



November 4, 2018

Welcome to NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

COMMUNION OF THE SAINTS



Do not press me to leave you, for where you go I will go.

Ruth 1:16

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

Lunch & Learn: Christians and the City of Jerusalem 12:15 p.m.

Agencies Building Room 105

Join Dr. Saliba Sarsar and Father Michael McDonagh from NPC mission partner

Holy Land Christian Ecumenical

Foundation to learn about their work

in the Holy Land and hear about their

new book, *What Jerusalem Means to Us:*

Christian Perspectives and Reflections. Dr.

Renwick and Elder David Mack both

contributed chapters to the book, and will

sign books after the event.

Hurricane Disaster Response

The Salvation Army is in the Florida

Panhandle and South Georgia delivering

food and hygienic supplies to families and

providing shelter for the homeless. *Please*

support The Salvation Army by giving online

at nationalpres.org/giving, or by making

your check out to NPC with "Hurricane relief" in the memo line.

All Saints Sunday Service of Remembrance

12:30 p.m. Chapel

We will honor those who have died in

the past year and those who are inurned

or memorialized in the Columbarium,

remembering their legacy and celebrating

our eternal union in Jesus Christ.

Winter Warmth Drive

Collection bins in Stone Hall,

Jones Hall, and outside of the

Sanctuary

We are collecting the following winter

clothing items for our local mission

partners serving the homeless in our

community:

- New or gently used coats, jackets, and sweaters for men, women, and children
- New heavyweight socks and thermal underwear
- New or gently used heavy winter boots for adults

WEEKLY ON SUNDAYS

Sunday School

Adults

- The Rest of "The Story"
10:00–10:45 a.m., Stone Hall
- Exploring "The Story"
9:30–9:55 a.m., Stone Hall
- "The Story" In Depth
9:30–10:45 a.m., Chapel.

"The Story" for Youth

Today youth are invited to participate in

Communion with their families at 9 a.m.

worship, or attend "The Story" programming

in Stone Hall. The usual Sunday School

schedule will resume next week.

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.

Today's Flowers

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given

to the glory of God by the Women's

Association in memory of its former

members.

The flowers in the Court of Flags are

given to the glory of God and in memory

of Mr. Carl Joseph Gilbert Anderson by

his son, Mr. J. Theodore Anderson.

9:00 A.M. WORSHIP

Sanctuary

WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE

Lux Aeterna

Sir Edward Elgar

"Nimrod" from the Enigma Variations

Todd Fickley, organ

CHIMES AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Dr. Joyce Emery

▲ HYMN 482

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

Lobe den Herren

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

Eternal God, we praise and thank you that in every age you have raised up believers to be your own. Yet we have often been indifferent to your will. You have enabled us to speak, but we have been silent. You have commanded us to do what is just, but we have been fearful. You have loved us with steadfast love, but we have not always been faithful servants. In your mercy, Lord, forgive us. With the great cloud of witnesses who have preceded us, keep us faithful to your call.

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*

Nicene Creed

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND STEWARDSHIP PATHWAY

Dr. David Renwick

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

My Lord, What a Mornin'

Howard Helvey

My Lord, what a mornin'; O my Lord, what a mornin' when the stars begin to fall.

Spiritual

The night of sufferin' soon be gone, when my Lord is done;

Mornin's brightness will be come, when my Lord is done.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE

Ruth 1:1-9, 14-18

Holly Novak

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

A TIME FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

Children leave now for Sunday School and youth remain in worship; see p. 2 for details

SERMON

Kindred Spirits

Dr. David Renwick

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION *see p. 5*

Rev. Donna Marsh

▲ HYMN 526 *verses 1, 3 & 4*

For All the Saints

Sine Nomine

▲ BENEDICTION

▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

▲ POSTLUDE

Finale

Bruce Neswick

from Fantasy and Fugue on Sine Nomine

▲ Congregation standing, as able

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▲ PRAYER OF ADORATION

▲ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

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Praise ye the Lord! who doth prosper thy way and defend thee;
surely God's goodness and mercy here daily attend thee.
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do,
if with his love he befriend thee.

CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

Eternal God, in every age you have raised up believers to be your own,
yet we have often been indifferent to your will.
You have enabled us to speak, but we have been silent.
You have commanded us to do what is just, but we have been fearful.
You have loved us with steadfast love, but we have not always been faithful servants.
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A TIME FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

JOYFUL NOISEMAKERS I Sing a Song of the Saints of God

Grand Isle

I sing a song of the saints of God, patient and brave and true,
Who worked and served, and lived and died for the Lord they loved and knew:
*You can meet them in school, or at work, or at sea, in church, or wherever you happen to be,
For the saints of God are just folk like me, and I mean to be one too!*
They lived not only in ages past; there are hundreds of millions still;
The world is bright with the joyous saints who love to do Jesus' will.

Directed by Mandy Brown

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND STEWARDSHIP PATHWAY

Dr. David Renwick

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Elder Linda Botsford

The Word of the Lord.

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WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

RESPONSE

On Eagle's Wings

Michael Joncas

Soloist: You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord, who abide in his shadow for life,
under his wings your refuge, his faithfulness your shield:

Refrain sung first by the choir then the congregation:

And he will raise you up on eagle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn,
make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of his hand.

based on Psalm 91

▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Nicene Creed

Rev. Donna Marsh

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 night of suffrin' soon be gone, when my Lord is done;

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THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

Invitation to Communion

Words of Institution and Distribution

Music Meditation

Give Me Jesus

arr. Sandra Eithun
Grace Chimes, Carolann Haley, Director

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.

▲ HYMN AND CELEBRATION OF THE SAINTS *see insert*

Sine Nomine

▲ BENEDICTION

▲ CHORAL RESPONSE

Souls of the righteous in the hand of God are free from pain; they are at peace.

▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

▲ POSTLUDE

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from Fantasy and Fugue on Sine Nomine

11:00 A.M. WORSHIP

Jones Hall (School Gym)

WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

- ▲ WELCOME SONG All Creatures Of Our God And King David Crowder
WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND STEWARDSHIP PATHWAY Dr. Joyce Emery
CALL TO WORSHIP

- ▲ SONG OF RESPONSE Christ Is Risen, He is Risen Indeed Keith and Kristyn Getty
PRAYER OF ADORATION

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SILENT CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

- ▲ RESPONSE OF PRAISE There Is A Redeemer Keith Green
▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

- A TIME FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES Cate McCrory
SCRIPTURE Ruth 1:1-9, 14-18 Anya Johnson
SERMON Kindred Spirits Dr. David Renwick

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

- ▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *see p. 5* Nicene Creed Dr. Joyce Emery
THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION
He's Always Been Faithful Sara Groves
Kevin Rose and Joanna Jones

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

- CLOSING SONG *offering received* In Christ Alone Keith and Kristyn Getty
▲ CLOSING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION

- ▲ Congregation standing, as able

UPCOMING EVENTS

Book Discussion

Thursday, Nov. 8, 7:15 p.m., Parlor

Join Dr. Quinn Fox for a discussion of *Flawed Church, Faithful God* by Joseph Small. *The full reading schedule may be found at nationalpres.org/book-study.*

Serve with Martha's Table

Friday, November 9, 9 a.m.–4 p.m.

Come help to set up and host a Martha's Table "pop-up" market at the Ft. Stanton Recreation Center in SE DC. Neighborhood residents will come for free groceries, fresh produce, and a friendly welcome from you! There is no cost to you; meals and transportation are included. *Contact Susan O'Banion to join: sobanion@nationalpres.org or 202.537.7503.*

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 or 202.537.7553.

Military Ministry

**Sunday, November 11, 12:15 p.m.
Elson Parlor**

On Veteran's Day Sunday we will honor veterans and commemorate the 100th anniversary of the armistice of WWI. Join the Military Ministry for videos and conversation honoring military service.

Stewardship Sunday

Sunday, November 11

Help us wisely plan our ministry for the year ahead by prayerfully considering your financial commitment to National. You will be receiving a commitment card in the mail this week. Please bring it with you to worship next Sunday, Nov. 11!

Summer Internships

Applications are now available for youth and children's summer internships. *For more information, please visit nationalpres.org/jobs.*

Car-Fit Check

Wednesday, November 14

10 a.m.–2 p.m., NPC parking lot

This 20-minute check is designed to help older drivers find out how well they currently fit their personal vehicle, and to promote conversations about driver safety and community mobility. *Please register by contacting Joe Ryan at (202) 362-0704.*

Surviving the Holidays

Sunday, November 18

12:30 p.m., Stone Hall

This Griefshare seminar led by Dr. Joyce Emery and Mary Romano gives practical advice on how to deal with grief during the holidays. A light lunch will be served. *Sign up by November 7 via email to Liz Martin at lmartin@nationalpres.org*

**Adult Fellowship Luncheon:
US Navy Band Sea Chanters
November 19, Noon, Stone Hall**

Come for a thanksgiving festival of great food and music. *Sign up today in Stone Hall or call 202.537.7529 for reservations.*

WELCOME TO NATIONAL!

"THE STORY" THIS WEEK

Together this week we will read Chapter 10 of "The Story."

Sunday

1 Samuel 2 (pp. 129-131)

Monday

1 Samuel 7 (pp. 131-134)

Tuesday

1 Samuel 8 (pp. 135-137)

Wednesday

1 Samuel 8-10 (pp. 138-139)

Thursday

1 Samuel 11 (pp. 139-141)

Friday

1 Samuel 12 (pp. 141-142)

Saturday

1 Samuel 13-15 (pp. 142-143)

For reflection:

- How many times do we, like Samuel running to Eli, turn to those close to us for answers instead of communicating with God himself? How can we be open to God calling us to serve him?
- The Israelites wanted to be "like everyone else," seeking a king to lead them (rather than the Lord). Can you recall a time you chose to "follow the crowd" when your choice obviously displeased God? How would you make a different decision now?
- Like King Saul, we sometimes get ahead of God even though it is contrary to his word and his call on our life. What can you do to put away your fears and impatience and live by faith alone?

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.

PRAYERS

We celebrate the birth of:

Isabelle Kathryn Toppings on October 19, 2018
to parents Jacquie and Chris Toppings

We grieve the deaths of:

Bayo Sharpe-Johnson on October 30, 2018
Ozeal Brown on October 31, 2018

We pray for our mission partners including:

John Wagner



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