



March 5, 2017

Welcome to the NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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



FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

COMMUNION

*If we have found life by the Spirit,
let us also be guided by the Spirit.*

Galatians 5:25

Senior Pastor	Dr. David Renwick
Associate Pastors	Dr. Quinn Fox, Rev. Donna Marsh, Rev. Evangeline Taylor
Parish Associate	Dr. Nancy Fox
Music	Dr. Michael Denham (<i>Director</i>), William Neil (<i>Organist</i>) Hilda Gore (<i>Contemporary Music Leader</i>)
Ministry Directors	J. Theodore Anderson (<i>Library, Archives, & Older Adults</i>) Kristin Franke (<i>Youth</i>), Jill Meek (<i>Children</i>) Leslie Saum (<i>Connections</i>), John Turpin (<i>Serve</i>)

TODAY AT NATIONAL

GriefShare

Sundays beginning today, 12:30 p.m.

Culbertson Library

Those experiencing loss and grief will find encouragement and support during weekly classes led by Rev. Evangeline Taylor. Each class is self-contained, so you may attend whenever you are able. *To register, please contact: Liz Martin, LMartin@NationalPres.org or 202.537.7540.*

Spring Small Groups

March & April; Sign up today!

Are you looking for Christian community in the midst of busy life in the DC area? Small groups meet regularly for fellowship, prayer, discussion, and study. *Visit: nationalpres.org/small-groups or call Amy Thompson at 202.552.4252.*

Music at National

5 p.m., Sanctuary

Washington Master Chorale presents "Time and Memory," featuring a world premiere by Pulitzer Prize-winning composer Jennifer Higdon. *Tickets at washingtonmasterchorale.org.*

WEEKLY ON SUNDAYS

Sunday School

9:30–10:30 a.m.

Adults

- Wrestlers: Engaging Contemporary Issues, *Agencies Building Lower Level*
TODAY: "The Reformation: What Can You See When You Look Back 500 Years?" Dr. Quinn Fox
- The History of the Church in the High and Late Middle Ages, *Church Room 110/111*
- A Journey through the Book of Acts and Our World Today, *Church Room 105*
- Men's Bible Class: Experiencing Prayer Power, *Culbertson Library*
- Looking at Luke: An "Orderly Account" of Jesus' Life and Ministry
Agencies Building Room 105
- Parents' Gathering
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 Professionals

12:15 p.m., Church Room 110/111

All young professionals (ages 22–35) are invited for weekly lunch and conversation.

March Donations: Cereal

Please bring donations 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 and in memory of Mrs. Ruth Olive Rottstedt Anderson by her son, Mr. J. Theodore Anderson. **The flowers in the Court of Flags** are given to the glory of God in honor of the volunteers who prepare and serve Holy Communion under the leadership of Elder Linda Botsford.

9 A.M. WORSHIP

Sanctuary

WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE

Sinfonia: God's Time Is the Best
from *Cantata 106*

J.S. Bach
William Neil, organ

CHIMES AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Dr. Quinn Fox

▲ HYMN 139

Come, Thou Almighty King

Italian Hymn

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

Merciful Lord, we adore you, for your compassion and loving-kindness are from of old. Take away our sins, and kindle in us the fire of your Holy Spirit. Take away our heart of stone, and give us a heart of flesh: a heart to love and adore you, a heart to delight in you, a heart to follow and enjoy you, for Christ's sake.

Ambrose of Milan

SILENT CONFESSION AND KYRIE *sung first by a soloist, then the congregation*

Hymn 572

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Believe the good news of the Gospel. **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.**

▲ LENTEN RESPONSE

Stuttgart

Like the pity of a father has the Lord's compassion been;
Far as east from west is distant, God has put away our sin.

▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *see p. 6* Apostles' Creed

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. David Renwick

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS *see p. 6*

Rev. Evangeline Taylor

▲ 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.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

A TIME FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

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

Galatians 5:16-25

Janice Sessing

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

A Change for the Better

Dr. David Renwick

The Apostles' Creed sermon series: "I Believe in the Holy Ghost"

1 Corinthians 13:1-7

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

CHORAL RESPONSE *see p. 6*

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION *see p. 6*

▲ HYMN 316

Breathe on Me, Breath of God

Trentham

▲ BENEDICTION AND PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

▲ POSTLUDE

Allegro maestoso e vivace
from *Sonata No. 3*

Felix Mendelssohn

10:50 A.M. WORSHIP

Jones Hall (School Gym)

WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

▲ WELCOME SONG One Thing Remains Jeremy Riddle

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Donna Marsh

CALL TO WORSHIP Hilda Gore

▲ SONG OF RESPONSE O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing Charles Wesley

PRAYER OF ADORATION

CONFESSION OF SIN

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SILENT CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

▲ RESPONSE OF PRAISE Hosanna Brooke Fraser

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▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed Rev. Donna Marsh

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. I believe 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.

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

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* Soul on Fire Brenton Brown

▲ CLOSING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION

▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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Seek the Lord while he may be found; call upon him while he is near.

John Yarrington

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and kindle in me the fire of your Holy Spirit.

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CHORAL RESPONSE

O Holy Spirit

Christopher Tye

O Holy Spirit, Lord of grace, eternal source of love,
Inflame, we pray, our inmost hearts with fire from heav'n above.
As thou dost join with holiest bonds the Father and the Son,
So fill us all with mutual love and knit our hearts in one.

▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
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OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Holy Spirit

Keith Getty and Stuart Townend

Holy Spirit, living Breath of God, breathe new life into my willing soul.
Bring the presence of the Risen Lord to renew my heart and make me whole.
Cause your Word to come alive in me; give me faith for what I cannot see.
Give me passion for your purity; Holy Spirit, breathe new life in me.
Holy Spirit, come abide within; may your joy be seen in all I do.
Love enough to cover every sin in each thought and deed and attitude.
Kindness to the greatest and the least; gentleness that sows the path of peace.
Turn my striving into works of grace; Breath of God, show Christ in all I do.
Holy Spirit, from creation's birth giving life to all that God has made,
show your power once again on earth, cause your church to hunger for your ways.
Let the fragrance of our prayers arise; lead us on the road of sacrifice,
that in unity the face of Christ will be clear for all the world to see.

Joanna Jones and Heather Green, violin

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

Invitation to Communion

Words of Institution and Distribution

Music Meditation

The Waters of Life

James Biery

The Father's voice calls us above the waters. The glory of the Son shines on us.
The love of the Spirit fills us with life.

Ancient Christian Hymn

Prayer of Response and The Lord's Prayer

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be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us
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UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday Evenings in Lent

Worship: 7–8 p.m., Chapel

Come for a time of mid-week spiritual refreshment with music, prayer, preaching, and Communion. Light snacks will be available before the service begins.

“A.C.T.S. of Prayer”

March 8 “Jesus’ Prayers”

Dr. David Renwick

March 15 “Adoration: Whispering Love”

March 22 “Confession: My Bad”

March 29 “Thanksgiving: Really Grateful”

April 5 “Supplication: Ask Away”

Wednesday Women Bible Study & Prayer Group

Wednesday, Mar. 8, 10 a.m.–1 p.m.

Church Rooms 110/111 & 105

Women are invited for prayer, followed by a study of Solomon's prayer at the dedication of the Temple. Stay after to write cards for those in need of encouragement. *Contact: Mildred Wheat 703.931.1490.*

Wrestler's Sunday School Class

Sunday, Mar. 12, 9:30–10:30 a.m.

Agencies Building Lower Level

Next Sunday NPC Parish Associate

Dr. Nancy Fox will speak on “The Dual Goals of Refugee Resettlement: Self-Sufficiency and Integration.”

Refugee Prayer Group

Sundays beginning Mar. 12

Church Room 105, 10:35–10:50 p.m.

Drop in to pray silently or aloud for the Refugee Family Project.

Support Our Easter Garden!

Flower Ministry envelopes are available at the information table to the right outside of the sanctuary. *You may make your donation by check, payable to “NPC Flower Fund” and write “Easter” on the memo line.*

Penn State President's Concert with Organist William Neil

Thursday, Mar. 16, 7:30 p.m., Sanctuary

Bill Neil, NPC organist and a Penn State alumnus of the year, will perform alongside Penn State School of Music's most outstanding instrumentalists and vocalists. The concert is free and open to the public. *More information at: www.music.psu.edu/presidents-concert*

Sign Up for the Annual Women's Retreat

April 28–30, Ellicott City, MD

Guest speaker and author **Lucinda Secrest McDowell** will lead this year's retreat theme of “Breathe,” encouraging us to evaluate all the places in our lives where we can make space for God. *Register now through March 19 in Stone Hall or online: nationalpres.org/womens-retreat*

Adult Fellowship Luncheon

Monday Mar. 20, Noon, Stone Hall

National Presbyterian School **Head**

of School, Malcolm Lester and NPS

Chaplain Rev. Jen Dunfee will share about our school and its relationship to the church. The National Presbyterian School Chorus will also present special musical selections. Sign up today in Stone Hall or call 202.537.0800. *(Pay at the door; \$15 with advanced registration; \$20 if not registered in advance.)*

Youth and Children's Internship

The Youth and Children's internship is a 10 week paid, full-time, summer position. Intern(s) will:

- Plan and implement summer programs for children and youth, including weekly programs and special events
- Spend time learning about and growing in their own vocational discernment.

To apply, contact Jill Meek, JMeek@NationalPres.org or Kristin Franke, KFranke@NationalPres.org.

WELCOME TO NATIONAL!

We are so glad you are here today.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Year 1

March 5 – 12

Sunday

Psalms 84; 32

Jeremiah 9:23-24

1 Corinthians 1:18-31

Mark 2:18-22

Monday

Psalms 119:73-80; 6

Deuteronomy 8:1-20

Hebrews 2:11-18

John 2:1-12

Tuesday

Psalms 34; 91

Deuteronomy 9:1-12

Hebrews 3:1-11

John 2:13-22

Wednesday

Psalms 5; 51

Deuteronomy 9:13-21

Hebrews 3:12-19

John 2:23-3:15

Thursday

Psalms 27; 102

Deuteronomy 9:23-10:5

Hebrews 4:1-10

John 3:16-21

Friday

Psalms 22; 130

Deuteronomy 10:12-22

Hebrews 4:11-16

John 3:22-36

Saturday

Psalms 43; 143

Deuteronomy 11:18-28

Hebrews 5:1-10

John 4:1-26

Sunday

Psalms 84; 32

Jeremiah 1:1-10

1 Corinthians 3:11-23

Mark 3:31-4:9

If you are with us for the first time, welcome! Our prayer is that you will find a spiritual home here – a home where the love and presence of Jesus Christ are experienced as we gather in community to worship God. Classes and groups for all ages are offered 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, support, and service projects.

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 pray for our members and friends:

Shelley Barr, Parkash Samuel, and Wayne Zeigler

We pray for today's missionary:

Keith Patman, working with Wycliffe Bible Translators in Cameroon. *31-day missionary prayer calendars are available in the information racks.*

We celebrate the birth of:

Madelyn Mary Healy on January 26, 2017
to Caitlyn Korb Healy and Gene Healy

Prayer requests: nationalpres.org/prayer



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