


October 13, 2019



Welcome to NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

*Jesus called his disciples and chose from them twelve
whom he named apostles.*

Luke 6:13

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 (<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

Vision 2020: Stewardship at National

We have a vision to provide joyful worship, engaging programming, compassionate pastoral care, and Christian outreach to those in need in 2020. **This vision is possible because of your generosity!**

Over the next few weeks, please prayerfully consider your financial support of God's work in and through this church. *You may make your 2020 commitment by filling out a card in the Friendship Register, or online at nationalpres.org/2020.*

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.

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.

Nominations for Mission Gifts

Final day for nominations

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

Lend a Welcoming Hand

You can help at church on Sundays for as little as one hour a month!

- **Serve as a greeter** by welcoming all who enter the church. *Contact: Michael Wiseman, MichaelLWiseman@aol.com.*
- **Serve as a Connections Ambassador** by welcoming and visiting with folks in the pew or in the hall after worship. *Contact Leslie Saum at lsaum@nationalpres.org.*
- **Serve as an usher** by passing out bulletins, and collecting offerings. *Contact library@nationalpres.org.*

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 in memory of Mr. Kang Ming Szeto by his daughter.

October Food Collection: Canned Fruit

You may drop off donations upstairs at the information table and downstairs outside of Stone Hall.

9 A.M. WORSHIP

Sanctuary

WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE

Ciacona in C minor, BuxWV 159

Dieterich Buxtehude
Todd Fickley, organ

CHIMES AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Dr. Joyce Emery

▲ HYMN 371

Lift High the Cross

Crucifer

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

Holy One, we worship and adore you. You see us as we are, and yet you love us with a Father's patient heart. In the light of your faithfulness and enduring love, we see both our guilt and our pardon. For the sake of your goodness, O Lord, forgive our sins. We need your guidance and your steadying hand, that lifts us when we fall, and sets us on a firm path. Draw us with cords of kindness and bands of love, as we follow you and walk in your ways; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND PATHWAY MOMENT

Dr. David Renwick

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS Lord, Speak to Me

Sheldon Curry

Lord, speak to me, that I may speak in living echoes of your tone; as you have sought, so let me seek your erring children lost and lone. O teach me, Lord, that I may teach the precious things you do impart; and wing my words, that they may reach the hidden depth of many a heart. O fill me with your fullness, Lord, until my very heart o'erflow in kindling thought and glowing word, your love to tell, your praise to show. O use me, Lord, use even me, just as you will, and when, and where; until your blessed face I see, your rest, your joy, your glory share. Oswald J. Smith

Dr. Michael Denham and Ethan Greene 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

SCRIPTURE

Luke 6:12-16

Chuck Newcomb

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

A TIME FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

Elder Installation

SERMON

Following Jesus: Prayerfully Chosen

Dr. David Renwick

1 Corinthians 12:12-13:1; Matthew 16:15-18

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

▲ HYMN 388

O Jesus, I Have Promised

Angel's Story

▲ BENEDICTION AND PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

▲ POSTLUDE

Allegro from Concerto in A minor, BWV 593

Vivaldi/Bach

11:00 A.M. WORSHIP

Sanctuary

WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE

Ciacona in C minor, BuxWV 159

Dieterich Buxtehude

Todd Fickley, organ

CHIMES AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Dr. Joyce Emery

▲ HYMN 371 *verses 1-3*

Lift High the Cross

Crucifer

▲ PRAYER OF ADORATION

▲ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Hymn 371, verse 4

So shall our song of triumph ever be: Praise to the Crucified for victory!

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim, till all the world adore his sacred name.

CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

Holy One, you see us as we are,

and yet you love us with a Father's patient heart.

In the light of your faithfulness and enduring love,

we see both our guilt and our pardon.

For the sake of your goodness, O Lord, forgive our sins.

We need your guidance and your steadying hand,

that lifts us when we fall, and sets us on a firm path.

Draw us with cords of kindness and bands of love,

as we follow you and walk in your ways;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

Dr. David Renwick

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND PATHWAY OF DISCIPLESHIP

SCRIPTURE

Luke 6:12-26

Bill Doole

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Following Jesus: Prayerfully Chosen

Dr. David Renwick

1 Corinthians 12:12-13:1; Matthew 16:15-18

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

CHORAL RESPONSE

Repton

How clear is our vocation, Lord, when once we heed your call:
To live according to your Word, and daily learn, refreshed, restored,
That you are Lord of all.

Fred Pratt Green (alt.)

▲ 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

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

Christ Sends Us Forth

K. Lee Scott

Christ sends us forth to Jerusalem, among its masses to proclaim
to all in hopeless pain and need the glory of his saving name.
*"You shall receive power when the Holy Spirit comes to you,
and you shall be my witness in Jerusalem and Judea and Samaria, to the utmost ends of the earth."*

Christ sends us forth to Judea's plains, where angels told his wondrous birth;
to humble villages around, retell the Savior's matchless worth.

Christ sends us forth to Samaria, to those of different clan and race,
that they may know his loving care, the gospel of redeeming grace.

Christ sends us forth to the world around: "To every creature bear the word!"
Tell out the tidings through the earth, that all may own him as the Lord.

▲ 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 388

O Jesus, I Have Promised

Angel's Story

▲ BENEDICTION

▲ CHORAL AMEN

▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

▲ POSTLUDE

Allegro from Concerto in A minor, BWV 593

Vivaldi/Bach

▲ Congregation standing, as able

11:00 A.M. WORSHIP

Jones Hall (School Gym)

WE ENTER GOD'S PRESENCE

▲ WELCOME SONG 1,000 Tongues Matt Maher and Chris Tomlin

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND PATHWAY OF DISCIPLESHIP Dr. Quinn Fox

CALL TO WORSHIP

▲ SONGS OF RESPONSE How Great Thou Art Stuart Kine
In Christ Alone Keith and Kristyn Getty

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION OF SIN

Holy One, we worship and adore you. You see us as we are, and yet you love us with a Father's patient heart. In the light of your faithfulness and enduring love, we see both our guilt and our pardon. For the sake of your goodness, O Lord, forgive our sins. We need your guidance and your steadying hand, that lifts us when we fall, and sets us on a firm path. Draw us with cords of kindness and bands of love, as we follow you and walk in your ways; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

SILENT CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

▲ RESPONSE OF PRAISE Trust in You Lauren Daigle

▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

A TIME FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES Cate McCrory

SCRIPTURE Luke 6:12-16 Joy Eckert
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

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WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE AND CALL

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PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

▲ CLOSING PRAYER

UPCOMING EVENTS

School Open House

Friday, October 18, 9:00 a.m.

Join us for the first of two Open Houses! NPS gives special consideration to applications from NPC families for Nursery (Age 3) through Sixth 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 Emeritus of the National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities, will present, "Growing up in the Shadow of the Manhattan Project — and its impact on the trajectory of my life's work." *Sign up in Stone Hall or call 202.537.7529 for lunch reservations (\$15 donation in advance; \$20 at the door).*

Mission Gifts Report: "ByGrace" Children's Home

Wednesday, October 23

7:00–8:30 p.m., Elson Parlor

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.*

Women's Dessert Event

Friday, October 25

7:00–9:00 p.m., Stone Hall

Come for fellowship, dessert, and speakers on the topic "Following Jesus to the Ends of the Earth." Kate Gardner, Tameka Richardson, and Evangeline Paschal have each been called to serve in ministries at home and abroad. *Sign up in Stone Hall or email Amy Thompson, athompson@nationalpreg.org.*

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 at Little Lights Hilltop Center in Ward 7. Light refreshments will be served. *Register: bit.ly/LLPrayerWorship.*

Congregational Meeting

Sunday, October 27

12:15 p.m., Sanctuary

All members are encouraged to attend a meeting of the congregation to elect new officers.

All-Church Fall Conference

Saturday, November 2

9:15 a.m.–Noon, Stone Hall

Rev. Dr. Marianne Meye Thompson, a New Testament professor at Fuller Theological Seminary will present: "The Story of Jesus—Then and Now." Dr. Thompson is a well-known teacher, author, and PCUSA minister. This event is free and open to the public.

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 14–20, 2019

Luke 6:17-49

Questions for Reflection

- Look for four attitudes that Jesus uses to illustrate the principle of love and mercy. What would these attitudes look like in your life?
- What would it mean if Jesus' modern followers actually embodied these ways of living? What might that look like in your life if you sought to practice these teachings of Jesus?
- How does the story of the wise and foolish builders speak to you? Can you think of when you have been foolish, and wise, in heeding Jesus' words?
- When is judging (discerning, setting limits) appropriate? Not appropriate? Why does Jesus say what he says?

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:

Elizabeth Grace Schmoll on October 4, 2019
to parents Megan and Joe Schmoll

We pray for our mission partners, including:

Friendship Place, providing a continuum of care for people experiencing homelessness.

Please submit prayer requests to:

Liz Martin, lmartin@nationalpres.org, 202.537.7540.



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