



Nassau Presbyterian Church

March 12, 2017 9:15 and 11:00 a.m. *Lent II*



Gathering

God calls us together to offer praise, acknowledge sin,
and celebrate our adoption as forgiven children.

Prelude

“Fantasia in D Minor”

Johann Pachelbel

*Call to Worship

Let us give thanks to the Lord with our whole hearts.

Together we declare God’s great works.

The Lord is gracious and merciful,

God’s covenant promises endure forever. Praise the Lord!

*Opening Hymn

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

Hymn 366

Hymn indicates the red pew hymnal Glory to God.

Prayer of Confession

**Lord Jesus, you tell us to love our enemies,
and to pray for anyone who wishes us harm.**

**We confess that we hurt others as we have been hurt,
with our words, our actions, and even with our indifference.**

Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit in us.

**Transform us by the love you revealed through your cross and empty tomb,
so that we may love you and others as your resurrection people. Amen.**

Silent Prayer

Response

“Holy Lamb of God”

Dm Gm Dm
 Ho - ly Lamb of God, you take a - way the
 Ya ha - ma - lah al - ha - mel kha - ta - yal

B♭ A7 Dm
 sin of the world. Have mer - cy on us.
 'a - lam: ir - ham - na.

Dm Gm Dm
 Ho - ly Lamb of God, you take a - way the
 Ya ha - ma - lah al - ha - mel kha - ta - yal

B♭ A A7 B♭
 sin of the world. ♪ Grant us your peace; ♪
 'a - lam: im - nah - nas - sa - lam, im -

Gm7 A A7 D
 grant us your peace; ♪ grant us your peace.
 nah - nas - sa - lam, im - nah - nas - sa - lam.

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Assurance of Forgiveness

Friends in Christ, hear and believe the good news of the Gospel.
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

Words of Welcome



Proclaiming the Word

We encounter the Word in speech and song
as we interpret and expound scripture.

Time with Children

9:15 Children may leave for Church School classes. Teachers and ushers can assist in finding classrooms. 11:00 Children pre-kindergarten or age four to grade three may leave for Worship Explorers in Room 302.

Anthem

“Verleih uns Frieden”

music Felix Mendelssohn
text Martin Luther

Verleih uns Frieden gnädiglich,
Herr Gott, zu unsern Zeiten.
Es ist doch ja kein anderer nicht,
der für uns könnte straiten,
denn du, unser Gott, alleine.

*Grant us peace in mercy,
Lord God, in our time.
There is indeed no other
who could fight for us
than you, our God, alone.*

Prayer for Illumination

First Scripture Lesson

Psalm 121

pg 571

With choral response “To the Hills I Lift My Eyes” by Song Lee

Second Scripture Lesson

Matthew 5:38–48

pg 5

Sermon

“Perfect, Just Perfect”

David A. Davis



Thanksgiving

We respond by presenting our offerings, setting the table,
lifting prayers, and praising the triune God.

*Sermon Hymn

“Spirit, Open My Heart”

Hymn 692

*Affirmation of Faith

Confession of 1967, §9.15

**We acknowledge that God’s sovereign love
is a mystery beyond the reach of human minds.
We ascribe to God superlatives of power, wisdom, and goodness.
But, in Jesus Christ, God reveals love
by showing power in the form of a servant,**

**wisdom in the folly of the cross,
 and goodness in receiving sinful people.
 The power of God’s love in Christ
 transforms the world
 and discloses that the Redeemer is the Lord and Creator
 who made all things to serve the purpose of his love.**

Offertory

“Servants of Peace”

music K. Lee Scott

text Francis of Assisi, para. James Quinn

Lord, make us servants of your peace: where there is hate, may we sow love;
 where there is hurt, may we forgive; where there is strife, may we make one.

Where all is doubt, may we sow faith; where all is gloom, may we sow hope;
 where all is night, may we sow light; where all is tears, may we sow joy.

Jesus, our Lord, may we not seek to be consoled, but to console,
 nor look to understanding hearts, but look for hearts to understand.

May we not look for love’s return, but seek to love unselfishly.
 For in our giving we receive, and in forgiving are forgiven.

Dying, we live, and are reborn through death’s dark night to endless day.
 Lord, make us servants of your peace, to wake at last in heaven’s light.

*Doxology

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

Hymn 608

The image shows three staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are: "Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise Christ, all peo - ple here be - low; praise Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er - more; praise Tri - une God, whom we a - dore." The first staff ends with a double bar line.

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Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Common Text Lord's Prayer, Hymnal pg 11; Traditional Text, pg 35; Spanish, pg 40; Korean, pg 45



Sending

We follow the Word into the world, sent forth with
God's blessing to lives of service and love.

*Closing Hymn

“O Day of Peace”

Hymn 373

*Benediction

*Response

“Lift High the Cross”

Hymn 826, v. 2

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

**All new-born servants of the Crucified
bear on their brow the seal of Christ who died.
Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim,
till all the world adore his sacred name.**

Postlude

“Chromatic Fugue in D Minor”

Johann Pachelbel

Preacher

David A. Davis

Liturgists

Joyce MacKichan Walker

Andrew Scales (9:15)

Melissa Martin (11:00)

Time with Children

Nancy Lammers Gross

Flowers

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given
to the glory of God and in memory
of Margaret Sheppard and Mary Bess
Lowry by Helen and Bob Duncan.

Musicians

Adult Choir

Noel Werner, director

Mark Loria, organist

Cover

“Cross (Ethiopian),” a linocut by
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The Week Ahead

March 13 – 19

MONDAY, MAR. 13

1:00 PM

Nassau Stitches
Conference Room

7:30 PM

Small Group - Harmon
Harmon Home, Princeton

7:30 PM

Small Group - Wehrheim
Wehrheim Home, Skillman



TUESDAY, MAR. 14

9:30 AM

Staff Devotions
Niles Chapel

10:30 AM

Staff Meeting
Conference Room

1:00 PM

Grace Note Singers
Kingston Presbyterian Church

7:30 PM

Small Group - Parker
Princeton Theological
Seminary Library



WEDNESDAY, MAR. 15

6:30 AM

Small Group - Davis
Conference Room

9:30 AM

Walk Talk Pray
Meet on front steps

2:00 PM

Small Group - Saito
King Home - The Windrows

4:00 PM

Homework Hangout
Assembly Room

4:15 PM

Carol Choir
Music Room

4:15 PM

In-Choir Bible Study
Conference Room

4:15 PM

Joyful Noise
Niles Chapel

5:15 PM

Choir 3-4-5
Music Room

5:15 PM

Drop-In Dinner
Assembly Room

7:30 PM

Adult Choir Rehearsal
Music Room



THURSDAY, MAR. 16

9:30 AM

Small Group - Walker
Music Room

10:00 AM

Al-Anon
Conference Room

12:15 PM

*Westminster
Conservatory Recital*
Niles Chapel

5:00 PM

Nassau Ringers I
Room 202

6:00 PM

Nassau Ringers II
Room 202

7:00 PM

Session
Assembly Room

7:30 PM

Small Group - Coogan
Princeton Theological
Seminary Library

7:30 PM

Small Group - Walthall
Conference Room



FRIDAY, MAR. 17

7:00 AM

*Women's Early Morning
Bible Study*
Contact Doodie Meyer
(609-275-9647)

7:30 AM

Men's Breakfast
Assembly Room



SATURDAY, MAR. 18

No scheduled events



SUNDAY, MAR. 19

9:15 AM

Adult Education
Assembly Room, etc.

9:15 AM

Worship - Youth Sunday
Sanctuary

9:30 AM

Inquirers Class
Niles Chapel

10:15 AM

*Session - Receive
New Members*
Niles Chapel

10:15 AM

Fellowship
Assembly Room

11:00 AM

Worship - Youth Sunday
Sanctuary

12:15 PM

*Adult Education -
Charles McCollough*
Assembly Room

5:00 PM

*Small Group -
Dorow/Pulimood*
Pulimood Home - Princeton

5:00 PM

Youth Fellowship Bowling
TBD

7:00 PM

*Breaking Bread
Music Rehearsal*
Niles Chapel

8:00 PM

Breaking Bread
Niles Chapel

Today at Nassau

Education for all ages

9:15 AM *Classrooms*

Worship

9:15 AM *Sanctuary*

Inquirers Class

9:30 AM *Niles Chapel*

Fellowship

10:15 AM *Assembly Room*

Immigration Committee

10:15 AM *Room 202*

Worship

11:00 AM *Sanctuary*

Senior Adult Lunch

12:00 PM *Assembly Room*

Adult Education - Jennifer Lahl

12:15 PM *Niles Chapel*

Cantorei

5:00 PM *Music Room*

Middle School Fellowship

5:00 PM *Room 304*

Small Group - Dorrow/Pulimood

5:00 PM *Pulimood Home - Princeton*

Youth Fellowship Dinner

6:00 PM *Assembly Room*

Middle School Choir

6:40 PM *Music Room*

Senior High Fellowship

6:40 PM *Room 304*

Breaking Bread Lenten Small Group

7:00 PM *Office Conference Room*

Breaking Bread Music Rehearsal

7:00 PM *Niles Chapel*

Breaking Bread

8:00 PM *Niles Chapel*

Welcome to Nassau Church

Children. Children are always welcome in our services of worship.

Childcare is available for infants and toddlers in the Nursery (Lower Level), 9:00 AM to 12:30 PM.

Church School takes place during the 9:15 AM service. Classes for age 2 and grades 6 to 12 begin at 9:15 AM. Preschoolers to grade 5 participate in the first part of the service and are then dismissed to their classes. All classes conclude at 10:30 AM.

Worship Explorers is a child-focused alternative worship setting during 11:00 AM worship for children age 4 to grade 3. Children attend the first part of the service and are then dismissed to Room 302 (Third Floor).

Order CDs of the service. Stop by the sound room.

Connect to our online community life. Visit nassauchurch.org for information and join our Facebook group for community life. Follow our Facebook page and Twitter and Instagram feeds (@nassauchurch) for news, recaps of events, and snapshots of life at Nassau.

Connect to pastors or staff. Contact the office.

Online giving. See "Give Now" on the website.

Accessibility. The church lot has reserved parking, and there are six reserved street spaces on Sundays. Ramp access to the building is from the parking lot. Ask an usher for an assistive hearing device, a large-print bulletin or hymnal, an accessible pew, or a wheelchair. Ushers can also direct you to the elevator to access other floors.

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