

August 25, 2019

Welcome to NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

*I, Paul, am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an
apostle because I persecuted the church of God. But by the
grace of God, I am what I am.*

1 Corinthians 15:9

I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.

Philippians 4:13

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 (*Director*), Todd Fickley (*Organist*)
Joanna Zorack-Greene (*Contemporary Music Leader*)
Ministry Directors J. Theodore Anderson (*Library, Archives, & Older Adults*)
Kristin Franke (*Youth*), Cate McCrory (*Children*)
Leslie Saum (*Connections*), John Marienau Turpin (*Serve*)



TODAY AT NATIONAL

Summer Trip Reports and Fall Preview

9:30–10:30 a.m., Stone Hall

All ages will gather in Stone Hall for the final Sunday School of the summer. We'll share updates from the summer trips and activities of our youth and families, and preview our fall programming on "Following Jesus."

Sandwich Making

Noon, Stone Hall

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

Support Wounded Veterans Collection through September

We are collecting dog items for the Warrior Canine Connection (WCC), a program that trains dogs to help wounded veterans. Lists of requested items are available by the collection boxes at the information table and outside of Stone Hall.

Pick Up a Food Collection Bag

Stone Hall Lobby and Court of Flags

Pick up a bag (and one for a friend or neighbor!) to fill with nonperishable food bank donations for Neighbor Day! See p. 7 for more details.

Neighbor Day Team Meeting

Noon, Church Room 5

Volunteers please come for final planning of the big day! Questions? Contact: Leslie Saum, LSaum@nationalpres.org.

Prayer Shawls: Gather to Knit or Crochet

12:30 p.m., Elson Parlor

Join together to share ideas and prayers. Bring patterns to share and extra yarn. We will knit/crochet as we talk and a light lunch will be served. Contact: Liz Martin at lmartin@nationalpres.org.

WEEKLY ON SUNDAYS

Summer Sunday School

9:30–10:30 a.m., Stone Hall

Nursery (Babies–Age 4)

8:15 a.m.–12:15 p.m.

- Infants and Crawlers: *Church Room 16*
- Walkers: *Church Room 7*

Today's Flowers

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God in joyful gratitude of the 60th wedding anniversary of Clyde and Ginny Taylor.

The flowers at the entrance to the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God by Larry and Tonya Favreau in celebration of the marriage of their daughter Lauren to Alan Kim on August 24, 2019.

NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1: NEIGHBOR DAY!

- **10:45 a.m.:** One worship service in the Sanctuary
- **12:00–2:00 p.m.:** Food collection, food trucks, and family fun...rain or shine!

see p. 7 for more details

8:30 A.M. WORSHIP

Chapel

WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

- ▲ WELCOME SONG All Because of Jesus Steve Fee
- WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND PATHWAY OF DISCIPLESHIP Dr. Quinn Fox
- CALL TO WORSHIP
- ▲ SONGS OF PRAISE AND PREPARATION
- All Creatures of Our God and King David Crowder
Lord I Need You Christy Nockels

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION OF SIN

Almighty and everlasting God, you love all that you have made, and forgive the sins of all who repent. Create and form in us new and humble hearts, that, lamenting our sins, and acknowledging our complete need, we may receive from you, the God of all mercy, perfect forgiveness, remission, and restoration; Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Thomas Cranmer, Archbishop of Canterbury

SILENT CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

- ▲ RESPONSE OF PRAISE Holy Spirit Keith and Kristyn Getty
- ▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

- A TIME FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES Dr. David Renwick and Cate McCrory
- SCRIPTURE 1 Corinthians 15:3-10 Svetlana Shevchenko
- SERMON Confident, Not Arrogant Dr. David Renwick
Philippians 3:4-11; 1:1-7
Philippians Sermon Series

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

- ▲ 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

- CLOSING SONG *offering received* Build Your Kingdom Here Rend Collective
- ▲ CLOSING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION

*Next Sunday: One worship service at 10:45 a.m. in the Sanctuary.
Contemporary worship resumes Sunday, September 8 at 11:00 a.m. in Jones Hall.*

Songs used by permission: CCLI #100655 and #17315

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

RESPONSE

*St. Leonards**Choir*

May the mind of Christ, our Savior, live in us from day to day,
by his love and power controlling all we do and say.

Congregation

May the strength of Christ empower us, confident each day to be
faithful servants fully clothed in his humility.

▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed

Dr. Joyce Emery

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

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

With a Voice of Singing

Martin Shaw

With a voice of singing declare ye this, and let it be heard: *Alleluia!*

Utter it to the ends of the earth.

The Lord hath delivered his people: *Alleluia!*

O be joyful in God, all ye lands,

O sing praises to the honor of his name.

Make his praise glorious!

▲ DOXOLOGY

Lasst uns erfreuen

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

Alleluia! Alleluia!

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

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

▲ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

▲ HYMN 319

Take My Life

Hendon

▲ BENEDICTION

▲ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

St. Leonards

May the light of Christ shine through us, never hidden, never dim,
to the glory of the Father visible in him.

▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

▲ POSTLUDE

Grand Chœur in G

Théodore Salomé

▲ Congregation standing, as able

Building Together for the Next 50 Years

AN UPDATE ON OUR CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Why do we need to increase our commitments to "bridge the gap"?

Our approved \$13 million project can accomplish incredible things thanks to your generosity, and we believe we can do even more! Additional projects could include a second new elevator to make our hallways and corridors more open and inviting, video screens and furniture in all of our rooms, repairs to our fountain (now easily accessible through our new garden rooms!), energy-saving windows, sound system repairs and improvements, and so much more.

Can you help us bridge this gap? Learn more: nationalpres.org/buildingtogether

UPCOMING EVENTS

Neighbor Day: Food Drive and Food Trucks

Next Sunday, September 1

ONE Worship Service: 10:45 a.m.

Bring friends and neighbors for a morning of worship and fun, rain or shine!

- Food drive for local food banks—bring a bag of nonperishable goods!
- Complimentary food trucks (donations accepted) with food from Stacks BBQ, DC Taco, Holy Moly Hummus, Say Cheese, and Swizzler Gourmet Hotdogs.
- Family-friendly lawn games.
- Worship at 10:45 a.m. in the Sanctuary.

Pick up a bag (or two!) in the Stone Hall lobby or the Court of Flags to fill with your food bank donations.

Preaching and Teaching this Fall: "Following Jesus"

Beginning next Sunday, our preaching and teaching through next spring will center on **"Following Jesus: The Story of His Life and Ours,"** focusing on the Jesus' life as told in the Gospel of Luke. A weekly reading and reflection guide is available at nationalpres.org/adults.

Beginning Sunday, September 8

- **Worship:** 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.
Traditional services at 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. and contemporary service at 11:00 a.m.
- **Sunday School classes:** 9:30 a.m.
Classes for children, youth, and adults.
- **Discussion in Stone Hall:** 10:00 a.m.
Gather in small groups to discuss the week's reading and get to know others in the church.

Interested in participating in classes or groups? Sign up at nationalpres.org/adults.

Parenting Seminars

Beginning September 6

This fall, gather with other parents for study and conversation at the same time your kids meet at church! There will be different groups for parents of elementary, middle, and high school students that meet throughout the year. *Learn more and sign up today at nationalpres.org/adults or contact Amy Thompson at athompson@nationalpres.org.*

Pathway Membership Class

Saturday, September 28

8:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

Learn more about the Christian faith, discipleship, and membership at National, and spend time with pastors and church leaders. *Contact Kemet Rakiatu by September 18 to register: krakiatu@nationalpres.org, 202.537.7578.*

Share Christ's Care as a Stephen Minister

Training begins September 24

Are you interested in sharing Christ's care with others—listening and comforting, and employing the tools of faith for those in need? If this description fits your sense of God's call for ministry, consider becoming a Stephen Minister. *Learn more: nationalpres.org/care or contact Dr. Joyce Emery at jemery@nationalpres.org or 202.537.7540.*

Discerning Crossroads Course

Save the date: Friday, September 27

Learn the tools to help you navigate the crossroads in your life during this six-week course led by Dr. Joyce Emery and Holly Novak. *Contact Liz Martin at lmartin@nationalpres.org or 202.537.7540.*

WELCOME TO NATIONAL!

"FOLLOWING JESUS" WEEKLY READING

Scripture Reading for Aug. 26–Sept. 1

Luke 2:41-52

Questions for Reflection

- Jesus “increased in wisdom” as he listened to teachers in the Temple and asked them questions. What does this tell us about Jesus? How do you grow spiritually? In what setting have you experienced spiritual growth?
- Think of a twelve-year-old you know (or have known) best. What is your role/responsibility (direct or indirect) in the growth and nurture of young people in our congregation?
- How do you understand Mary and Joseph’s response to Jesus? How have you experienced the “unexpected” as you have followed Jesus?

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.

PRAYERS

We grieve the deaths of:

Chuck Wright on August 14, 2019. A memorial service will be held September 5 at 1 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Michael Ford on August 15, 2019. A memorial service will be held today at 3 p.m. in the Sanctuary

We pray for our mission partners including:

Dustin and Sherri Ellington, PC(USA) missionaries at Justo Mwale University in Lusaka, Zambia.



4101 NEBRASKA AVE. NW
WASHINGTON DC 20016
202.537.0800
www.nationalpres.org

