



January 20, 2019

Welcome to NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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



*Elijah then came near to all the people, and said,
“How long will you go limping with two different opinions?
If the Lord is God, follow him;
but if 'Baal' is God, then follow him.”*

1 Kings 18:21

Senior Pastor	Dr. David Renwick
Associate Pastors	Dr. Quinn Fox, Rev. Donna Marsh, Dr. Joyce Emery
Parish Associates	Dr. Nancy Fox, Dr. Kerry Stoltzfus
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

Capital Campaign Update

We have much to celebrate thanks to your generosity:

- Initial distributions of funds to our local and international Capital Campaign mission partners have begun.
- Architectural plans and schematic designs are now underway.
- 2011 earthquake repairs will take place over the next several months.

Your part is vital! *Learn more about the Capital Project and how you can be a part of building together for the next 50 years at www.nationalpres.org/buildingtogether.*

Sandwich Making

12:15 p.m., Stone Hall

All ages can make sandwiches for the homeless to be distributed through NPC mission partner Martha's Table!

Lunch and Learn: Cairo

12:15 p.m.

Agencies Building Room 105

Darren Kennedy from **Evangelical Theological Seminary, Cairo** will join us to share about the work God is doing through their ministry. A light lunch will be served. Atef Gendy, President of the Evangelical Theological Seminary in Cairo, will join us at 9 a.m. worship.

MLK Day Worship with Capital Campaign Partner

**3–5 p.m., First Rock Baptist Church
4630 Alabama Ave. SE**

Our Capital Campaign is helping **Little Lights Urban Ministries** build up the "Hilltop Center" for kids in the Benning Terrace public housing community. Join the Hilltop Center's host church for a time of worship, prayer, reconciliation, and fellowship.

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 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: Children may come directly from the 9 a.m. service or be dropped off at the school building. Pick up children in the 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 in recognition of the January 15 birthday and the legacy of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and in loving memory of Ozeal Shyne Brown.

January Food Collection: Unsweetend Cereal

You may drop off donations upstairs at the information table and downstairs outside of Stone Hall.

9:00 A.M. WORSHIP

Sanctuary

WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE

Sonata No. 3 in A Major

Felix Mendelssohn

1. Con moto maestoso 2. Andante tranquillo

William Neil, organ

CHIMES AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Dr. Joyce Emery

▲ HYMN 483

Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above

Mit Freuden zart

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

We worship you today, O Lord, in repentance and trust. In us there is darkness, but with you there is light. We are alone, but you never leave us. We are feeble and sinful of heart, but you are slow to anger and compassionate. We are restless, but with you there is peace. Your ways are past our understanding, but you know the way for us. Forgive and cleanse us, O Lord, and save us according to your abundant mercy.

based on Dietrich Bonhoeffer

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* Apostles' Creed

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. David Renwick

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Swing Low, Sweet Chariot

H. T. Burleigh

Swing low, sweet chariot, comin' for to carry me home, swing low, sweet chariot, comin' for to carry me home.

I looked over Jordan and what did I see, comin' for to carry me home?

A band of angels comin' after me, comin' for to carry me home.

Spiritual

Dr. David Robinson, baritone

▲ 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*

Rev. Donna Marsh

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

A TIME FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

SCRIPTURE

1 Kings 16:29-31; 17:1; 18:1, 17-21

Jessie Devlin

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

SERMON

Standing With God Alone

Dr. David Renwick

1 Kings 21:1-20

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

▲ HYMN 563

Lift Every Voice and Sing

Lift Every Voice

▲ BENEDICTION AND PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

▲ POSTLUDE

Sonata No. 1 in C Major

Felix Mendelssohn

3. Allegro assai vivace

11:00 A.M. WORSHIP

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CHIMES

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▲ PRAYER OF ADORATION

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▲ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Hymn 483, verse 4

Thus all my gladsome way along I sing aloud thy praises
That all may hear the grateful song my voice unwearied raises.
Be joyful in the Lord, my heart, both soul and body take your part:
To God all praise and glory!

CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

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Deacon David Nickels

The Word of the Lord.

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RESPONSE

Spiritual

Choir

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Congregation

Swing low, sweet chariot, comin' for to carry me home,

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▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH	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.

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Lord God of Abraham

Felix Mendelssohn

Elijah, Op. 70

Lord God of Abraham, Isaac and Israel, this day let it be known that thou art God, and I am thy servant!

Lord God of Abraham! O show to all this people that I have done these things according to thy word!

O hear me, Lord, and answer me; and show this people that thou art Lord God;

And let their hearts again be turned!

Cast thy burden upon the Lord, and he shall sustain thee.

He never will suffer the righteous to fall; he is at thy right hand.

Thy mercy, Lord, is great, and far above the heav'ns.

Let none be made ashamed that wait upon thee!

Dr. David Robinson, baritone, with Chancel Choir

▲ DOXOLOGY

Old Hundredth

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▲ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

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Jones Hall (School Gym)

▲ GATHERING	This Is Amazing Grace	Phil Wickham
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PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

CLOSING SONG *offering received* My Lighthouse Rend Collective

- ## ▲ CLOSING PRAYER AND BLESSING

UPCOMING EVENTS

MLK Book Discussion

This Thursday, January 24

7:15–8:45 p.m., Elson Parlor

Milton King and Dr. Quinn Fox will lead a discussion of Martin Luther King Jr.'s *Letter from Birmingham Jail* at this one-session book discussion. *Please RSVP (limit 25) to Kristi Teems at kteems@nationalpres.org or 202.537.7527.*

Reformed Institute Convocation

Saturday, January 26

9:30 a.m.–Noon, Sanctuary

Dr. Bruce Douglass, outgoing Director of the Reformed Institute, will present "Still People of the Book? Protestant Identity in Our Time." Breakfast will be served at 9 a.m. *Please register at www.reformedinstitute.org.*

Capital Project Q&A Session

Sunday, January 27

12:15 p.m., Parlor

Join representatives of the Facility Master Plan Team and Capital Project Steering Committee for an informal opportunity to ask questions and learn about next steps for our Capital Project.

Men's Breakfast

Saturday, February 2, 8–9:30 a.m., Stone Hall

Enjoy a hearty breakfast and a presentation by Gabe Chikes on the theme "EnVISIONing a More Expansive Love." *Reserve your place: men@nationalpres.org or call 202.537.7527.*

Become Part of a Small Group This Winter

Sign up today:

nationalpres.org/small-groups

Discover the life-giving and life-changing Christian community in a small group!

Anyone can join a group; all ages and stages gather at different times and locations in the DC area—just let us know your preferences. *Learn more: nationalpres.org/small-groups or call 202.537.7483.*

Prepare for Marriage Course

Saturday, March 9, 8:45 a.m.–3 p.m.

Learn the skills you need to thrive in your marriage! This class is offered once per year and is required for all couples whose weddings will be held at National. *Contact Melanie Lenhard to register: mlenhard@nationalpres.org.*

Expert Advice for Older Adults and their Families

Lisa Rindner, MSW LGSW, is a trusted resource to our congregation, providing expert advice on practical and emotional matters of aging. *Free appointments are available at National. Contact Lisa at 202.895.9440 or LRindner@iona.org.*

A/V Team

Bring the Gospel to others through video and audio production as part of our A/V Team. Our current volunteers span all ages, and training is provided! *Contact: Bill McNett, bmcnett@nationalpres.org or 202.537.7576.*

WELCOME TO NATIONAL!

"THE STORY" THIS WEEK

This week we will read
Chapter 16 of "The Story."

Sunday

2 Kings 17 (pp. 219-220)

Monday

2 Kings 19 (pp. 220-222)

Tuesday

2 Kings 19 (pp. 222-224)

Wednesday

Isaiah 6 (pp. 224-225)

Thursday

Isaiah 3 (pp. 225-226)

Friday

Isaiah 49 (pp. 226-228)

Saturday

Isaiah 53 (pp. 228-230)

For reflection:

- In 2 Kings we read repeatedly of leaders who did evil (or good, in the case of a few) in the sight of the Lord. If your life was summarized in a single sentence, what would it say? Is God part of your proudest accomplishment(s) in life?
- Hezekiah was faithful to God in the face of intense pressure and almost certain defeat. What lessons can we take from him in facing our problems?
- Israel and Judah were led by mostly unfaithful kings. Yet through Isaiah God promised to save them, by sending a servant who would suffer redemptively on their behalf. How do you see Jesus' life as a fulfillment of God's promise in Isaiah?

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 pray for:

Those affected by the government shutdown.
(If you have been affected and need a place to talk and pray, call our Care Office at 202-537-7540.)

We pray for our mission partners including:

Evangelical Nazarene Marka Church, striving to create a community among Jordanian, Syrian and Iraqi refugees who know and serve Jesus Christ.



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