



## Nassau Presbyterian Church

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August 13, 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 “Ballade for Baritone Horn and Piano” Jan Krzywicki

\*Introit “Spirit of the Living God” Hymn 288

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

\*Call to Worship Psalm 105:1–5

Bold text is read or sung in unison.

O give thanks to the Lord, call on God’s name,  
make known God’s deeds to all people!

**Sing to God; sing praises to the Lord; dwell on God’s wonderful works!**

Glory in God’s holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

**Pursue the Lord and God’s strength; always seek God’s presence!**

**Remember the wonderful works the Lord has done,**

**all God’s marvelous works, and the justice God declared.**

\*Opening Hymn “O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing” Hymn 610

Prayer of Confession

**Merciful God,**

**in your gracious presence we confess our sin and the sin of this world.**

**Although Christ is among us as our peace,  
we are a people paralyzed by fear of failure.**

**We cling to those who are like-minded and demonize the other.**

**The cynicism and jealousy we harbor set neighbor against neighbor  
and nation against nation.**

**Lord, have mercy upon us; heal and forgive us.**

**Set us free to serve your world with energy, imagination, intelligence, and love  
through your Spirit of freedom and grace. 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

Children, age two to rising grade two, may leave for Summer Church School classes.

### Prayer for Illumination

**Gracious God, guide us by your Word and Spirit,  
that in your truth we may find freedom,  
and in your will discover your peace;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

First Scripture Lesson      Exodus 16:22–35      pg 63

Anthem      “God Is Our Refuge”      W. A. Mozart  
Psalm 46:1

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

Second Scripture Lesson      Matthew 14:22–33      pg 16

Sermon      “Do Not Be Afraid”      Len Scales



# Thanksgiving

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

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\*Sermon Hymn      “Give Thanks to God Who Hears Our Cries”      Psalter 107 A

*Psalter indicates the blue pew psalter Psalms for All Seasons.*

\*Affirmation of Faith      from A Brief Statement of Faith

**In a broken and fearful world  
the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing,  
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,  
to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,  
to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,  
and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.  
In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,  
we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks  
and to live holy and joyful lives,  
even as we watch for God’s new heaven and new earth,  
praying, “Come, Lord Jesus!”  
With believers in every time and place,  
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death  
can separate us from the love of God  
in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

Offertory      “Joy in the Morning”      Douglas Wagner  
Psalm 30, adapt.

Sing to the Lord, and give him thanks; joy in the morning shall be mine,  
for he raised me up, and gave me strength; joy in the morning shall be mine.  
O Lord, when I was troubled, you answered loud my call;  
you turned my mourning into dancing. My joy now has no end.

\*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

Lord's Prayer common text, hymnal pg 11; traditional, pg 35; Spanish, pg 40; Korean, pg 48



## **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

“Eternal Father, Strong to Save”

Hymn 8

\*Benediction

\*Response

“God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me”  
Verses 1 and 5

Hymn 543

Postlude

“Deo Gracias”  
Thanks Be to God

Healey Willan

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Preacher

Len Scales

Liturgist

Joyce MacKichan Walker

Time with Children

Nancy Lammers Gross

Cover

“Trifoil and Triquetra,” a linocut  
by Elizabeth Steele Halstead

Musicians

*Summer Choir*

Noel Werner, director and  
organist

Sallie Lloyd, handbells

Peter Schertz, handbells

Lynn Ann Cornell, handbells

Lolly O’Brien, handbells

John Coogan, baritone horn

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# The Week Ahead

August 14 – 20

**MONDAY, AUG. 14**

No scheduled events

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**TUESDAY, AUG. 15**

No scheduled events

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**WEDNESDAY, AUG. 16**

No scheduled events

**THURSDAY, AUG. 17**

10:00 AM

*Al-Anon*

Conference Room

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**FRIDAY, AUG. 18**

7:00 AM

*Women's Early Morning*

*Bible Study*

Contact Doodie Meyer  
(609-275-9647)

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**SATURDAY, AUG. 19**

8:30 AM

*Loaves & Fishes*

St. Mary's Cathedral, Trenton

**SUNDAY, AUG. 20**

9:00 AM

*Summer Bell Choir*  
Sanctuary

9:00 AM

*Summer Choir*  
Music Room

10:00 AM

*Worship*  
Sanctuary

11:00 AM

*Fellowship*  
Front Plaza

11:15 AM

*Adult Education*  
Assembly Room

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## Today at Nassau

Summer Choir  
9:00 AM *Music Room*

Worship  
10:00 AM *Sanctuary*

Fellowship  
11:00 AM *Front Plaza*

Adult Education  
11:15 AM *Assembly Room*

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## *Tending the Flock*

Death—Katherine Eudora Parker, stepmother of John Parker, on August 4 in Chicago, Illinois.

## 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 or give via the Church Life app.

*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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