



May 7, 2017

# Welcome to the NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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



## COMMUNION



*For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son,  
so that everyone who believes in him may not perish  
but may have eternal life.*

John 3:16



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 Labrada Gore ( <i>Contemporary Music Leader</i> )
Ministry Directors	J. Theodore Anderson ( <i>Library, Archives, &amp; Older Adults</i> ) Kristin Franke ( <i>Youth</i> ), Jill Meek ( <i>Children</i> ) Leslie Saum ( <i>Connections</i> ), John Marienau Turpin ( <i>Serve</i> )

# TODAY AT NATIONAL

## Refugee Family Project

*Drop off donations in Stone Hall*

The family we will welcome to a new home in the U.S. will be here soon! Visit [nationalpres.org/refugees](http://nationalpres.org/refugees) for a list of items needed to help supply their apartment.

Contact: [refugeefamilyproject@nationalpres.org](mailto:refugeefamilyproject@nationalpres.org).

## Lunch & Learn: NPC In the World

*12:30 p.m., Elson Parlor*

Join us to learn how NPC makes a tangible difference in the lives of people around the world. There will be a presentation and time for Q&A. Light refreshments will be served. Contact: *John Bernbaum, [jbinternatl@gmail.com](mailto:jbinternatl@gmail.com).*

## Youth Car Wash

*After worship, Youth House parking lot*  
Get a clean car, and support the youth mission team travelling to the Dominican Republic this summer. *All donations welcome!*

## State of the Finances Town Hall

*12:30 p.m., Stone Hall*

Join the Finance Council for a firsthand look at the church's finances and an opportunity to ask questions.

## Music at National

*4:30 p.m., Sanctuary*

The City Choir of Washington presents G.F. Handel's oratorio, "Solomon." *Tickets and information: 571.206.8525.*

## WEEKLY ON SUNDAYS

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### Sunday School

*9:30–10:30 a.m.*

#### Adults

- Wrestlers: Engaging Contemporary Issues, *Agencies Building Lower Level*  
**TODAY: Matthew Taylor, doctoral student at Georgetown: "The History and Complexities of Fundamentalism in Christianity and Islam"**
- 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, *Agencies Bldg 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*

### GriefShare

*12:30 p.m., Culbertson Library*

Those experiencing loss and grief will find encouragement and support.

### "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.

### May Donations: Canned Fruit

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 Eleanor Keyser, celebrating her love of the Lord and her many friends in this congregation, by her family Laurie, Russ, Russell and Matthew Brunner

# 9 A.M. WORSHIP

Sanctuary

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## WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE

Dan Campolieta, organ

CHIMES AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Evangeline Taylor

▲ HYMN 467

How Great Thou Art

*O Store Gud*

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

Almighty God, we praise you for your great power and love – seen in the splendor of the earth, in the vastness of the heavens, and in the life and death of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Forgive us for the faithlessness that believes our problems are larger than your grace. Forgive us for the forgetfulness to treat others as those for whom Christ also died. Have mercy on us, we pray, and hold our lives in your safe-keeping until we see you face-to-face. Through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

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.

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. David Renwick

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS *see p. 6*

Jerusalem, My Happy Home

*Land of Rest*

▲ 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

Shout to the Lord

Grace Notes Choir

*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

Revelation 21:1-4, 10-11, 22-27

Ed Blanton

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

SERMON

Life Everlasting: Good Heavens!

Dr. David Renwick

1 Corinthians 15:35-44

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

▲ HYMN 150 *verse 3*

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

*Madrid*

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION *see p. 6*

Dr. Quinn Fox

▲ HYMN *see insert*

When Peace Like a River

*Ville du Havre*

▲ BENEDICTION AND PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

▲ POSTLUDE

# 10:50 A.M. CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

*Jones Hall (School Gym)*

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## WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

- ▲ WELCOME SONG Give Me Jesus Jeremy Camp  
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Donna Marsh  
CALL TO WORSHIP Hilda Gore  
▲ SONG OF RESPONSE In Christ Alone Keith & Krystin Getty

### PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION OF SIN

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### SILENT CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

- ▲ RESPONSE OF PRAISE O Lord Paul Mabury

## WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

- SCRIPTURE Revelation 21:1-4, 10-11, 22-27 Rev. Donna Marsh  
SERMON Life Everlasting: Good Heavens! Dr. David Renwick  
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## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

- ▲ 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.

### THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

- O Come to the Altar Steven Furtick

### 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* Overwhelmed Michael Weaver

- ▲ CLOSING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION  
▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

- ▲ Congregation standing, as able

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# 11 A.M. WORSHIP

Sanctuary

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## WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE

Dan Campolieta, organ

CHIMES AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Evangeline Taylor

▲ HYMN 467 *verses 1-3*

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▲ PRAYER OF ADORATION

▲ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Hymn 467, verse 4

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation,  
and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!  
Then I shall bow in humble adoration, and there proclaim,  
“My God, how great thou art!”

*Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee, “How great thou art! How great thou art!”*

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CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

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Deacon Carol Cryer

The Word of the Lord.

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# UPCOMING EVENTS

## Youth Sunday

*Sunday, May 14, 9 & 11 a.m.*

On Youth Sunday we celebrate God's faithfulness as our middle and high school youth lead worship. NPC high school seniors will share testimonies in the 9 and 11 a.m. services (**there will be no 10:50**

**Jones Hall service next Sunday, May 14**), and we will receive this year's Confirmation class as new members. *An offering will be received to support our youth; you may also give online at [nationalpres.org/giving](http://nationalpres.org/giving).*

## Wednesday Women Bible Study & Prayer Group

*Wednesday, May 10, 10 a.m.–1 p.m.  
Church Rooms 110/111 & 105*

Women are invited for prayer, followed by a study of Jesus' prayer of intercession for his disciples. Stay after to write cards for those in need of encouragement.

*Contact: Mildred Wheat 703.931.1490.*

## Book Discussion: *The Abolition of Man* by C.S. Lewis

*Thursdays: May 11, 18, 25*

*7:15–9 p.m., Elson Parlor*

Beginning this week, Dr. Quinn Fox will lead a three-part discussion of this short classic. We will discuss Chapter 1 on May 11. Books are available in the church bookstore and in class.

## Sandwich Making

*Sunday, May 14, 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!

## Adult Fellowship Luncheon

*Monday May 15, Noon, Stone Hall*

Carolann Haley, Director of Grace Chimes Handbell Choir, will present: *Bells, Chimes and the Secrets of Ringing* – with a hands-on opportunity to participate! 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.*)

## Great Day of Service

*Saturday, May 20, at NPC & off campus*  
Choose from a variety of hands-on, family-friendly projects:

- Packing meals for disaster zones
- Collecting clothes for the needy
- Putting together care packages for veterans
- Advocating for refugees and persecuted Christians

*Sign up today: [nationalpres.org/greatday](http://nationalpres.org/greatday)*

## Flower Ministry Training Opportunity

*May 24-25, London*

Members of the NPC Flower Ministry will travel to London for training with Judith Blacklock. Interested in joining the training? *Contact Nora Szeto: [noraszeto@hotmail.com](mailto:noraszeto@hotmail.com).*

## Vacation Bible School: "Rome"

*July 10-14, 9:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.*

Vacation Bible School (for children age 4–rising 5th grade) is a week packed full of faith and fun, with service projects, games, crafts, music, and stories from the Bible. *Register online at [nationalpres.org/vbs](http://nationalpres.org/vbs) or contact Jill Meek: [JMeek@NationalPres.org](mailto:JMeek@NationalPres.org) or 202.537.7535.*

## Online Giving

It's easy and secure to give a one time or recurring gift online or from your phone!

- Go to [www.nationalpres.org/giving](http://www.nationalpres.org/giving) and click "Make a Gift" OR
- Text the letters NPC to 77977 and follow the prompts

*Questions? Contact the finance office at 202.537.7495 or [msmith@nationalpres.org](mailto:msmith@nationalpres.org)*

## Join the A/V Team

Bring the Gospel to others through video and audio production as part of our A/V Team. Our current volunteers span all ages, and training is provided! *Contact: Bill McNett, [BMcNett@NationalPres.org](mailto:BMcNett@NationalPres.org) or 202.537.7576.*

# WELCOME TO NATIONAL!

*We are so glad you are here today.*

## DAILY BIBLE READINGS

*Year 1*

May 7 – 14

### Sunday

Psalms 93; 117  
Genesis 18:22-33  
1 Peter 5:1-11  
Matthew 7:15-29

### Monday

Psalms 97; 115  
Jeremiah 30:1-9  
Colossians 1:1-14  
Luke 6:1-11

### Tuesday

Psalms 98; 116  
Jeremiah 30:10-17  
Colossians 1:15-23  
Luke 6:12-26

### Wednesday

Psalms 99; 118  
Jeremiah 30:18-22  
Colossians 1:24-2:7  
Luke 6:27-38

### Thursday

Psalms 47; 113  
Jeremiah 31:1-14  
Colossians 2:8-23  
Luke 6:39-49

### Friday

Psalms 96; 138  
Jeremiah 31:15-22  
Colossians 3:1-11  
Luke 7:1-17

### Saturday

Psalms 92; 114  
Jeremiah 31:23-25  
Colossians 3:12-17  
Luke 7:18-35

### Sunday

Psalms 93; 117  
Isaiah 32:1-8  
2 Thessalonians 2:13-17  
Matthew 7:7-14

**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.

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**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 (take a right out of the Sanctuary and down the hall) to pray with you 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 grieve the deaths of:*

Alice Trudgeon on April 25, 2017. A memorial service will be held May 10 at 2 p.m. in the Chapel.

Mabel Sawhill on April 19, 2017. A memorial service will be held on May 12 at 2 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

*We pray for:*

NPC Youth. *31-day missionary prayer calendars are available in the information racks.*



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