



July 31, 2016

# Welcome to the NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

*But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said,  
"Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid."*

Matthew 14:27

Dr. David Renwick, *Senior Pastor* · Dr. Quinn Fox, *Associate Pastor*  
Rev. Donna Marsh, *Associate Pastor* · Rev. Evangeline Taylor, *Associate Pastor*  
*Parish Associate:* Dr. Nancy Fox  
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

## Adult Sunday School Plenary *9:30 a.m. Stone Hall*

### "A Christian Bank's Challenge to Urban Poverty"

**Robert Wauzzinski**

Dwelling House Savings & Loan in Pittsburgh's Hill District was a different kind of financial institution, intentionally run on Christian principles. This bank found one successful way to address urban poverty and represents one of the most inspiring examples of the integration of Christian faith and the competitive world of business. Robert Wauzzinski is an ordained PC(USA) pastor and has taught for 30 years at both the graduate and undergraduate levels, as well as in churches and prisons.

**Next week:** "Islam and the West: Promoting the Dialogue of Civilizations," Ambassador Akbar Ahmed, *see p. 7 for details.*

## McLane and Charley Stone Farewell Reception

*Noon, Stone Hall*

McLane and Charley Stone have accepted a new call to a church in Lewiston, Idaho, where McLane has been offered the position of Associate Pastor. The Stones will remain at National through mid-August. Please join us in congratulating McLane and Charley at a farewell celebration today!

## Lost & Found

Lost items are often turned in at reception in the Administration Building, which is open Sunday through Friday. Stop by or call 202.537.0800 to inquire about any missing items. *Items are held for 30 days and then donated to charity.*

## WEEKLY ON SUNDAYS

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### Summer Sunday School

*June 12 – August 28, 9:30–10:30 a.m.*

**Adults**     *Stone Hall & Jones Hall*

A plenary presentation takes place in Stone Hall and a parent gathering in Jones Hall.

**Youth**     *Multipurpose Building*

Rising middle and high school students gather together.

**Children**   *School Building*

Age 2– rising 5th grade gather in two age-appropriate groups.

### Postcards of Encouragement

Send greetings of friendship and encouragement to NPC friends! 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.

### Parent Gathering

*Final summer gathering for parents today 9:30 a.m., Jones Hall (School Gym)*

Parents, bring your child to Sunday School, then stay for a fellowship-based conversation among parents. We will reflect on family, work, choices, and priorities. Children will discover their own route through Joseph's journey as well during their Sunday School classes.

### Bring Canned Tuna: July Food Donations

Please bring donations for mission partner Martha's Table to the baskets outside of Stone Hall, or upstairs at the info table. Beginning next week, we will collect canned fruit for the month of August. *You can also help by packing and delivering donations to Martha's Table; contact: Nancy Chapman Colb, [nancy@nchapman.com](mailto:nancy@nchapman.com).*

# 8:30 A.M. WORSHIP

*Jones Hall (School Gym)*

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*Please silence all electronic devices.*

## ▲ WELCOME SONGS

Medley

How Great Thou Art / How Great Is Our God     Carl Boberg/Chris Tomlin

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. David Renwick

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Hilda Gore

## ▲ SONG OF RESPONSE

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

William Marion Runyan

## PRAYER OF ADORATION

## CONFESSION OF SIN

Almighty God, your mercy reaches the depths of our hearts, your faithfulness soars to the highest heaven. We bless you for your gracious providence towards us in the creation, preservation, and reformation of your Church. Stretch forth your mighty hand to purge us from sin, to establish us in truth, to unite us in love, and to inspire us with zeal for the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

John R. W. Stott

## SILENT CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

## ▲ RESPONSE OF PRAISE

If We're Honest

Francesca Battistelli

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Dr. David Renwick

Baptismal Questions

Reaffirmation of Baptismal Vows

**Through baptism we enter the covenant God has established. Within this covenant God gives us new life, guards us from evil, and nurtures us in love. In embracing that covenant, we choose whom we will serve, by turning from evil and turning to Jesus Christ.**

Baptism

Miles Henry Karson

*Son of Eva Gunasekera Karson and Miles K. Karson III*

Prayer of Response

## SCRIPTURE

Exodus 14:10-14

## SERMON

Back Against the Wall

McLane Stone

## ▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *see pg. 5*     Apostles' Creed

Dr. David Renwick

## PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

## CLOSING SONG *offering received*

Soul on Fire

Brenton Brown

## ▲ CLOSING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION

## ▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

# 10:45 A.M. WORSHIP

## *Sanctuary*

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*Please silence all electronic devices.*

### ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

#### PRELUDE

Prelude and Fugue in G, BWV 541

J.S. Bach

Erik Suter, guest organist

#### CHIMES

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

Dr. David Renwick

#### ▲ HYMN 478

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

*Lauda anima*

#### ▲ PRAYER OF ADORATION

#### ▲ CHORAL RESPONSE

The Lord is in his holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before him.

George Root

*Quam dilecta*

#### CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

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your mercy reaches the depths of our hearts,

your faithfulness soars to the highest heaven.

We bless you for your gracious providence towards us

in the creation, preservation, and reformation of your Church.

Stretch forth your mighty hand to purge us from sin,

to establish us in truth, to unite us in love, and to inspire us with zeal

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#### SILENT CONFESSION 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

Lottie MacAulay

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Baptism

Javier David Kingsland

*Son of Emily Anne Kingsland and David Allen Kingsland*

Prayer of Response

SCRIPTURE

Exodus 14:10-14

The Word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

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SERMON

Back Against the Wall

McLane Stone

RESPONDING TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

CHORAL RESPONSE

Be Not Afraid

Craig Courtney

Be not afraid, for I have redeemed you. Be not afraid, I have called you by name.

*When you walk through the waters, I will be with you;*

*When you pass through the floods, they will not sweep o'er you;*

*When you walk through the fire, you will not be consumed.*

*You are mine, you are precious in my sight.*

My love for you is everlasting. My love for you shall have no end.

▲ 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.

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

God Is Our Strong Salvation

Austin Lovelace

God is our strong salvation: What foe have we to fear?

In darkness and temptation, our light, our help is near.

Though troubles here surround us, firm in God's might we stand;

With all God's strength around us, the vict'ry is at hand.

In him we rest securely: The battle is the Lord's,

As undefiled and purely goes forth his holy word.

God's hand our hearts shall strengthen, God's love our joy increase;

Mercy our days shall lengthen; the Lord will give us peace.

▲ 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. Amen.

▲ HYMN

How Firm a Foundation

*Foundation*

How firm a foundation ye saints of the Lord  
is laid for your faith in God's excellent Word!  
What more can be said than to you God hath said,  
to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled.

"Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed,  
for I am thy God, and will still give thee aid:  
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,  
upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand."

"When through the deep water I call thee to go,  
the rivers of sorrow shall not overflow;  
For I will be with thee, thy troubles to bless,  
and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress."

"The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose,  
I will not, I will not desert to its foes;  
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,  
I'll never, no never, no never forsake."

▲ BENEDICTION

▲ CHORAL AMEN

▲ 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 to celebrate the birthday of Elizabeth Dole, a friend and a blessing.

**The flowers in the Court of Flags** are dedicated to the glory of God and in celebration of the July 30th wedding of Caitlin Harman and Greg Allen.

**The flowers in the Court of Flags on July 24th** were given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Sterling Newell in celebration of his July 25th birthday by his wife Beverly, and his children Gary and Russell Newell and Donna Newell McCormick.

**Pick up a bud 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.

**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.

**Need hearing assistance 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.*

## Sunday Schedule through August 28

**8:30 A.M.**  
Jones Hall Worship

**9:30 a.m.**  
Sunday School

**10:45 a.m.**  
Sanctuary Worship

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### U.S. Army Chorus 60th Anniversary Concert

*Friday, August 5, 7:30 p.m., Sanctuary*

All are invited for a family-friendly free concert. Greeter opportunities are available for you to extend the warm hospitality of NPC and stay to enjoy the performance. *Contact: Carolann Haley, CHaley@NationalPres.org, or 202.537.7553.*

### Men's Breakfast

*Saturday, August 6, 8–9:30 a.m., Stone Hall*

Enjoy a hearty breakfast and a presentation by Dick Pera on “Espionage in the Bible.” *Reserve your place: Men@NationalPres.org or call 202.537.7527.*

### Help an NPC Missionary

A missionary from National is looking for a garage or car-port space in the Washington area during the coming school year (August-May). *Contact: Susan O'Banion, SObanion@NationalPres.org.*

### Adult Sunday School Plenaries

*Sundays, 9:30 a.m., Stone Hall*

#### **Next Sunday: August 7**

Ambassador Akbar Ahmed

*Islam and the West: Promoting the Dialogue of Civilizations*

The current state of relations between the West and the Muslim world is a point of vital concern and serious discussion in the public square. Ambassador Ahmed, Ibn Khaldun Chair of Islamic Studies at American University and former Pakistan High Commissioner to the UK and Ireland, will present the urgent need for interfaith dialogue today, in hopes of fostering bridge-building and understanding of the “other.”

#### **August 14, Nancy Fox**

*Meeting Brothers and Sisters in Syria and Lebanon*

#### **August 21, Os Guinness**

*Fool's Talk*

#### **August 28, Mission Teams**

*Mission Trip Reports*

## PRAYERS

*Please pray for:*

Shelley Barr  
Betty Bennett

Mark Gourley  
Max Schestopol

Gus Wessels

*Prayer requests: [nationalpres.org/prayer](http://nationalpres.org/prayer)*



## DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Year 2

July 31– August 7

### Sunday

Psalms 108; 23  
Judges 6:1-24  
2 Corinthians 9:6-15  
Mark 3:20-30

### Monday

Psalms 62; 9  
Judges 6:25-40  
Acts 2:37-47  
John 1:1-18

### Tuesday

Psalms 12; 7  
Judges 7:1-18  
Acts 3:1-11  
John 1:19-28

### Wednesday

Psalms 96; 134  
Judges 7:19-8:12  
Acts 3:12-26  
John 1:29-42

### Thursday

Psalms 116; 130  
Judges 8:22-35  
Acts 4:1-12  
John 1:43-51

### Friday

Psalms 84; 40  
Judges 9:1-16, 19-21  
Acts 4:13-31  
John 2:1-12

### Saturday

Psalms 63; 90  
Judges 9:22-25, 50-57  
Acts 4:32-5:11  
John 2:13-25

### Sunday

Psalms 103; 139  
Judges 11:1-11, 29-40  
2 Corinthians 11:21b-31  
Mark 4:35-41

## SAVE THESE DATES

### "Pray Eat Love" Annual Picnic

*Sunday, September 4*

Let's make a difference together!

- One worship service at 10:45 a.m. featuring exceptional music
- Hands-on service project for all ages: packing backpacks for refugee children in Lebanon with school supplies, blankets, toiletries, and other essentials
- Children's book collection for families in our community
- Buffet lunch, music, and games and activities for the kids
- Held rain or shine

*You can help facilitate this event! Contact: Diane Stewart, [snowmiss@cox.net](mailto:snowmiss@cox.net).*

### Forum on Faith and Politics

*Wednesday, September 21, 7 p.m.*

An evening conversation with E.J. Dionne and Michael Gerson: two *Washington Post* columnists who write from different "sides of the aisle," with similar Christian conviction. They'll share thoughts and insights about the upcoming elections. In particular, what concerns should Christians have before them?

### Fall Worship Schedule begins Sept. 11:

- 9 a.m. Sanctuary Worship
- 10:50 a.m. Jones Hall Worship
- 11 a.m. Sanctuary Worship

## 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 Ambassadors**, 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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