



Nassau Presbyterian Church

April 30, 2017 9:15 a.m.



Gathering

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

Prelude

“Offertoire sur les Grands Jeux”
Part I. From *Mass for the Parishes*.

François Couperin

*Introit

“Alleluia”

Honduran melody

Sung in Spanish; first time choir, followed by congregation

At the sign * you may stand.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya. A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Now the Lord is risen in - deed.
A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya. El Se - ñor re - su - ci - tó.

*Call to Worship

Psalm 30:4-5

Bold text is read or sung in unison.

Sing praises to the Lord, O you, God’s faithful ones.

Give thanks to God’s holy name.

For God’s anger is but for a moment, God’s favor is for a lifetime.

Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

Joy comes with the morning, people of God.

Come and let us lift our hearts in praise and worship.

*Opening Hymn

“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!”

Hymn 245

Hymn indicates the red pew hymnal Glory to God.

Prayer of Confession

**Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being,
whose face is hidden from us by our sins,
and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts:
cleanse us from all our offenses,
and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires,
that with reverent and humble hearts
we may draw near to you, confessing our faults, confiding in your grace,
and finding in you our refuge and strength,
through Jesus Christ, our Risen Lord. Amen.**

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.

*Response of Praise

“Be Not Afraid”

Sung twice

Be not a - fraid; sing out for joy! Christ is ris-en, al - le - lu - ia!

The first instance of the musical score for "Be Not Afraid" is presented in a two-staff format. The top staff is in treble clef and the bottom staff is in bass clef. The key signature has one flat (B-flat) and the time signature is 4/4. The melody in the treble clef consists of quarter and eighth notes, with some chords. The bass line provides harmonic support with chords and moving lines. The lyrics are written below the treble staff.

Be not a - fraid; sing out for joy! Christ is ris-en, al - le - lu - ia!

The second instance of the musical score for "Be Not Afraid" is identical to the first, featuring a two-staff arrangement with treble and bass clefs, a key signature of one flat, and a 4/4 time signature. The lyrics are repeated below the treble staff.

Words of Welcome



Proclaiming the Word

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

Time with Children

Children may leave for Church School classes. Teachers and ushers can assist in finding classrooms.

Prayer for Illumination

Psalm

The Lord's My Shepherd
Congregation sings refrain and verse 3

Psalter 23 F
pg 136

Psalter indicates the blue pew psalter Psalms for All Seasons.

Scripture Lesson

James 5:13–16

pg 231

Sermon

“Jesus, Our Pastor”

Lauren J. McFeaters



Thanksgiving

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

*Sermon Hymn

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

Hymn 465

*Affirmation of Faith

Ephesians 2

**We are what God has made us,
created in Christ Jesus for good works,
which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.
We are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God,
built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets,
with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone.
In him the whole structure is joined together
and grows into a holy temple in the Lord;
in whom we also are built together spiritually
into a dwelling place for God.**

Offertory

“With a Voice of Singing”

Martin Shaw

With a voice of singing declare ye this,
and let it be heard, alleluia.
Utter it even unto the ends of the earth.
The Lord hat delivered his people, alleluia.
O be joyful in God, all ye lands;
O sing praises to the honor of his name,
make his praise to be glorious.
With a voice of singing declare ye this,
and let it be heard, alleluia.

*Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
praise God all creatures here below, alleluia, alleluia,
praise God above, ye heav'nly host,
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

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

“Christ Is Alive!”

Hymn 246

*Benediction

Postlude

“Offertoire sur les Grands Jeux”
Part II. From *Mass for the Parishes*.

François Couperin

Preacher

Lauren J. McFeaters

Liturgists

David A. Davis

Joyce MacKichan Walker

Time with Children

Corrie Berg

Musicians

Adult Choir

Peter Schertz, director

Mark Loria, organist

Flowers

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Marius B. Jansen by his family.

Cover

“Cross and Sun Rays,” a linocut by Elizabeth Steele Halstead

HOLY WEEK SERIES TAPESTRIES

In the chancel hang the three tapestries of the Holy Week series by Armando Sosa, a master weaver and our Artist-in-Residence. Each is 26 by 60 inches, with a red warp, in cotton and silk.

On the left, the Palm Sunday tapestry shows the palms that provided branches for Jerusalem to greet Jesus’ arrival for the Passover festival. The three crosses foretell the tragic violence that awaits the Prince of Peace and spotless Lamb.

On the right, an olive tree and a field of roses accompany Jesus in his anguished prayer in the garden on Maundy Thursday. The olive tree bespeaks the hope and peace that will flow from this night of grief, and the roses remind us that Jesus’ sacrificial death continues the fulfillment of the promises given at the night of his birth.

The great promises reach their glorious completion on Easter Sunday, when, with the two women, we witness Jesus’ resurrection and defeat over death in the empty burial shroud. From the hollow tomb we are pressed on to the road to Galilee, which here runs through artfully-woven wheat and lilies. Here we meet the risen Jesus, who tells us, “Go and make disciples of all nations... And remember, I am with you until the end of the age” (Matt. 29:18–20).

The tapestries will hang until Pentecost Sunday.

The Week Ahead

May 1 – 7

MONDAY, MAY 1

7:00 PM
Nominating Committee
Conference Room

7:30 PM
*Children's & Family
Ministry Committee*
Assembly Room

TUESDAY, MAY 2

9:30 AM
Staff Devotions
Niles Chapel

10:30 AM
Staff Meeting
Conference Room

1:00 PM
Grace Note Singers
Kingston Presbyterian
Church

7:00 PM
*Adult Education
Committee*
Conference Room

WEDNESDAY, MAY 3

9:30 AM
Walk Talk Pray
Meet on front steps

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 Choir
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, MAY 4

10:00 AM
Al-Anon
Conference Room

5:00 PM
Nassau Ringers I
Sanctuary

6:00 PM
Nassau Ringers II
Sanctuary

7:15 PM
*Small Groups
Coordinating Committee*
Conference Room

7:30 PM
*Human Resources
Committee*
Davis Study

FRIDAY, MAY 5

7:00 AM
Women's Bible Study
Contact Doodie Meyer
(609-275-9647)

7:30 AM
Men's Breakfast
Assembly Room

SATURDAY, MAY 6

10:00 AM
*Summer Youth Trips
First Aid & CPR Training*
Room 303

11:00 AM
*Julia Rhodes Memorial
Service*
Sanctuary

7:00 PM
Nassau Arts - Voice Recital
Sanctuary

SUNDAY, MAY 7

9:15 AM
Education for all ages
Classrooms

9:15 AM
Worship - Communion
Sanctuary

10:15 AM
Fellowship
Assembly Room

10:15 AM
*Listening for God's Call
Before Pentecost:
A Time of Prayer*
Niles Chapel

11:00 AM
Worship - Communion
Sanctuary

12:00 PM
*All-Church Lunch with
ASP Presentation*
Assembly Room

12:15 PM
*Mass Incarceration
Task Force*
Niles Chapel

1:30 PM
ASP Team Meeting
Assembly Room

4:00 PM
*Youth Off-Site - Hike the
Sourlands*
Sourlands Mountain
Preserve, 421 E. Mountain
Road, Hillsborough
Township, NJ

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*

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10:15 AM *Music Room*

Communiiversity

1:00 PM *Nassau Street etc.*

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.

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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