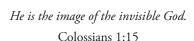


Welcome to the National Presbyterian Church

Leading People to Become



Faithful Followers of Jesus Christ Together in God's World















Senior Pastor Associate Pastors

Parish Associate

Music

Dr. David Renwick Dr. Quinn Fox, Rev. Donna Marsh, Rev. Evangeline Taylor

Dr. Nancy Fox

Dr. Michael Denham (Director), William Neil (Organist) Hilda Gore (Contemporary Music Leader)

J. Theodore Anderson (Library, Archives, & Older Adults) Ministry Directors Kristin Franke (Youth), Jill Meek (Children)

Leslie Saum (Connections), John Turpin (Serve)

TODAY AT NATIONAL

Christian Parenting Talks 10–10:30 a.m., Parlor

Find insight into keeping your children rooted in faith as they experience youth and adolescence.

- TODAY: Faithfully Rooted "in the Home" Gabe and Kristy Chikes
- Jan. 29: Faithfully Rooted "in the Pew" Jill Meek and Donna Marsh

Mission Gifts for Christmas - Thank You!

Thanks to all who participated in Mission Gifts, giving generously of your time, money, and creativity to celebrate Christ's coming and to support ministries doing God's work. Together you raised \$64,397 for ministries in D.C. and across the world.

Bible Reading for 2017

Several Bible reading guides are available as we begin the new year. Reading guides and Bibles are available on the information table or on nationalpres.org.

Mission Prayer Calendars

Pray for NPC's partners using our 31-day prayer calendar. *Brochures are available in the information racks*.

Weather Closure Policy

To find out if NPC is closed during inclement weather, please check the church website, www.nationalpres.org, or call the main phone at 202.537.0800. If there is no message posted, campus is open. Your safety is our priority, so please use your personal judgment before travelling.

WEEKLY ON SUNDAYS

Sunday School *9:30–10:30 a.m.*

Adults

Today is the final meeting of January Term classes; new class offerings begin February 5

- Cosmic Fine Tuning and Creation, Agencies Lower Level
- Exodus From Hunger, Church Room 105
- The Parables of Jesus, *Chapel*
- Sharing the Gospel in a Skeptical Culture, Church Building Room 110/111
- Christian Parenting Talks 10–10:30 a.m., Elson Parlor

Youth

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

Children

 Age 2–5th grade: Drop off/pick up at the National Presbyterian School building.

Children's Choirs (K–5th grade) Sundays, 10:25–10:55 a.m., School Bldg Youth Choir (6–12th grade) Sundays, 10:20–10:50 a.m. Church Bldg, Rm 5

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

January Donations: Canned Tuna Please bring donations of **canned tuna** for mission partner Martha's Table to the baskets outside of Stone Hall, or upstairs at the info table.

Notes of Greeting and Encouragement Write postcards to NPC members and friends who are in need of encouragement. Supplies are available in Stone Hall.

Today's Flowers

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God in loving memory of L. Manning Muntzing, by his wife Nan, his children Catherine Boyden, Elizabeth McKaig, Nancy Sprinkle and Stuart Skok, and his seven grandchildren.

9 A.M. WORSHIP

Sanctuary

WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

Prelude

Chorale Prelude on "Christe, redemptor omnium"

C. Hubert H. Parry

Dan Campolieta, guest organist

CHIMES AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Donna Marsh

▲ Hymn 142

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

Coronation

Prayer of Adoration and Confession of Sin in unison

Gracious and loving God, we praise and adore you, for you are our Creator and Sustainer. Yet we acknowledge that we have strayed from your ways. We have given ourselves to desires and visions for life other than yours, though to know you is eternal life, and to serve you is perfect freedom. Forgive us, we pray, and touch our spirits with the Spirit of your Son, that we might praise and serve you, with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

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 see p. 5

Gloria Patri

▲ Affirmation of Faith see p. 6 Apostles' Creed

Welcome and Announcements

Dr. David Renwick

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Give Me Jesus

Moses Hogan Spiritual

In the mornin' when I rise, give me Jesus. You may have all the rest, give me Jesus.

Dark midnight was my cry, give me Jesus. You may have all the rest, give me Jesus.

O when I come to die, give me Jesus, nobody but Jesus. You may have all the rest, give me Jesus.

Sheri Jackson and Joanna Jones

▲ Doxology see p. 6

Old Hundredth

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER see p. 6

Rev. Evangeline Taylor

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

A Time for Children

Children (grades K–5) may leave now for Sunday School. Leaders will escort children to the school building, where parents will pick them up at 10:30 a.m.

SCRIPTURE

John 14:1-9a

J. Theodore Anderson

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Absolute Allegiance

Dr. David Renwick

The Apostles' Creed sermon series: "Jesus Christ, God's Only Son, Our Lord"

Colossians 1:10-21

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

▲ Hymn 306

Fairest Lord Iesus

Crusaders' Hymn

▲ Benediction and Passing the Peace of Christ

▲ Postlude

Valet will ich dir geben, BWV 736

J.S. Bach

▲ Congregation standing, as able

10:50 A.M. WORSHIP

Jones Hall (School Gym)

WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

▲ Welcome Songs

No Other Name Sovereign

Joel Houston Chris Tomlin

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Quinn Fox

CALL TO WORSHIP

▲ Song of Response

Shout Hosanna

Kristian Stanfill

PRAYER OF ADORATION

Confession of Sin

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SILENT CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

▲ RESPONSE OF PRAISE

Break Every Chain

Will Reagan

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A AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed Rev. Evangeline Taylor 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 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.

CLOSING SONG offering received

I Am

David Crowder

- ▲ CLOSING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION
- ▲ Passing the Peace of Christ
 - ▲ Congregation standing, as able

11 A.M. WORSHIP

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All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

Diadem

Prayer of Adoration

▲ CHORAL RESPONSE

Deo gracias

O love, how deep, how broad, how high, how passing thought and fantasy, that God, the Son of God, should take our mortal form for mortals' sake.

Confession of Sin in unison

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for you are our Creator and Sustainer.

Yet we acknowledge that we have strayed from your ways.

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Forgive us, we pray, and touch our spirits with the Spirit of your Son,

that we might praise and serve you with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength.

Through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Silent Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Believe the good news of the Gospel.

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▲ 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.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

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CHORAL RESPONSE

Give Me Jesus

L. L. Fleming Spiritual

O when I am alone...when I come to die...when I want to sing, give me Jesus.

▲ Affirmation of Faith

Apostles' Creed

Rev. Evangeline Taylor

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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.

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OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

At the Name of Jesus

King's Weston

At the name of Jesus every knee shall bow, every tongue confess him King of glory now;

'Tis the Father's pleasure we should call him Lord, who from the beginning was the mighty Word.

At his voice creation sprang at once to sight, all the angel faces, all the hosts of light,

Thrones and dominations, stars upon their way, all the heav'nly orders in their great array.

Humbled for a season, to receive a name from the lips of sinners unto whom he came,

Faithfully he bore it spotless to the last, brought it back victorious when from death he passed.

Bore it up triumphant with its human light, through all ranks of creatures, to the central height,

To the throne of Godhead, to the Father's breast; filled it with the glory of that perfect rest.

Name him, Christians, name him, with love as strong as death, but with awe and wonder, and with bated breath;

He is God the Savior, he is Christ the Lord, ever to be worshiped, trusted, and adored.

In your hearts enthrone him; there let him subdue all that is not holy, all that is not true:

Crown him as your captain in temptation's hour; let his will enfold you in its light and pow'r.

Christians, this Lord Jesus shall return again, with his Father's glory, with his angel train;

For all wreaths of empire meet upon his brow, and our hearts confess him King of glory now.

Caroline M. Noel

▲ 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 306

Fairest Lord Jesus

Crusaders' Hymn

- ▲ Benediction
- ▲ CHORAL AMEN
- ▲ Passing the Peace of Christ
- ▲ Postlude

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J.S. Bach

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Adult Fellowship Luncheon *Monday, Jan. 23, Noon, Stone Hall*Dr. Bruce K. MacLaury, a longtime NPC member, former President of the Brookings Institution, and former President of the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis, will share his thoughts about the Federal Reserve Banking System. Sign up today in Stone Hall. (Pay at the door; \$12 with advanced registration; \$15 if not registered in advance.)

"The Reformation Heritage and the Struggle for Justice" Saturday, Jan. 28, 9 a.m.—Noon, Stone Hall Dr. Allan Boesak, a South African clergyman who played a leadership role in the struggle to end apartheid, will speak at the 14th Annual Reformed Institute Convocation held at NPC. The Reformed Institute of Washington is sponsoring this free event; please RSVP at reformedinstitute.org.

"Opportunities and Challenges Facing Christian Higher Education" Sunday, Jan. 29, 9:30–10:30 a.m., Stone Hall Dr. Beck Taylor, President of Whitworth University, a Presbyterian-related college, will guide us in an examination of the issues facing Christian colleges today. There are many issues unique to Christ-centered education, namely, how to find the right balance between rigorous intellectual inquiry and the integration of convictions grounded in Christian faith.

NPC Announces Architect Sunday, Jan. 29, 12:30 p.m., Stone Hall The Facilities Master Planning Team (FMPT) has selected Beyer Blinder Belle (beyerblinderbelle.com), a well-respected architectural firm with experience in DC, to lead us through our master planning and facility improvement process. Come and meet the BBB team on Jan. 29! Contact: Mary Jo Pera, fmpt@nationalpres.org.

Annual Women's Retreat
April 28–30, Ellicott City, MD
Guest speaker and author Lucinda Secrest
McDowell will encourage us to evaluate
all the places in our lives where we can
make space for God. Registration begins
next week. Learn more: nationalpres.org/
womens-retreat

Prepare for Marriage Class Saturday, Feb. 11, 8:45 a.m.—3 p.m.
This class is offered once per year and is required for all couples whose weddings will be held at NPC. To register, contact Holly Novak by Jan. 30: HNovak@ NationalPres.org; 202.537.7527.

Religious Freedom in the World *Thursday Feb. 2, 12–1 p.m. Stone Hall* Former U.S. Congressman Frank Wolf will discuss the state of religious freedom around the world, and in the U.S. Come and learn about the threats, as well as the opportunities to influence the future. *Workforce Ministries is sponsoring this free lunch event; please RSVP at workforceministries.com.*

Youth Confirmation Interest Sunday, Feb. 5, 12:15 p.m.

Agencies Building Room 105

Youth (9th grade and older) and parents are invited to an informational meeting to learn more about this year's Confirmation course. Contact: Kristin Franke at KFranke@NationalPres.org.

Finance Report: Thank You! Thanks to your generous financial support, NPC had a strong finish in 2016. Total operating expenditures for the church were \$4,518,000, including \$55,000 in strategic additions supporting our mission partners. Faith giving totaled \$2,732,000, an increase of 3.1% over 2015. Additional revenues from facilities use, special income, bequests, exceptional giving, and budgeted fund transfers from our investment accounts should enable us to end the year with a small surplus. Thank you for your support of God's work in and through National!

WELCOME TO NATIONAL!

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Year 2

January 22 –29

Sunday

Psalms 67; 93 Isaiah 47:1-15 Hebrews 10:19-31 John 5:2-18

Monday

Psalms 57; 47 Isaiah 48:1-11 Galatians 1:1-17 Mark 5:21-43

Tuesday

Psalms 54; 99 Isaiah 48:12-22 Galatians 1:18-2:10 Mark 6:1-13

Wednesday

Psalms 65; 91 Isaiah 49:1-12 Galatians 2:11-21 Mark 6:13-29

Thursday

Psalms 143; 116 Isaiah 49:13-26 Galatians 3:1-14 Mark 6:30-46

Friday

Psalms 88; 20 Isaiah 50:1-11 Galatians 3:15-22 Mark 6:47-56

Saturday

Psalms 122; 63 Isaiah 51:1-8 Galatians 3:23-29 Mark 7:1-23

Sunday

Psalms 108; 23 Isaiah 51:9-16 Hebrews 11:8-16 John 7:14-31

We are so glad you are here today.

If you are with us for the first time, welcome! Our prayer is that everyone who worships at National will find a spiritual home here – a home where the love and presence of Jesus Christ are experienced whenever we gather in community to worship God. Classes and groups are offered for all ages for us to better know God and one another. Preaching and teaching equip us to act as Christ's light in the world, serving and caring for one another through prayer, networks of support, and service projects locally and internationally.

Connections Ambassadors, wearing blue badges, are here to welcome you and answer any questions. Come downstairs to Stone Hall after worship to meet others and enjoy coffee and cookies.

Welcome packets and information | Available at the information table to the right as you exit the sanctuary.

Childcare | Available 8:45 a.m.–12:15 p.m. for infants through age four in the main church building ground floor, rooms 16 and 7. *Children are always welcome in worship!*

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.

Accessible worship | Assisted listening receivers, and large print bulletins and hymnals are available at the information table, to the right as you exit the sanctuary.

Pick up a bud vase | Available outside of Elson Parlor to take with you if you are planning to visit someone who is ill or home-bound.

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.

PRAYERS

We celebrate the birth of: Mateo Samuel Marquez on January 12 to parents Lalla and Diego Marquez

We pray for: Gloria Borden, Jeanne Carr, and Cheryl Nyiri Prayer requests: nationalpres.org/prayer



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