



Nassau Presbyterian Church

April 8, 2018 9:15 and 11:00 AM



Gathering

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

Prelude

London Trio No. 1 in C Major
Allegro. Andante. Vivace.

Joseph Haydn

♦ Call to Worship

At the sign ♦ you may stand. Bold text is read or sung in unison.

Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed!

Alleluia! Celebrate God in this sacred space!

Celebrate God in all places under heaven!

Give praise for God's mighty deeds!

Give praise for God's resurrecting power!

Praise God with a fanfare of trumpets.

Praise God with the clarinet and the cello!

Praise God with tambourines and dancing!

Praise God with flutes and guitars!

Praise God with cymbals and drums!

Let everything with life and breath praise God!

♦ Opening Hymn

“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!”

Hymn 245

*Hymn indicates the red pew hymnal *Glory to God*.*

Prayer of Confession

God of the empty tomb,

**when we are afraid to speak our faith in the world,
forgive us and help us to find our voice.**

**When we are afraid to forgive and to love again,
forgive us, and give us the power to forgive.**

**When we are afraid to stand up to misguided authority,
join with the weak to make us all strong.**

When we are confined by our hurts,

touch us with your wounded hands and set us free.

Open our hearts, and give us courage and peace. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Friends in Christ, hear and believe the good news of the Gospel.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

♦ Response of Praise

“Be Not Afraid”

Be not a - fraid; sing out for joy! Christ is ris-en, al - le - lu - ia!

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The image shows two systems of musical notation for the hymn 'Be Not Afraid'. Each system consists of a vocal line in the treble clef and a piano accompaniment line in the bass clef. The music is in 4/4 time and the key signature has one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are: 'Be not a - fraid; sing out for joy! Christ is ris-en, al - le - lu - ia!'.

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Words of Welcome

Duet

“Lord of the Dance”

Shaker tune, arr. Lloyd Larson

See Hymn 157 for text

Sydney Carter, text



Proclaiming the Word

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

Time with Children

9:15 Children may leave for Church School classes. Teachers and ushers can assist in finding classrooms. 11:00 Children pre-kindergarten or age four to grade three may leave for Worship Explorers in Room 302.

Prayer for Illumination

**Living God,
as the risen Christ came into the lives of the first disciples,
may your Word enter into us,
by the power of your Holy Spirit,
so that we who have not seen may yet believe. Amen.**

Old Testament Lesson Isaiah 43 : 1–13 pg 672

Psalm “Behold the Goodness of Our Lord “ Psalter 133 A
pg 869

Psalter indicates the blue pew psalter Psalms for All Seasons.

Epistle Lesson 1 Corinthians 1 : 26–31 pg 166

Sermon “License to Brag” Joyce MacKichan Walker



Thanksgiving

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

♦ Sermon Hymn “Let Us Build a House” Hymn 301

Verse 1 – all
Verse 2 – treble voices
Verse 3 – all
Verse 4 – lowers voices
Verse 5 – all

♦ Affirmation of Faith (PCUS 1977, PCUSA 1985)

**Jesus was dead and buried, but God raised him from the dead.
The risen Lord appeared to his followers.
They recognized him as their Master who had been crucified.
Before Jesus left them, he commissioned them to proclaim to all people
the good news of his victory over death,
and promised to be with them always.
We are certain that Jesus lives.**

**He lives as God with us, touching all of human life with the presence of God.
He lives as one of us with God.
Because he shares our humanity and has bound us to himself in love,
we have an advocate in the innermost life of God.
We declare that Jesus is Lord.
His resurrection is a decisive victory
over the powers that deform and destroy human life.
His lordship is hidden.
The world appears to be dominated
by people and systems that do not acknowledge his rule.
But his lordship is real.
It demands our loyalty
and sets us free from the fear of all lesser lords who threaten us.
We maintain that ultimate sovereignty
now belongs to Jesus Christ in every sphere of life. Jesus is Lord.
He has been Lord from the beginning.
He will be Lord at the end.
Even now he is Lord.**

Offertory

“Awake, My Heart, with Gladness”

Johann Crüger, music
Paul Gerhardt, text

Awake, my heart, with gladness, see what today is done;
now, after gloom and sadness, comes forth the glorious sun.
My Savior there was laid where our bed must be made
when to the realms of light our spirit wings its flight.
The foe in triumph shouted when Christ lay in the tomb;
but lo, he now is routed, his boast is turned to gloom.
For Christ again is free; in glorious victory
he who is strong to save has triumphed over the grave.
This is the sight that gladdens – what peace it does impart!
Now nothing ever saddens the joy within my heart.
No gloom shall ever shake, no foe shall ever take,
the hope which God’s own Son in love for me has won.

♦ Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
praise God all creatures here below, alleluia, alleluia,
praise God above, ye heav'nly host,
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

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.



Sending

We follow the Word into the world, sent forth with
God's blessing to lives of service and love.

♦ Closing Hymn

“Christ Is Alive!”

Hymn 246

♦ Benediction

Choral Response

“Dona Nobis Pacem”
Grant us peace

Anonymous

Postlude

Praeambulum in G Minor

J. S. Bach

Preacher

Joyce MacKichan Walker

Liturgists

David A. Davis

Erik Khoobyarian (9:15)

Mark Edwards (11:00)

The Call to Worship, Prayer of Confession,
and Prayer for Illumination are reprinted
from *Feasting on the Word: Liturgies for Year
C, Volume 1, Second Sunday of Easter.*

Time with Children

Corrie Berg

Musicians

Adult Choir

Maria Palombo, soloist

Elem Eley, soloist

Noel Werner, director

Michael Cooney, cello and
organ (postlude)

Carol Fagundus, clarinet

Kim Kleasen, flute

Michael Ryan, student organist

Cover

“Thrown,” a linocut by
Elizabeth Steele Halstead.

Flowers

The flowers in the Sanctuary
are given to the glory of God
and in memory of Mark J.
Whitelaw and Evelyn Melholt
Harrje and David T. Harrje, by
Gail Melholt Harrje, wife and
daughter respectively.

Chancel Artwork

Holy Week tapestries by
Armando Sosa, our 2016–17
artist-in-residence, with a red
warp, in cotton and silk,
26 by 60 inches.

The Week Ahead

April 9 – 15

Monday, Apr. 9

1:00 PM *Nassau Stitches*
Conference Room

Tuesday, Apr. 10

9:30 AM *Staff Devotions*
Niles Chapel

10:30 AM *Staff Meeting*
Conference Room

1:00 PM *Grace Note Singers*
Kingston Presbyterian Church

7:15 PM *Finance Committee*
Davis Study

Wednesday, Apr. 11

4:00 PM *Homework Hangout*
Assembly Room; Room 302

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

Thursday, Apr. 12

9:00 AM *Al-Anon Anniversary*
Assembly Room

9:00 AM *Stretch Center Pray*
Room 301

5:00 PM *Nassau Ringers I*
Sanctuary

6:00 PM *Nassau Ringers II*
Sanctuary

7:00 PM *Youth Ministry Committee*
Conference Room

7:30 PM *HR Committee*
Davis Study

7:30 PM *Nominating Committee*
Assembly Room

Friday, Apr. 13

7:00 AM *Women's Early Morning
Bible Study*
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7:30 AM *Men's Breakfast*
Assembly Room

Saturday, Apr. 14

5:00 PM *Confirmation Retreat #3*
TBD

Sunday, Apr. 15

9:15 AM *Education for all ages*
Assembly Room & classrooms

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

9:15 AM *Worship*
Sanctuary

10:15 AM *Fellowship and
Book & Bible Sale*
Assembly Room

11:00 AM *Worship*
Sanctuary

11:15 AM *Worship Explorers*
Room 302

12:00 PM *Beyond Malibu Meeting*
Room 304

12:00 PM *Book & Bible Sale*
Assembly Room

12:15 PM *Family & Friends Adult/
Child CPR Class*
Room 301

2:30 PM *New School for Music
Study Recital*
Sanctuary

5:00 PM *Cantorei*
Music Room

5:00 PM *Middle School Fellowship*
Room 304

6:00 PM *Youth Fellowship Dinner*
Assembly Room

6:40 PM *Middle School Choir*
Music Room

6:40 PM *Senior High Fellowship*
Room 304

7:00 PM *Breaking Bread Music
Rehearsal*
Niles Chapel

8:00 PM *Breaking Bread*
Niles Chapel

Tending the Flock

A funeral service for Evelyn Pearce will take place on Wednesday, April 11, at 10:00 AM in Niles Chapel.

Death—Ruth Duttweiler, on March 26 in Princeton.

Death—Franz K. Schneider, Jr., father of Caroline Hoedemaker, father-in-law of Bob, grandfather of Grace and Madeline, on March 31 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Today at Nassau

Education for all ages
9:15 AM *Assembly Room & classrooms*

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

Worship
9:15 AM *Sanctuary*

Fellowship
10:15 AM *Assembly Room*

Worship
11:00 AM *Sanctuary*

Worship Explorers
11:15 AM *Room 302*

Family & Friends
Adult/Child CPR Class
12:15 PM *Assembly Room*

Robeson House Benefit
3:00 PM *Sanctuary*

Cantorei
5:00 PM *Music Room*

Middle School Fellowship
5:00 PM *Room 304*

Youth Fellowship Dinner
6:00 PM *Room 302/303*

Middle School Choir
6:40 PM *Music Room*

Senior High Fellowship
6:40 PM *Room 304*

Breaking Bread Music Rehearsal
7:00 PM *Niles Chapel*

Breaking Bread
8:00 PM *Niles Chapel*

Welcome to Nassau Church

Children. Children are always welcome in our services of worship.

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

Church School takes place during the 9:15 AM service. Classes for age 2 and grades 6 to 12 begin at 9:15 AM. Preschoolers to grade 5 participate in the first part of the service and are then dismissed to their classes. All classes conclude at 10:30 AM.

Worship Explorers is a child-focused alternative worship setting during 11:00 AM worship for children age 4 to grade 3. Children attend the first part of the service and are then dismissed to Room 302 (Third Floor).

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.

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