

May 18, 2014

THE NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

Jesus said:

"Love your neighbor as yourself."

And the lawyer replied:

"And who is my neighbor?"

Luke 10:27, 29

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

Jesus, Lead Thou On

Paul Manz

Matthew Daley, guest organist

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Evangeline Taylor

▲ HYMN 420

God of Grace and God of Glory

Cwm Rhondda

▲ PRAYER OF ADORATION

CHORAL RESPONSE

Zion's Walls

Aaron Copland

Come, fathers and mothers, come, sisters and brothers, come, join us in singing the praises of Zion.

O fathers, don't you feel determined to meet within the walls of Zion?

We'll shout and go 'round the walls of Zion!

CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

O God, our heavenly Father,

who so loved the world that you gave your only Son to die upon the cross:

In your mercy and on his merits forgive our sins,

and pour out your love into our hearts,

that loving you above all else, we may give our time, treasure,

and talents, indeed our whole selves, to your service.

For the sake of him who loved us and gave himself for us,

even Jesus Christ our Lord.

John R.W. Stott

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.

HEARING GOD'S WORD

A TIME FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

Apostles' Creed 9:15 a.m. *2nd Grade Milestone in Worship Education*

Children in K-2nd grade may meet their Sunday School leader in the Court of Flags:

9:15 a.m. *to join their peers in Sunday School in the school building.*

11 a.m. *to go to the Children's Church program in Church Room 106,
then return after the sermon to sit with their parents or Sunday School leader
in the transept on the right.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. David Renwick

PATHWAY OF DISCIPLESHIP *Encouraging one another to love and good deeds.*

Hebrews 10

SCRIPTURE

Luke 10:25-37

9:15 a.m. John Neely

The Word of the Lord.

11 a.m. Deacon Arlene Gorrell

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Resurrection Life

Dr. David Renwick

Living for Another

Acts 6:1-7; James 2:14-17

RESPONDING TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

▲ 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.

THANKSGIVING FOR THE GREAT DAY OF SERVICE

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

Great Day

Moses Hogan

Great Day the righteous marchin', God's gonna build up Zion's wall.

Spiritual

Chariot moved on the mountaintop, brother, God's gonna build up Zion's wall;

God spoke an' de chariot stopped, sister, God's gonna build up Zion's wall.

This is the year of Jubilee, brother, God's gonna build up Zion's wall;

God set his people free, sister, God's gonna build up Zion's wall.

Great Day the righteous marchin', God's gonna build up Zion's wall.

Great Day that morning, Great Day come marchin',

Great Day my brother, Great Day my sister,

God's gonna build up Zion's wall.

▲ DOXOLOGY

Old Hundredth

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

▲ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

▲ HYMN 426 Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak *Canonbury*

▲ BENEDICTION

▲ CHORAL AMEN

▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

▲ POSTLUDE Praise to the Lord, the Almighty Paul Manz

▲ Congregation standing, as able

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Edmund E. Pendleton, Jr. by his family.

The flowers in the Court of Flags are given to the glory of God and in memory of Jim Childress, beloved husband of Jan Childress and loving father of Mike and Rob, in celebration of his birthday on May 21.

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.

TODAY

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

This Sunday is the last week of Spring Adult Sunday School classes. See pg. 6 for the upcoming “mini term” before the summer. Youth and Children’s Sunday school classes continue as usual.

WRESTLER’S CLASS *9:30 a.m., Agencies Lower Level*

Today is the final Wrestler’s adult Sunday school class for the spring term. Paul Arveson will give a presentation on “The Dialogue between Scientists and Evangelicals.”

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 *5–7:30 p.m., Youth House*

Gather for food, fun, and fellowship!

- **Middle School (6th–8th grade):**
5–6 p.m., Youth House
- **NPC Youth dinner (parents welcome!):**
5:45–6:45 p.m., Multi-Purpose Room
- **High School (9th–12th grade):**
6:30–7:30 p.m., Youth House

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.*

MID-CAREER FELLOWSHIP

12:15 p.m., Elson Parlor

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



Today, 12:45–1:45 p.m.

SPECIAL GUEST 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.

THE CIRCLE FAMILY GROUP *4–6:30 p.m.*

Friendship Park, Van Ness & 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.

Invite a friend to NPC!

THIS WEEK AND UPCOMING

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL MINI-TERM *9:30 a.m., Sundays May 25, June 1 and 8*

May 25, Stone Hall

The Gospel According to Baseball

Dr. Quinn Fox

June 1, Stone Hall

Strange Glory: A Life of Dietrich Bonhoeffer,

Dr. Charles Marsh (University of Virginia)

June 8, Chapel

Fierce Goodbye: A Christian Response to Suicide

Dr. Lloyd & Mrs. Gwen Carr

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 in American Christianity.

For May 22, please read Chapter 6.

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 5th graders have fun and grow in faith during "Wilderness Escape VBS: Where God Guides and Provides." 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.*

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").

NPC TEAM SERVING IN MOLDOVA

A small NPC mission team is working with Moldova Marriage Ministry national leaders this week to prepare leadership teams from 9 regions of the country to use and teach Alpha's "The Marriage Course" to married couples in local Moldovan churches. Please pray for the team and couples attending the leadership conference.

WELCOME HOME LUNCH **FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS**

Sunday, June 1, 12:15 p.m., Elson Parlor

We want to welcome you home in style! There'll be plenty of time for conversation, laughter, sharing a meal, and reconnecting with your NPC friends. We'll also share the details about our college summer fellowship. *Please RSVP to HGore@NationalPres.org.*

PRAYER MINISTRY

We pray for our NPC missionaries, listed on the Care & Joy sheet on the information table.

To make a confidential prayer request, visit:
www.NationalPres.org/prayer

GRIEF SHARE

Sundays beginning June 22, 1 p.m.

Those experiencing loss and grief will find encouragement and support during weekly GriefShare classes. We will view and discuss a video each week, helping to lead you from mourning to joy. *Please register with Barb Dear, BDear@NationalPres.org, or 202.537.7540.*

SEEKING FOOD DONATIONS

This month we are collecting **boxes of non-sweetened cereal** for mission partner Martha's Table. Please bring donations to the baskets outside of Stone Hall, or the information table. In March, NPC members and friends contributed 385 6-ounce cans of tuna. *Thank you!*

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
Contact: NPCyouth@NationalPres.org.

HELP IDENTIFY CHURCH PHOTOS

Coming soon

The NPC Archives Department has a collection of over 8,000 photographs related to the church's rich history. Many of these photos need identifying and you may be able to help! We're planning a photo party to help with the labeling. It's a great time to share some of the church history and enjoy a free lunch. *Interested? Contact: 202.537.7529 or Library@NationalPres.org*

FLOWER MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY

Thursdays, Noon

Volunteers are needed for an hour on Thursday afternoons to help receive and condition flowers for Sunday mornings. No prior experience is required; training is provided. *To learn more about this and other opportunities to assist with the Flower Ministry; contact: Nora Szeto, noraszeto@hotmail.com.*

SAVE THE DATE:

Fall Conference

Saturday, October 18

NPC's Third Annual Fall Conference will feature *New York Times* columnist David Brooks, and *Christianity Today* Executive Editor Andy Crouch.

Men's Retreat

Friday, September 18 – Saturday, September 19

Lee Corder, Senior Vice President for Young Life International Division, will be the guest speaker at this year's Men's Retreat at the Bolger Center in Potomac, MD. His theme is: "Man Up! Becoming the Disciples God Wants Us to Be."

Contact: Grow@NationalPres.org or 202.537.7527 to learn more about these events.

STOCK DONATIONS

Stock donations are a wonderful way to give to the church. If you are interested in making a stock donation, please contact the Finance Office at 202.537.7495.

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.*

SUMMER SCHEDULE

Beginning June 15

Mark your calendars for a transition to the summer schedule beginning June 15.

8:30 A.M.

Worship in the chapel

9:30 A.M.

Sunday school for all ages

10:45 A.M.

Worship in the sanctuary

CLASSES AND GROUPS

LECTIONARY READINGS

Year 2

May 18-25

Sunday

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

Monday

Psalms 97; 115
Leviticus 16:1-19
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

Tuesday

Psalms 98; 116
Leviticus 16:20-34
1 Thessalonians 5:1-11
Matthew 6:7-15

Wednesday

Psalms 99; 118
Leviticus 19:1-18
1 Thessalonians 5:12-28
Matthew 6:19-24

Thursday

Psalms 47; 113
Leviticus 19:26-37
2 Thessalonians 1:1-12
Matthew 6:25-34

Friday

Psalms 96; 138
Leviticus 23:1-22
2 Thessalonians 2:1-17
Matthew 7:1-12

Saturday

Psalms 92; 114
Leviticus 23:23-44
2 Thessalonians 3:1-18
Matthew 7:13-21

Sunday

Psalms 93; 117
Leviticus 25:1-17
James 1:2-8, 16-18
Luke 12:13-21

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL & GROUPS

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

Current Adult Sunday School classes conclude today; a "mini-term" begins May 25

- Life in Progress: Seeking God Amidst Life's Complexities *School Room 236*
- Wrestlers: Engaging in Contemporary Issues *Agencies Lower Level*
- A Biblical Exploration of the Heart of God *Agencies 101*
- The Book of Genesis: God's Creative Call *Agencies 105*
- Jeremiah: Learning to Live Life to the Fullest *Elson Parlor*

Groups

- Across the Aisle (ages 22–35) **Sundays, after 11 a.m. worship** *Church Room 110/111*
- The Circle Family Group **4:30–6 p.m.** *Off campus*
- Youth Parents Fellowship **Sundays, 6–7:30 p.m.** *Multipurpose Room*
- Wednesday Women **2nd Wednesday of the month, 10 a.m.** *Church Room 110/111*
- Afternoon T.E.A. **2nd Wednesday of the month, 1:30–3 p.m.** *Elson Parlor*
- "Real Moms" **Thursdays 9:30 a.m. – Noon** *Church Room 5*
- Women in the Word Bible Study **Saturdays 9:30 – 11 a.m.** *Church Room 105*
- Saturday Morning Bible Study **Saturdays 8:30 – 10 a.m.** *Satellite Library*
- Men's Breakfast **1st Saturday of the month, 8–9:30 a.m.** *Stone Hall*
- B&P Women's Guild Luncheon **1st Saturday of the month, 11:45 a.m.** *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*
- 4-year olds *School Room 108*
- 3-year olds *School Room 106*

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*
- 1st Grade *Orange*
- 2nd Grade *Yellow*
- 3rd Grade *Green*
- 4th & 5th 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 (6th & 7th grade) *MP Building; Multipurpose Room 101*
- Middle School (8th grade) *Agencies 102*
- High School (9th – 12th grade) *Youth House*

Youth Group Sundays, 5–7:30 p.m.

- Middle School (6th–8th grade): **5–6 p.m.** *Youth House*
- NPC Youth dinner (parents welcome!): **5:45–6:45 p.m.** *Youth House*
- High School (9th–12th grade): **6:30–7:30 p.m.** *Multi Purpose Room*

CHILDCARE 7:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

- Crib Room: Babies 6 weeks – Crawling *Church Room 16*
- Walker Room: Toddlers and walkers up to 4 yrs. *Church Room 7*

MUSIC

- Chancel Choir **Wednesdays, 7:30 – 9:30 p.m.** *Choir Room*
- Grace Chimes Handbells **Tuesdays, 7:15 p.m.** *Church Room 110/111*
- Children's Choir (2nd–5th grade) **Sundays, 10:25 – 10:55 a.m.** *Jones Hall/School Gym*
- Youth Choir (6th grade +) **Sundays 10:25 – 11 a.m.** *MP Bldg.; Multipurpose Room*
- Contemporary Music Team **Wednesdays 8 – 9:15 p.m.** *Chapel*

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

- Culbertson Library (also: M-TH 8 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.) *Admin. Bldg., Second Floor*
- Satellite Library (Sundays) *Adjacent to Stone Hall*
- Moehrl Bookstore *Adjacent to Stone Hall*

BODY & SOUL EXERCISE CLASS Saturdays 8:30 a.m. *Jones Hall/School Gym*

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