

July 6, 2014

THE
NATIONAL
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH

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

COMMUNION

*Rejoice in the Lord always;
again I will say, rejoice.*

Philippians 4:4

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

ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:45 A.M.

Kindly turn off your cell phone and other electronic devices.

ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE

Gospel Prelude on "Amazing Grace"

William Bolcom
Erik Suter, guest organist

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Evangeline Taylor

▲ HYMN

Celebrate with Joy and Singing

Hymn to Joy

Celebrate with joy and singing, Alleluia be our song.
Jesus Christ has ris'n to save us, praises to our Christ belong.
Through great love has come the vic'try; life, not death, can be our claim.
Let us now declare Christ's greatness, spread good news, proclaim Christ's name.

Honor, glory, praise, thanksgiving give we now to God above.
With the cross and grave Christ bought us, let us now return that love.
By our lives of dedication, as we teach and testify,
May we show Christ's love around us, may it grow and purify.

There is now no condemnation for all those in Christ who live;
By the Spirit's generation new life does the Father give.
For the pow'r which raised Christ Jesus from the silence of the grave
Dwells in us by sov'reign mercy and is mighty still to save.

▲ PRAYER OF ADORATION

▲ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Worship now with shouts of gladness, for the Christ, the Holy One,
On the day of resurrection, for the world new life has won.
Let us pray and praise the Savior, trust the acts, believe the word.
Our salvation has been purchased by our loving, risen Lord. Mary Jackson Cathey (1,2 & 4)
Michael Denham (3)

CONFESSON OF SIN *in unison*

O God, though our sins be seven,
though our sins be seventy times seven,
though our sins be more in number than the hairs of our head,
Yet give us grace in loving penitence
to cast ourselves upon the depths of your compassion and forgiveness.

Christina Rossetti

SILENT CONFESSON 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.

HEARING GOD'S WORD

A TIME FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

Children in K-2nd grade may meet their Sunday School leader in the Court of Flags to go to the Children's Church program in Church Room 105. Parents, pick up your children in Room 105 after the service.

SCRIPTURE

Philippians 4:4-14

Carolann Haley

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Thankful in Everything

Dr. John Huffman

RESPONDING TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

HYMN

My Jesus, I Love Thee

Gordon

Choir

My Jesus, I love thee, I know thou art mine; for thee all the follies of sin I resign;

My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art thou; if ever I loved thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

Congregation

I love thee because thou hast first lovèd me,
and purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree;
I love thee for wearing the thorns on thy brow;
if ever I lovèd thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

In mansions of glory and endless delight,
I'll ever adore thee in heaven so bright;
I'll sing with the glittering crown on my brow;
if ever I lovèd thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Nicene Creed

Dr. Quinn Fox

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally
begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God
from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he
came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the
Virgin Mary, and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified
under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third
day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into
heaven and is seated on the right hand of the Father. He will come
again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom
will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from
the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped
and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one
holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for
the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and
the life of the world to come. Amen.

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

More Love to Thee, O Christ

Camille Saint-Saëns

More love to thee, O Christ, more love to thee! Hear thou the prayer I make on bended knee.

This is my earnest plea: More love, O Christ to thee!

Once blinded to thy grace, sought my own way; now seek alone thy face, thy kingdom's day.

This all my prayer shall be: More love, O Christ to thee!

Then shall each breath whisper thy praise; this is the prayer my heart shall raise:

More love, O Christ to thee, more love to thee!

Sheri Jackson, soprano and Mary Ellen Cain, mezzo-soprano

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

Invitation to the Table

Words of Institution and Distribution

Music Meditation

Peace I Give You

Craig Courtney

Peace I leave you. My peace I give you. Not as the world gives, I give to you.

Let not your heart be troubled and fear not. In this world you shall have tribulations.

Take heart! I have overcome the world!

with Marissa Murphy, violin

Prayer of Response and The Lord's Prayer

▲ HYMN 145

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart

Marion

▲ BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

More love, O Christ, more love to thee.

▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

▲ POSTLUDE

Placare Christe Servulis

Marcel Dupré

▲ Congregation standing, as able

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God in memory of Ann Rountree Forsberg, honoring her July 4th birthday, by her daughter Kristin Forsberg Green.

The flowers in the Court of Flags are given to the glory of God in celebration of the July 5 wedding of Anne Gochnour Snow and Tyler Snow.

Take flowers to brighten someone's day. Are you planning to visit someone who is ill or home-bound? 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.

GUEST PREACHER, DR. JOHN HUFFMAN

John Huffman was ordained at New York's Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church and has both a Master of Divinity and Doctor of Ministry from Princeton Theological Seminary. He now serves as the "Minister at Large" of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Newport Beach, California. He has written nine books, the most recent of which are *The Family You Want* and *Forgive Us Our Prayers*. Among his many Presbyterian Church (USA) ministries, he has twice been moderator of his presbytery, has three times been a commissioner to General Assembly, and has served on four major task forces of the General Assembly. Dr. Huffman travels extensively throughout the world, meeting with international leaders in business, journalism, education, religion, politics, and world relief.

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 **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

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL
Sundays, Multi-Purpose Room
9:30 a.m.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL
Sundays, 9:30 a.m.
Church Room 8 & 105

- Ages 3 & 4 – Church Room 8
- Rising K-5th grade – Church Room 105

CHILDREN'S CHURCH
Sundays, 10:45 a.m.
Church Room 10

- Ages 3 & 4 go to Church Room 8 at 10:45 a.m.
- After the Time for Children, rising K-2nd Graders leave worship for program in room 105. Parents, pick up children there after worship.

**PRAY FOR
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

July 7 – 11, 9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Please pray for the children who will be attending V.B.S. this week and the many dedicated staff and volunteers who help to make this program a success. It's a great opportunity to minister to our local community and also to the families of our congregation.

PRAYER MINISTRY

Please pray for:
Emmet Mittlebeeler
Ginny Taylor

We mourn the death of:
Jay Merchant, on June 25th.
A memorial service is being planned at NPC.

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

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL PLENARY
9:30 a.m., Stone Hall

Quiet Time:
Finding Solitude in a Crowded World
Steven Griesdorf

Jesus arose "early in the morning to seek God" in the solitude of personal prayer. Is such a spiritual practice possible in 21st-century Washington? Deacon Steven Griesdorf will help us understand this vital approach to our relationship with God, and how we can go about incorporating contemplation into our over-crowded lives.

Next Sunday: Quinn Fox, David Renwick and John Huffman discuss, "General Assembly Wrap Up: What Happened in Detroit and What Does It Mean?"

Several handouts pertaining to the 221st General Assembly are available on the information table to the right outside the sanctuary and at nationalpres.org/lectures.

GRIEFSHARE

Sundays, 12:30 p.m.

Administration Building Room 108
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. A light lunch will be served. *Please register with Barb Dear, BDear@NationalPres.org, or 202.537.7540.*

SUMMER CHOIR

Sundays, 10 a.m., Choir Room

"Let us lift our hearts and voices and together worship God!" If this call to worship stirs you to action, we want YOU in the Summer Choir. No Wednesday rehearsals, just Sunday morning prep before the 10:45 service. Come once, come twice, come every Sunday – as often as your schedule permits. We would love to welcome you! *Contact: Carolann Haley, CHaley@NationalPres.org.*

THIS WEEK AND UPCOMING

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

July 13, David Renwick & Quinn Fox,
with John Huffman

*General Assembly Wrap-Up: What
Happened in Detroit and What Does it
Mean?*

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General Assembly are available on the
information table to the right outside the
sanctuary and at nationalpres.org/lectures.

July 20, John Bernbaum

*Trends in Global Christianity:
What's Happening in God's World?*

July 27, Donna Marsh

*The Lord of the Conscience and the
Public Square*

August 3, Bill Robinson

*Incarnate Leadership: How Would Jesus
Lead in 2014?*

August 10, R.V. Seep

*But One Thing: Living Purposefully
Through Transition*

August 17, RADM Margaret Kibben

*Military Chaplains: Ministering to People
of Faith, No Faith, and All Faiths*

August 24, Evangeline Taylor

Healing the 7 Deadly Sins

August 31, Trip Reports

Join us for reports of the June Holy
Land pilgrimage and our youth mission
trips to Belize and West Virginia.

9:30 – Holy Land

11:45 – Youth Mission Trips

Light luncheon fare will be provided at 11:45

SEEKING FOOD DONATIONS

In July we are collecting **1 lb. bags of brown or white rice** for mission partner Martha's Table. Please bring donations to the baskets outside of Stone Hall, or the information table.

STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE

The Strategic Planning Team continues to make progress! The team presented their initial draft to the NPC Session on June 16th in a very successful and productive meeting. During the summer they will be working on finalizing the details and getting the plan ready for presentation to the congregation in the fall. Thanks to all for your constant prayers and support in discerning the future of our church.

SUMMER SANDWICH MAKING

Sunday, July 13

After 10:45 a.m., Stone Hall

Volunteers of all ages are invited to help make sandwiches for the homeless.

During the summer the need for sandwiches increases. In just 20 minutes you can help make 800 sandwiches we will provide each month for mission partner, Martha's Table. There will be two sandwich-making events – on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month – during the summer. *Financial contributions are gratefully accepted by mail or at the event to help offset project costs.*

YOUTH MISSION TRIP

West Virginia: July 21-26

Our middle school students travel to West Virginia in two weeks. Pray for them as they bless communities in the name of Christ and build relationships with each other.

PRAY. EAT. LOVE.

PLANNING MEETING

Sunday, July 20, 12:15 p.m.

Church Room 5

Join the planning team for our annual "Pray. Eat. Love." event on September 7 – a morning of worship, service, family fun, and a shared meal. You can be a big help preparing for this special event. *Contact: Leslie Saum, LSaum@NationalPres.org.*

SERVING THE GLOBAL CHURCH: FOUR REPORTS

Sundays, 11:45 a.m., Parlor

NPC members and missionaries bring news of the vitality of Christ's Church in the Middle East, Eastern Europe and Africa.

July 20, Greg & Chris Callison

July 27, Moldova Ministries

August 3, Angela Bednarczyk

August 17, Stuart & Cathie Showalter

Light refreshments will be served.

MEN'S MINISTRY EVENTS

Men's Breakfast

Saturday, July 12, 8–9:30 a.m., Stone Hall

Join us for a great breakfast and good fellowship. Our speaker is McLane Stone – Director of Youth Ministries at NPC. McLane will speak about being “Fishers of Men: Participating in God's Mission.” *Reserve your place! Contact Men@NationalPres.org or Holly Novak at 202.537.7527.*

Men's Retreat

Friday, Sept. 19–Saturday, Sept. 20

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 Men@NationalPres.org or Holly Novak at 202.537.7527.*

SUMMER UNIVERSITY FELLOWSHIP

*Thursdays through August 14
6:30 p.m., Youth House*

This weekly gathering is for all college students: whether you're home for the summer or interning in town. We're focusing on Dietrich Bonhoeffer's book, *Life Together*—about how to develop deep Christian community. Dinner is at 6:30 in the Youth House (for those who can come early); and the book discussion begins at 7. Please join us...and invite a friend! *Contact: Grow@NationalPres.org.*

RECOMMEND NPC LEADERSHIP

Your Congregational Nominating Committee asks your help in choosing our church's leaders as elders, deacons, board members for the Fund for Charitable Giving, or participants on next year's Congregational Nominating Committee.

Submit your recommendations:

- **online:** www.nationalpres.org/nominate
- **email:** Cong-Nomination@NationalPres.org
- **brochures:** available at church entrances

SAVE THE DATE

Pray. Eat. Love.

Sunday, Sept. 7

All are invited for a morning of special worship, mission service projects, and a delicious picnic lunch. With games for the kids, it will be a fun time for all, and a great opportunity to invite a friend or neighbor! *Contact: Leslie Saum, Lsaum@NationalPres.org.*

All-Church Conference

Saturday, October 18

NPC's Third Annual All-Church Conference will feature *New York Times* columnist David Brooks, and *Christianity Today* Executive Editor Andy Crouch. *Contact: Grow@NationalPres.org or 202.537.7527 to learn more.*

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.*

CLASSES AND GROUPS

LECTIONARY READINGS

Year 2

July 6 - July 13

Sunday

Psalms 108; 23
Numbers 27:12-23
Acts 19:11-20
Mark 1:14-20

Monday

Psalms 62; 9
Numbers 32:1-6, 16-27
Romans 8:26-30
Matthew 23:1-12

Tuesday

Psalms 12; 7
Numbers 35:1-34
Romans 8:31-39
Matthew 23:13-26

Wednesday

Psalms 96; 134
Deuteronomy 1:1-18
Romans 9:1-18
Matthew 23:27-39

Thursday

Psalms 116; 130
Deuteronomy 3:18-28
Romans 9:19-33
Matthew 24:1-14

Friday

Psalms 84; 40
Deuteronomy 31:7-32:4
Romans 10:1-13
Matthew 24:15-31

Saturday

Psalms 63; 90
Deuteronomy 34:1-12
Romans 10:14-21
Matthew 24:32-51

Sunday

Psalms 103; 139
Joshua 1:1-18
Acts 21:3-15
Mark 1:21-27

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL & GROUPS

Plenary Class 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.

- JULY 6: Quiet Time: Finding Solitude in a Crowded World *Stone Hall*
- JULY 13: General Assembly Wrap Up *Stone Hall*
- JULY 20: Trends in Global Christianity *Stone Hall*
- JULY 27: The Lord of the Conscience and The Public Square *Stone Hall*
- AUGUST 3: Incarnate Leadership: How Would Jesus Lead in 2014? *Stone Hall*
- AUGUST 10: But One Thing: Living Purposefully Through Transition *Stone Hall*
- AUGUST 17: Ministering to People of Faith, No Faith, and All Faiths *Stone Hall*
- AUGUST 24: Healing the 7 Deadly Sins *Stone Hall*
- AUGUST 31: Trip Reports from Holy Land (9:30 a.m.) and Belize (11:45 a.m.) *Stone Hall*

Groups

- GriefShare Sundays, 12:30 p.m. *Admin. Building Room 108*
- The Circle Family Group 3rd Sunday of the month, 4:30–6 p.m. *Off campus*
- Men's Breakfast 1st Saturday of the month, 8 – 9:30 a.m. *Stone Hall*
- Saturday Morning Bible Study Saturdays 8:30 – 10 a.m. *Satellite Library*
- Across the Aisle (ages 22–35) Resumes in August *Church Room 110/111*
- B&P Women's Guild Luncheon Resumes in the fall *Stone Hall*
- Wednesday Women Resumes in the fall *Church Room 105*
- Afternoon T.E.A. Resumes in the fall *Elson Parlor*
- Community Bible Study Resumes in the fall *Agencies 105*
- Women in the Word Bible Study Resumes in the fall *Church Room 105*
- "Real Moms" Resumes in the fall *Church Room 5*

YOUTH MINISTRIES

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

- 6th–12th grade *Agencies Lower Level*

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.

- Ages 3 & 4 *Church Room 8*
- Rising K–5th grade *Church Room 105*

Children's Church, 10:45 a.m.

- Ages 3 & 4 (*go directly to Room 8 at 10:45 a.m.*) *Church Room 8*
 - Rising K–2nd grade *Church Room 105*
- Children begin in worship. After the Time for Children, they leave worship for their program in room 105. Parents, pick up children there after worship.*

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

- Summer Choir Sunday Rehearsal, 10 a.m. *Choir Room*
- Contemporary Music Team Wednesdays 6:30 – 8 p.m. *Chapel*
- Grace Chimes Handbells Resumes in the fall *Church Room 110/111*
- Children's Choir (2nd–5th grade) Resumes in the fall *Jones Hall/School Gym*
- Youth Choir (6th grade +) Resumes in the fall *MP Building; Multipurpose Room*

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*
- Moehrle Bookstore *Adjacent to Stone Hall*

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