

October 12, 2014

THE
NATIONAL
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH

A MINISTRY OF GRACE, PASSIONATE ABOUT
CHRIST'S MISSION IN THE WORLD

*Happy are those who hunger and thirst for
righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.*

Matthew 5:6

Dr. David Renwick, *Senior Pastor* · Dr. Quinn Fox, *Associate Pastor*
Rev. Donna Marsh, *Associate Pastor* · Rev. Evangeline Taylor, *Associate Pastor*
Parish Associates: Rev. Nancy T. Fox and Dr. Donald R. Wilson
Rev. Michael Denham, *Director of Music Ministries*
William Neil, *Organist* · Hilda Gore, *Contemporary Music Leader*
Ministry Directors: Jill Meek (Children), Leslie Saum (Connections)
McLane Stone (Youth), and Sally Swanson (Serve)

ORDER OF WORSHIP

9:15 & 11 A.M.

Kindly turn off your cell phone and other electronic devices.

ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE

Sonata No. 2 in C Minor
Grave-Adagio

Felix Mendelssohn
William Neil, organ

CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us lift up our hearts and voices and together worship God!

Dr. Quinn Fox

▲ HYMN 420
verses 1, 2, 4 & 5

God of Grace and God of Glory

Cwm Rhondda

▲ PRAYER OF ADORATION

CHORAL RESPONSE

Njalo

Patrick Matsikenyiri

Njalo, njalo, njalo. Siyathandaza, siyanikela, siyadumisa, thina.
Always we pray, always we give, always we bless. Always.

Zimbabwean Folksong
Joyful Noisemakers, Mandy Brown, Director
Joanna Jones, piano

CONFESSION OF SIN *in unison*

Almighty and merciful God, fountain of all goodness,
you know the thoughts of our hearts.

We confess that we have sinned against you,
and done what is evil in your sight.

Wash us from the stains of our sins,
and give us grace to put away hurtful things,
that being delivered from the bondage of sin,
we may bring forth fruits of repentance,
and at last enter into your promised joy.

All this we pray through the mercy of your blessed Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Alcuin of York

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.

HEARING GOD'S WORD

A TIME FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

Children may meet their Sunday School leaders in the Court of Flags:

9:15 a.m. *(Grades K-5) for Sunday School in the school building.*

11 a.m. *(Grades K-2) for Children's Church in Church Room 106. Children return after the sermon.*

PATHWAY OF DISCIPLESHIP

Encouraging one another to love and good deeds.

Hebrews 10

SCRIPTURE *read responsively*

Psalm 42:1-5

9:15 a.m. Elder John Young

11 a.m. Elder Jim Link

One: As a deer longs for flowing streams,

All: so my soul longs for you, O God.

My soul thirsts for God, for the living God.

When shall I come and behold the face of God?

My tears have been my food day and night,

while people say to me continually, ‘Where is your God?’

These things I remember, as I pour out my soul:

how I went with the throng,

with glad shouts and songs of thanksgiving.

Why are you cast down, O my soul,

and why are you disquieted within me?

Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my help and my God

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

The Beatitudes – Hungry and Thirsty

Dr. David Renwick

Matthew 5:27-30, 38-42; Isaiah 5:8-13

RESPONDING TO GOD’S GRACE AND CALL

RESPONSE

Blest Are They

David Haas and Michael Joncas

Choir then Congregation

Blest are they, the lowly ones; they shall inherit the earth.

Blest are they who hunger and thirst; they shall have their fill.

Rejoice and be glad! Blessed are you; holy are you!

Rejoice and be glad! Yours is the kingdom of God!

▲ 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

As the Hart Pants

As the hart pants after the waterbrooks, so panteth my soul for thee, O God

Felix Mendelssohn

Op. 42, No. 1

Psalm 42:1

▲ 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 356

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Nettleton

▲ BENEDICTION

▲ CHORAL RESPONSE

Water of Life

Come to the waters, whoever is thirsty; drink from the Fountain that never runs dry.

Jesus, the Living One, offers you mercy, life more abundant in boundless supply.

J.M. Boice

▲ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

▲ POSTLUDE

Sonata No. 2 in C Minor

Felix Mendelssohn

Allegro maestoso e vivace

- ▲ Congregation standing, as able

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God in memory of Mr. Kang Ming Szeto by his daughter.

The flowers in the Court of Flags are given to the glory of God in memory of Doris Botsford, remembering her October 12 birthday, by Diana Schwanhausser.

Take flowers to brighten someone's day. Are you planning to visit someone who is ill or home-bound? Take along flowers to bring some cheer! Bud vases with fresh flowers may be found on the table outside of Elson Parlor.

Chapel prayers after worship: If you have a joy or concern on your heart, come to the chapel down the hall to the right as you exit the sanctuary. A pastor, elder or deacon, and Stephen Minister will be there to pray with you privately about your concerns and celebrations.

WELCOME, GUESTS!

We are so glad you are here today.

- **Welcome packets** and information on the church are available at the information table to the right as you exit the sanctuary, and at the entrances to the church building.
- Enjoy **coffee and cookies** downstairs in Stone Fellowship Hall after worship.
- Members of our **Connections Team**, wearing purple badges, are here to welcome you and answer questions.
- **Tours of the church** on Sundays or weekdays are available upon request. Please call for scheduling and information: 202.537.7529.

TODAY

**SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR
ADULTS, YOUTH, AND CHILDREN**
9:30–10:30 a.m., see p. 8 for locations

YOUTH GROUP

5–7:30 p.m., Youth House

Gather for food, fun, and fellowship!

- **Middle School (6th–8th grade):**
5–6 p.m., Youth House
- **NPC Youth dinner (parents welcome!):**
5:45–6:45 p.m., Multi-Purpose Room
- **High School (9th–12th grade):**
6:30–7:30 p.m., Youth House

YOUNG ADULTS

12:15 p.m., Church Room 110/111

“Across the Aisle” group for young adults (ages 22-35) gathers for lunch and conversation. *Contact: Under35@NationalPres.org*

PHOTO BOOTH

Stone Hall

There are only **four Sundays left to have your picture taken for the church directory (today, Oct. 19, Nov. 2, and Nov. 16)** so please come by before or after worship if you haven’t yet had your photo taken. We’re updating the church directory, and want to include *everyone!*

SECOND SUNDAY SANDWICH MAKING

Stone Hall, after 9:15 & 11 a.m. worship

All ages can help feed the hungry in our city by making sandwiches for the homeless to be distributed through NPC mission partner Martha’s Table. Together we can make 700 sandwiches! *Financial contributions are welcomed to purchase sandwich supplies.*

GRIEFSHARE

Sundays, 12:30 p.m.

Culbertson Library (Admin. Bldg.)

Those experiencing the loss of a loved one will find encouragement and support during weekly classes led by Rev. Evangeline Taylor. *Contact: Barb Dear, BDear@NationalPres.org, 202.537.7540.*

MUSIC AT NATIONAL

4:30 p.m.

The City Choir of Washington presents: the Mozart *Requiem*, featuring soprano soloist Danielle Talamantes, and Tarik O’Regans’ *Triptych*. *Tickets are available at the door or www.citychoir.org*

SIGN UP TODAY

Visit the table in Stone Hall this morning to sign up for:

- **Outing to Princeton Seminary and University, Nov. 1, see pg. 7 for details**

THIS WEEK AND UPCOMING

HOT OFF THE PRESS: SIGNIFICANT CONFERENCE CHANGES

Saturday, Oct. 18, 9:45 a.m.–Noon, Sanctuary

David Brooks, keynote speaker, needs to reschedule for May 2015. Andy Crouch, editor of *Christianity Today* and author of *Playing God: Redeeming the Gift of Power*, will still be present on October 18. He will be speaking about how we can redeem the gift of power to do God's work in today's world. This event is free. Come and bring a friend!

Questions? Contact: Holly Novak, HNovak@NationalPres.org or 202.537.7527

BOOK STUDY:

G.K. CHESTERTON'S "ORTHODOXY"

Thursdays in Sept. & Oct.

7:15 p.m., Elson Parlor

Dr. Quinn Fox continues a study of *Orthodoxy*, a major milestone in 20th century Christian thought which has influenced and shaped the faith of countless believers, including C.S. Lewis. *Please read Chapter 7 for the Oct. 16 discussion.*

MISSION GIFTS FOR CHRISTMAS APPLICATIONS WELCOME

Submissions due Oct. 15

Would you like to represent a mission organization at the 2014 Mission Gifts for Christmas? *Contact Sally Swanson to request an application, due Oct. 15: 202.537.7505, SSwanson@NationalPres.org.*

WOMENCONNECT

Wednesday, Oct. 15, 7 p.m., Elson Parlor

All women are invited to a study using Mark's gospel to focus on the person, mission, and call of Jesus Christ.

COLLEGE STUDENT LUNCH

Sunday, Oct. 19, Noon, Elson Parlor

All college students are invited for casual conversation and a home cooked-meal after 11 a.m. worship. No need to RSVP, just drop in! *Contact: Charley Stone, CStone@NationalPres.org.*

WHAT IS GOD'S FUTURE FOR NATIONAL?

Share in a New Vision and Plan for NPC

Sunday, Oct. 26, 9:15–10:30 a.m.

in the Sanctuary

God has bold and exciting plans for the future of National, and the Session invites you to share in them on Sunday, Oct. 26. Copies of NPC's new strategic plan will be available and our Strategic Planning Team will lead us through the plan and help us envision our part within it. This will truly be a morning of celebration, community, and challenge as we affirm our call to be followers of Jesus Christ together.

October 26 Schedule:

- Presentation, prayer, and praise for the Strategic plan at 9:15
- Worship at 8:15 in the chapel or 11 a.m. in the sanctuary (no 9:15 service)
- Program for children through 5th grade at 9:15; no adult or youth Sunday School.

**SPECIAL OFFERING FOR
REFUGEES AND VICTIMS OF WAR**

Sunday, Oct. 19

You are invited to contribute to a special offering to help alleviate the suffering of Christian refugees and victims of war in Iraq, Syria and Gaza. Funds received will be distributed through two channels:

- 1) To the Synod of Syria and Lebanon through Presbyterian Disaster Assistance.
- 2) To the Iraq Relief Work Fund through the Presbyterian Mission Agency.

Checks can be made to NPC with the memo line: "Iraq, Syria and Gaza."

UNIVERSITY FELLOWSHIP

**New Time & Place* Tuesday, Oct. 21, 8 p.m.*

AU East Quad Building, Room 209

All college students are welcome for conversation, scripture study, and food on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of every month. *Contact: McLane Stone, MStone@NationalPres.org.*

**NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN SCHOOL
OPEN HOUSE**

Tuesday, Oct. 28, 8:45 a.m.

Families with children 5th grade and younger, join us for a Fall Open House at NPS! Applications from NPC families to the 3-year-old and Pre-K classes receive priority consideration. *Contact: Katy Harvey, kharvey@nps-dc.org, 202.537.7508.*

**PRINCETON OUTING
ADULT FELLOWSHIP**

Saturday, Nov. 1, Princeton, NJ

6:45 a.m.–8:30 p.m.

Sign up today for an outing to Princeton Theological Seminary's library and chapel, and Princeton University's art museum and chapel. The visit will include talks and tours, special music, and lunch with Seminary President Dr. Craig Barnes (NPC's former Senior Pastor).

Register today (\$98) in Stone Hall or call 202.537.7529.

OCTOBER'S FOOD DONATION:

1 LB. BAGS OF RICE

Please bring donations of 1 lb. bags of brown or white rice for mission partner Martha's Table to the baskets outside of Stone Hall, or upstairs at the information table. *You can help gather food donations or pack and deliver food to Martha's Table! Contact: Nancy Chapman Colb, nancy@nchapman.com.*

**VOLUNTEER AT INGLESIDE
RETIREMENT COMMUNITY**

Build friendships and enable Ingleside residents to participate in worship services. Once a month, you can assist in wheeling Ingleside residents from their rooms to a Sunday morning (10:30 a.m.) hymn sing or Sunday afternoon (4 p.m.) chapel service held at Ingleside. *Contact: Rebekah Liu at Paulreb3@msn.com*

SESSION NOTES

At its September meeting, the Session:

- Approved the Strategic Plan presented by the Strategic Planning Team;
- Established a congregational gathering to present the plan in the sanctuary on October 26 at 9:15 am;
- Scheduled a congregational meeting for November 9 to hear the report of the Church Nominating Committee and elect officers; and
- Received the completed audit for FY13.

PRAYER MINISTRY

Please pray for:

Loris Witherspoon
Maisie Gordon Wittman

We mourn the death of:

George Bowman on September 17.

A service will be held in the Columbarium on October 15 at 10 a.m.

*Confidential prayer requests:
nationalpres.org/prayer*

CLASSES AND GROUPS

ADULTS

LECTIONARY READINGS

Year 2

Oct. 12 - 19

Sunday

Psalms 19; 113
Hosea 11:1-11
1 Corinthians 4:9-16
Matthew 15:21-28

Monday

Psalms 135; 112
Hosea 11:12-12:1
Acts 26:1-23
Luke 8:26-39

Tuesday

Psalms 123; 86
Hosea 12:2-14
Acts 26:24-27:8
Luke 8:40-56

Wednesday

Psalms 15; 4
Hosea 13:1-3
Acts 27:9-26
Luke 9:1-17

Thursday

Psalms 36; 27
Hosea 13:4-8
Acts 27:27-44
Luke 9:18-27

Friday

Psalms 130; 139
Hosea 13:9-16
Acts 28:1-16
Luke 9:28-36

Saturday

Psalms 56; 111
Hosea 14:1-9
Acts 28:17-31
Luke 9:37-50

Sunday

Psalms 67; 93
Micah 1:1-9
1 Corinthians 10:1-13
Matthew 16:13-20

Sunday Classes, 9:30 a.m.

- Life in Progress: Seeking God Amidst Life's Complexities *School Room 236*
- Financial Peace University *Church Room 105*
- Men's Sunday School Class *Agencies 101*
- Exploring John's Gospel: A Bible Study *Agencies 105*
- A Living Faith for Hostile Times: Guidance from the Apostle Paul *Church Room 5*
- The Church in the 20th Century *Church Room 110/111*
- Wrestlers: Engaging Contemporary Issues *Agencies Lower Level*
- Ephesians: Growing Up in Christ, Learning to be the Church *Elson Parlor*

Groups

- Across the Aisle (ages 22-35) **Sundays, 12:15 p.m.** *Church Room 110/111*
- Adult Fellowship Luncheon **3rd Monday of the month, Noon** *Stone Hall*
- Cub Scout Troop 1946, **Every other Tuesday, 6-7 p.m.** *MP Bldg. & Agencies Lower Level*
- "Real Moms" Coffeehouse **Wednesdays, 9:30 a.m.** *Church Room 107*
- Wednesday Women **2nd Wednesday of the month, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.** *Church Room 110/111*
- Boy Scout Troop 1946, **Wednesdays, 7-8:30 p.m.** *Agencies Lower Level*
- Afternoon T.E.A. Bible Study **2nd Wednesday of the month, 1:30-3 p.m.** *Elson Parlor*
- WomenConnect **3rd Wednesday of the month, 7-8:45 p.m.** *Elson Parlor*
- Community Bible Study **Thursdays, 7-9 p.m.** *Agencies 105*
- Men's Breakfast **1st Saturday of the month, 8 - 9:30 a.m.** *Stone Hall*
- B&P Women's Guild Luncheon **1st Saturday of the month, Noon** *Stone Hall*
- Saturday Morning Bible Study **Saturdays, 8:30 - 10 a.m.** *Satellite Library*
- Women in the Word Bible Study **Saturdays, 9:30-11 a.m.** *Church Room 105*
- GriefShare **Sundays, 12:30 p.m.** *Culbertson Library*

YOUTH

Sunday School, 9:15 - 10:30 a.m.

- Middle School (6th & 7th grade) *MP Building; Multipurpose Room 101*
- Middle School (8th grade) *Agencies 102*
- High School (9th - 12th grade) *Youth House*

Youth Group, Sundays, 5-7:30 p.m.

- Middle School (6th-8th grade): **5-6 p.m.** *Youth House*
- NPC Youth dinner (*parents welcome!*): **5:45-6:45 p.m.** *Multi Purpose Room*
- High School (9th-12th grade): **6:30-7:30 p.m.** *Youth House*

CHILDREN

Preschool Sunday School, 9:15 - 10:30 a.m.

Parents drop off children between 9:10-9:15 and pick up children in their classrooms at 10:30 a.m.

- 2-year olds: Church Room 8
- 3-year olds: School Room 104
- 4-year olds: School Room 106

Elementary Sunday School, 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.

Children meet teachers in the school gym at 9:30 a.m., whether coming directly to Sunday School, or from worship after the Time for Children. Parents, pick up children in their classrooms at 10:30.

- Kindergarten: School Room 108
- 1st Grade: School Room 132
- 2nd Grade: School Room 200
- 3rd Grade: School Room 208
- 4th Grade: School Room 240
- 5th Grade: School Room 242

Children's Church, 11 a.m.

Church Room 106
Children grades K-2 begin in worship, attend the children's church program, and return after the sermon.

CHILDCARE 8 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

- Crib Room: Babies 6 weeks - Crawling *Church Room 16*
- Walker Room: Toddlers and walkers up to 4 yrs. *Church Room 7*

MUSIC

- Chancel Choir **Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m.** *Choir Room*
- Contemporary Music Team **Wednesdays 6:30 - 8 p.m.** *Chapel*
- Grace Chimes Handbells **Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.** *Church Room 110*
- Children's Choir (K-5th grade) **Sundays, 10:30-10:55 a.m.** *School Building*
- Youth Choir (6th grade +) **Sundays, 10:25-10:55 a.m.** *Multipurpose Room*

BOOKSTORE & LIBRARY Sundays 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.

- Culbertson Library (also: M-TH 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.) *Admin. Bldg., Second Floor*
- Satellite Library & Moehrle Bookstore *Adjacent to Stone Hall*

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