











Welcome to the NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

Let your light shine.
Matthew 5:16

Dr. David Renwick, Senior Pastor · Dr. Quinn Fox, Associate Pastor
Rev. Donna Marsh, Associate Pastor · Rev. Evangeline Taylor, Associate Pastor
Parish Associates: Dr. Nancy Fox and Dr. Donald Wilson
Dr. Michael Denham, Director of Music Ministries
William Neil, Organist · Hilda Gore, Contemporary Music Leader
Ministry Directors: J. Theodore Anderson (Library & Older Adults), Jill Meek (Children)
Leslie Saum (Connections), McLane Stone (Youth), John Turpin (Serve)

TODAY AT NATIONAL

NEW THIS WEEK

Sandwich Making Stone Hall

All ages can help feed the hungry in our city by making sandwiches for the homeless to be distributed through NPC mission partner Martha's Table. Together we can make up to 800 sandwiches!

Global Church Lunch and Learn: Nepal 12:30 p.m., Elson Parlor

NPC's Jeff Jacobs will share video stories from his visit to Nepal, connecting with Nepali Christians and assisting with rebuilding efforts after the April 2015 earthquake. *Light lunch provided.*

Join a Small Group that Meets Today

Agencies Building Room 101, 12:30 p.m. Mitch Gore will facilitate a small group beginning this afternoon. The group will meet for the next seven weeks for fellowship, prayer, and discussion based on Sunday's scripture passage and sermon.

Can't make it on Sundays? Additional small groups opportunities are still available.
Visit www.nationalpres.org/small-groups

Music at National: Choralis 5 p.m., Sanctuary

Choralis presents *Music for Great Spaces*. Tickets at the door or call 703.237.2499.

WEEKLY ON SUNDAYS

"Across the Aisle" Young Adults Group Sundays, 12:15 p.m., Church Room 110/111 All young adults (ages 22-35) are invited for weekly lunch and conversation.

Children's Choirs (K–5th grade) Sundays, 10:25-10:55 a.m., School Building

Youth Group

Sundays, 5-7:30 p.m., Youth House

- Middle School (6th–8th grade):
 5–6 p.m., Youth House
- 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

Assisted Listening Devices

Need help hearing during the service? Assisted listening receivers are available at the information table, to the right as you exit the sanctuary. **These can be used in any location in the sanctuary.** Ushers will be happy to assist you. *Please remember to return the receivers after the service.*

Sunday School *9:30–10:30 a.m.*

Adults

Full class listing, including locations, are available in brochures at the entrances to the church.

Today's "Wrestlers" class topic: "The Present and Future of NPC" Ginny Beeson and Brian Julius NPC Strategic Plan Team Leaders

Youth

- Middle School (6th & 7th grade)
 Multipurpose Bldg. Room 101
- Middle School (8th grade) Agencies Bldg. Room 102
- High School (9th –12th grade) *Youth House*

Children

Drop off and pick up children age 2–5th grade at the National Presbyterian School building.

9:15 & 11 A.M. WORSHIP

Sanctuary

Kindly turn off all electronic devices.

Entering God's Presence

Abide With Me

Diane Bish Matthew Daley, guest organist

CALL TO WORSHIP Dr. Quinn Fox

▲ HYMN 263 verses 1-3 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

St. Denio

▲ Prayer of Adoration

Prelude

▲ Congregational Response

St. Denio

Thou reignest in glory, thou rulest in light,
Thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;
All praise we would render, O help us to see
The splendor of glory in Christ as in thee.

Confession of Sin in unison

Holy and merciful God,

in your presence we confess our sins and offenses against you.

You alone know how often we sin,

in wandering from your ways,

in wasting your gifts,

in forgetting your love.

Have mercy on us, Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry

for all we have done to dishonor and displease you.

Forgive our sins, we humbly pray.

Help us to live in your light and walk in your ways,

for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Savior.

Henry van Dyke

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

Children may meet their Sunday School leaders in the Court of Flags:

9:15 a.m. (grades K–5) to join their peers in Sunday School in the school building.

11 a.m. (grades K-2) to go to the children's church program in Church Room 106, returning after the sermon.

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Donna Marsh

SCRIPTURE
The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Matthew 5:13-14 pew Bible p. 786

9:15 a.m. Dottie Seep 11 a.m. Charley Stone

Sermon

Say "Yes": Reach Out

Rev. Donna Marsh

RESPONDING TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

Choral Response

Endless Feast

Take us as we are, O God, and claim us as your own.

As once you chose to show your love in human flesh and bone, so let our lives be used to make your saving purpose known. Give us to the world you love as light and salt and yeast,

Give us to the world you love as light and salt and yeast, that we may nourish in your name the last, the lost, the least,

until at length you call us all to your unending feast.

Carl P. Daw

▲ Affirmation of Faith

Apostles' Creed

9:15 a.m. Dr. Nancy Fox 11 a.m. McLane Stone

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

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

You Are My Light *

James R. Day

You are my light. You are my song. Of whom shall I be afraid?

Ani ma'amin b'emunah sh'leima b'viat hamashiach

Lo, God is here! Let us adore, and know how holy is this place!

Ani ma'amin b'emunah sh'leima b'viat hamashiach

Let all within us know God's pow'r, and silent bow before his face.

You are my light. You are my song. Of whom shall I be afraid?

▲ Doxology Old Hundredth

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

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

▲ Prayer of Dedication

▲ HYMN May the Mind of Christ Our Savior

St. Leonards

May the mind of Christ, our Savior, live in us from day to day,

By his love and pow'r controlling all we do and say.

May the Word of God dwell richly in our hearts from hour to hour, So that we may truly triumph only through God's pow'r.

May the love of Jesus fill us, as the waters fill the sea, Him exalting, self effacing: this is victory.

May God's beauty rest upon us, full of truth and full of grace, So that all may see the image of Christ's holy face.

Kate B. Wilkinson, alt.

▲ Benediction

▲ CHORAL RESPONSE

St. Leonards

May the light of Christ shine through us, never hidden, never dim; To the glory of the Father visible in him.

Michael Denham

▲ Passing the Peace of Christ

▲ Postlude on "Nunn Danket Alle Gott"

Fred Bock

▲ Congregation standing, as able

*Today's offertory anthem is part of James Day's *The World to Come*, a larger work based on the writings, imprisonment, and martyrdom of Dietrich Bonhoeffer. This movement incorporates the 16th century German Christian hymn tune *Vater Unser* and the 12th century Hebrew chant *Ani Ma' Amin*, often sung by Jewish prisoners in World War II Nazi concentration camps. The two melodies eventually intertwine within the construct of a Psalm of David: "You are my light. You are my song. Of whom shall I be afraid?" and "I believe with a perfect faith in the coming of Messiah. Though he may tarry, nevertheless do I believe." Individually and together, these texts call us to envision and embody the invisible reality of God's kingdom in the visible realities of daily life and witness.

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God in memory of Mr. Kang Ming Szeto by his daughter.

Take flowers to brighten someone's day. If you are planning to visit someone who is ill or home-bound, pick up a vase with fresh flowers on the table outside of Elson Parlor to bring some cheer!

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.

PRAYERS

Please pray for: Jane McRonald Schestopol family

We mourn the death of:

Donald Groelsema, on September 21. A memorial service will be held in the Chapel on October 19, at 2:30 p.m. followed by a reception in the Court of Flags.

Prayer requests: nationalpres.org/prayer

8:30 A.M. WORSHIP

Chapel

Prelude Dottie Seep, piano

Welcome and Announcements

A HYMN 263 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise St. Denio

Prayer of Adoration and Confession of Sin in unison

SCRIPTURE Matthew 5:13-14

SERMON Say "Yes": Reach Out Rev. Donna Marsh

▲ Affirmation of Faith Apostles' Creed

Prayer of Response and The Lord's Prayer

▲ Doxology Old Hundreth

- ▲ CLOSING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION
- ▲ Passing the Peace of Christ

An offering will be received at the center aisle.

Confession of Sin

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sins and offenses against you. You alone know how often we sin, in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. Have mercy on us, Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to dishonor and displease you. Forgive our sins, we humbly pray. Help us to live in your light and walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Savior.

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10:50 A.M. WORSHIP

Jones Hall (School Gym)

▲ WELCOME SONG How He Loves John McMillian
Because He Lives Chris Tomlin

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Don Wilson

CALL TO WORSHIP

Hilda Gore

▲ SONG OF RESPONSE Waiting Here For You Chris Tomlin

Prayer of Adoration and Confession of Sin in unison

SILENT CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

▲ RESPONSE OF PRAISE Your Grace Is Enough Chris Tomlin

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CLOSING SONG offering received Soul on Fire Brenton Brown

- ▲ CLOSING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION
- ▲ Passing the Peace of Christ

THIS WEEK AND UPCOMING

Service Opportunity: Food Prep for Martha's Table *Third Thursdays, 10 a.m.—12:30 p.m.*Join a team with a big impact! We're looking for volunteers to help prep food once a month at Martha's Table, one of NPC's local mission partners. *Contact: Marge Bernbaum, mbernbaum@gmail.com, or 301.520.7253.*

Wednesday Women Bible Study & Prayer Group Wednesday, Oct. 14, 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Church Rooms 110/111 & 105 Women are invited for prayer, followed by a study of Abraham and his journey to Mt. Moriah, followed by writing cards for those in need of care. Contact: Mildred Wheat. 703.931.1490.

Contemplative Prayer Retreat Saturday, Oct. 17
8:30 a.m.—Noon, Agencies 105
In the midst of life's demands, learn to pause and pay attention to the quiet but insistent yearning for God using the wisdom of Evagrius and the Desert Fathers and Mothers. Information & registration (required): www.comwcp.org/events

GriefShare Sundays beginning Oct. 18, 12:30 p.m., Culbertson Library

Those experiencing loss and grief will find encouragement and support during weekly classes led by Rev. Evangeline Taylor. This session of GriefShare will run for 13 weeks with an additional 5-week course on "Surviving the Holidays." Each class is self-contained, so come whenever you can. To register, please contact: Barb Dear, BDear@NationalPres.org, or 202.537.7540.

Music at National Sunday, Oct. 18, 4 p.m.
Washington Master Chorale presents "Modern Romantics." Tickets available at the door or washingtonmasterchorale.org.

Adult Fellowship Luncheon *Monday, Oct. 19, Noon, Stone Hall*Retired Navy Vice Admiral Ann Rondeau will be our guest speaker this month, sharing "My Life and Faith as a Naval Officer." Enjoy lunch and time together at this special program. *Sign up today in Stone Hall. (Cost: \$12 through Oct. 16; \$15 thereafter.)*

Mission Gifts for Christmas Applications welcome through Oct.19 Submit your application now to represent an organization or missionary at Mission Gifts for Christmas. It's your opportunity to share and support a local or global endeavor that expresses Christ's love to a needy world. Applications are due by Oct. 19. Need one? Contact Susan O'Banion, 202.537.7503 or sobanion@nationalpres.org.

"Journeys" Women's Brunch Saturday, Oct. 24, 10 a.m.–12 p.m. Jones Hall (School Gym)

All women are invited for a morning of conversation and inspiration. Ginny Taylor, Rachel Dempsey, and Amelia Kegan will share and celebrate stories of God's faithfulness in their lives. Cost: \$15. Register Sundays in Stone Hall or call 202.537.7527. Free childcare for children under 5 available with RSVP to childcare@nationalpres.org.

Congregational Meeting Sunday, Oct. 25, 12:15, Sanctuary
All in the congregation are encouraged to stay after 10:50 or 11 a.m. worship to receive and vote on a report from Congregational Nominating Committee.

Session Notes

At its August and September meetings, Session:

- continued to address implementation of the Strategic Plan;
- established strategic budget priorities for 2016: Mission, Facilities, Personnel; and
- ratified the Serve Council's disbursement of the John Shaw Mission Education Account to the University Divitia Gratiae in Moldova.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Year 1

October 11-18

Sunday

Psalms 19; 113 Jeremiah 36:1-10 Acts 14:8-18 Luke 7:36-50

Monday

Psalms 135; 112 Jeremiah 36:11-26 1 Corinthians 13:1-13 Matthew 10:5-15

Tuesday

Psalms 123; 86 Jeremiah 36:27-37:2 1 Corinthians 14:1-12 Matthew 10:16-23

Wednesday

Psalms 15; 4 Jeremiah 37:3-21 1 Corinthians 14:13-25 Matthew 10:24-33

Thursday

Psalms 36; 27 Jeremiah 38:1-13 1 Corinthians 14:26-40 Matthew 10:34-42

Friday

Psalms 130; 139 Jeremiah 38:14-28 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 Matthew 11:1-6

Saturday

Psalms 56; 111 Jeremiah 52:1-34 1 Corinthians 15:12-29 Matthew 11:7-15

Sunday

Psalms 67; 93 Jeremiah 29:1, 4-14 Acts 16:6-15 Luke 10:1-12, 17-20

UPCOMING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Faith and Digital Technologies Conference Saturday, Oct. 24, 9:30 a.m.-Noon

Lewinsville Presbyterian Church, McLean, VA

This Reformed Institute event featuring Dr. Derek Schuurman, author of *Shaping a Digital World: Faith, Culture and Computer Technology*, will explore a Christian perspective on computer technology based on the biblical narrative. *This event is free, but reservations are greatly appreciated: reformedinstitute.org or call 703.518.5125.*

Handel's "Messiah" Rehearsals Begin Soon Saturdays: Nov. 7, 14 & 21, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

NPC Festival Choir rehearsals begin in less than a month! Make your plans to be an part of this exciting performance on Sunday, Dec. 6 at 5 p.m. Register right before the first rehearsal in the Choir Room on Nov. 7. Final rehearsals in the sanctuary will be Friday, Dec. 4 (7–10 p.m.) and Saturday, Dec. 5 (10 a.m.–2 p.m.). Contact: Carolann Haley, 202.537.7553 or CHaley@NationalPres.org.

October Food Donations: Canned Tuna

Please bring cans of tuna for mission partner Martha's Table to the baskets outside of Stone Hall, or upstairs at the information table. You can also help by delivering donations to Martha's Table; contact: Nancy Chapman Colb, nancy@nchapman.com.

Cuba Choir Postponed

Because of visa difficulties, the Cuban choir will not be able to join us this month. Plans for a possible spring concert are being made.

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.
- **Childcare** is available from 8 a.m.-12:15 p.m. for infants through age four. Nursery rooms are located in the main church building ground floor, rooms 16 and 7.
- Enjoy **coffee and cookies** downstairs in Stone Hall after worship.
- Our Connections Team, wearing blue badges, are here to welcome you and answer questions.
- **Tours of the church** on Sundays or weekdays are available upon request. *Please call: 202.537.7529*.

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 six pews of the Sanctuary.



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