











Welcome to NATIONAL Presbyterian Church

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

Jesus said:

"I have not come to abolish the law or the prophets. I have come to fulfill."

Matthew 5:17

Associate Pastors Dr. Quinn Fox, Rev. Donna Marsh, Dr. Joyce Emery Parish Associate Dr. Nancy Fox

Senior Pastor Dr. David Renwick

Music Dr. Michael Denham (Director), Todd Fickley (Organist) Joanna Jones (Interim Contemporary Music Leader)

Ministry Directors

J. Theodore Anderson (Library, Archives, & Older Adults) Kristin Franke (Youth), Cate McCrory (Children) Leslie Saum (Connections), John Marienau Turpin (Serve)

TODAY AT NATIONAL

Building Together for the Next 50 Years: Capital Project Update

We have much to celebrate thanks to your generosity! On September 16, the congregation passed a motion authorizing Session to move forward with prudent use of Capital Campaign funds toward the final 2018 Facilities Master Plan and other elements of the Capital Campaign—including \$1 million to bear witness to Jesus Christ by serving youth and the vulnerable in Washington, DC and by aiding refugees in the Middle East and East Africa.

Questions about our plans or next steps? Our next Q&A Session will be Sunday, October 28 at 12:30 p.m. in Elson Parlor.

Indonesian Disaster Response

Our Serve Council staff has reviewed options for contributing to relief in Indonesia. We believe that World Vision is the best present option for our support. They are on the ground delivering food to families and providing shelter for the homeless. Their goal is to provide support for up to 80,000 individuals. Please support World Vision directly, or through the church by giving online at nationalpres. org/giving, or by marking your check with "Indonesia relief."

Military Ministry: Thank You

Thank you to all who donated to and helped in the assembly of our care packages for military caregivers. Together we made 70 support bags!

WEEKLY ON SUNDAYS

Sunday School

Adults

• The Rest of "The Story"

10:00–10:45 a.m., Stone Hall
Explore how the Bible holds meaning in your life today during a weekly video summary and small group discussion.

• Exploring "The Story"
9:30-9:55 a.m., Stone Hall
A prelude summary to "The Rest of the Story" that provides context and content for table hosts and others, led by Dr. Quinn Fox.

"The Story" In Depth
 9:30–10:45 a.m., Chapel
 Come for a deep dive into the context and content of "The Story" led by R.V. Seep.

"The Story" for Youth 9:30–10:45 a.m.

- Grade 6: Multipurpose Room
- Grade 7: Youth House Basement
- Grade 8: Multipurpose Building Basement
- Grades 9/10: Youth House Main Room
- Grades 11/12: Youth House Game Room

"The Story" for Children 9:30-10:45 a.m.

• 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.

"Across the Aisle" Young Professionals 12:15 p.m., Church Room 110/111
All young professionals are invited for weekly lunch and conversation.

October Donations: Canned Tuna

Please bring donations for mission partner Martha's Table to the baskets outside of Stone Hall, or upstairs at the info table.

Today's Flowers

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God on this World Communion Day when we here at National partake of Holy Communion with Christians all around the world.

9:00 A.M. WORSHIP

Sanctuary

WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

Prelude

VIII. "...No Darkness at All..."

Ned Rorem

IV. "There Is a Spirit That Delights to Do No Evil..." Todd Fickley, organ

CHIMES AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Dr. Quinn Fox

▲ HYMN 442 verses 1 & 2

The Church's One Foundation

Aurelia

Invitation to World Communion

Dorin Munteanu, Romanian · Simin Wong, Farsi Augus Wong, Indonesian · Joel Velasco, Portuguese

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▲ Congregational Response

Hymn 442, verse 5

Yet she on earth has union with God the Three in One,

And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won:

O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we,

Like them, the meek and lowly, may live eternally.

Prayer of Adoration and Confession of Sin in unison

Almighty and merciful God, we have tasted that you are good, yet we sin, and turn from the way of salvation. Forgive our sins, we pray. Help us remember that we have received your mercy, and have become your people. Strengthen us for holy living by the power of your Holy Spirit, that we may serve you according to our calling, proclaiming to all the world the mighty acts of God, who calls us out of darkness into light.

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

St. Peter

In Christ there is no east or west, in him no south or north; But one great fellowship of love throughout the whole wide earth.

▲ Affirmation of Faith see p. 5

Nicene Creed

Welcome and Announcements

Dr. David Renwick

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

I Will Be a Child of Peace

Elaine Hagenberg Traditional Shaker Hymn

O Holy Father, I will be a child of peace and purity,

or well I know thy hand will bless the seeker after righteousness.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

RESPONSIVE SCRIPTURE Exodus 20:1-18 see insert

Deacon Susan Julius

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

A TIME FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES Youth and children may leave now for Sunday School SERMON God's Laws for the Good Life Dr. David Renwick

Matthew 5:17, 21-24, 27-28; 6:1

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION see p.5

Dr. Joyce Emery

▲ HYMN 223 verses 1, 4, & 5 O My Soul, Bless Your Redeemer

Stuttgart

▲ Benediction and Passing the Peace of Christ

▲ Postlude These Are the Holy Ten Commandments, BWV 635 J. S. Bach

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Betty Conn

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SERMON

God's Laws for the Good Life Matthew 5:17, 21-24, 27-28; 6:1

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Congregational Response

Kingsfold

O God of covenant and law, revealed in cloud and flame, your mighty deeds evoke our awe, all-holy is your name. Yet we by faith are drawn to you and will your people prove,

as on our hearts you write anew your covenant of love.

Carl P. Daw (alt.)

▲ Affirmation of Faith

Nicene Creed

Dr. Joyce Emery

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated on the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

Invitation to Communion

Words of Institution and Distribution

Music Meditation

Open Thou Mine Eyes

John Rutter

Open thou mine eyes and I shall see; incline my heart and I shall desire; order my steps and I shall walk in the ways of thy commandments.

O Lord God, be thou to me a God, and beside thee let there be none else, none other, nought else with thee.

Vouchsafe to me to worship thee and serve thee according to thy commandments, in truth of spirit, in rev'rence of body, in blessing of lips, in private and in public.

Lancelot Andrewes, 1555-1626

Prayer of Response 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.

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Stuttgart

▲ Benediction

▲ Congregational Response

Stuttgart

Bless our Maker, all creation, ever under God's control, All throughout God's vast dominion; bless the Lord of all, my soul.

- ▲ Passing the Peace of Christ
- ▲ Postlude These Are the Holy Ten Commandments, BWV 635 J. S. Bach
 - ▲ Congregation standing, as able

11:00 A.M. CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

Jones Hall (School Gym)

WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

GATHERING

Instrumental Meditation Your Love Awakens Me

Joanna Jones Phil Wickham

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Quinn Fox

CALL TO WORSHIP

Invitation to World Communion Sunday

Carlos Balta, Spanish · Vitna Bailey, Korean

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▲ Song of Praise

All Because of Jesus

Steve Fee

Confession of Sin

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RESPONSE OF PRAISE

Wide as the Sky

Matt Redman

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Cate McCrory

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Allison Smith Gordon

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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.

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

O Come to the Altar

Chris Brown

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

▲ CLOSING SONG offering received Your Grace Is Enough

Matt Maher

▲ Closing Prayer and Benediction

UPCOMING EVENTS

Book Discussion

Thursday, Oct. 11, 7:15 p.m., Parlor

Join Dr. Quinn Fox for a discussion of *Flawed Church*, *Faithful God* by Joseph Small. Copies of the book are available in the bookstore outside of Stone Hall. *The full reading schedule may be found at nationalpres.org/book-study*

Nominations for Mission Gifts Submit nominations by October 14

Nominate an organization or missionary close to your heart for Mission Gifts for Christmas, National's Christmas tradition of generosity. Submit nominations by Oct. 14 at nationalpres.org/mission-gifts.

Adult Fellowship Luncheon Monday, Oct. 15, Noon, Stone Hall

Longtime NPC member **Dottie McKnight** will share about her work in helping to create equality throughout the physical education community nationwide, through her role in the development of the Title IX Federal civil rights law, and in women's athletics at the University of Maryland. Sign up today in Stone Hall or call 202.537.7529 for lunch reservations (\$15 advance; \$20 at the door).

National Presbyterian School Open House

Friday, October 19, 9:00 am.

NPS gives special consideration to applications from NPC families for nursery (Age 3) through sixth grade. *More information: nps-dc.org or contact Katy Harvey, kharvey@nps-dc.org, 202.537.7508.*

Youth Fall Retreats

• High School: Nov. 2-4

• Middle School: Nov. 30-Dec. 2 All youth are invited to a weekend away to play and worship together! *Contact: Kristin Franke at kfranke@nationalpres.org.*

Science and the Authority of the Bible Conference

Saturday, Oct. 20, 8:45 a.m.-Noon

Hear from scientists and scholars as we explore the relationship between a scientific worldview and the authority of the Bible.

<u>Presenters</u>

- Deborah Haarsma, astronomer, (Ph.D., M.I.T.)
- Craig Story, biologist, (Ph.D., Brandeis Univ.)
- Tremper Longman, Old Testament scholar, (Ph.D., Yale Univ.)

Mr. Peter Wehner will moderate the discussion and Dr. David Renwick will respond. *Learn more: nationalpres.org/* faith-and-science. This event is free and open to the public; no tickets are required.

AARP Smart Driver Course Wednesday, October 24, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Designed especially for drivers age 50+, this one-day AARP Driver Safety Class teaches important skills for operating vehicles safely. *Call instructor Joseph Ryan at 202.362.0704 to register.*

Women's Dessert Evening: Telling Our Stories

Friday, October 26 6:45–8:30 p.m., Stone Hall

Women are invited for an evening of encouragement, conversation, and light hors d'oeuvres and dessert! Dr. Joyce Emery, Tisha Schestopol, and Ruthie Lovejoy will share how God has met them through life's different stages and challenges. *This event is free and no tickets are required; bring a friend!*

WELCOME TO NATIONAL!

"THE STORY" This week

Together this week we will read <u>Chapter 6</u> of "The Story."

Sunday

Numbers 10-11 (pp. 71-73)

Monday

Numbers 11-13 (pp. 73-75)

Tuesday

Numbers 13-14 (pp. 75-78)

Wednesday

Numbers 14-20 (pp. 78-79)

Thursday

Numbers 20-21 (pp. 79-81)

Friday

Numbers 21-27 (pp. 81-84)

Saturday

Deutronomy 1-34 (pp. 84-88)

For reflection:

- When the Israelites complained in the wilderness, how did God respond to their lack of faith? What can you learn from their experience?
- Can you think of a time when you missed all that God had for you (e.g., a blessing) because you doubted him? Perhaps you are standing at a crossroads right now. If God is calling you to move, what's the delay?
- God focuses on the main reason we hesitate: Fear. He repeats over and over again in the Bible, "Fear not" (it's the #1 command!). Picture yourself obeying this command; what would it look like?

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. If you are a college student, welcome! We would love to be your church home.

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 five pews of the sanctuary.

PRAYFRS

We pray for:

All those affected by the earthquakes and tsunami in Indonesia

We pray for our mission partners including: Keith Patman, who works with Wycliffe Bible Translators providing tools and training to translators in Africa.

Be part of the prayer team

Join the prayer team that receives requests by email each Monday. Contact: Liz Martin, Lmartin@nationalpres.org.



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