

April 29, 2018

# Welcome to NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

*God reconciled us to himself through Jesus Christ  
and entrusted to us the ministry of reconciliation.*

2 Corinthians 5:18

Senior Pastor	Dr. David Renwick
Associate Pastors	Dr. Quinn Fox, Rev. Donna Marsh
Parish Associate	Dr. Nancy Fox
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# TODAY AT NATIONAL

## Building Together for the Next 50 Years

Last week we shared an exciting update to our Capital Campaign: \$9,355,835 has been pledged from our first 165 families towards our goal of \$14.3 million! Together, we can transform our campus and ministries and build up our church for Christ's work in the next 50 years.

**You can help us reach our goal by** picking up a brochure at the information table, Stone Hall, or Jones Hall and *signing up for a personal visit*. Our volunteers are glad to explain the plans, answer your questions, and show you how to make a pledge. You may also *request a visit at [nationalpres.org/buildingtogether](http://nationalpres.org/buildingtogether)*.

We'd like to finish the campaign in June. Two months to go!

## Growing Together in God's Word: What is "The Story"?

**Preview: 10 a.m. & 12:15 p.m.  
Stone Hall**

This fall, we will begin a church-wide movement to better know and grow in God's Word. Over 31 weeks, we will read "The Story," a condensed chronological Bible that will equip all ages to discover a deeper appreciation of our spiritual roots and develop a solid foundation of Bible literacy. Come and learn more about this exciting opportunity at this preview session!

## Donate Vitamins for the Dominican Republic Collection in Stone Hall

Today and next week we'll be collecting pre-natal vitamins and non-gummy children's vitamins for the communities our mission trip will meet June 16-22. (There's still time to sign up for the trip! *Learn more: [nationalpres.org/mission-trip](http://nationalpres.org/mission-trip)*)

## WEEKLY ON SUNDAYS

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### Sunday School

9:30–10:30 a.m.

#### Adults

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

**WRESTLERS CLASS (*Agencies Building Lower Level*): MAY 6**

Ron Martinson, NPC member and retired Congressional Staffer, "Recollections of a Hill Brat"

#### Youth

- 6th grade: *Multipurpose Room*
- 7th grade: *Youth House Basement*
- 8th grade: *Multipurpose Basement*
- 9–10th grade: *Youth House*
- 11–12th grade: *Youth House*

#### Children

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

### Nursery (Babies–Age 4)

8:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

- Infants and Crawlers: *Church Room 16*
- Walkers: *Church Room 7*

### Children's Choirs (K–5th grade)

*Sundays, 10:30–10:55 a.m., School Bldg*

### "Across the Aisle" Young Professionals 12:15 p.m., Church Room 105

All young professionals are invited for weekly lunch and conversation.

### Today's Flowers

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in memory of Eleanor Keyser on her birthday, celebrating her love of the Lord, the joy she found in the beauty of flowers, 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

Concerto in D Minor, BWV 596

Vivaldi / Bach

I. (Allegro) - Grave - Fuge II. Largo e spiccato

Todd Fickley, organ

CHIMES AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Dr. Kerry Stoltzfus

▲ HYMN 478

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

*Lauda anima*

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

Dr. Kerry Stoltzfus

Most Merciful God, we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed; we have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy, forgive what we have been, amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your great name.

SILENT CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Dr. Kerry Stoltzfus

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

Apostles' Creed *see p. 6*

Dr. Kerry Stoltzfus

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. David Renwick

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Dr. Kerry Stoltzfus

Brethren, We Have Met to Worship

*Holy Manna*

Brethren, we have met to worship and adore the Lord our God. Will you pray with all your power, while we try to preach the Word? All is vain unless the Spirit of the Holy One comes down. Brethren, pray, and holy manna will be showered all around. Let us love our God supremely, let us love each other, too. Let us love and pray for sinners till our God makes all things new. Then he'll call us home to heaven, at his table we'll sit down. Christ will gird himself, and serve us with sweet manna all around. Brethren, we have met to worship!

Michael Ford, Ethan Greene & Todd Fickley

▲ DOXOLOGY *see p. 6*

*Old Hundredth*

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

Rev. Donna Marsh

## WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

A TIME FOR CHILDREN

*Children (grades K-5) may leave for Sunday School in the school building, where parents will pick them up at 10:30 a.m. Youth (grades 6-12) are also invited to leave for Sunday School in the multipurpose building.*

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 18:15-20

Holly Novak

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

SERMON

Dispute Resolution

Dr. David Renwick

Acts 15:1-21

## WE RESPOND GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

▲ HYMN 357

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing\*

*Nettleton*

▲ BENEDICTION AND PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

▲ POSTLUDE

Concerto in D Minor, BWV 596 – III. (Allegro)

Vivaldi / Bach

*\*Ebenezer means "stone of help," a marker of our confidence in God.*

# 10:50 A.M. CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

*Jones Hall (School Gym)*

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## WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

### PRELUDE

#### ▲ WELCOME SONGS

In Christ Alone  
At the Cross

Keith & Kristin Getty

Chris Tomlin

Joanna Jones and Worship Team

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Quinn Fox

### CALL TO WORSHIP

#### ▲ SONG OF RESPONSE

Endless Praise

Andy Harrison

### PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION OF SIN

Most Merciful God, we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed; we have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy, forgive what we have been, amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your great name.

### SILENT CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

#### ▲ RESPONSE OF PRAISE

Give Us Clean Hands

Charlie Hall

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## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

#### ▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed

Dr. Quinn Fox

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*

Multiplied

Bear & Bo Rineheart

#### ▲ CLOSING PRAYER AND BLESSING

#### ▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

*Songs used by permission: CCLI #100655 and #17315*

# 11 A.M. WORSHIP

*Sanctuary*

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## WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

### PRELUDE

Concerto in D Minor, BWV 596  
I. (Allegro) - Grave - Fuge II. Largo e spiccato

Vivaldi / Bach  
Todd Fickley, organ

### CHIMES AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Dr. Kerry Stoltzfus

▲ HYMN 478 *verses 1-3* Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

*Lauda anima*

▲ PRAYER OF ADORATION

▲ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Hymn 478, verse 4

Angels, help us to adore him: Ye behold God face to face;  
Sun and moon, bow down before him, dwellers All in time and space.  
*Alleluia! Alleluia!* Praise with us the God of grace.

### CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

Most Merciful God,  
We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,  
We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength,  
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
In your mercy, forgive what we have been,  
amend what we are, and direct what we shall be,  
So that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,  
To the glory of your great name.

### SILENT CONFESSION AND CHORAL MEDITATION

*Aus tiefer Not*

To wash away the crimson stain grace, grace alone prevaieth.  
Our works, alas! are all in vain; in much the best life faileth.  
So let the Israelites in heart, born of the Spirit do their part,  
And wait till God appeareth.

Martin Luther after Psalm 130

### 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.

## WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

### A TIME FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Rev. Donna Marsh

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

Giulia Mary Guido

*Daughter of Barbara Aimar Guido and Robert Mark Guido*

Prayer of Response

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. David Renwick

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 18:15-20

Deacon Chris Chai

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Dispute Resolution

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Acts 15:1-21

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

CHORAL RESPONSE

*Nyland*

Help us accept each other as Christ accepted us; teach us as sister, brother, your faithful to embrace.

We need new eyes for seeing, new hands for holding on; Renew us with your Spirit; Lord, free us, make us one.

Fred Kaan, alt.

▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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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.

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.

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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

One Faith, One Hope, One Lord

Craig Courtney

One faith, one hope, one Lord, one church for which he died,

One voice, one song, we lift in praise to him who was and is and shall be evermore.

There is one body, one Spirit, as you were called to one hope,

One Lord, baptism, and faith, one God and Father of all,

Who is in you all.

Though we be many people, diverse with various gifts,

We are given to each other for the unity of faith, to grow in the knowledge of God,

In the unity of Christ.

based on Ephesians 4:4-6, 13

▲ 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.

▲ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

▲ HYMN 252

O Lord, You Are My God and King

*Jerusalem*

▲ BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN

▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

▲ POSTLUDE

Concerto in D Minor, BWV 596

Vivaldi / Bach

III. (Allegro)



# UPCOMING EVENTS

## Book Discussion: "Exclusion and Embrace"

**Thursdays, 7:15–8:45 p.m., Parlor**

Using the New Testament metaphor of salvation as reconciliation, Miroslav Volf proposes the idea of embrace as a theological response to the problem of exclusion. We will discuss Chapter 1 of "Exclusion and Embrace" (available for sale in the bookstore) on May 3.

*Learn more: [nationalpres.org/book-study](http://nationalpres.org/book-study)*

## Central Union Mission Gala

**Friday, May 11, 6:30 p.m.**

**Fairview Park Marriott, Falls Church**

National is hosting a table at Central Union Mission's 2018 Legacy Gala and you're invited! *RSVP to Susan O'Banion, [sobanion@nationalpres.org](mailto:sobanion@nationalpres.org).*

## Great Day of Service

**Saturday, May 19**

Bring friends and family for NPC's fun and meaningful day of service in and around our city. This is a great way to fulfill service hour requirements and for our 50 Hours of Service challenge!

Projects include:

- Packing meal kits for hungry people across the world (great for all ages!)
- Collecting and sorting clothing and household good donations
- Help with the men's shelter upkeep at Central Union Mission
- Reading, crafts, and lunch with kids from Little Lights
- Helping to build a home for low income residents of DC
- And more!

*Learn more and sign up: [nationalpres.org/greatday](http://nationalpres.org/greatday).*

## Your Recommendations Needed

**The Congregational Nominating**

**Committee** asks for your help in selecting Elders, Deacons, board members for the Fund for Charitable Giving, or next year's Congregational Nominating Committee.

*Submit recommendations online: [nationalpres.org/nominate](http://nationalpres.org/nominate)*

## Vacation Bible School

**July 9–13, 2018; Register now!**

Vacation Bible School is a week packed full of faith and fun, including service projects, games, crafts, snacks, music, and stories from the Bible. *Register for VBS and sign up to volunteer at [nationalpres.org/children](http://nationalpres.org/children)*

## 50 Hours of Service

Your many gifts can all glorify God!

Jenny and Chris Wilson recently served with Martha's Table as part of our "50 Hours of Service Challenge," keeping the fresh food tables stocked, and helping out at the cooking table where clients were shown how to prepare the fresh ingredients they were getting. *Where does God use you? Visit [nationalpres.org/50](http://nationalpres.org/50) to tell your story.*

## It's Easy to Give Online

It's easy and secure to give a one-time or recurring gift from your computer or tablet:

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

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

# WELCOME TO NATIONAL!

## DAILY BIBLE READINGS

April 29 –May 6

### Sunday

Psalms 93; 117

Leviticus 8:1-13, 30-36

Hebrews 12:1-14

Luke 4:16-30

### Monday

Psalms 97; 115

Leviticus 16:1-19

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

### Tuesday

Psalms 98; 116

Leviticus 16:20-34

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Matthew 6:7-15

### Wednesday

Psalms 99; 118

Leviticus 19:1-18

1 Thessalonians 5:12-28

Matthew 6:19-24

### Thursday

Psalms 47; 113

Leviticus 19:26-37

2 Thessalonians 1:1-12

Matthew 6:25-34

### Friday

Psalms 96; 138

Leviticus 23:1-22

2 Thessalonians 2:1-17

Matthew 7:1-12

### Saturday

Psalms 92; 114

Leviticus 23:23-44

2 Thessalonians 3:1-18

Matthew 7:13-21

### Sunday

Psalms 93; 117

Leviticus 25:1-17

James 1:2-8, 16-18

Luke 12:13-21

*We are so glad you are here today.*

**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.

**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.

**Young Worshipers** | Pick up a "Worshiper in Training" bag outside the Sanctuary for fun things to help children engage in worship. Please return the bags after the service.

**Prayers after worship** | A pastor, elder or deacon, and Stephen Minister will be available 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** | Flowers are available outside of Elson Parlor to take with you if you are visiting 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:*

Lowell Donald Smith on April 22, 2018  
to Kay and Addison Smith

*We grieve the death of:*

Virginia Barney on April 14, 2018.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, May 19  
at 3:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

*How can we pray for you?*  
[nationalpres.org/prayer](http://nationalpres.org/prayer)



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