



Nassau Presbyterian Church

September 17, 2017 9:15 and 11:00 a.m.



Gathering

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

Prelude

“Dearest Jesus, We Are Here”

J. S. Bach

BWV 731

*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

Ephesians 3:19-20

Bold text is read or sung in unison.

I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints,
what is the breadth and length and height and depth,
and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge,
so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

**Now to the One who by the power at work within us
is able to accomplish abundantly
far more than all we can ask or imagine,
to God be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations,
forever and ever. Amen.**

Come, let us worship God!

*Opening Hymn

“Rejoice, the Lord Is King!”

Hymn 363

Prayer of Confession

**O holy and righteous God,
we confess that we have not lived as your obedient children.
We have honored you with our words but not always with our actions.
We have not pursued the mind of Christ
who took the form of a servant,
for we have acted with selfish ambition,
often putting our own interests above the interests of others
and not regarding others in humility.
Forgive us our arrogance, awaken our hearts to repentance,
and enable us to will and to work for your good pleasure,
through Jesus Christ, our 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 “Goodness Is Stronger Than Evil” Hymn 750

Words of Welcome



Proclaiming the Word

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

Time with Children

9:15 Children may leave for Church School classes. Teachers and ushers can assist in finding classrooms. 11:00 Children age four to grade three may leave for Worship Explorers in Room 302.

Prayer for Illumination

**God of all wisdom,
give us your Word and send us your Spirit
so that we may know Christ.
In his name we pray. Amen.**

First Scripture Lesson Psalm 27 pg 503

Anthem “In Nomine Jesu” Jacob Gallus, music
Philippians 2:10-11

In nomine Jesu
omne genu flectatur,
coelestium, terrestrium,
et infernorum,
et omnis lingua confiteatur,
quia Dominus noster Jesus Christus,
in gloria est Dei Patris.

*At the name of Jesus
every knee will bend,
in heaven, on earth,
and under the earth,
and every tongue confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.*

Sermon

“So Then”

David A. Davis



Thanksgiving

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

*Sermon Hymn

“When We Are Living”

Hymn 822

Choir sings first in Spanish

Congregations sings verses 1 through 4 in English

*Affirmation of Faith

from A Brief Statement of Faith

In life and in death we belong to God.

**Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit,
we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel,
whom alone we worship and serve.**

We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father.

**In sovereign love God created the world good
and makes everyone equally in God’s image
male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community.**

But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator.

Ignoring God’s commandments,

**we violate the image of God in others and ourselves,
accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature,
and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care.**

We deserve God’s condemnation.

Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation.

In everlasting love,

**the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people
to bless all families of the earth.**

Hearing their cry,

God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage.

Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant.

Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child,

like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home,

God is faithful still.



*Closing Hymn

“Alleluia! Laud and Blessing”

Hymn 755

*Benediction

*Response

“Siyahamba”

Hymn 853

**Siyahamb’ ekukhanyen’ kwenkhos.
We are marching in the light of God.**

Postlude

“Fugue A minor”

J. S. Bach

BWV 543

Preacher

David A. Davis

Liturgists

Lauren J. McFeaters

Andrew Scales

Time with Children

Corrie Berg

Musicians

Adult Choir

Noel Werner, director

Kim Kleasen, flutist

Michael Ryan, student organist

Cover

“Alpha and Omega,” a linocut by

Elizabeth Steele Halstead

Tending the Flock

Death—Helen Lapsley, step-mother
of Jacq and grandmother of Sam
& Emma Bezilla, on Septemer 9 in
Hightstown, NJ

The Week Ahead

September 18 – 24

Monday, Sep. 18

No scheduled events

Tuesday, Sep. 19

9:30 AM *Staff Devotions*
Niles Chapel

10:30 AM *Staff Meeting*
Conference Room

1:00 PM *Grace Note Singers*
Kingston Presbyterian
Church

Wednesday, Sep. 20

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 345*
Music Room

5:15 PM *Drop-In Dinner*
Assembly Room

7:30 PM *Adult Choir*
Music Room

Thursday, Sep. 21

9:00 AM *Walk Talk Pray*
Meet on front steps

10:00 AM *Al-Anon*
Conference Room

12:15 PM *Westminster
Conservatory Recital*
Niles Chapel

5:00 PM *Nassau Ringers I*
Room 202

6:00 PM *Nassau Ringers II*
Room 202

7:00 PM *Session*
Music Room

Friday, Sep. 22

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

7:30 AM *Men's Breakfast*
Assembly Room

Saturday, Sep. 23

No scheduled events

Sunday, Sep. 24

9:15 AM *Education for All Ages*
Assembly Room & classrooms

9:15 AM *First Corinthians Class
with George Hunsinger*
Maclean House

9:15 AM *Worship*
Sanctuary

10:15 AM *Fellowship*
Assembly Room

11:00 AM *Worship*
Sanctuary

11:15 AM *Worship Explorers*
Room 302

12:15 PM *Deacon Retreat*
Assembly Room

5:00 PM *Cantorei*
Music Room

5:00 PM *Middle School Fellowship*
Room 304

6:00 PM *Youth Fellowship Dinner*
Assembly Room

6:40 PM *Middle School Choir*
Music Room

6:40 PM *Senior High Fellowship*
Room 301

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 *Assembly Room & Classrooms*

Worship
9:15 AM *Sanctuary*

Fellowship
10:15 AM *Assembly Room*

Worship
11:00 AM *Sanctuary*

Worship Explorers
11:15 AM *Room 302*

Annual Meeting of the Congregation
12:00 PM *Assembly Room*

Nassau Book Group
1:00 PM *Conference Room*

New School for Music Study Recital
2:30 PM *Sanctuary*

Cantorei
5:00 PM *Music Room*

Middle School Fellowship
5:00 PM *Room 304*

Youth Fellowship Dinner
6:00 PM *Assembly Room*

Middle School Choir
6:40 PM *Music Room*

Senior High Fellowship
6:40 PM *Room 301*

Breaking Bread Bash
7:00 PM *Parking Lot*

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.

Worship Explorers is a child-focused alternative worship setting during 11:00 AM worship for children age 4 to grade 3. Children attend the first part of the service and are then dismissed to Room 302 (Third Floor).

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 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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