

April 10, 2016

Welcome to the NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

*My friends, you have died to the law
so that you may belong to another,
to Christ who has been raised from the dead.*

Romans 6:4

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

Sandwich Making

10:30 & 12:15 p.m. 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 in 15 minutes!

Your Recommendation Needed

Your Congregational Nominating Committee asks your help in **selecting 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 using the enclosed brochure or online at: www.nationalpres.org/nominate*

Music at National

4:30 p.m., Sanctuary

Music at National presents **The City Choir of Washington** in Handel's "Messiah Part III" and Tavener's "Requiem." Tickets and information: www.Citychoir.org or call 571.206.8525. *Greeter opportunities are available. Contact Carolann Haley, CHaley@NationalPres.org.*

Small Groups

New small groups begin next week; sign up online today!

Are you looking for Christian community in the midst of a busy life? Small groups meet regularly for fellowship, prayer, discussion and study. *Information: groups@nationalpres.org or visit www.nationalpres.org/small-groups*

WEEKLY ON SUNDAYS

Sunday School

9:30–10:30 a.m.

Adults

Class listings and locations are available in the brochures at the church entrances.

Today in Wrestler's Class: "Creation Care: A Presbyterian Perspective," with David Kepley, an elder at Providence Presbyterian Church, a PC(USA) Earth Care Congregation.

Youth

- 6th & 7th grade: *Multipurpose Bldg. Rm 101*
- 8th grade: *Agencies Bldg. Room 102*
- 9th–12th grade: *Youth House*

Children

Drop off and pick up children age 2–5th grade in the 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

Postcards of Encouragement

Send greetings to NPC friends in need of friendship and encouragement! Supplies are available in Stone Hall every Sunday; simply write your greeting and the person's name, and we'll take care of the rest.

April Food Donations: Canned Tuna

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

Annual Women's Retreat

Please pray for the women attending this weekend's annual women's retreat. Across the Aisle young adults group and GriefShare will resume next Sunday, April 17.

9:15 & 11 A.M. WORSHIP

Sanctuary

Kindly turn off all electronic devices.

ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE

Organ Concerto in F Major

G.F. Handel
William Neil, organ

CHIMES

CALL TO WORSHIP

Dr. Quinn Fox

▲ HYMN 487

When Morning Gilds the Skies

Laudes Domini

▲ PRAYER OF ADORATION

▲ CHORAL RESPONSE

Kurt Kaiser

My mouth shall sing the praise of the Lord, my mouth shall sing the name of the Lord.
Let every word bless God's holy name forever and ever!

CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

Almighty and most merciful Father,
we have strayed from your ways like lost sheep.
We have followed too much the desires of our own hearts.
We have offended against your holy laws.
We have left undone the things we ought to have done;
and have done the things we ought not to have done.
But you, Lord, are rich in mercy.
Spare those who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent,
according to your faithfulness shown to us in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Grant, from this day forward, that we would know the presence
and power of your Spirit so that we would love and serve you faithfully,
to the glory of your holy name.

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.

SCRIPTURE

Romans 6:1-6, 20-23

9:15 a.m. Ed Blanton

The Word of the Lord.

pew Bible pp. 917-918

11 a.m. Elder Laurie Denham

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Belonging to Another

Dr. David Renwick

Romans 7:1-6

RESPONDING TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

RESPONSE

Bradbury

Choir

Savior, like a shepherd lead us, much we need thy tender care;
In thy pleasant pastures feed us, for our use thy folds prepare.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, thou hast bought us, thine we are;
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, thou hast bought us, thine we are.

Congregation

Thou hast promised to receive us, poor and humble though we be;
Thou hast mercy to relieve us, grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, early let us turn to thee;
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, early let us turn to thee.

▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Rev. Evangeline Taylor

One: What is your only comfort, in life and in death?

All: That I belong – body and soul, in life and in death – not to myself
but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ,
who at the cost of his own blood
has fully paid for all my sins,
and has completely freed me from the dominion of the devil;
that he protects me so well,
that without the will of my Father in heaven,
not a hair can fall from my head;
indeed, that everything must fit his purpose for my salvation.
Therefore, by his Holy Spirit, he also assures me of eternal life,
and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

Heidelberg Catechism, Question 1

PASTORAL PRAYER AND 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

Behold, Now, Praise the Lord

Everett Titcomb

Behold, now, praise the Lord, all ye servants of the Lord.

Ye that by night stand in the house of the Lord,

Even in the courts of the house of our God.

Lift up your hands in the sanctuary, and praise the Lord.

Behold, now, praise the Lord, all ye servants of the Lord. Praise the Lord.

from Psalm 134

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. Amen.

▲ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

▲ HYMN 420 *verses 1, 2, & 5* God of Grace and God of Glory

Cwm Rhondda

▲ BENEDICTION

▲ CHORAL RESPONSE

Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, thou hast bought us, thine we are.

▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

▲ POSTLUDE Overture in B Flat Major
from *Solomon*

G. F. Handel

▲ Congregation standing, as able

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in memory of Dr. Elizabeth Wenger Stone, former Director of Culbertson Library and Archives, by Mr. J. Theodore Anderson.

The flowers in the Court of Flags are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Lynda Nersesian Gordon by her loving children, George and Louise Gordon, and her mother Elsie Nazarian remembering her birthday on April 11th.

Pick up a vase with fresh flowers on the table outside of Elson Parlor to take with you if you are planning to visit someone who is ill or home-bound to bring some cheer!

Chapel prayers after worship. A pastor, elder or deacon, and Stephen Minister will be at the chapel (down the hall to the right as you exit the sanctuary) to pray with you privately about your concerns and celebrations.

Need assistance 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. *Please remember to return the receivers after the service.*

PRAYERS

Please pray for:
Zachary Gardner
Elsy Rivera

We mourn the deaths of:

Manning Muntzing on March 28. A memorial service will be held on April 16 at 3 p.m. in the Sanctuary followed by a reception in the Court of Flags.

Gisela Blatnik on March 30. A memorial service will be held on April 13 at 11 a.m. in the Chapel followed by a reception in the Court of Flags.

Prayer requests: nationalpres.org/prayer

8:30 A.M. WORSHIP

Chapel

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- PRELUDE Dottie Seep, piano
- WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
- ▲ HYMN 487 When Morning Gilds the Skies *Laudes Domini*
- PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*
- SCRIPTURE Romans 6:1-6, 20-23; 7:1-6
- SERMON Belonging to Another Dr. David Renwick
- ▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH
- PRAYER OF RESPONSE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER
- ▲ DOXOLOGY *Old Hundredth*
- ▲ CLOSING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION
- ▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST
- An offering will be received at the center aisle.*

CONFESSION OF SIN

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10:50 A.M. WORSHIP

Jones Hall (School Gym)

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- ▲ WELCOME SONGS In Christ Alone Keith and Karen Getty
At the Cross Chris Tomlin
- WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS McLane Stone
- CALL TO WORSHIP Joanna Jones
- ▲ SONG OF RESPONSE Here I Am to Worship Tim Hughes
- PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*
- SILENT CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON
- ▲ RESPONSE OF PRAISE Waiting Here for You Chris Tomlin
- SCRIPTURE Romans 6:1-6, 20-23
- SERMON Belonging to Another Dr. David Renwick
Romans 7:1-6
- ▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH McLane Stone
- PRAYER OF RESPONSE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER
- CLOSING SONG *offering received* My Redeemer Lives! Reuben Morgan
- ▲ CLOSING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION
- ▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Helping Refugees: From Crisis to Response

Panel Discussion: This Saturday, April 16, 9:45 a.m.–12:30 p.m., Stone Hall

Experts from the State Department, NGOs, and Christian ministries, and displaced individuals will help us to understand what we hear in the news about the global refugee crisis, and channel our dismay into positive responses. No tickets required; invite a friend! *Contact John Turpin: JTurpin@NationalPres.org or 202.537.7505.*

Pathway Membership Class

Saturday, April 16 8:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

Learn more about the Christian faith and membership at NPC, and spend time with pastors and church leaders at the Pathway of Christian Discipleship Class. Contact Kemet Rakiatu by Apr. 11: KRakiatu@NationalPres.org, 202.537.7578.

Afternoon TEA Women's Group

Wednesday, April 13, 1:30–2:45 p.m.

Location change: Church Room 5

Women with school-aged children are invited to a monthly gathering for Biblical Teaching, Encouragement and Adoration of God using *In View of God's Mercy*, a study by Timothy Keller. *Contact: NPCafternoonTEA@gmail.com.*

Wednesday Women Bible Study & Prayer Group

Wednesday, April 13, 10 a.m.–1 p.m.

Church Rooms 110/111 & 105

Women are invited for prayer, followed by a study of Jesus on the Mount of Temptation. We also write cards for those in need of encouragement. *Contact: Mildred Wheat 703.931.1490.*

Book Discussion:

"The Chronicles of Narnia"

Thursdays beginning this week, April 14 7:15 p.m., Elson Parlor

Dr. Quinn Fox will lead a discussion of these classic stories by C.S. Lewis during April and May. At our first session Dr. Fox will introduce the series and begin a discussion of *The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe*. Copies of the book are available in the church bookstore. *The weekly schedule is available at www.nationalpres.org/book-study. For more info, call 202.537.7527.*

Music at National

Friday, April 15, 7:30 p.m., Sanctuary

Renowned organist Erik Suter will present a recital, playing the complete organ works of Maurice Duruflé. Former principal organist of the Washington National Cathedral, Suter is now an American Airlines pilot. He has recently presented this recital at Yale University, Oberlin College, Rice University, Duke University, Trinity Church Wall Street, and Christ Cathedral in Nashville. *No tickets are required.*

Adult Fellowship Luncheon

Monday, April 18, Noon, Stone Hall

Parish Associate Dr. Nancy Fox will present "Pilgrimage to Rwanda," with photos and stories of both the continuing scars of the 1994 genocide, but also amazing reconciliation, healing and growth. Rwanda is a small country, and her team, hosted by the Presbyterian Church of Rwanda, visited congregations and ministries in many regions. *Sign up today in Stone Hall or call 202.537.7529 for reservations.*

Great Day of Service

Saturday, May 14; sign up today!

Choose from a variety of hands-on, family-friendly projects that make a difference, including feeding the homeless, packing dehydrated meals for disaster zones, collecting clothes for the needy, and packing backpacks for refugee kids. *Learn more and sign up for a project: www.nationalpres.org/greatdayofservice or contact John Turpin: JTurpin@NationalPres.org or 202.537.7505.*

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Year 2

April 10–17

Sunday

Psalms 93; 117
Exodus 18:1-12
1 John 2:7-17
Mark 16:9-20

Monday

Psalms 97; 115
Exodus 18:13-27
1 Peter 5:1-14
Matthew 1:1-17; 3:1-6

Tuesday

Psalms 98; 116
Exodus 19:1-16
Colossians 1:1-14
Matthew 3:7-12

Wednesday

Psalms 99; 118
Exodus 19:16-25
Colossians 1:15-23
Matthew 3:13-17

Thursday

Psalms 47; 113
Exodus 20:1-21
Colossians 1:24-2:7
Matthew 4:1-11

Friday

Psalms 96; 138
Exodus 24:1-18
Colossians 2:8-23
Matthew 4:12-17

Saturday

Psalms 92; 114
Exodus 25:1-22
Colossians 3:1-17
Matthew 4:18-25

Sunday

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

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

Be a Leader at Vacation Bible School

July 11-15, 9:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

Do you enjoy storytelling, making crafts, playing games, or meal-prepping? Consider using your gifts at Vacation Bible School this summer. We need leaders for our craft, recreation, story, and snack stations – each of which reinforces the truths we'll be learning about God, who knows and cares for us. You can sign up for one morning, up to all five mornings. *If you are interested or have questions, please contact Jill Meek: JMeek@NationalPres.org or 202.537.7535.*

Tutor a Child

Wednesdays, 7–8:30 p.m., Mount Sinai Baptist Church (1615 3rd St NW)

The Unique Learning Center, one of NPC's local mission partners, needs tutors! You can help make learning exciting and make a difference in a child's life. *Contact: Sherry Woods, 202.716.4106, or swoodsdc@gmail.com.*

Serve at Ingleside Retirement Community

Enable retirement community residents to attend worship services by assisting in wheeling residents from their rooms to services at Ingleside on Sundays at 4 p.m. Volunteers serve on a rotating basis the first Sunday of each month. *Contact: Rebekah Liu at Paulreb3@msn.com.*

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** are available upon request; *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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