

# UPCOMING SERVICES

## WEDNESDAY EVENING SERVICES

*7 p.m., Chapel*

MARCH 26 Rev. Evangeline Taylor  
*Fruit of the Spirit...Kindness and Generosity*

APRIL 2 Dr. David Renwick  
*Fruit of the Spirit...Faithfulness and Gentleness*

APRIL 9 Dr. David Renwick  
*Fruit of the Spirit...Self-Control*

## SUNDAY MORNING SERVICES

*8:15 a.m. (Chapel), 9:15 & 11 a.m. (Sanctuary)*

MARCH 23 Dr. Quinn Fox  
*Caring Enough...To Pray*

MARCH 30 Rev. Donna Marsh  
*Caring Enough...To Comfort*

APRIL 6 Dr. David Renwick  
*Caring Enough...To Receive*

## HOLY WEEK

### **PALM SUNDAY • APRIL 13**

*8:15 a.m., 9:15 & 11 a.m.*

*Caring Enough* Dr. David Renwick

*Concert, 5 p.m.*

"Bethlehem to Jerusalem: Our Savior and the Way of Salvation"  
in Handel's *Messiah*

### **MAUNDY THURSDAY • APRIL 17**

*7 p.m., Sanctuary*

Rev. Evangeline Taylor

### **GOOD FRIDAY • APRIL 18**

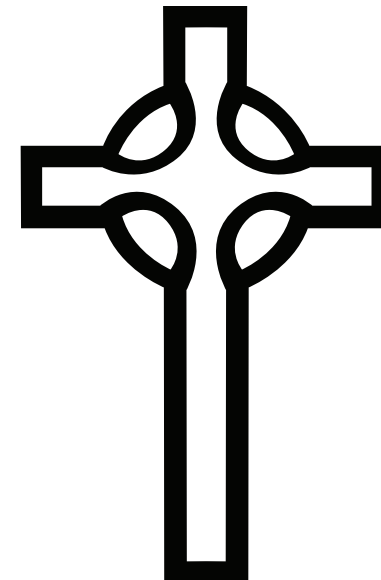
*7 p.m., Sanctuary*

Dr. Quinn Fox

# THE NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

## 2014 Lenten Vespers

March 19, 2014



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# WEDNESDAY VESPERS

## LENTEN WORSHIP AT THE LORD'S TABLE

7 P.M.

PRELUDE Jane Kaye, guest organist

CALL TO WORSHIP Rev. Evangeline Taylor

▲ HYMN 542 All Praise to Thee, My God, This Night *Tallis' Canon*

### CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

In me there is darkness, but with thee there is light.  
I am lonely, but thou leavest me not.  
I am feeble in heart, but thou leavest me not.  
I am restless, but with thee there is peace.  
In me there is bitterness, but with thee there is patience.

Thy ways are past understanding,  
but thou knowest the way for me.

O Holy Spirit, thou knowest me and all that I do.  
Holy and merciful God, my Creator and Redeemer,  
my Judge and Savior,  
thou forgivest the sins of those  
who sincerely pray for forgiveness.

Lord, have mercy.

Restore me to liberty and enable me to so live  
that I may answer before thee, and before men.

Lord, whatever this night may bring, thy name be praised.

Dietrich Bonhoeffer

### SILENT CONFESSION

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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

▲ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *Stuttgart*

Far as east from west is distant,  
God has put away our sin;  
Like the pity of a father  
Has the Lord's compassion been.

SCRIPTURE John 14:23-27 McLane Stone  
The Word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

MEDITATION Rev. Donna Marsh  
Fruit of the Spirit: Peace and Patience

▲ HYMN 329 Break Thou the Bread of Life *Bread of Life*

### THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

Invitation to the Table

Words of Institution and Distribution

Music Meditation Psalm 130 *Aus tiefer Not*

To wash away my crimson stain, God's grace alone prevaieth  
Our works, alas! Are all in vain; in much the best life faileth.  
For none can glory in God's sight, all must alike confess his might,  
And live alone by mercy.

Therefore my trust is in the Lord, and not in mine own merit.

On God my soul shall rest; God's word upholds my fainting spirit.

God's promised mercy is my fort, my comfort and my strong support;

I wait for it with patience.

Martin Luther

### The Peace of God

John Rutter

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding,

keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God,  
and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;

and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost  
be amongst you and remain with you always. Amen.

### Prayer of Response and The Lord's Prayer

▲ HYMN 365 Jesus, Priceless Treasure *Jesu, meine Freude*  
*verses 1&3*

▲ BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*An offering will be received at the doors as you exit.*