

October 6, 2019

Welcome to NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

*Jesus said: "People will come from east and west and north
and south, and will sit at the table in the kingdom of God.
Indeed, some who are last will be first,
and some who are first will be last."*

Luke 9:29-30

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

"Following Jesus" Book

Free copies of a study guide book are available for all those who participate in our "Following Jesus" programming this fall. You can pick up a book today in your Sunday School class or at the bookstore. *The study guide is also available online at nationalpres.org/adults.*

Join a Small Group

Discover how Christian community can be life-giving and life-changing! Groups gather throughout the year at different times and locations in the DC-area.

Sign up online today! www.nationalpres.org/small-groups or email: athompson@nationalpres.org.

Lunch and Learn

12:30–2:00 p.m., Stone Hall

John Bernbaum will present about his tenure as President of the Russian-American Christian University. Copies of his new book *Opening the Red Door* will be available.

Hurricane Dorian Relief: Thank you!

Thank you for giving so generously in support of Salvation Army Bahamas Turks and Caicos. Together we raised a total of \$20,038 to aid in recovery efforts!

WEEKLY ON SUNDAYS

Sunday School

Adults

- **"Following Jesus" Together**
10:00–10:45 a.m., Stone Hall
- **"Following Jesus:"
A Call to Discipleship**
9:30–10:45 a.m., Chapel
- **"Following Jesus:"
Companions on the Journey**
9:30–10:45 a.m., Church Room 105

Youth 9:30–10:45 a.m.

Gather 9:30–9:40 in the Multipurpose Building

- 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*

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.

Youth Group

Middle and high schoolers are invited for games, snacks, and a short devotional.

Learn more: nationalpres.org/youth

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 and in memory of husband Stephen and daughter Courtney by Margaret Johnson.

October Food Collection: Canned Fruit

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

Bryn Calfaria

Ralph Vaughan Williams

Todd Fickley, organ

CHIMES AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Dr. Quinn Fox

▲ HYMN 442 *verses 1 & 2* The Church's One Foundation

Aurelia

INVITATION TO WORLD COMMUNION

Nilanthi Beekhuysen, *Sinhalese* · Christine Dieterich, *German*

Serge Nya, *French* · John Henry Waymack, *Mandarin*

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▲ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Hymn 442, verse 5

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And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won:
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we,
Like them, the meek and lowly, may live eternally.

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

Almighty and merciful God, we have tasted that you are good, yet we sin, and turn from the way of salvation. Forgive our sins, we pray. Help us remember that we have received your mercy, and have become your people. Strengthen us for holy living by the power of your Holy Spirit, that we may serve you according to our calling, proclaiming to all the world your mighty acts, as you call us out of darkness into light.

SILENT CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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▲ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *see p. 5* Nicene Creed

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SCRIPTURE

Luke 5:27-32

Sydney Theis

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

A TIME FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

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Following Jesus: Friendship Without Frontiers

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Luke 8:19-21

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

HYMN 503 *verses 1 & 4*

Come, Risen Lord

Sursum corda

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION *see p.5*

Rev. Donna Marsh

▲ HYMN 516 Lord, We Have Come at Your Own Invitation

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▲ BENEDICTION AND PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

▲ POSTLUDE

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We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.		
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated on the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.		
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.		

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

	Let All the World	Ralph Vaughan Williams
<i>Let all the world in every corner sing, "My God and King!"</i>		
The heavens are not too high, his praise may thither fly; The earth is not too low, his praises there may grow. The Church with psalms must shout: No door can keep them out; But above all, the heart must bear the longest part.		
		George Herbert

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

Invitation to Communion		
Words of Institution and Distribution		
Music Meditation	Piano Reflection	9 a.m. Joanna Zorack-Greene
	Love Bade Me Welcome	Ralph Vaughan Williams
Love bade me welcome; yet my soul drew back, guilty of dust and sin. But quick-eyed Love, observing me grow slack from my first entrance in, Drew nearer to me, sweetly questioning if I lack'd anything. "A guest," I answered, "worthy to be here." Love said, "You shall be he." "I the unkind, ungrateful? Ah, my dear, I cannot look on thee." Love took my hand, and smiling did reply, "Who made the eyes but I?" "Truth, Lord, but I have marr'd them: Let my shame go where it doth deserve. "And know you not," says Love, "who bore the blame?" My dear, then I will serve." "You must sit down," says Love, "and taste my meat." So I did sit and eat.		
		George Herbert with Ethan Greene, bass-baritone

Prayer of Response 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.		

▲ HYMN 516	Lord, We Have Come at Your Own Invitation	<i>O quanta qualia</i>
▲ BENEDICTION		
▲ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE		<i>Aurelia</i>
Called forth from every nation, one people of the Lord, Proclaiming Christ's salvation, God's reconciling Word, We serve God's world together, with zealous hearts, and pure, While sov'reignly God gathers a kingdom to endure.		
▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST		
▲ POSTLUDE	Hyfrydol	Ralph Vaughan Williams

11:00 A.M. WORSHIP

Jones Hall (School Gym)

WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

▲ WELCOME SONG 10,000 Reasons Matt Redman

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Donna Marsh

WORLD COMMUNION CALL TO WORSHIP Pat Zhou, *Mandarin*

▲ SONGS OF RESPONSE Across the Lands Ketih Getty and Stuart Townend

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▲ RESPONSE OF PRAISE Give Me Jesus Traditional; Arr. Jeremy Camp

▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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A TIME FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES Cate McCrory

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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.

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

Song Good Good Father Anthony Brown

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

CLOSING SONG *offering received* King of My Heart John Mark McMillan

▲ CLOSING PRAYER

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Nominations for Mission Gifts *Submit nominations by October 13*

Nominate an organization or missionary close to your heart for Mission Gifts for Christmas, National's Christmas tradition of generosity. *Submit nominations by Oct. 13 at nationalpres.org/mission-gifts.*

Mission Gifts Report: **"ByGrace" Children's Home** **Wednesday, October 23** **7:00–8:30 pm, Elson Parlor**

Your generosity has lasting influence! Donna Harman and three students from ByGrace Children's Home in Kenya will share how they have been supported through your gifts from Mission Gifts for Christmas. Light fare will be served. *Contact: Susan O'Banion, sobanion@nationalpres.org.*

Middle School Fall Retreat **October 18-19, Pennsylvania**

Middle school students are invited for a weekend of fun, games, prayer, and worship at Joy El Camp and Conference Center in Greencastle, PA. *Register at nationalpres.org/youth or contact npcyouth@nationalpres.org.*

School Open House **Friday, October 18, 9:00 a.m.**

Join NPS for the first of two Open Houses! NPS gives special consideration to applications from NPC families for nursery (age 3) through 6th grade. *Visit www.nps-dc.org for more information.*

Adult Fellowship Luncheon **Monday, October 21** **12:00 p.m., Stone Hall**

Dr. David Warren, President of the National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities, will speak. *Sign up in Stone Hall or call 202.537.7529 for lunch reservations (\$15 donation in advance; \$20 at the door).*

Women's Dessert Event **Friday, October 25**

7:00–9:00 p.m., Stone Hall

Come for fellowship, dessert, and testimonies on the topic "Following Jesus to the Ends of the Earth." Speakers Kate Gardner, Tameka Richardson, and Evangeline Paschal have each been called to serve in ministries at home and abroad. *Sign up at nationalpres.org/calendar or today in Stone Hall.*

Pray with Little Lights **Saturday, October 26**

10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

Come for a time of prayer and worship alongside one of our Capital Campaign mission partners. Worship and praise will be led by Little Lights board member Alex Knight at the Little Lights Hilltop Center in Ward 7 and light refreshments will be served. *Register: bit.ly/LLPrayerWorship.*

Fall Conference **Saturday, November 2** **9:15 a.m.–Noon, Stone Hall**

Rev. Dr. Marianne Meye Thompson, a well-known teacher, author, and PCUSA minister, will present: "The Story of Jesus—Then and Now."

Sing in Handel's Messiah **Rehearsals begin: November 16** **Concert: December 8**

Mark your calendars and spread the word!

- Saturday, Nov. 16, 10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m., Choir Room; registration at 9:30 a.m.
- Saturday, Nov. 23, 10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m., Choir Room
- Friday, Dec. 6, 7:00–10:00 p.m., Sanctuary (piano dress)
- Saturday, Dec. 7, 10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m., Sanctuary (orchestra dress)
- Performance: Sunday, Dec. 8, 6:00 p.m.

WELCOME TO NATIONAL!

"FOLLOWING JESUS" WEEKLY READING

Scripture Reading for October 7–13, 2019

Luke 6:12-16

Questions for Reflection

- Jesus prayed all night (vs. 12). Do you spend time "chatting" with God? Why, or why not?
- What is the role of prayer in your life? When you are faced with pressure and important choices, how do you go about making decisions? What can be learned from Jesus' practice?
- Why do you think Jesus chose a variety of followers to be in his inner circle? What might this have conveyed to those who increasingly opposed Jesus? What does it convey to you?
- What does it mean to you to be called by Jesus to follow him as his disciple?
- In what ways is your following Jesus now similar to and different from what the twelve disciples experienced?

A weekly reading guide is available at nationalpres.org/adults

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. Head to the Parlor after the 9 a.m. service, or come downstairs to Stone Hall after the 11 a.m. services, 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.

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 celebrate the birth of:
Caroline Aimar Guido on September 27, 2019
to parents Barbara and Rob Guido

We pray for our mission partners, including:
The synod of Syria and Lebanon

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



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