

Nassau Generations

Weekly News & Events at Nassau Presbyterian Church

April 29, 2018

ADULT EDUCATION

NEXT SUNDAY

Making Use of Our First Amendment Freedoms in the Midst of Dangerous Times

9:15 AM, Assembly Room, Gustav Niebuhr

In a year in which so many feel overwhelmed by signs of debilitating disruption and savage eruptions, can we draw inspiration and action from the ideals of the Founders? The rights they left us may be the greatest defense of our civic culture that we have.

First Corinthians In-Depth

9:15 AM, Maclean House, George Hunsinger

George Hunsinger leads a verse-by-verse examination of the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians in which Paul writes compelling good news of the cross, the resurrection, worship, and life together in Christian community.

Using Our Freedoms: Evening Lecture by Niebuhr

Gustav Niebuhr presents in Adult Education in the morning (see above) next Sunday, May 6, and will also present an evening lecture, at 5:00 PM in the Sanctuary, on "Using Our Freedoms":

How do the first 16 words in the Bill of Rights point us toward a better society than the one that so challenges our sense of decency now? We will look at a vital legacy of James Madison, the 18th-century genius whose ideas can act on our behalf now.

Niebuhr is Director of the Carnegie Religion and Media Program and Associate Professor at Syracuse University in New York.

Creating Community, Healing, and Hope One Stitch at a Time

Central New Jersey Interfaith Stitchers for Peace will meet on Sunday, May 6, from 3:15–5:15 PM at the Islamic Society of Central Jersey. We will not meet in June, July, or August.

Also, on Thursday, May 10, from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM we will meet in the Music Room to pack our beautiful handmade items for shipment to Knitting4Peace, having already distributed hats and scarves throughout the winter to Trenton Area Soup Kitchen. All are welcome, including would-be and non-stitchers.

Contact Juanell Boyd (juanellbo@aol.com)

Spotlight on Outreach and Mission During Communiversity

Communiversity begins at 1:00 PM today. Youth and adult participants in this summer's Appalachia Service Project (ASP) trip will be selling cold drinks on the Front Plaza to raise funds, and at our tables we will be featuring our Mission and Outreach efforts. Stop by!

Dinner by the Lake Equips Youth Service Trip

Looking for more ways to help youth with their ASP trip? We invite you join us for wine, dinner, and casual time together on Sunday, June 3, at 5:00 PM. In the mission concept of calling, equipping, and sending, this is definitely the equipping segment.

We are suggesting a \$50 per person contribution to help fund our talented and committed youth on their service trip. The Boyers, Petrones, Wakefields, and some Appalachian travelers look forward to welcoming you at the home of Pam and Bill Wakefield, 697 Prospect Avenue. Space is limited—respond to Pam.

Contact Pam Wakefield (pamwakefield@gmail.com)

Deacon All-Occasion Greeting Cards

All-occasion greeting cards will be on sale next Sunday, May 6, in support of two Nassau mission partners, the Cetana School in Myanmar and Villages in Partnership in Malawi.

These hand-crafted all-occasion, Mother's Day, and Graduation cards are created by deacons and members of Nassau. Visit our table during Fellowship in the Assembly Room and at noon outside the church office.

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

Mass Incarceration Task Force in May

Next Sunday, May 6, join the Mass Incarceration Task Force (MITF) and make a difference. Bring your skills, compassion and support: become a pen-pal or tutor; plan/organize adult education series on mass incarceration; learn about and participate in new mentoring project.

MITF meets in the Conference Room from 12:15–1:15 PM. Learn more at nassauchurch.org or contact co-chairs Jonathan Shenk and Mary Beth Charters.

Contacts Jonathan Shenk (jshenk@greenleafpainters.com)
Mary Beth Charters (marybeth.charters@ptsem.edu)

Youth Fellowship

Youth, stop by the Front Plaza today during Communiversity as we work the crowd for ASP and make signs for the couch room. Next Sunday, May 6, we hike the Sourland Mountain Preserve. We meet at 415 E. Mountain Rd, Hillsborough Twp., at 2:00 PM.

Breaking Bread Worship

College and 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), and join us 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, contact Deacon Debbi Roldan (4drold2010@gmail.com) or write your request on a pew prayer card or in the prayer book in the Narthex. To join the chain, send Debbi your email address or phone number.

Nassau-Westminster Partnership

On Sunday, May 6, join the United Mercer Interfaith Organization for the 5th-Annual Unity for Peace Gathering in Mill Hill Park, 165 E. Front Street, Trenton. The program begins at 3:00 PM.

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Celebrate the Publication of *Growing in God's Love: A Story Bible*

We congratulate Carol Wehrheim, member of Nassau and Clerk of Session, for her role on the editorial team that produced *Growing in God's Love: A Story Bible*. Ideal for ages four to eight, the stories are illustrated with "diverse artwork that...welcomes all kinds of families to read and imagine a world that accepts everyone in the name of God's love."

Next Sunday, May 6, between services, copies will be available for purchase at a deep discount in the Assembly Room during Fellowship.

Grown-ups Try Summer Church School

Would you consider assisting in Summer Church School? We offer two classes, one for children in preschool and one for kindergarten to grade two. Sign up for the weeks of your choice from May 20 through September 2. We provide a curriculum, a schedule, and support. You provide love for the children of our church and a willingness to try something new. Youth helpers are also welcome to join in assisting.

Sign up on the sheet outside the office or on the Children's Ministry page of the website.

Contact Corrie Berg (corrie@nassau church.org)

Chancel Drama Auditions

Do-re-mi-fa-sol! Auditions are approaching soon for *Once Upon a Parable*, this summer's Chancel Drama for children and youth in grades 3-12. Auditions are for speaking roles and solos. No prior experience is needed and all are invited to participate. Three dates are available:

- Wednesday, May 16, 4:30 PM
- Sunday, May 20, 11:30 AM
- Wednesday, May 23, 4:30 PM

Register now and select your audition date at nassauchurch.org/parable.

Contact Ingrid Ladendorf (ingrid@nassauchurch.org)

Honor Thy Mother, Support Disaster Relief

Sunday, May 13, is Blanket Sunday and Mother's Day. Honor your mother by supporting Church World Service's disaster relief services. A gift of \$10 provides a warm blanket for those left without warmth and shelter because of natural disasters, wars, and homelessness. Gifts provide much more as well: tents, food, and other emergency supplies in the wake of a disaster; tools and seeds for refugees returning home to plant their fields; and wells for families living in drought prone areas to provide clean, safe water.

Journey to Myanmar/Burma in January 2019

Planning is underway for the annual Cetana trip to Myanmar in January 2019. Exact dates and itinerary TBD, but the tour will include Yangon, the archaeological site Bagan, and Inle Lake. If we have a number of travelers from Nassau, we hope to go to Kanpetlet, the site created by Nassau's capital fund partnership. Some financial assistance is available for those with need. If you are interested, contact Sue Jennings today or speak to Joyce MacKichan Walker.

Contact Sue Jennings (susancjennings@gmail.com)

"David, Shepherd King" in Vacation Bible School

Hear stories of how a young shepherd boy became king of all Israel. Chosen by God, this almost-overlooked youngest son grows up to be the hero of the Jewish nation. Hear how he is chosen and how he becomes a powerful king.

"David, Shepherd King," this summer's Vacation Bible School (VBS), will take place from Monday, June 25, to Thursday, June 28, for children age three to rising grade six.

VBS is 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM, and, for grades 4-6, the day continues with optional PresbyCamp, featuring fun and fellowship with a mission focus. Learn more and sign up now at nassauchurch.org/vbs. Adult and youth volunteers can sign up online as well.