who 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!

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▲ BENEDICTION AND PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

▲ POSTLUDE Excerpt of Tuba Tune in D Major, Op. 15

C.S. Lang

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING AND RECEPTION

*Members and friends of the congregation are invited to stay after worship for
a meeting of the congregation and The National Presbyterian Church, Inc.*

▲ Congregation standing, as able

11:00 A.M. CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

Jones Hall (School Gym)

WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE

Joanna Jones

▲ WELCOME SONG

10,000 Reasons

Matt Redman
Worship Team

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Quinn Fox

CALL TO WORSHIP

▲ SONG OF RESPONSE

Multiplied

Bear and Bo Rinehart

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION OF SIN

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SILENT CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

▲ RESPONSE OF PRAISE

If We're Honest

Francesca Battistelli

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Cate McCrory

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Deacon Kathy Byus

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Apostles' Creed

Dr. Quinn Fox

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▲ CLOSING SONG *offering received*

Trust in You

Lauren Daigle

▲ CLOSING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION

▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Please move quickly to the Congregational Meeting in the Sanctuary.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Adult Fellowship Luncheon *Monday, Sept. 17, Noon, Stone Hall*

Dr. Joyce Emery, Interim Associate Pastor for Congregational Care, will share her interesting life story in the program: "My Life and Ministry in the Service of God." *Call 202.537.7529 for reservations.*

Facilities Master Plan Open House, Wednesday, Sept. 19, 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m., Elson Parlor

Do you have questions? Are you wondering what the next steps are for the Facilities Master Plan? Find out this Wednesday! *You can also email FMPT Chair Mary Jo Pera at fmpt@nationalpres.org, or Facilities Director Diane Stewart at dstewart@nationalpres.org*

Faith and Politics: An Evening Conversation *Thursday, September 20 7 p.m., Sanctuary*

E.J. Dionne, *Washington Post* and Pete Wehner, *Ethics & Public Policy* will share thoughts and insights as Christians as we approach the upcoming midterm elections. We'll be asking questions like:

- How did your faith lead to an interest in politics? How does it guide your writing?
- Does your work as Christian journalists make you different than your non-Christian peers?
- Why is there such a wide diversity (and disagreement) among people of the same faith? *Free and open to the public; no tickets required.*

Pathway Membership Class *Saturday, September 29 8:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.*

Learn more about the Christian faith, discipleship, and membership at National, and spend time with pastors and church leaders. *Contact Kemet Rakiatu to register: krakiatu@nationalpres.org, 202.537.7578.*

Military Ministry *Sunday, September 30, 12:30 p.m. Elson Parlor*

Come celebrate the incredible work and sacrifice of care givers of wounded military personnel. We've been collecting items to place in care packages that we'll put together at the meeting; these care packages will be distributed at a special event for care givers in November at Joint Base Andrews. We'll also have a speaker and a light lunch.

Lunch & Learn: Pakistan *Sunday, September 30, 12:30 p.m. Agencies Building Room 105*

Come hear from Dr. Jim Tebbe, Rector of NPC mission partner Forman Christian College in Lahore, Pakistan. *A light lunch will be served.*

Build with Habitat for Humanity *Saturday, Oct. 6, 8:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.*

Participate in National's sponsored build, and help provide a home for a DC family in need. *For information or to sign up, contact Mike Maddox, mike.kentm@gmail.com.*

Lend a Helping Hand on Sundays

You can help out your church on Sundays for as little as one hour a month! Serve as an usher, greeter, or ambassador. *Visit nationalpres.org/serve-npc or contact Leslie Saum at 202.537.7494.*

WELCOME TO NATIONAL!

"THE STORY" THIS WEEK

Together this week we will read Chapter 3 of "The Story."

Sunday

Genesis 37-38 (pp. 29-31)

Monday

Genesis 39 (pp. 31-32)

Tuesday

Genesis 40-41 (pp. 32-34)

Wednesday

Genesis 42 (pp. 34-36)

Thursday

Genesis 43-45 (pp. 36-40)

Friday

Genesis 46-49 (pp. 40-41)

Saturday

Genesis 50 (pp. 41-42)

For reflection:

- What can we learn from Joseph about trusting God through hardship and even betrayal? In your experience, have you found yourself drawing nearer to God when times are difficult, or have you tended to become more distant from God?
- How specific are your prayers? Do you tell God what you want, to "do it your way?" Has God ever completely surprised you with an answer to prayer so creative or unexpected that you knew you never would have thought of it?
- As you look back at the first three chapters of The Story, what observations do you have about family dynamics? What lessons might you apply to your own life from observing these patterns?

We are so glad you are here today.

If you are with us for the first time, welcome! Our prayer is that you will find a spiritual home here—a home where the love and presence of Jesus Christ are experienced as we gather in community to worship God. If you are a college student, welcome! We would love to be your church home.

Connections Ambassadors, wearing blue badges, are here to welcome you and answer any questions. Come downstairs to Stone Hall after worship to meet others and enjoy coffee and cookies.

Welcome packets and information | Available at the information table to the right as you exit the sanctuary.

Young Worshipers | Pick up a "Worshiper in Training" bag outside the Sanctuary for fun things to help children engage in worship. Please return the bags after the service.

Prayers after worship | A pastor, elder or deacon, and Stephen Minister will be available to pray with you about your concerns and celebrations.

Accessible worship | Assisted listening receivers and large print bulletins and hymnals are available at the information table to the right as you exit the sanctuary.

Pick up a bud vase | Flowers are available outside of Elson Parlor to take with you if you are visiting someone who is ill or home-bound.

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 back five pews of the sanctuary.

PRAYERS

We pray for:

Mary Elisa Norment and Family

We pray for our mission partners, including:

Habitat DC, our local affiliate of Habitat for Humanity International, a Christian nonprofit organization that believes that everyone deserves a home.

How can we pray for you?

nationalpres.org/prayer



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