

Nassau Generations

Weekly News & Events at Nassau Presbyterian Church

July 30, 2017

ADULT EDUCATION

TODAY

The Presidency Matters

11:15 AM, Assembly Room, Mark Herr

Come for a post mortem of the 2016 election and a reading of the first six months of life under the Presidency of Donald J. Trump.

NEXT WEEK

Justice for Our Children Matters

11:15 AM, Assembly Room, Shannon Daley-Harris

What is God's word to us in the tension between the vision of the world God intends and the reality of the one we know? How can we draw on Scripture, story, and statistic to put our faith into action? What lessons can we take from biblical times, historic justice movements, and our own day to fuel our work for justice? Come for a time of learning, sharing, and taking action.

Mysterious Summer Reading

Looking for summer reading? Try mystery writer Louise Penny and her compassionate detective Armand Gamache, and then join Louise Penny fans in discussing repentance, forgiveness, and hope in *A Trick of the Light*. Save the date for Wednesday, September 13, 7:00–8:30 PM. Joyce MacKichan Walker, fan number one, will lead this exploration.

Summer Bell Choir

The Summer Bell Choir will present special music on Sunday, August 20. All are welcome to join for rehearsal at 9:00 AM and then ring in the morning service at 10:00 AM. Music selections will be accessible for both experienced and novice handbell ringers, so *all* are welcome and encouraged to join! Bell choir director Robert Lamb will assist new ringers throughout the rehearsal process. For more information contact Robert.

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School Supplies for Westminster Children

Like Christmas, a new school year brings excitement and lots of new goodies. The supplies add up. In 2016 the average family spent \$179 per student, just too much for many families in our area. We are joining with Westminster Presbyterian Church, our partner church in Trenton, to provide 200 backpacks filled with essentials for local kids.

Help us fill backpacks by choosing an item or two to donate from our Back-to-School display on the Great Wall. Or contribute an amount to the Back-to-School Fund and we'll do the shopping:

- *Writer's Workshop*, \$10 (provides a 3-ring binder, loose leaf paper, composition books)
- *Pencil Case*, \$20 (pencil pouch, pens, pencils, highlighters, erasers, crayons, pencil sharpener)
- *Homework Pack*, \$30 (academic year planner, 1-subject notebook, index cards, glue sticks, portfolios, ruler)
- *Fully-Loaded Backpack*, \$80 (all above in a backpack)

Supply and monetary donations can be dropped off in the church office through Sunday, September 3. Make checks out to Nassau Presbyterian Church, noting "Back-to-School" in the memo line.

Loaves and Fishes Sign-up Continues

How will you participate in our congregational day of service at Loaves and Fishes on Saturday, August 19? Visit the Loaves and Fishes table on the Front Plaza after worship, or learn more and sign up on the website at nassauchurch.com/loaves-fishes-2017.

Donating meatloaves and cookies? Marked spaces are available now in the refrigerator and freezer in the church kitchen. Let's fill them up!

Youth Trips Head to Spain, Tennessee, Maryland

Our third youth trip returns this week. Through August 6 our group of youth and adults is walking the Camino de Santiago in Spain. Youth rising to grades 9 and above returned recently from Johnson County, Tennessee, following their week with the Appalachian Service Project. Before that youth rising to grades 7 to 9 went to NorthBay Adventure Camp in North Bay, Maryland.

Stay tuned for updates. We appreciate your prayers for our travelers.

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 (4droid2010@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.

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Route 206 Closed by Stony Brook

Route 206 is now closed between Lovers Lane and Carter Road through summer and fall for the replacement of the two bridges over the Stony Brook. Separate detours are in place for northbound and southbound car traffic. There are also several temporary changes to NJ Transit Bus Route 606. Visit the municipal website princetonnj.gov for more information and updates.

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 through 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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Welcome, Michael Ryan, Student Organist

It is with pleasure that we welcome Michael Ryan this September to the position of Student Organist for the 2017–2018 academic year. A native of East Greenwich, Rhode Island, Michael began his musical career at age nine as a chorister and piano and organ student at St. Luke’s Episcopal Church in East Greenwich. He has distinguished himself at summer music institutes and performing and composition competitions. He is a senior at Westminster Choir College, pursuing a double major in Organ Performance and Sacred Music. Michael states, “I am very excited to begin my work as student organist of Nassau Presbyterian, and am looking forward to meeting all of you!”