



October 14, 2018

# Welcome to NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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



*Joshua and Caleb said to all the congregation of Israel:  
"Do not rebel against the Lord...  
the Lord is with us; do not fear..."*

Numbers 14:9



<b>Senior Pastor</b>	Dr. David Renwick
<b>Associate Pastors</b>	Dr. Quinn Fox, Rev. Donna Marsh, Dr. Joyce Emery
<b>Parish Associate</b>	Dr. Nancy Fox
<b>Music</b>	Dr. Michael Denham ( <i>Director</i> ), Todd Fickley ( <i>Organist</i> ) Joanna Jones ( <i>Interim Contemporary Music Leader</i> )
<b>Ministry Directors</b>	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

## Nominations for Mission Gifts

Nominate an organization or missionary close to your heart for Mission Gifts for Christmas, National's Christmas tradition of generosity. *Submit nominations by this evening at [nationalpres.org/mission-gifts](http://nationalpres.org/mission-gifts).*

## Sandwich Making Stone Hall, after worship

Together we can make up to 800 sandwiches for the homeless to be distributed through NPC mission partner Martha's Table!

## 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](http://nationalpres.org/giving), or by marking your check with "Indonesia relief."*

## WEEKLY ON SUNDAYS

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### 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 25-minute lesson exploring important themes, details, and questions from the week's reading in preparation for "The Rest of 'The Story,'" led by Dr. 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 in memory of Mr. Kang Ming Szeto by his daughter.

# 9:00 A.M. WORSHIP

*Sanctuary*

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## WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE

Chaconne in F minor, P. 43

Johann Pachelbel  
Todd Fickley, organ

CHIMES AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Donna Marsh

- ▲ HYMN 476 *verses 1, 2 & 5* O Worship the King, All Glorious Above

*Lyons*

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

Almighty God, we worship you today, knowing that you are perfect in righteousness, and also rich in grace and mercy. You have commanded us to be like you, perfect in all our ways. But time and again we fall short of your glory. Have mercy on us, we pray, and wash us from our sin. Pour into our hearts a continual desire to obey your holy will. Teach us day by day what you would have us do, then give us courage and strength to do it. May we never, in disobedience, or love of ease, or fear, decline the path to which you call us, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.

Henry Alford, 1810-1871, Dean of Canterbury Cathedral

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. 5* Heidelberg Catechism

*Question 1*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. David Renwick

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

You Are My Hiding Place

Michael Ledner

*You are my hiding place, you always fill my heart with songs of deliverance, whenever I am afraid, I will trust in you.*

I will trust in you. Let the weak say, "I am strong in the strength of the Lord."

*You lead me in your way, the path that I should go. Your eye rests upon me; whenever I am afraid, I will trust in you.*

Steadfast love surrounds all who trust the Lord. Be glad in the Lord and rejoice.

from Psalm 32

Michael Ford, tenor

- ▲ DOXOLOGY

*Old Hundredth*

Praise God, from who 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. 5*

Dr. Joyce Emery

## WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE

Numbers 13:1-3, 17-21, 25-26

Elder Donna Duss

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

Courage to Stand Alone

Dr. David Renwick

Numbers 13:27-28, 30-33, 14:1-9

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

- ▲ HYMN 356 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing\* *\*Ebenezer means "stone of help"* *Nettleton*

- ▲ BENEDICTION AND PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

- ▲ POSTLUDE

III. Finale *from Concerto Voluntary*

David P. Dahl

# 11:00 A.M. WORSHIP

*Sanctuary*

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*Lyons*

▲ PRAYER OF ADORATION

▲ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Hymn 476, verse 5

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,  
in thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail;  
Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end,  
our maker, defender, redeemer, and friend!

CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

Almighty God, we worship you today, knowing that you are perfect in righteousness, and also rich in grace and mercy. You have commanded us to be like you, perfect in all our ways. But time and again we fall short of your glory. Have mercy on us, we pray, and wash us from our sin. Pour into our hearts a continual desire to obey your holy will. Teach us day by day what you would have us do, then give us courage and strength to do it. May we never, in disobedience, or love of ease, or fear, decline the path to which you call us, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.

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A TIME FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. David Renwick

SCRIPTURE

Numbers 13:1-3, 17-21, 25-26

Marilee Davies

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

SERMON

Courage to Stand Alone

Dr. David Renwick

Numbers 13:27-28, 30-33, 14:1-9

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

RESPONSE

You Are My Hiding Place

Michael Ledner

*Sung first by the choir, then congregation joins in return of refrain*

***Refrain***

You are my hiding place, you always fill my heart with songs of deliverance,  
whenever I am afraid, I will trust in you.

***Verse***

I will trust in you. Let the weak say, "I am strong in the strength of the Lord."

Dr. Joyce Emery

### Question 1

who at the cost of his own blood has fully paid for all my sins  
and has completely freed me from the dominion of the devil;

that he protects me so well that without the will of my Father in heaven not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, that everything must fit his purposes for my salvation.

Therefore, by his Holy Spirit, he also assures me of eternal life,  
and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

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.

## God Is Our Strong Salvation

Austin Lovelace

God is our strong salvation: What foe have we to fear?

In darkness and temptation our light, our help is near.

Though troubles here surround us, firm in God's might we stand;  
with all God's strength around us, God's vict'ry is at hand!

In him we rest securely: the battle is the Lord's,

as undefiled and purely goes forth his holy word.

God's hand our hearts shall strengthen, to see his might increase;

in hope, and trust, and courage the Lord will give us peace.

Our struggle is not earthly, but heav'nly in its scope;

left to our own devices, we strive, bereft of hope.

Yet God has made provision; within this mortal term,

In hope, and trust, and courage our station we stand firm.

*Old Hundredth*

Praise God, from who all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

▲ HYMN 356      Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessings\*

*Nettleton*

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## ▲ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

### Angel's Story

O Jesus, we have promised to serve thee to the end;

Be thou forever near us, our Master and our friend;

We shall not fear the battle if thou art by our side,

Nor wander from the pathway if thou wilt be our guide.

## ▲ POSTLUDE

David P. Dahl

*from Concerto Voluntary after John Stanley*

▲ Congregation standing, as able

# 11:00 A.M. CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

*Jones Hall (School Gym)*

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## WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

GATHERING

Conversations

Sara Groves

Oh the Deep, Deep Love Bob Kauflin and Samuel Trevor Francis  
Kevin Rose and Joanna Jones

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

John Marienau Turpin

CALL TO WORSHIP

▲ SONGS OF PRAISE

Lift High the Name of Jesus  
Holy Spirit

Keith and Kristyn Getty  
Brian and Katie Torwalt

CONFESSION OF SIN

Almighty God, we worship you today, knowing that you are perfect in righteousness, and also rich in grace and mercy. You have commanded us to be like you, perfect in all our ways. But time and again we fall short of your glory. Have mercy on us, we pray, and wash us from our sin. Pour into our hearts a continual desire to obey your holy will. Teach us day by day what you would have us do, then give us courage and strength to do it. May we never, in disobedience, or love of ease, or fear, decline the path to which you call us, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.

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▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

▲ RESPONSE OF PRAISE

Lord, I Need You

Christy Nockels

## WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

A TIME FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

Cate McCrory

SCRIPTURE

Numbers 13:1-3, 17-21, 25-26

Deacon Melinda Moore

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

SERMON

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## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Heidelberg Catechism

John Marienau Turpin

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

*Question 1*

*All* That I belong—body and soul, in life and in death—not to myself but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ, who at the cost of his own blood has fully paid for all my sins and has completely freed me from the dominion of the devil; that he protects me so well that without the will of my Father in heaven not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, that everything must fit his purposes for my salvation. Therefore, by his Holy Spirit, he also assures me of eternal life, and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

▲ CLOSING SONG *offering received* This Is Amazing Grace

Phil Wickham

▲ CLOSING PRAYER AND BLESSING



# UPCOMING EVENTS

## **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.*

## **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.

### Presenters

- 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. *Help us plan for this event with your RVSP at: [nationalpres.org/faith-and-science](http://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; bring a friend! *Let us know you're coming: sign up in Stone Hall or email Amy Thompson, [athompson@nationalpres.org](mailto:athompson@nationalpres.org).*

## **Congregational Meeting**

*Sunday, October 28*

*After 11 a.m. worship, Sanctuary*

All members of the congregation are encouraged to stay after the 11 a.m. worship services for a meeting of the congregation to elect church leaders.

## **Sing in Handel's "Messiah"** *Rehearsals begin November 10* *Concert Date: December 9, 5 p.m.*

Mark your calendars, spread the word, and be a part of this exciting performance!

- Rehearsals on Nov. 10, Nov. 17, and Dec. 1 will be in the Choir Room from 10 a.m.–1 p.m.
- Final rehearsals in the Sanctuary will be Friday, Dec. 7 (7–10 p.m.) and Saturday, Dec. 8 (10 a.m.–2 p.m.).

*Contact: Carolann Haley, [chaley@nationalpres.org](mailto:chaley@nationalpres.org) or 202.537.7553.*

# WELCOME TO NATIONAL!

## "THE STORY" THIS WEEK

Together this week we will read Chapter 7 of "The Story."

### Sunday

Joshua 1-2 (pp. 89-91)

### Monday

Joshua 6 (pp. 91-93)

### Tuesday

Joshua 6-8 (pp. 93-95)

### Wednesday

Joshua 8-10 (pp. 95-97)

### Thursday

Joshua 10 (pp. 97-98)

### Friday

Joshua 10-23 (pp. 98-100)

### Saturday

Joshua 23-24 (pp. 100-102)

For reflection:

- How do people who you encounter regularly know that you have a mighty God (like Rahab knew of the Israelite's God)? What evidence of God do they see in your life? What could you do to help them see The Lord as the Savior he is?
- Distractions from God take many forms; what are your primary distractions? What do you need to reduce or eliminate from your life to enable greater devotion to God?
- It is good to remember what God has taught you, to recall his faithful acts that have built up your faith in the past. How would a review of your own history remind you of where God has taken you?

*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.

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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 five pews of the sanctuary.*

## PRAYERS

*We grieve the deaths of:*

Paul Keller on October 4, 2018

Don Hunter

*We pray for:*

Bayo Sharp Johnson Shelley Barr

*We pray for our mission partners including:*

Unique Learning Center, a Christian ministry to strengthen the educational and spiritual lives of children in DC.



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