

Nassau Generations

Weekly News & Events at Nassau Presbyterian Church

January 14, 2017

ADULT EDUCATION

TODAY

The Worst Bible Stories: Matthew 2:16–18

9:15 AM, Niles Chapel, Shane Berg

Myanmar/Burma: The Lady, the General, and the Rohingya

12:15 PM, Assembly Room, Lex Rieffel

What happened to democratic reform in Myanmar? In light of what the United Nations has called ethnic cleansing of the Rohingya, many are asking what kind of democracy perpetuates violence against its own people. Why does Aung San Suu Kyi seem unwilling, or unable, to oppose this military campaign? Should the world community abandon her government or is there a constructive role we can play?

NEXT WEEK

The Worst Bible Stories: Psalm 137

9:15 AM, Assembly Room, Nancy Lammers Gross

Perhaps the most avoided verse in the entire Psalter: “Happy shall they be who take your little ones and dash them against the rock!” (vs. 9) What’s the story here? And what is it doing in our Bible? *Part of the all-ages series (middle school and up).*

Lenten Small Groups Sign-Up Begins

Lenten small groups sign-up begins today at the Mission Fair, and online sign-up begins Tuesday. We are reading *Amazing Grace: A Vocabulary of Faith* by Kathleen Norris, available for \$15, and examining key words of the Christian church that have puzzled, intrigued, and inspired seekers and followers for centuries. Praised by *The New York Times* as “an engaging meditation on the language of faith,” this distinguished book will help us explore God’s grace in our lives.

Skilled congregation and staff leaders will guide us as we meet others, find deeper community, and expand your relationship with God. Weekday evening, daytime, and Sunday groups are available. Sign up now to get your choice of day and time.

The Age of Innocence

Join the Nassau Book Group on Sunday, January 21, at 12:15 PM in Room 202, as we read Edith Wharton’s *The Age of Innocence*. Bring your lunch—coffee and tea provided.

Contact Ginger August (gingeraugust@gmail.com)

Mission Weekend

This is Mission Weekend, when we remind ourselves of our Christian commitment to human flourishing in all places. Join us for mission opportunities today and tomorrow.

Sunday Morning Mission Fair, Jan. 14

Today at 10:15 AM in the Assembly Room, the Membership Committee is hosting a Mission Fair in celebration of the ministries, missions, and partnerships of Nassau Church. Discover our myriad outreach programs and become involved. Join us and enjoy this step in your journey of faith.

Morning of Mission, Jan. 15

Monday, January 15, is Morning of Mission. Come and join an effort below as we equip and serve local organizations. All hands are needed and welcome.

Hands-on Projects

From 10:30 AM to 12:00 PM at the church we will be making pet blankets for orphaned animals, putting together sack lunches for the Trenton Area Soup Kitchen, assembling Creativity Kits for HomeFront, collecting personal care products for Arm in Arm clients and making calendars for ABC Literacy. See the box below for donation items needed.

Community Clean-up

Join with our partners at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Trenton in cleaning up parks and removing sidewalk debris from area around the Bethany House of Hospitality. We will leave from the church at 8:00 AM and return by 2:00 PM.

Youth Mission

Youth, join the Fellowship Crew and help out at Habitat for Humanity’s ReStore, 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Don your work clothes and spend the day with reclaimed building materials, donated supplies, and vintage finds. Lunch provided.

Creativity Kits for HomeFront

- ▶ pkgs. of crayons (24–48 ct.), colored pencils (24–28 ct.), and markers (10–12 ct.)
- ▶ coloring books, coloring pads, and sketch pads
- ▶ individual packages of stickers

Personal Care Products for Arm in Arm

- ▶ toothbrushes and toothpaste
- ▶ shampoo and conditioner
- ▶ razors and shaving cream
- ▶ soaps and lotion
- ▶ feminine products

Youth Fellowship

Sunday night fellowship resumes January 21. In the meantime, we hope to see you in the all-ages church school classes on Sunday mornings and at one of the Morning of Mission opportunities on Monday, January 15.

Senior Adult Lunch

Senior adults, you are invited to lunch next Sunday, January 21, at 12:15 PM in the Assembly Room, \$8.00 per person. Come and enjoy fellowship and conversation. RSVP with number attending to the church office.

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

Volunteers are needed for the English School at Westminster Church, Wednesdays from 7:00 to 8:00 PM. For more information contact Bill Stoltzfus (w.a.stoltzfus@gmail.com).

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Explore Contemplative Living

Explore contemplative living in group discussions on Tuesday evenings, 7:00–8:30 PM, January 23 – February 27, at the home of Marcia Van Dyck in Princeton. *The Cup of Our Life* by Joyce Rupp will be our guide. Register on *My Nassau*. Limited to 10 participants. The book is available in the church office for \$15.

Contact Jonathan Shenk (jshenk@greenleafpainters.com)

Princeton–Parramos Partnership

Join us on Sunday, January 28, at 12:15 PM, in the Assembly Room for a “Guatemalan Bistro,” with Guatemalan pastries, gourmet pizza, drinks, and entertainment by Marimba Cubulense. Tickets go on sale today \$20 person/\$50 family. Funds support New Dawn school’s daily breakfast.

Also exciting is the final Guatemalan service trip, July 13 through 22, 2018. And, of course, we’re raising funds to make sure poorer students can stay in school.

Contact Mea Kaemmerlen (meakaem@aol.com) or Jonathan Holmquist (jholmquist@temple.edu)

Choose Adventure in 2018

Choose adventure in 2018. Come work, learn, and serve in the remote villages of Malawi, experiencing what life is like in the villages while making a difference in the life of some of the world’s most vulnerable people. While you pour into the lives of our brothers and sisters, see what God pours back into you. The Mission and Outreach Committee will pay half the cost of the trip for someone who will then serve on the Villages in Partnership Coordinating Team.

Contact Joyce MacKichan Walker (joyce@nassauchurch.org)

Westminster Recitals Upcoming

Westminster Conservatory recitals will resume this Thursday, January 18, at 12:15 PM in Niles Chapel, with a presentation of “The House of Life,” by Ralph Vaughan Williams, a song cycle on poetry of Dante Gabriel Rossetti. The performers are members of the Westminster Conservatory teaching faculty. The recital is free and open to all.

Mission Opportunity for Discerning Young Adults

Young adults, explore the possibility of serving with other young adults for a year, August 2018 to July 2019, at one of several domestic and international locations through the PC(USA)’s Young Adult Volunteer program. Travel and gain vocational discernment in community. Learn more at pcusa.org/yav and contact Joyce MacKichan Walker. Joyce can put you in touch with former YAVs we have supported. Put your faith into action.

Contact Joyce MacKichan Walker (joyce@nassauchurch.org)

Race: The Power of an Illusion

Is your heart calling you to explore the concept of biological race? Uncover the roots of the race concept? Understand how institutions shape and create race? Ground your exploration in Scripture? Join a group watching *Race: The Power of an Illusion* and reflecting together on what this means for addressing racism in our time, Sunday, February 4, 11, and 18, 12:30–2:30 PM, here at Nassau. Sign-up online or contact Lauren Yeh. Best to come to all, but individual session attendance allowed. Sponsored by Nassau’s Adult Education and Mission and Outreach committees.

Contact Lauren Yeh (lyeh@nassauchurch.org)

Children in Migration Discussion

In advance of author Sonia Nazario’s February 1 appearance in Princeton to discuss her best-selling book *Enrique’s Journey* about a 17-year-old boy from Honduras who travels to the United States in search of his mother, we invite you to join Pam and Bill Wakefield on Sunday, January 28, at 4:00 PM in the Conference Room for a discussion of the book. Books are available for purchase in the Church Office for \$15, exact change or check appreciated.

Offering Envelopes Available

If you requested numbered offering envelopes for 2018, they are available in the hall outside the Main Office.