# Nassau Generations

Weekly News & Events at Nassau Presbyterian Church March 25, 2018

ADULT EDUCATION

#### TODAY

Witnessing to Living Faith 24/7 9:15 AM, Assembly Room, Darrel Guder with Sharilyn Tel, Deborah Toppmeyer, Nick Valvanis

A Romp through the New Testament 9:15 AM, Niles Chapel, Bill Phillippe

*First Corinthians In-Depth* 9:15 AM, Maclean House, George Hunsinger

Lapsley Small Group 9:15 AM, Room 202, Jacq Lapsley

#### APRIL 8

#### Against All Odds

9:15 AM, Assembly Room, Denyse Leslie and Ben Colbert

Princeton native Paul Robeson was the epitome of the 20th-century Renaissance man. He was an athlete, actor, singer, cultural scholar, author, and political activist. Hear about the effort to make his birthplace at 110 Witherspoon Street a memorial to Paul's life and his unwavering commitment to equality on behalf of the poor and underserved.

## **Paul Robeson Birthday Celebration**

In partnership with the Witherspoon Street Presbyterian Church, a benefit concert to support the Paul Robeson House renovation will take place on Sunday, April 8, at 3:00 PM in the sanctuary here at Nassau. Special guests are Robeson's granddaughter Susan Robeson and soloist Keith Spencer. For ticket information, contact Nancy Prince or visit thepaulrobesonhouseofprinceton.org.

Contact Nancy Prince (princenancy4@aol.com, 609-759-3479)

#### **Update from the Session**

#### A letter from Carol Wehrheim, Clerk of Session

The members of Session would like to express their gratitude to all who have participated in the Listening and Learning Sessions with the Immigration Task Force regarding "sanctuary." We are also thankful for those who have joined us in this season of discernment and prayer. One hundred twenty-five people participated in the four sessions. Many helpful questions were raised along with requests for more information. We heard a diversity of opinions and perspectives. The Session took no action at our meeting on March 15. Rather we shared with one another what we have been hearing and we listened to one another as well. We have asked the Immigration Task Force

#### **One Great Hour of Sharing**

Today, we will collect the special offering One Great Hour of Sharing, which supports projects that aim to break cycles of poverty, hunger, and thirst. It also provides disaster and crisis relief. Seeking to respond to Jesus' ministry to the most vulnerable, this ecumenical effort started in 1949 and now supports projects in more than 100 countries.

The children of the church will bring their "Fish Banks" forward for this offering during Time with Children, and we invite you to join them and Christians across the country in opening our hearts to witness tangibly through this offering to the providential love of God. Make your gift during the Offering using the special pew envelopes.

#### **Holy Week and Easter**

Join us this week for services as we mark the life, death, and resurrection of our Lord.

- —We mark Holy Tuesday, March 27, with a *Nassau at Stonebridge* service at 3:00 PM in the large auditorium.
- —We observe *Maundy Thursday* with a noon Communion service in Niles Chapel. In the evening join us at 7:30 PM for a Communion and tenebrae service in the Sanctuary.
- —On *Good Friday*, we worship at 12:00 PM in the Sanctuary. Childcare available.
- —On *Easter Sunday* we gather for a sunrise service at 7:00 AM in Niles Chapel and we continue to celebrate Easter with services at 9:00 and 11:00 AM.
  - Breaking Bread will celebrate a service at 6:00 PM in Niles Chapel, followed by an Easter feast in the Assembly Room at 7:00 PM.

On Easter there will be no Adult Education, Church School, or Worship Explorers. During the 9:00 and 11:00 AM services there is childcare for infants and toddlers and a Bible story and activity time for children age three to grade one.

> to provide more written material and to research some answers to several of the questions. As we continue our process of discernment, we covet your input and your prayers, and we will announce more opportunities for you to participate, learn, and share in April. Let us all join in prayer and anticipation for our congregation's journey through Holy Week and Easter.

# Youth Fellowship

All youth are invited to Fellowship and Dinner tonight. See "Today at Nassau" on the bulletin back page for times.

# Breaking Bread Worship

College students, graduate students, young adults, and all are invited to come as you are as we gather around Jesus' Table for worship. Hosted by Princeton Presbyterians. To learn more, contact Len Scales (lscales@ princeton.edu). Join in Niles Chapel at 8:00 PM.

#### 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 (lyeh@nassauchurch.org, x106).

## 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

Join us for the opening of *Caged* by the NJ Prison Cooperative on May 5 and 12. Combining stories, interviews, and writing by current and former inmates, this poignant community-devised play uses gripping truths and soulful dialogue to reveal the human cost of America's for-profit justice system. Contact Lauren Yeh (x106, lyeh@nassauchurch. org) for more information or sign up on the church website News post.

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#### Leadership Nominations

The Nominating Committee is now receiving nominations from the congregation for ruling elders, deacons, and members of the audit committee. Find nomination forms in the Literature Rack — forms are due TODAY. We welcome your input and help!

## July Trip to Guatemala and Scholarships for Students

Information and paperwork for this summer's service trip to Guatemala are available at the Guatemala table in the Assembly Room during Fellowship. The trip, from July 12–22, combines service at New Dawn school and Parramos with visits to beautiful Lake Atitlán, colonial Antigua, and Tikal National Park.

Also visit the table to renew or initiate scholarships for New Dawn School students for the 2018 academic year.

# Lenten Devotional Errata

The printed version of our Lenten Devotional has the wrong scripture reference printed for the Monday of Holy Week, March 26. The focus verse is from Isaiah 42:1-9. The online versions have been corrected.

## Family and Friends Adult/Child CPR

Penn Medicine Princeton Medical Center is offering two CPR classes at Nassau on Sundays, April 8 or 15, 12:15–2:00 PM in the Assembly Room. Learn how to perform CPR and how to help someone who is choking.

Open to all who want to learn CPR but do not need a course certification card. The class is free, but registration is required. Visit www.princetonhcs.org/events or call 1-888-897-8979.

## **Bibles and Beyond Book Sale**

Visit the church book sale on Sunday, April 15, from 10:15–11:00 AM and 12:00– 12:30 PM, featuring Study Bibles, Bible study reference works, previous small group books, and books on theology, social issues, parenting, faith formation, and much more. Come for deeply discounted prices and many freebies.

#### Deacon Hand-Crafted Easter & All-Occasion Greeting Cards

Hand-crafted greeting cards continue to be available for sale through TODAY in support of Nassau mission partners Cetana in Myanmar and Villages in Partnership in Malawi.

These hand-crafted cards and Easter eggs, designed and created by members of Nassau, are available for \$15–20 per package at our table during Fellowship in the Assembly Room and at noon outside the church office.

Contact Agnes Olah (agnes.olah@comcast. net)

# **Youth Sunday Special Offering**

Thank you all for the special Appalachia Service Project (ASP) offering last week, which provided \$1,796 toward warmer, safer, drier homes for those living in Appalachia.

## All-Church Retreat on Memorial Day Weekend

The all-church retreat is a great way (actually, the best way) to start your summer, from Friday, May 25, to Sunday, May 27. We are going to NorthBay, located two hours south on Chesapeake Bay in Maryland. Our retreat begins with dinner on Friday and ends after lunch on Sunday. The cost is \$130 for adults or \$65 for children (3–10), and under-3s are free. Private rooms plus bath available at slightly higher cost. Includes all meals and access to activities. Scholarships are available. Sign up or get more information by emailing Corrie Berg by May 1.

*Contact* Corrie Berg (x108, corrie@nassau church.org)

## Summer Save the Date

Dreaming of warmer days? See the info above for the Memorial Day Retreat and Chancel Drama, and save further summer dates below.

- Summer 10:00 AM worship schedule, May 20 to September 2
- Memorial Day Church Retreat, May 25–27
- Vacation Bible School, June 25–28
- Chancel Drama, August 12–19