



Nassau Presbyterian Church

March 18, 2018 9:15 and 11:00 AM

Lent V / Youth Sunday



Gathering

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

Prelude

- ♦ Introit “Son of God, Whose Heart Is Peace” Hymn 425

At the sign ♦ you may stand. *Hymn* indicates the red pew hymnal *Glory to God*.

- ♦ Call to Worship

Bold text is read or sung in unison.

The Lord is merciful and gracious,

slow to anger and abounding in love.

The Lord makes a new covenant with us.

We are God’s people; the Lord is our God.

Let us worship God.

- ♦ Opening Hymn “Will You Come and Follow Me” Hymn 726

Verse 1 – solo

Verse 2 – solo

Verse 3 – all

Verse 4 – solo

Verse 5 – all

Prayer of Confession

Holy One,

**we confess that we are half-hearted followers
of your full-hearted son.**

**We live as those who are bound by our fears,
rather than those who are freed by our hope.**

**God of resurrection power,
forgive us our sins, unbind us,
and set us free to live now and forever for you.**

**In your persistent Word,
in our buried longing for life,
in each wild and broken place,
wash us clean, remind us whose we are,
and give us your work to do.**

Silent Prayer

Response

“You Are the Lord, Giver of Mercy”

Three staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 6/8 time. The melody is simple and folk-like. Chords are indicated above the notes: Em, D, Em, Am, Em, D, Em for the first line; Am, D, C, D, Em, C, Em for the second line; and Em, D, G, Am, Em, D, E for the third line. The lyrics are: 'You are the Lord, giv-er of mer-cy!' repeated on each line.

Em D Em Am Em D Em

You are the Lord, giv-er of mer-cy!

Am D C D Em C Em

You are the Christ, giv-er of mer-cy!

Em D G Am Em D E

You are the Lord, giv-er of mer-cy!

Text: trad. liturgical, rev. *The Worshipbook*, 1970; Music: Appalachian folk melody, arr. Richard D. Wetzel, 1972; reprinted for convenience from *Glory to God* © 2013 Westminster John Knox Press.

Assurance of Forgiveness

To all who turn from sin in sorrow,
to all who turn to God in hope,
this is God's Word of grace:
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.
This gift we have from God.
Thanks be to God.

Words of Welcome



Proclaiming the Word

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

Time with Children

All children are invited to worship with their families today. A special Bible story and craft time is available for children age three to grade one in Room 07 (Lower Level).

Music Response

“Sing Alleluia, Allelu”

Mary Goetze

Prayer for Illumination

**Holy God, Word made flesh,
let us come to this Word open to being surprised.
Silence our agendas; banish our assumptions;
cast out our casual detachment.
Confound our expectations; clear the cobwebs from our ears;
penetrate the corners of our hearts with this word;
and give us the strength to follow on the path you set before us.
We know that you can, we pray that you will,
and we wait with great anticipation. Amen.**

First Scripture Lesson

Psalm 51 : 1–12

pg 520

Anthem

“Bonse Aba”

arr. Andrew Fischer

All that sing have the right to be called the children of God.

Second Scripture Lesson

Luke 19 : 1–10

pg 82

Sermon

“Trying to See Jesus”

Emily Yeh
Christian Martin
Sarah Tel



Thanksgiving

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

♦ Sermon Hymn

“Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God”

Hymn 423

Verse 1 – choir

Verse 2 – choir

Verse 3 – all

♦ Affirmation of Faith

A Declaration of Faith (PCUS 1977, PCUSA 1985)

We recognize the work of God in Jesus’ power and authority.

He did what only God can do.

We also recognize the work of God in Jesus’ lowliness.

When he lived as a servant and went humbly to his death,

the greatness that belongs only to God was manifest.

In both his majesty and lowliness Jesus is the eternal Son of God,

God himself with us.

Offertory

“Daa Naa Se”

arr. Raymond Wise

Give thanks, give thanks, give thanks to God.

Because God is good and God’s mercies endureth forever.

♦ 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.

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer is recited in the language closest to your heart. The common English text may be found in the hymnal on pg 11, the traditional, pg 35; Spanish, pg 40; and Korean, pg 45.



♦ Closing Hymn

“Lift High the Cross”

Hymn 826

♦ Benediction

♦ Response

“We Will Go Out with Joy”

We will go out with joy in the Spirit

We will go out with God

We will go out with joy in the Spirit

We will go out with God

Alleluia, we will go out with joy

Alleluia, we will go out with joy.

Postlude

“Lift High the Cross”

John Barr

Preachers (by order)

Emily Yeh

Christian Martin

Sarah Tel

Liturgists

Mathias Berg

Sam Bezilla

Annie Dykstra

Eliana Hansen

Luke Haluska

Alex Milley

Allie Rounds

Time with Children

Josie Brothers

Margaret Hill

Morgan Swanke

Isabel Van Wagner

Musicians

Middle School Choir

Cantorei

Ingrid Ladendorf, director

Sam Bezilla, soloist

Camille Ladendorf, soloist

Camille Scordis, soloist

Isabel Van Wagner, soloist

Harry Carter, piano

(9:15 prelude)

Grace Hoedemaker, piano

(11:00 prelude)

Ian Lewono, cello

Sarah Tel, cello

André Soumeillant, guitar

Matthew Pang, trumpet

Joshua Stucky, percussionist

Michael Ryan, piano

Noel Werner, organ

Flowers

The flowers in the Sanctuary
are given to the glory of God
and in memory of Margaret
Sheppard and Mary Bess
Lowry by Helen and Bob
Duncan.

The Week Ahead

March 19 – 25

Lenten Small Groups take place throughout the week. See *My Nassau* or the web calendar for the schedule.

Monday, Mar. 19

No scheduled events

Tuesday, Mar. 20

- 9:30 AM *Staff Devotions*
Niles Chapel
- 10:30 AM *Staff Meetings*
Conference Room
- 3:00 PM *Nassau at Windrows
Communion Worship*
Princeton Windrows, Wilson
Gallery
- 7:30 PM *Worship & Arts Committee*
Conference Room

Wednesday, Mar. 21

- 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
- 7:00 PM *Adult Choir Fellowship*
Music Room Foyer
- 7:30 PM *Adult Choir*
Music Room

Thursday, Mar. 22

- 9:00 AM *Walk Talk Pray*
Room 304
- 10:00 AM *Al-Anon*
Conference Room
- 5:00 PM *Nassau Ringers I*
Sanctuary
- 6:00 PM *Nassau Ringers II*
Sanctuary

Friday, Mar. 23

- 7:00 AM *Women's Early Morning
Bible Study*
Contact Doodie Meyer 609-
275-9647
- 7:30 AM *Men's Breakfast*
Assembly Room
- 5:30 PM *Club 345*
Assembly Room

Saturday, Mar. 24

No scheduled events

Sunday, Mar. 25

- 9:15 AM *Education for all ages*
Assembly Room
- 9:15 AM *First Corinthians Class
with George Hunsinger*
Maclean House
- 9:15 AM *Lapsley Small Group*
Room 202
- 9:15 AM *Worship - Palm Sunday*
Sanctuary
- 10:15 AM *Fellowship*
Assembly Room
- 11:00 AM *Worship - Palm Sunday*
Sanctuary
- 11:15 AM *Worship Explorers*
Room 302
- 12:15 PM *Nassau Book Group*
Room 202
- 5:00 PM *Cantorei & Middle School
Choir*
Music Room
- 6:00 PM *Youth Fellowship*
Assembly Room
- 7:00 PM *Breaking Bread Music
Rehearsal*
Niles Chapel
- 8:00 PM *Breaking Bread*
Niles Chapel
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Today at Nassau

Adult Education
9:15 AM Assembly Room, etc.

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

Lapsley Small Group
9:15 AM Room 202
Sunday morning drop-in group.
For other small groups, see web calendar.

Worship - Youth Sunday
9:15 AM Sanctuary

Fellowship
10:15 AM Assembly Room

Worship - Youth Sunday
11:00 AM Sanctuary

Senior Adult Lunch
12:15 PM Assembly Room

Youth Fellowship Outing
4:00 PM

Breaking Bread Lenten Bible Study
7:00 PM Conference Room

Breaking Bread Music Rehearsal
7:00 PM Niles Chapel

Breaking Bread
8:00 PM Niles Chapel

Welcome to Nassau Church

Children. Today is Youth Sunday, when the youth of the church lead our services of worship. Children are invited to worship with their families today. Church School and Worship Explorers resume next Sunday.

Childcare is available for infants and toddlers in the Nursery (Lower Level), 9:00 AM to 12:30 PM.

A special Bible story and craft time is available for children age three to grade one in Room 07 (Lower Level) following Time with Children.

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.

Tending the Flock

Death—Charlotte Kirkpatrick, mother of Christian, on March 11 in Monroe, Louisiana.

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