

Nassau Generations

Weekly News & Events at Nassau Presbyterian Church

June 11, 2017

ADULT EDUCATION

TODAY

Churches Matter! Lives Matter!

11:15 AM, Assembly Room, Rick Ufford-Chase

Focus on a central question from Rick's new book, "What does it take to create strong faith communities that have the capacity to provide solidarity to those who are most at risk in our community and around the world." Come for a conversation about what it takes to shape a relevant Christian witness in the challenging times in which we live.

Rick Ufford-Chase and his wife Kitty are the Co-Directors of Stony Point Center and co-founders of the multifaith Community of Living Traditions. Rick is the author of the book *Faithful Resistance: Gospel Visions for the Church in a Time of Empire*, and he is the Associate Director for Interfaith Formation for the Presbyterian Mission Agency.

Congregational Meeting

A meeting of the congregation of Nassau Presbyterian Church will be held Sunday, June 25, at 11:00 AM in the Sanctuary for the purpose of electing new Ruling Elders, the Audit Committee, and the Nominating Committee and approving the terms of call for the pastors.

Gospel on the Go: Stories from the Book of Acts

We've got places to go and people to meet. The Gospel is on the Go. Peter and John in Jerusalem, Peter and Cornelius in Joppa, Phillip and an Ethiopian official on the road to Gaza, Saul/Paul on the road to Damascus, Timothy, Silas, and Lydia in Macedonia. Grab a map, pack a compass and join us on the journey!

Sign-up has begun for this summer's Vacation Bible School, "Gospel on the Go: Stories from the Book of Acts," from Monday, June 26, to Thursday, June 29. Learn more and sign up at nassauchurch.org/vbs.

Contact Corrie Berg (corrie@nassauchurch.org)

Adult Helpers Come Along for the Ride in Summer Church School

Would you consider assisting in Summer Church School? We offer two classes, one for children in preschool and one for kindergarten to grade two. We need an adult assistant for each teacher — lead teacher positions are filled.

You can sign up for the weeks of your choice from May 28 to September 4. We provide a curriculum, a schedule, and support. You provide love for the children of our church and a willingness to try something new. Youth helpers are also welcome to join you in assisting. Sign up on the sheet outside the office or on the Children's Ministry page of the website

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A Story-Listening Partnership with Westminster Church

The Nassau-Westminster Partnership is about to launch a new inter-congregational project for strengthening and expanding personal relationships between our two congregations: *The Holy Moments, A Story-Listening Partnership Project*.

We will offer one another our personal stories of faith and learn to notice, name, and celebrate evidences of God's presence among us, both yesterday and today. Join us as we recognize in our united communities a vibrant and powerful partnership of sharing.

For those who want to know more or join the project, find an introduction in the literature rack outside the Church Office or contact Patti Daley.

Contact Patti Daley (pattidaley@aol.com, 609-273-3345)

Sing in the Summer Choir

Come to the Music Room and join the Summer Choir as your schedule allows through September 3. We rehearse at 9:00 AM for the morning service, learning music that is easily prepared in one rehearsal. Supported by our section leaders, singers of all abilities, middle school and older, are welcome for this "come as you are" choir. Join us and make a joyful noise unto God.

Prayer Chain

To request prayer for yourself, a loved one, or a friend through the Prayer Chain, contact Deacon Debbi Roldan (4drold2010@gmail.com). All concerns are confidential. You may also write your request in the prayer book in the Narthex. If you wish to participate in the chain, Debbi can add your email or phone number to the list.

Nassau–Westminster Partnership

It's nearly time for the annual Bethany Community Garden anniversary party. Join us on Saturday, July 8, 4PM-7PM as we celebrate the 6th anniversary of this important ministry. Bethany House of Hospitality is located at 426 Hamilton Avenue, Trenton, NJ.

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Louise Penny Book Group

Canadian mystery writer Louise Penny's plots are "full of understanding of the deeper places in human nature and many wise observations that will enrich the reader long after the pages are closed." We'll gather on Wednesday, June 14, 7:00-8:30 PM in the Conference Room to discuss the sixth of her twelve-book Inspector Gamache series, *Bury Your Dead*, and look for those deeper places. Come if you've read the book, if you've started the book, if you're interested in the book.

Contact Joyce MacKichan Walker (joyce@nassauchurch.org)

Needed: Bed Sheets for Lumber

Our Appalachia Service Project crew is asking for old bed sheets to help protect the inside of rental vans as they transport construction materials and dust-covered volunteers to and from worksites from July 9 to 13. Double or queen sizes preferred. All donations graciously accepted. Bring your donations by Sunday, July 2, to the church office on Sunday mornings or during regular business hours during the week.

Contact Lauren Yeh (x106, lauren.yeh@nassauchurch.org)

Church Mouse Program

Please consider volunteering this year to be one who writes anonymously to a recent high school graduate during their next four years. This requires very little actual time, but regularity and enthusiasm are musts. We supply mouse-themed stationery, stickers and return address labels-you supply encouragement, warmth, occasional treats and a sense of home for the student. Near the end of the commitment, a revealing holiday party is held where students meet their mice, and also meet again with their church school cohort!

Contact Kristina Hill (kristina.h.hill@gmail.com)

Refugee Family Update

Just four days after the Alhaw's one year anniversary of their arrival in Princeton, the family has moved to Dallas, Texas, in order to be closer to their extended family, including Osama's sister.

We were blessed to have them in our midst for the past year and we have learned much from them. In turn, the support for the family from the church, the seminary, the mosque and the wider community has represented the most intensive and sustained refugee resettlement effort ever mounted in our sixty years of refugee sponsorships. For many of us, welcoming the stranger has never been so clearly and personally realized.

The good-byes have been bittersweet but, in the end, also very hopeful. When we last visited the family on Friday evening, it was especially hectic as the kids were chasing the cat around the house... the cat who now needs a new home (see more below).

Thanks again to everyone for everything... and thanks be to God.

Tom Charles and the Refugee Resettlement Group

Polo the Cat Seeks a Home

Polo, a handsome, healthy, very friendly cat, about six years old, needs a new home. Until two weeks ago, he belonged to the Alhaws, the Syrian refugee family sponsored by Nassau. When they moved to Texas, they couldn't take him, so we took him in as a foster. We need to find Polo a permanent home in the next two weeks.

Polo is charming and affectionate and was adored by the four Alhaw children. He's bilingual, speaking both English and Arabic. He is excellent company. He was an indoor cat for years, but enjoys being outside as well. He's happiest as the only cat in the household. If you are interested, or know someone who might be, please get in touch with us.

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