



May 6, 2018

# Welcome to NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

*Trust in the Lord with all your heart,  
and do not rely on your own insight.  
In all your ways acknowledge God,  
and he will make straight your paths.*

Proverbs 3:5-6

Senior Pastor	Dr. David Renwick
Associate Pastors	Dr. Quinn Fox, Rev. Donna Marsh
Parish Associate	Dr. Nancy Fox
Music	Dr. Michael Denham ( <i>Director</i> ), Todd Fickley ( <i>Interim Organist</i> ) Joanna Jones ( <i>Interim Contemporary Music Leader</i> )
Ministry Directors	J. Theodore Anderson ( <i>Library, Archives, &amp; Older Adults</i> ) Kristin Franke ( <i>Youth</i> ), Cate McCrory ( <i>Children</i> ) Leslie Saum ( <i>Connections</i> ), John Marienau Turpin ( <i>Serve</i> )

# TODAY AT NATIONAL

## Building Together for the Next 50 Years

We're excited to personally share with you our vision for the future of National! One of our campaign goals is to visit with everyone in the church to share the project details and answer your questions before you are asked to consider any financial support. So far we've met with over 235 families and individuals.

**Let us know you're ready to meet by completing enclosed form and dropping it in the offering plate.** You don't have to be ready to pledge, just ready to meet and learn more and ask questions. Afterwards you can prayerfully consider your support.

Our goal is to complete the campaign in June. Just two months to go!

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

Today we are 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)*)

## 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)*

## WEEKLY ON SUNDAYS

### 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 13**

Rev. Milton King, author and pastor, "Think Moderate!"

#### 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 celebration of the April 11th birth of John William Weis, to parents Lauren Vorisek Weis and Christopher Weis, and grandparents, Larry and Nita Vorisek, praising God and thanking Him for this blessing.

# 9 A.M. WORSHIP

Sanctuary

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## WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE

Chamber Singers  
First Presbyterian Church, Spartanburg, South Carolina  
Holt Andrews, Director

CHIMES AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Dr. Larry Greenslit

▲ HYMN 281

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

*Cwm Rhondda*

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

*please be seated*

Almighty God, we bow before you in worship,  
for you are eternal, righteous, and merciful,  
but we are sinners who are weak and lost.

Cleanse and strengthen us to serve you, O Lord.

Purify and enlighten us with the fire of your Holy Spirit,  
that we may follow wherever you guide,  
in the footsteps of your well-beloved Son,  
even Jesus Christ our Lord.

Francis of Assisi

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* Heidelberg Catechism

Dr. Larry Greenslit

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. David Renwick

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS *see p. 6*

Be Thou My Vision

Alice Parker

## WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

A TIME FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

*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

Acts 16:6–15

Leslie Saum

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

SERMON

Seeking Guidance

Dr. David Renwick

Psalm 13, Psalm 23

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

HYMN 387 *verse 1*

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

*Bradbury*

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION *see p. 6*

Dr. Quinn Fox

▲ HYMN 510 *verses 1–4*

Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts

*Quebec*

▲ BENEDICTION AND PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

▲ POSTLUDE

Carillon

Herbert Murrill  
Todd Fickley, organ

# 10:50 A.M. CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

*Jones Hall (School Gym)*

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## WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE

Caroline Dickey

▲ WELCOME SONG

You Are My Vision

Rend Collective

Joanna Jones and Worship Team

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Donna Marsh

CALL TO WORSHIP

▲ SONG OF RESPONSE

Give Me Jesus

Traditional; arr. Jeremy Camp

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION OF SIN

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▲ RESPONSE OF PRAISE

Lord, I Need You

Christy Nockels

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▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Heidelberg Catechism, Question 1

Rev. Donna Marsh

*One:* What is your only comfort in life and in death?

*All:* That I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death — to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

All the Way My Savior Leads Me

Chris Tomlin

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*

Trust in You

Lauren Daigle

▲ CLOSING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION

▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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# 11 A.M. WORSHIP

*Sanctuary*

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Holt Andrews, Director

CHIMES

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▲ PRAYER OF ADORATION

▲ CHORAL RESPONSE

Lead Me, Lord

Samuel Sebastian Wesley

Lead me, Lord, lead me in thy righteousness; make thy way plain before my face.

CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

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Elder Dennis BURGART

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## OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Be Thou My Vision

Alice Parker

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; nought be all else to me, save that thou art.

*Slane*

Thou my best though by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;

Thou my great Father, I thy true son; thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Riches I heed not, nor vain empty praise. Thou mine inheritance now and always;

Thou and thou only first in my heart, High King of heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won, may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!

Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all!

FPC Chamber Singers and NPC Chancel Choir with Dr. Anastasia Pike, harp

## THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

Invitation to Communion

Words of Institution and Distribution

Music Meditation

Even When He Is Silent

Kim André Arnesen

I believe in the Sun, even when it's not shining.

I believe in Love, even when I feel it not.

I believe in God, even when he is silent.

*(from words of an anonymous prisoner etched on a wall of a World War II concentration camp)*

FPC Chamber Singers

Prayer of Response and The Lord's Prayer

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- ▲ HYMN 510 *verses 1-4* Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts *Quebec*

## ▲ BENEDICTION

## ▲ CHORAL RESPONSE

Go with Us, Lord

*Tallis' Canon*

Go with us, Lord, and guide the way through this and every coming day,  
that in your Spirit strong and true our lives may be our gift to you.

Chamber Singers and Chancel Choir

## ▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

## ▲ POSTLUDE

Carillon

Herbert Murrill  
Todd Fickley, organ

- ▲ Congregation standing, as able

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## Great Day of Service: Sign Up Today!

**Saturday, May 19**

Bring friends and family for this 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)*

## 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 2, "Exclusion" on May 10. Copies of the book are available for sale in the bookstore.

*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)*

## Happy Anniversary, Zeidos!

Friday May 11 is the one-year anniversary of the Zeido family's arrival in the U.S. We give thanks for the past year with them as we pray for their continued life as our friends here in the United States.

## Adult Fellowship Luncheon Monday, May 21, Noon, Stone Hall

White House pastry chefs Roland Mesnier and Mark Ramsdell will provide unique stories about life creating sweet treats for state dinners and other events. Roland spent 25 years as the Executive Pastry Chef for several presidents and Mark began the tradition of White House gingerbread creations. A signing of their books "The White House In Gingerbread" and "Sweet World of White House Desserts" will follow the talk. *Sign up in Stone Hall today or call 202.537.7529.*

## Floral Workshop

**Thursday, May 26, 10 a.m.–3:15 p.m.**

Expand your floral design skills at this workshop which will include lectures on poetry and floral design and hands-on practice. A \$25 fee includes lunch and floral materials. *Register with Nora Szeto by May 21: [npcflowers@nationalpres.org](mailto:npcflowers@nationalpres.org)*

## The Story: Growing in God's Word Together

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. *Learn more: [nationalpres.org/thestory](http://nationalpres.org/thestory)*



# WELCOME TO NATIONAL!

## DAILY BIBLE READINGS

May 6 – 13

### Sunday

Psalms 93; 117

Leviticus 25:1-17

James 1:2-8, 16-18

Luke 12:13-21

### Monday

Psalms 97; 115

Leviticus 25:35-55

Colossians 1:9-14

Matthew 13:1-16

### Tuesday

Psalms 98; 116

Leviticus 26:1-20

1 Timothy 2:1-6

Matthew 13:18-23

### Wednesday

Psalms 99; 118

Leviticus 26:27-42

Ephesians 1:1-10

Matthew 22:41-46

### Thursday

Psalms 47; 113

Daniel 7:9-14

Hebrews 2:5-18

Matthew 28:16-20

### Friday

Psalms 96; 138

1 Samuel 2:1-10

Ephesians 2:1-10

Matthew 7:22-27

### Saturday

Psalms 92; 114

Numbers 11:16-17, 24-29

Ephesians 2:11-22

Matthew 7:28-8:4

### Sunday

Psalms 93; 117

Exodus 3:1-12

Hebrews 12:18-29

Luke 10:17-24

*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 pray for:*

Members and friends of National Presbyterian Church

*How can we pray for you?*

[nationalpres.org/prayer](http://nationalpres.org/prayer)



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