



January 27, 2019

# Welcome to NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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



*The light shines in the darkness,  
and the darkness did not overcome it.*

John 1:5



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 Zorack-Greene ( <i>Contemporary Music Leader</i> )
Ministry Directors	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

## 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](http://www.nationalpres.org/buildingtogether).*

## Become Part of a Small Group This Winter

**Sign up today:**

***[nationalpres.org/small-groups](http://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](http://nationalpres.org/small-groups) or call 202.537.7483.*

## Postponed: Capital Campaign Q&A

**Moved to February 10**

See p. 7 for details.

## WEEKLY ON SUNDAYS

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### 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 loving memory of Alfred Silliman Perry and Gregory Bulkley Fager and in celebration of the baptism of their grandson, Perry Bulkley Fager.

### 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*

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## WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE

A Second Light

David Ashley White  
Todd Fickley, organ

CHIMES AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Donna Marsh

▲ HYMN 138

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

*Nicaea*

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

Eternal and merciful God, we worship you today, for you have loved us with a love beyond our understanding, and have set us on paths of righteousness for your name's sake. Yet in disobedience, we have strayed from your way; we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, through what we have done and what we have left undone. Help us to remember the lavish gift of your grace, for you forgive us yet again. Grant us grace and strength to die daily to sin, and to rise daily to new life in Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever.

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

Robert Fairfax Birch

His Voice As the Sound of the Dulcimer Sweet

*Southern Folk Hymn*

His voice as the sound of the dulcimer sweet is heard through the shadows of death; the cedars of Lebanon bow at his feet, the air is perfumed with his breath. His lips as the fountain of righteousness flow, that waters the gardens of grace; from which their salvation the gentiles shall know, and bask in the smiles of his face. The Roses of Sharon, the lilies that grow in the vales, on the banks of the stream; on his cheeks in the beauty of excellence blow, and his eyes are as quivers of beams. His voice as the sound of the dulcimer sweet is heard through the shadows of death; the cedars of Lebanon bow at his feet, the air is perfumed with his breath. Love sits in his eyelids, and scatters delight through all the bright regions on high; their faces The cherubim veil in his sight, and tremble with fullness of joy. He looks, and ten thousands of angels rejoice, and myriads wait for his word: He speaks and eternity, filled with his voice, re-echoes the praise of her Lord.

Dr. Michael Denham with Joanna Zorack-Greene, piano

▲ 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. Quinn Fox

## WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

A TIME FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 6:1-11

Elder Serge Duss

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

SERMON

Bright Hope in Dark Trouble

Dr. David Renwick

2 Kings 17:1-7; 18:1-20:21; 22:1-23:30

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

▲ HYMN 209 *verses 1, 2 & 4*

My Song Forever Shall Record

*St. Petersburg*

▲ BENEDICTION AND PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

▲ POSTLUDE

Toccata

Georgi Alexandrovitch Muschel

# 11:00 A.M. WORSHIP

*Sanctuary*

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PRELUDE

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CHIMES AND CALL TO WORSHIP

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▲ HYMN 138 *verses 1-3* Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

*Nicaea*

▲ PRAYER OF ADORATION

▲ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Hymn 138, verse 4

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea;

Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!

God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

Eternal and merciful God,

you have loved us with a love beyond our understanding,

and you have set us on paths of righteousness for your name's sake.

Yet in disobedience, we have strayed from your way;

we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,

through what we have done and what we have left undone.

Help us to remember the lavish gift of your grace,

for you forgive us yet again.

Grant us grace and strength to die daily to sin, and to rise daily to new life in Christ,

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever.

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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Dr. David Renwick

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

Dominic Andrew Brown

*Son of Janna Erin Walker and Brooks Phillip Brown*

Eleanor Ruth Cudworth

*Daughter of Erin Hespe Cudworth and Troy Dwight Cudworth*

Perry Bulkley Fager

*Son of Laura Jean Fager and Charles Bradley Fager*

Prayer of Response

## SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 6:1-11

Lou Crenshaw

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## SERMON

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## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

## CHORAL RESPONSE

*Wer nur den lieben Gott*

If thou but trust in God to guide thee, with hopeful heart through all thy ways,

God will give strength, what'er betide thee, to bear thee through the evil days.

Who trusts in God's unchanging love builds on the rock that nought can move

## ▲ 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.

## 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

Blessing and Glory

Sergei Rachmaninoff

Blessing and glory and thanksgiving be to our God. Blessing glory and thanksgiving!

I heard a voice, a great voice as of much people saying,

"Hallelujah! Blessing, glory, honor, power be unto God!"

## ▲ 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.

## ▲ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

▲ HYMN 209 *verses 1, 2 & 4*

My Song Forever Shall Record

*St. Petersburg*

## ▲ BENEDICTION

## ▲ CHORAL RESPONSE

*Randolph*

God be with you till we meet again; loving counsels guide, uphold, with a Shepherd's care enfold you.

## ▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

## ▲ POSTLUDE

Toccata

Georgi Alexandrovitch Muschel

# 11:00 A.M. WORSHIP

*Jones Hall (School Gym)*

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## WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

- ▲ GATHERING Indescribable Chris Tomlin
- WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Dr. Joyce Emery
- CALL TO WORSHIP
- ▲ SONGS OF PRAISE Trust in You Lauren Daigle  
Jesus Messiah Chris Tomlin

### CONFESSION OF SIN

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### SILENT CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

- ▲ RESPONSE OF PRAISE If We're Honest Francesca Battiselli
- ▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

## WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

- A TIME FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES Cate McCrory
- SCRIPTURE Isaiah 6:1-11 Joy Eckert
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### PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

- CLOSING SONG *offering received* By Faith Keith and Kristyn Getty
- ▲ CLOSING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## 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.*

## Youth: Football Watch Party

**Sunday, February 3, 6:30 p.m.**

Middle and high schoolers are invited to bring chips and drinks and watch the game together. *Contact Kristin Franke, kfranke@nationalpres.org for location.*

## MOMS Meet-Up

**Saturday, February 9, 10:00 a.m.,  
Elson Parlor**

Join other moms for fellowship, Bible study and parenting discussion, led by Rev. Donna Marsh. *RSVP to mlenhard@nationalpres.org.* Complimentary childcare provided.

## Capital Project Q&A Session

**Sunday, February 10  
12:30 p.m., Parlor**

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

## 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.*

## Adult Fellowship Luncheon

**Monday, February 11  
Noon, Stone Hall**

Dr. Beth S. Hessel, Executive Director of the Presbyterian Historical Society, will give us an overview of the archival repository for the denomination and its rich history. *Sign up today in Stone Hall or call 202.537.0800 for reservations. (\$15 with advanced registration, \$20 day of.)*

## C.S. Lewis Book Study

**Beginning Thursday, February 14**

Dr. Quinn Fox will lead a study of *The Great Divorce*, by C.S. Lewis.

## 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.*

## Serve this Season

- **Ushers**

Dates are flexible, and ushers are needed at all worship services. *Contact: Walt Hampton, jesse506@verizon.net, or talk to an usher on a Sunday morning.*

- **Sacraments**

Help prepare communion once a month. *Contact: Faith Burton, burtonperry@verizon.net or 202.244.4027.*

- **Sandwiches**

Deliver sandwiches to Martha's Table once a month. *Contact: Marge Bernbaum, mbernbaum@gmail.com.*



# WELCOME TO NATIONAL!

## "THE STORY" THIS WEEK

This week we will read  
Chapter 17 of "The Story."

### Sunday

2 Kings 21 (pp. 231-232)

### Monday

Isaiah 42 (pp. 232-235)

### Tuesday

Ezekiel 2 (pp. 235-237)

### Wednesday

Jeremiah 2 (pp. 238-241)

### Thursday

Jeremiah 21 (pp. 241-243)

### Friday

Ezekiel 36 (pp. 243-245)

### Saturday

Ezekiel 37 (pp. 245-247)

### For reflection:

- God's rebellious people had multiple opportunities to repent of their ways and turn back to God; but they didn't. Even though God's ways are clear, his people chose disobedience. Why do we continue down the path of rebellion, even when we know the consequences? In what area of your life do you need to change direction?
- Eventually the myriad opportunities for repentance end and God's judgment ensues. Do you have any sense of finality and accountability for the decisions you make?
- After God punishes his people, he reaches out, promising to restore them. How does the reality that God is pursuing you make you feel? How might you respond to God's invitation today?

*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 mourn the deaths of:*

Jan Woodring on January 15

Joe Elliot on January 19

*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?*

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