











Welcome to NATIONAL Presbyterian Church

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

No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. Matthew 5:15

Senior Pastor Dr. David Renwick

Ministry Directors

Music

Associate Pastors Dr. Quinn Fox, Rev. Donna Marsh, Dr. Joyce Emery

Parish Associates Dr. Nancy Fox, Dr. Kerry Stoltzfus

Dr. Michael Denham (Director), Todd Fickley (Organist) Joanna Zorack-Greene (Contemporary Music Leader) J. Theodore Anderson (Library, Archives, & Older Adults)

Kristin Franke (Youth), Cate McCrory (Children) Leslie Saum (Connections), John Marienau Turpin (Serve)

TODAY AT NATIONAL

Summer Sunday School Sundays, 9:30–10:30 a.m.

<u>Family Hour: Unlocking the Parables</u> Jones Hall

"Parable of the Pearl"

Come enjoy breakfast and see what the parable of the pearl teaches us about the kingdom of heaven.

Adult Sunday School: Living Faithfully in Challenging Times Stone Hall

"Our Amazing Universe: Science, Wonder, and Praise" Jennifer Wiseman

NEXT WEEK: Anthony Hunt will present "Howard Thurman: Spiritual Prophet for Today's Church."

You may view previous presentations online at national pres.org/speakers.

College Bible Study School Library

College students are invited for conversation and fellowship.

Sandwich Making Noon, Stone Hall

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

Building Together for the Next 50 Years

Support for our Capital Campaign has been remarkable: THANK YOU! Our approved \$13 million project will make amazing improvements, but we believe an additional \$2.3 million would allow us to complete projects that will enable ministry to really thrive in our church home.

Additional commitments of \$1 million have already been made to help us bridge this gap...will you join us?

You can learn more and join in the plans:

- Online: nationalpres.org/buildingtogether
- By calling our Business Office at 202.537.7484.
- By picking up a commitment card and plan booklet at one of the "I'm Ready!" stations at the entrances to the church.

WEEKLY ON SUNDAYS

Summer Sunday School

9:30-10:30 a.m.

- Plenary in Stone Hall
- Family Hour in Jones Hall
- College Bible Study in the School Library

Nursery (Babies-Age 4) 8:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

• Infants and Crawlers: Church Room 16

• Walkers: Church Room 7

July Food Collection: Canned Fruit

Today's Flowers The flowers in the Sanctuary behind the pastor's bench are given to honor the birthday of Elizabeth Dole by Stewart McLaurin.

The flowers in the Sanctuary under the pulpit are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Eugene (Gene) Martin by his wife, Joyce and their children remembering his birthday on July 30th.

8:30 A.M. WORSHIP

Chapel

WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

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

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Donna Marsh

CALL TO WORSHIP

▲ Songs of Praise and Preparation

Shout Hosanna Kristin Stanfill
If We're Honest Francesca Battiselli

Prayer of Adoration and Confession of Sin

O God, my Creator and Redeemer,

cleanse me, make me holy, and set me in order.

Watch over, guard, and protect me

from every sinful act or word.

Make me a worthy temple of your Holy Spirit,

no more a temple of sin, but a child of light.

Simeon, the New Theologian, 949-1022

SILENT CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

▲ RESPONSE OF PRAISE Who You Say I Am Ben Fielding and Reuben Morgan

▲ Passing the Peace of Christ

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

A Time for Children of All Ages Dr. Joyce Emery

SCRIPTURE Philippians 2:14-20 Chris Bridgeman

SERMON Shine Like Stars Dr. Joyce Emery

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

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

CLOSING SONG offering received Salt and Light John and Jan L'Ecuyer

▲ CLOSING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION

10:45 а.м. WORSHIP

Sanctuary

WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

Prelude

Variations on Puer nobis nascitur

Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck Todd Fickley, organ

CHIMES

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Donna Marsh

▲ Hymn 474

O Splendor of God's Glory Bright

Puer nobis nascitur

▲ Prayer of Adoration

▲ CHORAL RESPONSE

God Is Light

Eric Thiman

God is light, and in him is no darkness at all.

CONFESSION OF SIN in unison

O God, my Creator and Redeemer,

cleanse me, make me holy, and set me in order.

Watch over, guard, and protect me

from every sinful act or word.

Make me a worthy temple of your Holy Spirit, no more a temple of sin, but a child of light.

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SILENT CONFESSION

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.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

A Time for Children of All Ages

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, God claims us as His own, as we chose to serve God, by turning from evil and turning to Jesus Christ.

Baptism Isabelle Anne Buss

daughter of Sarah Elizabeth Buss and Nathaniel John Buss

Prayer of Response

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Donna Marsh

SCRIPTURE Philippians 2:14-20 Elder Glenn Schmitt

The Word of the Lord.

Pew Bible p. 954

Thanks be to God.

SERMON Shine Like Stars Dr. Joyce Emery

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

RESPONSE I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

Houston

Sung first by the choir, then the congregation

I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to follow Jesus.

God set the stars to give light to the world. The star of my life is Jesus.

Refrain

In him there is no darkness at all. The night and the day are both alike. The Lamb is the light of the city of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

▲ 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

Lord, Make Me an Instrument of Thy Peace

Howard Helvey

Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace.

Where there is hatred, let me sow love;

Where there is injury, let there be pardon;

Where there is doubt, let there be faith;

Where there is anguish, let there be hope;

Where there is darkness, let there be LIGHT;

Where there is sadness, let there be joy.

O Divine Master,

Grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console;

To be understood as to understand;

To be loved as to love;

For it is in giving that we receive,

It is in pard'ning that we are pardoned,

And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

based on a prayer of Francis of Assisi

▲ Doxology Lasst uns erfreuen

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: *Alleluia!*

Praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost: *Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

- ▲ Prayer of Dedication
- ▲ HYMN 306 Fairest Lord Jesus Crusaders' Hymn
- ▲ Benediction
- ▲ Congregational Response

Munich

- O make your Church, dear Savior, a lamp of purest gold to bear before the nations your true light as of old;
- O teach your faithful pilgrims by this our path to trace, till clouds and storms thus ended, we see you face to face.
- ▲ Passing the Peace of Christ
- ▲ Postlude Variations on "O Trinity of Blessed Light" Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck
 - ▲ Congregation standing, as able

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday School Plenary

Next Sunday, August 4 9:30 a.m., Stone Hall "Howard Thurman:

Spiritual Prophet for Today's Church" Dr. Anthony Hunt

Thurman scholar Dr. Anthony Hunt will offer perspectives on Howard Thurman's life and writings for our world today. Thurman was a leading theologian, philosopher, and church leader of the 20th century whose theology of radical nonviolence influenced and shaped a generation of civil rights activists including Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Thurman served as dean of Rankin Chapel at Howard University and co-founded the first major interracial, interdenominational church in the U.S.

Build with Habitat for Humanity

Saturday, Aug. 10, 8:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m. 1700 28th Place SE, DC

Participate in National's sponsored build, and help provide a home for a DC family in need! No construction experience is required and all tools and lunch are provided. Must be 16 years old and up to participate. For information or to sign up, contact Mike Maddox, mike.kentm@gmail.com.

Serve with Central Union Mission

Friday, August 16, 8:45 a.m.-4 p.m.

Come and serve at the Family Ministries Center of NPC mission partner, Central Union Mission! We'll learn more about the center's work, give out school supplies to kids, hand out food bags to families, and help with check-in. We'll meet at church for a light breakfast before riding together to the center. Breakfast, lunch, and transportation are included. Reserve your place today! Contact: Susan O'Banion, sobanion@nationalpres.org.

Family to Family: Support for Families Living with Mental Illness

Beginning Thursday, August 29 6:00–9:00 p.m., Parlor

Does someone in your family struggle with mental illness? We're partnering with the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) to provide a free 12-week program for family members living with mental illness. The course is designed to help all family members understand and support their loved one while maintaining their own well-being. Contact Liz Martin at lmartin@nationalpres.org this week to secure a place in the class.

Support Wounded Veterans Collection through September

During August and September we will be collecting items to contribute to the Warrior Canine Connection (WCC), a program that trains dogs to help wounded veterans. Pick up a list of requested items by the collection boxes at the information table and outside of Stone Hall. All are invited to the Military Ministry meeting on September 15 to hear from WCC about their mission and service.

Neighbor Day Picnic Sunday, September 1

Save the date and bring friends and neighbors for a family-friendly morning of worship and fun! We'll be collecting nonperishable foods for local food banks and there will be food trucks, lawn games, and a bounce house. Be part of the team for this amazing event! Contact Leslie Saum to volunteer: lsaum@nationalpres.org.

WELCOME TO NATIONAL!

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

July 28 - August 4

Sunday

Psalms 67; 93 2 Samuel 1:17-27 Romans 12:9-21 Matthew 25:31-46

Monday

Psalms 57; 47 2 Samuel 2:1-11 Acts 15:36-16:5 Mark 6:14-29

Tuesday

Psalms 54; 99 2 Samuel 3:6-21 Acts 16:6-15 Mark 6:30-46

Wednesday

Psalms 65; 91 2 Samuel 3:22-39 Acts 16:16-24 Mark 6:47-56

Thursday

Psalms 143; 116 2 Samuel 4:1-12 Acts 16:25-40 Mark 7:1-23

Friday

Psalms 88; 20 2 Samuel 5:1-12 Acts 17:1-15 Mark 7:24-37

Saturday

Psalms 122; 63 2 Samuel 5:22-6:11 Acts 17:16-34 Mark 8:1-10

Sunday

Psalms 108; 23 2 Samuel 6:12-23 Romans 14:7-12 John 1:43-51

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.

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 booklets and information | Available at the information table to the right as you exit the Sanctuary. Come to the bookstore (downstairs, just outside of Stone Hall) for a free daily devotional!

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 are available in the Chapel to pray with you.

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 four pews of the Sanctuary.

PRAYFRS

We pray for:

Members and friends of National Presbyterian Church

We pray for our mission partners including:
Holy Land Christian Ecumenical Foundation (HCEF),
committed to the presence and well-being of Christians in
the Holy Land.

Please submit prayer requests to: Liz Martin, lmartin@nationalpres.org, 202.537.7540.



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