



March 31, 2019

Welcome to NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

*Jesus asked:
"But who do you say that I am?"*

Matthew 16:15



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, & 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

One Great Hour of Sharing *Offering collected on Palm Sunday*

Kids and adults can help provide relief for natural disasters such as Cyclone Idai in Southern Africa, and can give food to the hungry and empowerment to the poor and oppressed through the PC(USA) One Great Hour of Sharing offering. **Pick up one of the fish-shaped coin banks or envelopes at the info table or in the literature racks.**

2nd Grade Milestone

Today we welcome our 2nd graders in worship as they recite the Apostle's Creed. Each grade, K–5th, learns a milestone that teaches about our worship liturgy and provides an opportunity for kids to lead or participate in our worship services.

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*

Capital Project Update *12:15 p.m., Chapel*

Our Capital Project owner's rep and members of our Capital Project Steering Committee will give a scheduling update and "decode" the complex DC code and permitting process ahead of us. *Learn more about how we plan to Build Together for the Next 50 Years at nationalpres.org/buildingtogether.*

Stephen Ministers

Stephen Ministers can meet with you weekly through a season of your life to listen and pray. To be assigned a Stephen Minister, call our Care Office at 202.537.7537 to speak with Associate Pastor Joyce Emery. A member of our leadership team (Glenn Schmitt, Dottie McKnight, Peggy Lewis, Lucille Smiley) will then assign you a Stephen Minister.

"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.

Church Rooms 16, and 7/8

"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.

LENTEN WORSHIP THIS WEEK

"Jesus—Amidst Great Suffering—Cares"

Wednesday, April 3

Refreshments and fellowship: 6:30 p.m. | Worship: 7:00 p.m., Chapel

9:00 A.M. WORSHIP

Sanctuary

WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE

"My Jesus Calls To Me" Op. 122, No. 1

Johannes Brahms
Todd Fickley, organ

CHIMES AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Donna Marsh

▲ HYMN 143

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

Diadem

LENTEN PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

Holy God, you see us as we are, yet you love us with a Father's patient heart. In the light of your faithfulness and enduring love, we clearly see our sin and guilt. For the sake of your goodness, O Lord, forgive us. We need your guidance and your steadying hand. You lift us when we fall, and set us on a firm path. Draw us with cords of kindness and bands of love, that we may better learn to trust your care and walk in your ways; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

SILENT CONFESSION AND KYRIE *sung first by a soloist, then the congregation*

Hymn 572

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Believe the good news of the Gospel. **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.**

LENTEN CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *sung first by a soloist, then the congregation*

Edith McNeil

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; God's mercies never come to an end.

They are new every morning, new every morning:

Great is thy faithfulness, O Lord, great is thy faithfulness.

▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *see p. 5*

Apostles' Creed

2nd Grade Milestone

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND PATHWAY OF DISCIPLESHIP

Dr. David Renwick

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Who Is the One?

Craig Courtney

▲ 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

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF NEW OFFICERS *see insert*

Children and youth may leave now for Sunday School.

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 16:13-20

Stephen Minister Dottie McKnight

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

SERMON

Jesus, the Son of God: Who's Your Boss?

Dr. David Renwick

Matthew 16:21-26, 17:1-8, 19:16-30

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

▲ HYMN 148

At the Name of Jesus

King's Weston

▲ BENEDICTION AND PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

▲ POSTLUDE

Toccata in B minor

Eugène Gigout

11:00 A.M. WORSHIP

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▲ PRAYER OF ADORATION

▲ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Hymn 143, verse 4

O that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall, we at his feet may fall!

We'll join the everlasting song, and cro---wn him, crown him, crown him, crown him,
and crown him Lord of all!

LENTEN CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

Holy God, you see us as we are,
yet you love us with a Father's patient heart.

In the light of your faithfulness and enduring love,
we clearly see our sin and guilt.

For the sake of your goodness, O Lord, forgive us.

We need your guidance and your steadying hand.

You lift us when we fall, and set us on a firm path.

Draw us with cords of kindness and bands of love,
that we may better learn to trust your care, and walk in your ways;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Rev. Donna Marsh

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 Wesley Austin Duncan and George Austin Duncan
Sons of Nicole Corinne Austin and Jesse Harold Duncan

Prayer of Response

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND PATHWAY OF DISCIPLESHIP	Dr. David Renwick
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WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

CHORAL RESPONSE	<i>Crusaders' Hymn</i>
<i>Choir</i>	
Fairest Lord Jesus, ruler of all nature, O thou of God to earth come down, thee will I cherish, thee will I honor; thou my soul's glory, joy, and crown.	
<i>Congregation</i>	
Beautiful Savior, ruler of the nations, Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be thine!	

▲ 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	Who Is the One?	Craig Courtney
Who is the One who bids us now consider? Who is the One whose presence fills this place? Who is the One who came to earth from heaven, whose earthly life revealed God's face? Who is the One, who acting in humility, emptied himself, took on the form of man? Who is the One, who trod the path of suffering, who took our place that we might live? Who is the One possessing all authority? Who is the One speaks and stars appear? Who is the One who holds all things together, and is himself before all things? Who is the One that reigns o'er all victorious? Who is the One that sits upon the throne? Who is the One that went before us, to come again and take us home? He is the great "I AM." He is Almighty God. He is the One among us now.		

▲ DOXOLOGY	<i>Old Hundredth</i>
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▲ PRAYER OF DEDICATION	
▲ HYMN 148	At the Name of Jesus
	<i>King's Weston</i>
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▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST	
▲ POSTLUDE	Toccata in B minor
	Eugène Gigout

Jones Hall (School Gym)

▲ WELCOME SONG Come People of the Risen King Keith and Kristyn Getty

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND PATHWAY OF DISCIPLESHIP Dr. Joyce Emery

▲ SONGS OF PRAISE Oh The Deep, Deep Love Bob Kauflin and Samuel Francis
King of My Heart John Mark McMillan

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▲ RESPONSE OF PRAISE Give Us Clean Hands Charlie Hall

▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

A TIME FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES Cate McCrory

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CLOSING SONG *offering received* Sovereign Chris Tomlin

▲ CLOSING PRAYER AND BLESSING

UPCOMING EVENTS

Lenten Vespers Worship

"A Season of Care:
Jesus—Amidst Great Suffering—
Cares"

Wednesday, April 3

Refreshments & fellowship: 6:30 p.m.

Worship: 7:00 p.m., Chapel

The lame man in our Scripture reading needed support to get into the pool on time. He really just needed to meet Jesus. With whom are you waiting for Jesus? Before worship, add your name to the globe showing where you served in the military or have lived in the world. Military Ministry members will host a time of fellowship and conversation before worship.

Men's Breakfast

**Saturday, April 6, 8:00–9:30 a.m.
Stone Hall**

Enjoy a hearty breakfast and a presentation by Dr. Renwick on the theme "God's Mission in Pakistan and Jordan." *Reserve your place: men@nationalpres.org or call 202.537.7527.*

Book Study: "You Become What You Love"

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

Dr. Quinn Fox resumes a weekly discussion of James K.A. Smith's *You Become What You Love* (available for sale in the church bookstore). We will discuss chapter 3 on April 11.

Immediate Job Opening

We are seeking a part-time (15 hr/week) Administrative Assistant for Facilities. Schedule is flexible; strong Excel skills are required. *Contact Sarah Crumley, scrumley@nationalpres.org for information or to apply.*

Palm Sunday Concert

Sunday, April 14

5:00 p.m., Sanctuary

The National Presbyterian Chancel Choir, soloists, and orchestra will perform. Invite a friend! No tickets required; a voluntary offering will be received. *Complimentary childcare is available with RSVP to Childcare@nationalpres.org by April 10.*

Holy Week and Easter

PALM SUNDAY

April 14, 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. worship

Palm parade (with donkey!) at 10:30 a.m.

MAUNDY THURSDAY

April 18, 7:30 p.m., Sanctuary

Remember the first Lord's Supper and Jesus' command to love one another.

GOOD FRIDAY

April 19, 7:30 p.m., Sanctuary

Reflections in word and music on the seven last words of Christ.

EASTER SUNDAY

Sunday, April 21

8:30, 10:00 & 11:30 a.m.

Identical worship services in the Sanctuary.

10:00 a.m.

Family Celebration in Jones Hall

Support Our Easter Garden

Flower Ministry envelopes are available at the information table. *Please make your donation by check, payable to "NPC Flower Fund" and write "Easter" on the memo line.*

VBS: Volunteers Needed

July 8-12

We have had an overwhelming number of registrations and now need an overwhelming number of volunteers! *Learn more at nationalpres.org/vbs*

WELCOME TO NATIONAL!

"THE STORY" THIS WEEK

This week we will read
Chapter 26 of "The Story."

Sunday

John 13 (pp. 367-368)

Monday

Matthew 26 (pp. 368-369)

Tuesday

John 14 (pp. 369-370)

Wednesday

John 17 (pp. 370-371)

Thursday

John 18 (pp. 371-373)

Friday

John 18 (pp. 373-376)

Saturday

Matthew 27 (p. 376-380)

For reflection:

- When Jesus washed his disciples' feet, what was he trying to teach them? What hints does this give you about God's kingdom? Would it be easier for you to wash someone else's feet or for someone else to wash your feet? What makes the servant life of Jesus difficult to accept?
- In the Garden of Gethsemane Jesus asked the Father to remove the cup, but then added, "Not my will but thine be done." How have you submitted to the Father's will?
- Jesus was surrounded by faithful and unfaithful followers at the end. Judas betrayed; Peter denied; the apostles fell asleep... and they all fled. When do you find yourself being Jesus' friend? When do you feel the pressure to betray, or deny? What do you do when you grow weary?

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:

Individuals and communities devastated by flooding in the Midwest and southern Africa.

We pray for our mission partners including:

All who are persecuted due to their faith

Please submit prayer requests to:

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