



Nassau Presbyterian Church

October 22, 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

“Berceuse”

Louis Vierne

Dance Introit

“Come, All You Servants”

OLD HUNDREDTH

arr. Eelco Vos

Psalm 134, para. Arlo Duba

Come, all you servants of the Lord, who work and pray by night, by day.
Come, bless the Lord within this place; with lifted hands your homage pay.
The Lord now bless from heaven above and shine on you with radiant face;
the Lord who heaven and earth has made illumine you with peace and grace.

*Call to Worship

Matthew 19:13-15

At the sign * you may stand.

*Opening Hymn

“Fairest Lord Jesus”

Hymn 630

Hymn indicates the red pew hymnal *Glory to God*.

Prayer of Confession

Bold text is read or sung in unison.

**God, we confess our world does not fully reflect your love and justice.
We know you do not want any of your beloved children to suffer
hunger or poverty.
Yet there is much that keeps us from creating the change you desire.
We think about child poverty and want to place blame or feel shame.
We are overwhelmed and discouraged.
We feel helpless and hopeless.
We seek distractions or distance ourselves from “other people’s” problems.
Yet we know we are all your people.
Forgive us, O God.
Help us to turn in a new direction.
Show us how to move forward, working with faith, love, and hope
to end poverty and pursue justice to create the world you intend.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, hope of the 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

Peruvian melody

¡Gloria a Dios, gloria a Dios, gloria en los cielos!
¡Gloria a Dios, gloria a Dios, gloria en los cielos!
¡A Dios la gloria por siempre!
¡A Dios la gloria por siempre!
¡Aleluya, A-mén!
¡Aleluya, A-mén!

Glory to God in the highest! To God be glory forever!

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 pre-kindergarten or age four to grade three may leave for Worship Explorers in Room 302.

Prayer for Illumination

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| First Scripture Lesson | Psalms 40 | pg 513 |
| Second Scripture Lesson | I Thessalonians 1 | pg 203 |
| Sermon | “The Work of Faith” | David A. Davis |



Thanksgiving

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

*Sermon Hymn

“Come, Great God of All the Ages”

Hymn 309

*Affirmation of Faith

Confession of 1967 (9.53-9.56)

**God’s redeeming work in Jesus Christ
embraces the whole of human life:
social and cultural, economic and political,
scientific and technological, individual and corporate.
It includes the natural environment as exploited and despoiled by sin.
It is the will of God
that the divine purpose for human life shall be fulfilled under the rule of Christ
and all evil be banished from creation.**

**Biblical visions and images of the rule of Christ,
such as a heavenly city, the household of God,
a new heaven and earth, a marriage feast, and an unending day
culminate in the image of the kingdom.
The kingdom represents God’s triumph
over all that resists the divine will and disrupts God’s creation.
Already God’s reign is present as a ferment in the world,
stirring hope in all people
and preparing the world to receive its ultimate judgment and redemption.**

**With an urgency born of this hope,
the church applies itself to present tasks and strives for a better world.
It does not identify limited progress with the kingdom of God on earth,
nor does it despair in the face of disappointment and defeat.
In steadfast hope, the church looks beyond all partial achievement
to the final triumph of God.**

**“Now to him who by the power within us
is able to do far more abundantly than all we ask or think,
to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus
to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.”**

Offertory

“O Lord, How Can We Know Thee”

Ron Nelson

O Lord, how can we know Thee?
Where can we find Thee?
Thou art as close to us as breathing
and yet art farther than the farthestmost star.
Lord, how can we know Thee?
Where can we find Thee?
Thou art as mysterious as the vast solitudes of the night
and yet art as familiar to us as the light of the sun.
O Lord, how can we know Thee?
Where can we find Thee?
When justice burns like a flaming fire,
when love evokes willing sacrifice,
do we not bow down to Thee?
Thou livest within our hearts
as Thou dost pervade the world,
and we through thy presence behold.

*Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
praise God all creatures here below,
praise God above, ye heav'nly host,
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Ordination and Installation of Deacons 11:00

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 | “God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending” Hunger Offering | Hymn 716 |
| *Benediction | | |
| *Response | “Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises” Congregation sings refrain Choir sings verse 2 | Hymn 538 |
| Postlude | “Prelude, Fugue and Chaconne in C” | Dietrich Buxtehude |

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| Preacher David A. Davis | Dancer Meagan Woods, Artist-in-Residence |
| Liturgists Mark Edwards Lauren J. McFeaters (11:00) | Flowers The flowers in the Sanctuary and Narthex are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Vergene Wieman and Susan Thompson by the Thursday Morning Bible Study Group. |
| Time with Children Corrie Berg | |
| Musicians Adult Choir Noel Werner, director Elem Eley, soloist George Somerville, soloist Michael Ryan, student organist | Cover “Kyrie eleison (Lord, have mercy),” a linocut by Elizabeth Steele Halstead |

The Week Ahead

October 23 – 29

Monday, Oct. 23

1:00 PM *Nassau Stitchers*
Conference Room

7:30 PM *NPC Sermon Archive*
Small Group
PTS Library

Tuesday, Oct. 24

9:30 AM *Staff Devotions*
Niles Chapel

10:30 AM *Staff Meeting*
Conference Room

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

7:30 PM *Discipleship Small Group*
Edwards Home, Kingston

7:30 PM *Mission & Outreach*
Committee
Music Room

Wednesday, Oct. 25

6:30 AM *Listening Ahead of Time*
Small Group
Conference Room

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 *Choir Family Co-op*
Dinner
Assembly Room

7:30 PM *Adult Choir*
Music Room

7:30 PM *Just Mercy Small Group*
PTS Library

Thursday, Oct. 26

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

10:00 AM *Al-Anon*
Conference Room

11:30 AM *Membership Committee*
Room 301

12:00 PM *Waking Up White*
Small Group
Conference Room

5:00 PM *Nassau Ringers I*
Room 202

6:00 PM *Nassau Ringers II*
Room 202

7:30 PM *Photographing the Psalms*
Small Group
Conference Room

Friday, Oct. 27

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

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

Saturday, Oct. 28

No scheduled events

Sunday, Oct. 29

8:00 AM *Teacher Appreciation*
Breakfast
Conference Room

9:15 AM *Education for all ages*
Assembly Room & classrooms

9:15 AM *First Corinthians Class*
Maclean House

9:15 AM *Worship - Bibles to 2nd*
Graders
Sanctuary

9:30 AM *Your Child's New Bible*
Room 302

10:15 AM *Fellowship*
Assembly Room

11:00 AM *Worship - New Members*
Received
Sanctuary

11:15 AM *Worship Explorers*
Room 302

12:15 PM *Adult Ed - Barbara*
Edwards - VIP
Assembly Room

12:15 PM *Nassau Book Group*
Room 202

12:15 PM *Auditions for Christmas*
Pageant
Sanctuary

4:00 PM *Fresh Air Small Group*
Pulimood Home - Princeton

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*

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

Worship
9:15 AM *Sanctuary*

Inquirers Class
9:30 AM *Niles Chapel*

Session - New Members Received
10:15 AM *Niles Chapel*

Fellowship
10:15 AM *Assembly Room*

Worship - Deacon Ordination & Installation
11:00 AM *Sanctuary*

Worship Explorers
11:15 AM *Room 302*

Fresh Air Small Group
4:00 PM *Pulimood Home - Princeton*

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 Music Rehearsal
7:00 PM *Niles Chapel*

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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