

Nassau Generations

Weekly News & Events at Nassau Presbyterian Church

December 17, 2017

ADULT EDUCATION

TODAY

Christmas Theology for the Eye

9:15 AM, Assembly Room, Karlfried Froehlich

Memorial Poinsettias

Poinsettia orders are due today.

You are invited to give a poinsettia in memory or in honor of a loved one. A full listing of poinsettias will be printed in the 10:00 AM worship bulletin on December 24 and deacons will deliver the plants to those in need.

The suggested donation is \$20. Make checks payable to Nassau Presbyterian Church. For your convenience, order cards are available in the main office.

Contact

Taylor Austin (taustin@nassauchurch.org, x125)

Gifts with a Mission

Today is the final Sunday to pick up an Alternative Gift card.

Alternative Gifts are gifts with a mission. The Mission Committee offers Alternative Gifts as a way to share and support the work of our partners in mission.

Honor a friend by making a donation on his or her behalf to the group of your choice. You will receive a greeting card that explains the work your gift supports. Stop by the Alternative Gifts table today during Fellowship.

Decorate the Health for Haiti Christmas Tree

Through Sunday, December 31, help decorate our Christmas tree in the Assembly Room with items for Friends for Health in Haiti. Each day in rural northeast Haiti a clinic staff of 7 consults with 100 patients.

Items needed for the clinic include the following: *muscle rub, antibiotic cream, gauze, tape, Band-Aids, ACE bandages, thermometers, wooden tongue depressors, non-latex gloves, hand lotion, small cakes of soap, packaged toothbrushes, small children's toys (matchbox cars, jump ropes, etc.), barrettes, and hair ribbons.*

Place donations on or under the Christmas tree. These will be sent with the 2018 Presbytery Mission trip to Haiti.

Contact

Lauren McFeaters (lauren@nassauchurch.org, x102)

Advent and Christmastide Worship Services

Join us as we celebrate the coming of our Lord on Christmas Eve and through Christmastide.

Advent IV Morning Worship, Dec. 24 10:00 AM

Christmas Eve Family Worship 3:00 PM

Christmas Eve Communion 7:00 PM

Christmas Eve Lessons and Carols 10:00 PM

Sunday Worship, Dec. 31 10:00 AM

Sunday Worship, Jan. 7 9:15, 11:00 AM

- On the mornings of December 24 and 31, there is no Adult Education or Church School. The nursery is provided for children through age two in Room 09 and there is a Bible story and craft time in Room 07 for children age three to grade one. Bus service is available to the Windrows and Stonebridge.

- During the Christmas Eve services at 3:00 and 7:00 PM the nursery is provided for children through age three in Room 09.

Christmas Pageant and Tea

Our Christmas Pageant is today at 4:00 PM. All are invited to come and enjoy this beloved tradition and then to stay for refreshments and fellowship at Christmas Tea at 5:00 PM.

Advent and Christmas Hymn Sing in Breaking Bread

Princeton Presbyterians' last Breaking Bread Worship of 2017 is tonight at 8:00 PM in Niles Chapel. We will conclude the year with a Advent and Christmas Hymn Sing and the final week of the series "Micah: Hearing God's Promises." Breaking Bread will resume on January 21. Undergraduate students and graduate students are especially invited and people of all ages and life-stages are welcome to join. Come as you are to worship.

Alumni Choir Sings on Christmas Eve

A note from Ingrid Ladendorf, Associate Director of Choirs for Children & Youth.

Alumni of our youth choirs, please come and sing in the Alumni Choir on Christmas Eve next Sunday, December 24, at the 7:00 PM service! We will rehearse this Saturday, December 23, from 7:00–9:00 PM, with appetizers and refreshments at 6:00 PM so we have a chance to visit before we sing. We are really looking forward to welcoming you and sharing this special service. Questions? Contact Ingrid.

Contact Ingrid Ladendorf (ingrid@nassauchurch.org)

Youth Fellowship

Sunday night youth fellowship resumes in January, but in the meantime we are rock climbing, all youth invited, on Thursday, December 28, 1:00–3:30 PM in Hamilton. See the *Upper Room* email for details or contact Mark (mark@nassauchurch.org).

Music at Nassau

Membership in our musical groups is always open. Check the website for information about rehearsal times and worship service responsibilities. To learn more, contact Lauren Yeh (x106, lyeh@nassauchurch.org).

Prayer Chain

To request prayer for yourself, a loved one, or a friend through the Prayer Chain, contact Deacon Debbi Roldan (4drold2010@gmail.com). You may also write your request on a pew prayer card or 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

Westminster's 12th Annual Three Kings Day Service is Sunday, January 7, at 11:00 AM. Culminate the holiday season by honoring all the traditions celebrated within our diverse community, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, Christmas, and el Día de los Reyes, through song and spoken word. Witness the joy of seeing all the children receive a gift of their own choice!

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Play in the Christmas Bell Peal

Be a part of the annual Christmas bell peal at the 7:00 PM Christmas Eve Service. All players must attend the rehearsal on December 23 at 6:30 PM. Contact Lauren Yeh to sign up. If you have never played handbells before or if you want a refresher, contact Noel Werner to schedule some practice time.

Contact Lauren Yeh (x106, lauren.yeh@nassauchurch.org) and Noel Werner (x104, nwerner@nassauchurch.org)

Christmas Joy Offering

This month's Hunger Offering will be Sunday, December 31.

Next Sunday, December 24, we will collect the PC(USA) denominational Christmas Joy Offering. Money raised provides assistance to current and retired church workers in times of need and also goes toward developing future leaders at Presbyterian-related racial-ethnic schools and colleges. Find out more on the church website.

Calendars for Prisoners

ABC Prison Ministry and the Mass Incarceration Committee are collecting 2018 calendars (without metal bindings) to send to the inmates at East Jersey State Prison. This is a way we are able to let them know they have not been forgotten. Please leave them in the ABC Prison Literacy mailbox in the church office.

Contact Marcia Van Dyck (mvandyck1@gmail.com)

2018 Pledges

If you have not yet pledged your commitment to Nassau Church for 2018, please consider joining us in supporting our daily ministry and mission. Pledge forms can be found in the literature rack outside the church office or online at nassauchurch.org. You may also pledge through *My Nassau*. On *My Nassau* you may also check the status of your pledge payments for 2017.

Penny Book Group on *The Long Way Home*

Mystery writer Louise Penny and her compassionate detective Armand Gamache return in *The Long Way Home*, the subject of our next book group discussion on Wednesday, January 10, from 7:00–8:30 PM in the Conference Room. Notice wise words for living and explore jealousy, bravery, and courage.

Joyce MacKichan Walker, number one fan, will lead us. Even if you've never read Louise Penny, you can jump in with this book.

Contemplative Living Discussion Group Meets in 2018

Save the dates for six evenings of discussion on contemplative living using *The Cup of Our Life* by Joyce Rupp. Led by Jonathan Shenk and Marcia Van Dyck, we will meet on Tuesday evenings, 7:00–8:30 PM, January 23 to February 27, 2018, at the Van Dyck home in Princeton. Spaces are limited. Registration will begin January 2.

Year-End Giving

As we approach the end of the year, some may have the desire and means to provide additional financial support to our church with an extra or one-time gift. Such gifts are always appreciated.

For a contribution to be posted to 2017:

- deliver to the church no later than 4:30 PM on December 22 (the church office will be closed between Christmas and New Year's Day);
- place in the offering on any Sunday through December 31;
- postmark no later than December 31;
- or give online until 11:59 PM on December 31.

To make a gift of securities, please contact Linda Gilmore or check the church website for routing instructions.

Contact Linda Gilmore (x134, linda@nassauchurch.org)