

May 11, 2014

# THE NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

A MINISTRY OF GRACE, PASSIONATE ABOUT  
CHRIST'S MISSION IN THE WORLD

YOUTH SUNDAY

*I have loved you with an everlasting love;  
I have continued my faithfulness to you.*

Jeremiah 31:3

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  
Rev. Michael Denham, *Director of Music Ministries*  
William Neil, *Organist* · Hilda Gore, *Contemporary Music Leader*

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

9:15 & 11 A.M.

*Kindly turn off your cell phone and other electronic devices.*

## ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE

Waltz

Franz Liszt

Gabe Gardner, piano

CALL TO WORSHIP

9:15 a.m. Ryan Holman

*Leader:* O sing to the LORD a new song;  
sing to the LORD, all the earth.

11 a.m. Leah Gordon

*All:* **Sing to the LORD, bless his name;  
tell of his salvation from day to day.**

*Leader:* Declare his glory among the nations,  
his marvelous works among all the peoples.

▲ HYMN 356

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

*Nettleton*

Matthew Daley, guest organist

▲ PRAYER OF ADORATION

9:15 a.m. Carlos Bowser

11 a.m. Zachary Gardner

CHORAL RESPONSE

The Morning Trumpet

Lloyd Larson

*Congregation please be seated*

from *The Sacred Harp*, 1844

O when shall I see Jesus and reign with Him above, and shall hear the trumpet sound in that morning,  
and from the flowing fountain drink everlasting love, and shall hear the trumpet sound in that morning?

*O shout, shout "glory!" I'll mount above the skies,  
when I hear the trumpet sound in that morning.*

So put on the gospel armor of faith and hope and love, and you'll hear the trumpet sound in that morning.

And when the combat's ended He will carry you above, and you'll hear the trumpet sound in that morning.

Our ears shall hear with gladness the hosts of heaven sing, and shall hear the trumpet sound in that morning.

Our tongues shall speak the glories of our immortal King, and we'll hear the trumpet sound in that morning.

Youth Choir with Adel Sanchez, trumpet  
Dottie Seep, Director and Joanna Jones, piano

CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

9:15 a.m. Margaret Dent

Lord, forgive us when we fail to accord with your will.

11 a.m. Julia Stucky

We recognize that you are always present in our lives,

but sometimes we hide our faith and live fearfully,

even when the gospel offers us every reason to live bravely.

We ask that you remind us of your ever-present strength within us.

SILENT CONFESSION

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.

RECOGNITION OF CONFIRMATION 11 a.m.

Dr. Quinn Fox and Elder Ellen Lawler

Sam Backlund	Matthew Brunner	Zachary Gardner
Connor Goldrick	Sarah Greisdorf	Michael Hammaker
Ben Holman	Andrew Rehr	Julia Stucky
Sarah Thompson	Sam Wilson	

HEARING GOD’S WORD

SCRIPTURE	Jeremiah 29:11	9:15 a.m. Laura Abbott
The Word of the Lord.		11 a.m. Connor Goldrick
Thanks be to God.		

SENIOR TESTIMONIES	McLane Stone, Director of Youth Ministries
	Sigrid Johannes, Janie Hammaker, John Pera

RESPONDING TO GOD’S GRACE AND CALL

RESPONSE	Be Thou My Vision	Lloyd Larson
<i>Youth Choir</i>		
Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me save that thou art;		
Thou my best thought by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.		
Be thou my wisdom and thou my true word, I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;		
Thou my great Father, and I thy true son, thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.		
Riches I heed not, nor man’s empty praise, thou mine inheritance now and always;		
Thou and thou only first in my heart, High King of heaven, my treasure thou art.		
<i>Congregation</i>		
High King of heaven, my victory won, may I reach heaven’s joys, O bright heav’n’s Sun!		
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.		

▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH	Apostles’ Creed	9:15 a.m. Ben Holman
		11 a.m. Michael Hammaker
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.		

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER	9:15 a.m. Magruder Dent
	11 a.m. Adam Schauer

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

With Trumpets and Horns

from *Water Music*

G.F. Handel

Youth Chamber Ensemble

Dottie Seep, conductor

Largo and Allegro

Antonio Vivaldi

Hannah Thompson, violin & Nirosha Beekhuysen, cello

▲ DOXOLOGY

*Old Hundredth*

▲ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

9:15 a.m. Sarah Dickey

11 a.m. Adam Schauer

Lord, thank you for these gifts. We pray that they will be used to do your work in the world.

As we look forward to our mission trips to Belize and West Virginia, may this offering be a reminder of your love and support in our lives. Amen

▲ HYMN 276

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

*Faithfulness*

▲ BENEDICTION

Hannah Thompson & Nirosha Beekhuysen

▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

POSTLUDE

Prelude in D Major Op. 23 No. 4

Sergei Rachmaninoff

Mitchell Moore, piano

▲ Congregation standing, as able

*Prayers during worship this morning are written by youth confirmands and seniors.*

**The flowers in the Sanctuary** are given to the glory of God in gratitude for the many years of faithful service from NPC's Children and Youth Ministries' staff and volunteers, and in honor of the 2014 graduates, by the Pera family.

**The flowers in the Court of Flags** are given to the glory of God by Steve and Natalie Duncan in celebration of their 7<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

**Take flowers to brighten someone's day.** Are you planning to visit someone who is ill or a home-bound congregant? Take along a bud vase 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 entrances to the church building.
- Enjoy **coffee and cookies** downstairs in Stone Fellowship Hall after worship.
- Members of 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 for scheduling and information: 202.537.7529.

## LAST DAY TO FILL OUT A SURVEY!

Today is the final day to complete the Strategic Planning Team survey. Let your thoughts and ideas about the future of NPC be heard.

Please take the survey online at [www.bit.ly/npcsurvey](http://www.bit.ly/npcsurvey)

We strongly request that all surveys be done online to help with the collection process. The survey is completely confidential and will take less than 15 minutes to complete.

*If you cannot take the survey online, paper copies are available at the information desk to the right as you leave the sanctuary after any service.*

# TODAY

## YOUTH & CONFIRMATION SUNDAY

Today we celebrate God's faithfulness as our middle school and high school youth take part in leading all worship services. Each service will include testimonies from some of our senior class students, and we will be receiving this year's Confirmation class as new members during the 11 a.m. service.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR  
ADULTS, YOUTH, AND CHILDREN**  
*9:30–10:30 a.m., see p. 8 for locations*

**WRESTLERS CLASS: AFRICA SERIES**  
*9:15–10:45 a.m. Agencies Lower Level*

A series of special Africa focused presentations concludes today in our Wrestlers class. Louise Meyer from Solar Household Energy will speak about solar cooking for sunny countries.

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH**  
*During 11 a.m. worship*

Rising K-2nd grade children begin in worship and are escorted to Church Room 106, then return after the sermon to sit with their parents or Sunday School leader.

## NPC YOUTH

*Resumes May 18, 5–7:30 p.m., Youth House*  
NPC Youth will not meet today; we will gather for food, fun, and fellowship next Sunday.

## YOUNG ADULTS

*12:15 p.m., Church Room 110/111*  
"Across the Aisle" group for young adults (ages 22-35) gathers weekly for lunch and conversation. *Contact: Under35@NationalPres.org.*

## NPC YOUTH OFFERING

This morning's offering will be dedicated to the continuing witness of our youth in D.C. and abroad. Over forty youth and adult leaders will be serving in Belize and West Virginia this summer. Please join in supporting this important mission of our ministry by:

- Placing your gift in the envelopes marked "NPC Youth Ministry – 2014" found in your pew, or
- Making an online donation to "Youth Inc." at [www.nationalpres.org/giving](http://www.nationalpres.org/giving)

**SECOND SUNDAY SANDWICH MAKING**  
*Stone Hall, after 9:15 & 11 a.m. worship*

Volunteers of all ages are invited to help make sandwiches for the homeless. In just 20 minutes, you can help make the 700 sandwiches that we prepare each month for mission partner, Martha's Table. *Financial contributions are gratefully accepted to help offset project costs.*

## MID-CAREER FELLOWSHIP

*12:15 p.m., Elson Parlor*

Connect with fellow professionals for lunch and conversation after worship weekly.  
*Contact: Grow@NationalPres.org.*

## SIGN UP TODAY

- **Great Day of Service** (see p. 6)  
Today is the last Sunday to register in person downstairs in Stone Hall or at the table to the left as you exit the sanctuary. You may also register online at: [nationalpres.org/GreatDayofService](http://nationalpres.org/GreatDayofService)
- **Adult Fellowship Luncheon** (see p. 7)  
Downstairs in Stone Hall



Sign up today! >> [www.nationalpres.org/GreatDayofService](http://www.nationalpres.org/GreatDayofService) <<



## GREAT DAY OF SERVICE

NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*you're invited!*  
SATURDAY, MAY 17

Bring friends and family to NPC's all new, all-church day of service and witness. Choose one of many meaningful and fun service projects available at NPC and around the metro area.

**Sign up today online, or at tables in Stone Hall and to the left as you exit the Sanctuary.**

*Free childcare is available at NPC for kids under 5; please contact [Childcare@NationalPres.org](mailto:Childcare@NationalPres.org)*

### PROJECTS

- **Package** meals for Stop Hunger Now. (NPC)
- **Garden** at the Capital Area Food Bank's Urban Demonstration Garden. (NE DC)
- **Run errands** for those in our congregation who need a helping hand. (Metro DC)
- **Clear trails, clean and paint** at Camp Bennett (a ministry of Central Union Mission). (Brookville, MD)
- **Organize** the thrift store and help clients at Martha's Outfitters newest location. (Historic Anacostia)
- **Serve lunch and connect** with the homeless men of Central Union Mission. (NW DC, near Union Station)
- **Donate,\* organize, sort and load** clothing and houseware donations for the Salvation Army. (NPC)
- **Donate\* and organize** women's professional attire for Dress for Success. (NPC)

*\*Donations will be accepted May 17, from 9 a.m.-1 p.m.*



*special guest*  
SUNDAY, MAY 18  
12:45-1:30 P.M., STONE HALL

### PATTY STONESIFER

*Executive Director, Martha's Table  
Former Gates Foundation CEO*

Come for an engaging talk with Patty Stonesifer and learn about the larger issues of poverty and hunger, best practices, and how you can continue to make a difference!

This event is free and open to the public; an optional boxed lunch (\$10) is available from 12:15-12:45. To reserve a lunch, contact: [serve@nationalpres.org](mailto:serve@nationalpres.org) or [nationalpres.org/GreatDayofService](http://nationalpres.org/GreatDayofService)

# THIS WEEK AND UPCOMING

## **WEDNESDAY WOMEN BIBLE STUDY & PRAYER GROUP** *Wednesday, May 14, 10 a.m.–1 p.m., Church Room 105*

Please join us for a time of prayer at 10 a.m. At 10:30 a.m. we will have a Bible study and discussion about Lydia. Stay for food and fellowship as we prepare greeting cards for those on the NPC Care and Joy Prayer list.  
*Contact: Mildred Wheat, 703.931.1490.*

## **AFTERNOON T.E.A. WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** *Wednesday, May 14, 1:30–3 p.m. Elson Parlor*

Moms of school-aged children gather on the second Wednesday of the month for Teaching, Encouragement, and Adoration.  
*Contact: Alison Dickey,  
NPCafternoonTEA@gmail.com*

## **BOOK DISCUSSION: BAD RELIGION** *Thursdays through June 12 7:15 p.m., Elson Parlor*

Dr. Quinn Fox continues a discussion of the book, *Bad Religion* by NY Times columnist Ross Douthat. Join us for 90 minutes of group interaction as we consider the current challenges American Christianity faces.  
*For May 15, please read Chapter 5.*

## **THE CIRCLE FAMILY GROUP** *Sunday, May 18, 4–6:30 p.m. Friendship Park, Van Ness and 45th St. NW*

Families with young children, join our monthly gatherings filled with food, fun, and friendship. This month, pack a picnic and meet at Friendship (“Turtle”) Park on Van Ness. From May to August we’ll meet at various locations off campus due to NPS construction. *Contact: Jill Meek, JMeek@NationalPres.org; 202.537.7535.*

**YOUTH POSITION OPENING**  
NPC is seeking to fill a part-time position assisting our youth program. Position description is available at:  
[www.NationalPres.org/jobs](http://www.NationalPres.org/jobs)  
*Contact: NPCyouth@NationalPres.org.*

## **EXTRA COMMITMENT OPPORTUNITY** *May 1–June 30*

A harsh winter and unanticipated repairs to our facility have added approximately \$250,000 to our expenses this year. The Session invites you to join with them in seeking to “close the gap” before June 30. Please consider making a special gift to NPC, above regular faith giving (marked “close the gap”)

**ADULT FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON**  
*Monday, May 19, Noon, Stone Hall*  
All are invited for a special luncheon and program on art history with Dr. Rosamond Mack: “Italian Renaissance Responses to Islamic Silks: Competing in the Marketplace and Honoring the Saints” - bringing aesthetic, religious, historical, and economic factors together. *Sign up for lunch (\$10) today in Stone Hall or call 202.527.0800.*

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**  
*July 7–11, 9:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.*  
Registration is open! Age four through rising 5<sup>th</sup> graders have fun and grow in faith during “Wilderness Escape VBS.” Kids will enjoy Bible teaching, crafts, games, service projects, and music. *Register online at PlanetReg.com/NPCVBS14 through mid-June. To volunteer contact Jill Meek, JMeek@NationalPres.org; 202.537.7535.*

**SEEKING FOOD DONATIONS**  
This month we are collecting **boxes of non-sweetened cereal** for mission partner Martha’s Table. In March, NPC members and friends contributed 385 6-ounce cans of tuna. *Thank you!*

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL MINI-TERM**  
*9:30 a.m. Sundays May 25, June 1 and 8*  
**May 25:** *The Gospel According to Baseball* Dr. Quinn Fox (Stone Hall)  
**June 1:** *Strange Glory: A Life of Dietrich Bonhoeffer*, Dr. Charles Marsh (UVA) (Stone Hall)  
**June 8:** *Fierce Goodbye: A Christian Response to Suicide*, Dr. Lloyd & Mrs. Gwen Carr (Chapel)

# CLASSES AND GROUPS

## LECTIONARY READINGS

Year 2

May 11-18

### Sunday

Psalms 93; 117  
Exodus 28:1-4, 30-38  
1 John 2:18-29  
Mark 6:30-44

### Monday

Psalms 97; 115  
Exodus 32:1-20  
Colossians 3:18-4:18  
Matthew 5:1-10

### Tuesday

Psalms 98; 116  
Exodus 32:21-34  
1 Thessalonians 1:1-10  
Matthew 5:11-16

### Wednesday

Psalms 99; 118  
Exodus 33:1-23  
1 Thessalonians 2:1-12  
Matthew 5:17-20

### Thursday

Psalms 47; 113  
Exodus 34:1-17  
1 Thessalonians 2:13-20  
Matthew 5:21-26

### Friday

Psalms 96; 138  
Exodus 34:18-35  
1 Thessalonians 3:1-13  
Matthew 5:27-37

### Saturday

Psalms 92; 114  
Exodus 40:18-38  
1 Thessalonians 4:1-12  
Matthew 5:38-48

### Sunday

Psalms 93; 117  
Leviticus 8:1-13, 30-36  
Hebrews 12:1-14  
Luke 4:16-30

## ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL & GROUPS

### Sunday School Classes 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.

*Sunday School classes conclude May 18; mini-term begins May 25*

- Life in Progress: Seeking God Amidst Life's Complexities
- Wrestlers: Engaging in Contemporary Issues
- A Biblical Exploration of the Heart of God
- The Book of Genesis: God's Creative Call
- Jeremiah: Learning to Live Life to the Fullest

School Room 236  
Agencies Lower Level  
Agencies 101  
Agencies 105  
Elson Parlor

### Groups

- Across the Aisle (ages 22–35) **Sundays, after 11 a.m. worship**
- Mid-Career Fellowship (ages 30s & 40s) **Sundays, after 11 a.m. worship**
- The Circle Family Group **Resumes May 18, 4:30–6 p.m.**
- Youth Parents Fellowship **Sundays, 6–7:30 p.m.**
- Wednesday Women **2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month, 10 a.m.**
- Afternoon T.E.A. **2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month, 1:30 – 3 p.m.**
- “Real Moms” **Thursdays 9:30 a.m. – Noon**
- Community Bible Study **Thursdays 7–9 p.m.**
- Women in the Word Bible Study **Saturdays 9:30 – 11 a.m.**
- Saturday Morning Bible Study **Saturdays 8:30 – 10 a.m.**
- Men's Breakfast **1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month, 8 – 9:30 a.m.**
- B&P Women's Guild Luncheon **1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month, 11:45 a.m.**

Church Room 110/111  
Elson Parlor  
Off campus  
Multipurpose Room  
Church Room 110/111  
Elson Parlor  
Church Room 5  
Agencies 105  
Church Room 105  
Satellite Library  
Stone Hall  
Stone Hall

## CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.

### Preschool

*Parents drop off children just before 9:15 worship or just before your 9:30 class  
and pick up children in their classrooms:*

2-year olds School Room 100 3-year olds School Room 106  
4-year olds School Room 108

### Elementary

*Children meet in the school gym by 9:30 a.m. to head to classrooms, or come straight from 9:15 a.m. worship, after the Time for Children. Pick up children in the school gym under their color coded sign.*

Kindergarten Red 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Orange 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Yellow  
3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Green 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Blue

### Children's Church 11 a.m.

Church Room 106  
*Children grades K-2 begin in worship, attend the children's church program and return after the sermon.*

## YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL & GROUPS

### Sunday School Sundays 9:15 – 10:30 a.m.

- Middle School (6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> grade)
- Middle School (8<sup>th</sup> grade)
- High School (9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade)

MP Building; Multipurpose Room 101  
Agencies 102  
Youth House

### Youth Group Resumes Sunday, May 18, 5–7:30 p.m.

- Middle School (6<sup>th</sup>–8<sup>th</sup> grade): 5–6 p.m.
- NPC Youth dinner (*parents welcome!*): 5:45–6:45 p.m.
- High School (9<sup>th</sup>–12<sup>th</sup> grade): 6:30–7:30 p.m.

Youth House  
Youth House  
Multi Purpose Room  
Youth House

### CHILDCARE 7:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

- Crib Room: Babies 6 weeks – Crawling
- Walker Room: Toddlers and walkers up to 4 yrs.

Church Room 16  
Church Room 7

### MUSIC

- Chancel Choir **Wednesdays, 7:30 – 9:30 p.m.**
- Grace Chimes Handbells **Tuesdays, 7:15 p.m.**
- Children's Choir (2<sup>nd</sup>–5<sup>th</sup> grade) **Sundays, 10:25 – 10:55 a.m.**
- Youth Choir (6<sup>th</sup> grade +) **Sundays 10:25 – 11 a.m.**
- Contemporary Music Team **Wednesdays 8 – 9:15 p.m.**

Choir Room  
Church Room 110/111  
Jones Hall/School Gym  
MP Bldg.; Multipurpose Room  
Chapel

### BOOKSTORE & LIBRARY Sundays 8 a.m. – 1 p.m.

- Culbertson Library (also: M-TH 8 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.)
- Satellite Library (Sundays)
- Moehrle Bookstore

Admin. Bldg., Second Floor  
Adjacent to Stone Hall  
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### BODY & SOUL EXERCISE CLASS Saturdays 8:30 a.m.

Jones Hall/School Gym

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