

May 27, 2018

Welcome to NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

*What you worship as unknown,
this I proclaim to you.*

Acts 17:23

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>Organist</i>) Joanna Jones (<i>Interim Contemporary Music Leader</i>)
Ministry Directors	J. Theodore Anderson (<i>Library, Archives, & 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

Military Ministry

12:30 p.m., Parlor

Rudy deLeon, former Deputy Secretary of Defense, will give a Memorial Day weekend talk. A light lunch will be served.

Double Your Capital Campaign Pledge...for free!

Matching gift programs are corporate philanthropy initiatives that reward employees' charitable donations. After an employee makes a donation to an eligible nonprofit, they fill out a matching gift submission request and submit it to their company's HR department.

If the donation and NPC meet the company's guidelines, the company cuts a check to the church for the same amount as the employee's donation (*and sometimes even two, three, or four times that amount!*). Even retired individuals are eligible under some company plans. Check with your HR department to see if your employer has a matching gift program and maximize your capital campaign pledge.

Adult Sunday School Plenaries

9:30 a.m. Stone Hall

Summer Sunday School plenaries for adults will begin today with:

"The Future of Mission is the Future of the Church."

Rev. Dr. Rob Weingartner, Executive Director, The Outreach Foundation

Next week: "Flawed Church, Faithful God: a Reformed Understanding of What it Means to Be the Church," Joseph Small

Donate Vitamins for the Dominican Republic

Collection in Stone Hall

We are collecting pre-natal vitamins and non-gummy children's vitamins for the communities our mission trip will meet June 16-22.

WEEKLY ON SUNDAYS

Sunday School

9:30–10:30 a.m.

Adults *see above*

Youth

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

Today's Flowers

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Cornelis Huijssoon by his children Kees, Jr. and Johanna, remembering his May 25th birthday.

9 A.M. WORSHIP

Sanctuary

WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE

Fantasy on "St. Denio"

Gerre Hancock

Todd Fickley, organ

CHIMES AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Dr. Quinn Fox

▲ HYMN 263

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

St. Denio

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

We worship you, O Lord our God, for your mighty outstretched arm is our defense. Let your mercy and loving kindness in Jesus Christ be our salvation. Let your true word be our instruction. Let the peace of your life-giving Spirit be our comfort and consolation. Let your grace through Christ our Lord be our redemption. Let his righteousness be our sins' cure, to the end, and in the end.

John Knox

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, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND PATHWAY OF DISCIPLESHIP Dr. David Renwick

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

The Mansions of the Lord

Nick Glennie-Smith

To fallen soldiers let us sing, where no rockets fly nor bullets wing: Our broken heroes let us bring to the mansions of the Lord. No more bleeding, no more fight, no prayers pleading through the night; Just divine embrace, eternal light in the mansions of the Lord. Where no mothers cry and no children weep, we will stand and guard though the angels sleep; all through the ages safely keep the mansions of the Lord. MSG Michael Ford, United States Army Chorus

▲ 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.

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

Dr. Larry Greenslit, CAPT, CHC, USN (Ret.)

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

A TIME FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

SCRIPTURE

Acts 17:16-34

Richard J. Pera, CAPT, USN (Ret.)

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

SERMON

Belief in a Pluralistic Age

Dr. David Renwick

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

▲ HYMN 562

Eternal Father, Strong to Save

Melita

▲ BENEDICTION AND PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

▲ POSTLUDE

Solemn Melody

Henry Walford Davies

▲ Congregation standing, as able

10:50 A.M. CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

Jones Hall (School Gym)

WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE

Joanna Jones and Ethan Greene

▲ WELCOME SONGS

Come, People of the Risen King
O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

Keith and Kristin Getty
Indelible Grace
Worship Team

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND PATHWAY OF DISCIPLESHIP

Rev. Donna Marsh

CALL TO WORSHIP

▲ SONG OF RESPONSE

Jesus Messiah

Chris Tomlin

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▲ RESPONSE OF PRAISE Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

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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.

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* O Beautiful for Spacious Skies

Materna

▲ CLOSING PRAYER AND BLESSING

▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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▲ HYMN 263 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

St. Denio

▲ PRAYER OF ADORATION

▲ CHORAL RESPONSE

Gott sei Dank durch alle Welt

Lord, our Lord, thy glorious name all thy wondrous works proclaim;
In the heav'ns with radiant signs evermore thy glory shines.

from Psalm 8

CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

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

Mason Robert Loker

Son of Jessica Day Loker and Mark Robert Loker

Andrew Fritz Horniak and Colin Asher Horniak

Sons of Heather Fritz Horniak and David Michael Horniak

Prayer of Response

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Glenn Schmitt COL, USAR

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WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

RESPONSE

Gonfalon Royal

Choir

The gods we make are idols vain; the shining heav'ns the Lord supports;
Both light and honor lead the train, while strength and beauty fill the courts.

Congregation

Let every tongue and every tribe give to the Lord due praise and sing;
All glory unto God ascribe, come, throng the courts, and off'rings bring. Alleluia!

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who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,
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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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the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS FOR OUR NATION AND THE WORLD

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No more bleeding, no more fight, no prayers pleading through the night;
just divine embrace, eternal light in the mansions of the Lord.
Where no mothers cry and no children weep, we will stand and guard though the angels sleep;
all through the ages safely keep the mansions of the Lord.

with MSG Michael Ford, United States Army Chorus

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Book Discussion: "Exclusion and Embrace"

Thursdays, 7:15–8:45 p.m., Parlor

We will discuss Chapter 5 on May 31.

Learn more: nationalpres.org/book-study

Men's Breakfast

Sat., June 2, 8–9:30 a.m., Stone Hall

Enjoy a hearty breakfast and a presentation by **Kevin Offner** from InterVarsity Christian Fellowship on the theme "Peacemakers or Persecuted?"

Reserve your place: men@nationalpres.org or call 202.537.7527.

Annual Congregational Meeting

Sunday, June 3, 12:15 p.m., Sanctuary

Members of the congregation are requested to stay after worship for a meeting of the congregation and The National Presbyterian Church, Inc.

Annual reports are available now on the information table.

Lend a Helping Hand on Sundays

You can help out on Sundays for as little as one hour a month! It takes over 100 volunteers to make Sundays happen at National each week. There are important behind the scenes tasks as well as interactive roles, and we'd love to have you be part of ministry! *Contact: Leslie Saum, lsaum@nationalpres.org or 202.537.7494.*

Vacation Bible School: Sign up to Volunteer!

Help us create a one-of-a-kind experience for our kids at Vacation Bible School, July 9–13! *Sign up online at nationalpres.org/vbs to help for an afternoon or for the week.*

Summer at National

Doxology Worship: June 10

One service at 10:45 a.m. (Sanctuary)

Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.

Bring friends and family and dress casually for a musical Sunday giving glory to God through scripture in song. We will also recognize our members who have been a part of this church community for 50 years or more!

Summer Schedule Begins: June 17

Contemporary Worship:

8:30 a.m. in Jones Hall

Sunday School:

9:30 a.m.

Traditional Worship:

10:45 a.m. in the Sanctuary

Summer Family Hour: Faith on the Big Screen

Sundays, June 10–August 26

9:30–10:30 a.m., Jones Hall

Come enjoy breakfast, and see how popular family-friendly films express truths about our faith. There will be optional childcare for ages 4 and under.

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Full schedule: nationalpres.org/adults.

Position Opening:

Administrative Assistant for Facilities and Operations

This part-time (15 hours per week) position supports the Facilities Director in managing financial processes and maintaining project records. Applications will be received until June 12. *For more information visit nationalpres.org/jobs.*

WELCOME TO NATIONAL!

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

May 27 – June 3

Sunday

Psalms 103; 139
Job 38:1-11; 42:1-6
Revelation 19:4-16
John 1:29-34

Monday

Psalms 135; 112
Proverbs 10:1-12
1 Timothy 1:1-17
Matthew 12:22-32

Tuesday

Psalms 123; 86
Proverbs 15:16-33
1 Timothy 1:18—2:15
Matthew 12:33-42

Wednesday

Psalms 15; 4
Proverbs 17:1-20
1 Timothy 3:1-16
Matthew 12:43-50

Thursday

Psalms 36; 27
Proverbs 21:30-22:6
1 Timothy 4:1-16
Matthew 13:24-30

Friday

Psalms 130; 139
Proverbs 23:19-24:2
1 Timothy 5:17-25
Matthew 13:31-35

Saturday

Psalms 56; 111
Proverbs 25:15-28
1 Timothy 6:6-21
Matthew 13:36-43

Sunday

Psalms 67
Psalm 150
Psalm 46
Psalm 93

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.

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 grieve the death of:

Sandy Black on March 23, 2018

We pray for our mission partners, including:

Forman Christian College, a Christian college open to all in Lahore, Pakistan.

How can we pray for you?

nationalpres.org/prayer



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