



## Nassau Presbyterian Church

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May 28, 2017 10:00 a.m.



# Gathering

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

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Prelude

“O God, Our Faithful God”

J. S. Bach

BWV 767

\*Introit

“Be Still and Know That I Am God”

Hymn 414

At the sign \* you may stand. *Hymn* indicates the red pew hymnal *Glory to God*.

\*Call to Worship

Psalm 46:1-3, 8, 11

God is our refuge and strength,  
a very present help in trouble.

**Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change,  
though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;  
though its waters roar and foam,  
though the mountains tremble with its tumult.**

Come behold the works of the Lord.

**The Lord of hosts is with us;  
the God of Jacob is our refuge.**

Let us worship God.

\*Opening Hymn

“Our God, Our Help in Ages Past”

Hymn 687

Prayer of Confession

**Loving God,**

**We confess that we do not always bring honor and glory to your name.**

**We are rebellious and weak;  
we flee before your goodness.**

**Forgive, restore, and strengthen us  
by the grace and mercy of Christ,  
that we may rise up again in peace  
to love and serve your world. 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      “In the Lord I’ll Be Ever Thankful”      Hymn 654

## Words of Welcome



## Proclaiming the Word

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

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Time with Children      John 17:1–11

Children, age two to rising grade two, may leave for Summer Church School classes. Teachers and ushers can assist in finding classrooms.

Prayer for Illumination      “Break Thou the Bread of Life”      Hymn 460

First Scripture Lesson      Matthew 11:28–30      pg 12

Second Scripture Lesson      Psalm 46      pg 517

Sermon      “Be Still!”      David A. Davis



# Thanksgiving

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

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\*Sermon Hymn

“God, Our Help and Constant Refuge”

Psalter 46 C  
pg 287

\*Affirmation of Faith

Apostles’ Creed

**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.**

Offertory

“The Heart’s Offering”

Antony Baldwin

As I rise with the dawn, may my soul be reborn:  
take this heart all forlorn, and refresh me in the morn.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
In the warmth of the day I consider thy way.  
May thy love ever stay in my heart, O Lord I pray.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
In the still of the night, as I think the light  
in my heart burning bright, keep me precious in thy sight.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
God of each living thing, bless the gift that we bring.  
Take our hearts’ offering while in joyful praise we sing.  
Alleluia! 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.

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\*Closing Hymn

“How Can I Keep from Singing?”  
Hunger Offering

Hymn 821

\*Benediction

\*Response

“Be Still and Know That I Am God”

Hymn 414

Postlude

“Chorale Prelude on ‘St. Anne’”

Kenneth Lowenberg

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Preacher

David A. Davis

Liturgist

Joyce MacKichan Walker

Time with Children

Julie Erkel Hagee

Musicians

*Adult Choir*

Keith Kettelkamp, soloist

Noel Werner, organist

Cover

“Column with Capstone,” a  
linocut by Elizabeth Steele  
Halstead

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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).

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# The Week Ahead

May 29 – June 4

**MONDAY, MAY 29**

Office Closed - Memorial Day

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**TUESDAY, MAY 30**

9:30 AM  
*Staff Meeting*  
Conference Room

6:00 PM  
*Weaving Classes*  
*with Armando Sosa*  
Assembly Room

7:00 PM  
*June 4 Treble Choir Rehearsal*  
Music Room

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**WEDNESDAY, MAY 31**

9:30 AM  
*Walk Talk Pray*  
Meet on front steps

7:00 PM  
*Small Groups*  
*Coordinating Committee*  
Conference Room

7:00 PM  
*June 4 Treble Choir Rehearsal*  
Music Room

**THURSDAY, JUN. 1**

10:00 AM  
*Al-Anon*  
Conference Room

7:30 PM  
*Human Resources Committee*  
Davis Study

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**FRIDAY, JUN. 2**

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

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**SATURDAY, JUN. 3**

7:00 PM  
*Legacy Parents*  
Windom Home

**SUNDAY, JUN. 4**

10:00 AM  
*Worship*  
Sanctuary

11:00 AM  
*Fellowship*  
Front Plaza

11:00 AM  
*Worship at Westminster*  
*Presbyterian Church*  
Westminster Pres. Church,  
1140 Greenwood Ave., Trenton, NJ

12:00 PM  
*Adult Choir Picnic*  
Werner Home

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## Today at Nassau

Worship  
10:00 AM *Sanctuary*

Fellowship  
11:00 AM *Front Plaza*

Adult Education  
11:15 AM *Assembly Room*

## 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) during the service.

Summer Church School classes begin following “Time with Children.” Children ages three to four attend class in Room 07 (Lower Level). Children rising kindergarten to grade two may go to a story and activity time in Room 04 (Lower Level).

Visit the website for more information about our September-to-May Church School program.

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

*Connect to our online community life.* Visit [nassauchurch.org](http://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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