October 21: Water Walk for Villages in Partnership
November 2: CETANA 25th Anniversary Celebration
December: “Alternative Gifts” that support our mission partners
January 20: Mission Fair exploration of ways to love God and God’s world
February 10: Valentines for Food in support of Arm in Arm
June 2: Worship at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Trenton
July 7-13: Appalachian Service Project for youth and adults
August 17: Loaves and Fishes at St. Mary’s in Trenton

In March 2018, after a season of prayerful discernment, the session affirmed the recommendation of the Immigration Task Force to become a sanctuary church and to continue conversation and planning on how to implement this status as we care for our neighbors.

Mission Partners

Arm in Arm – Meets basic needs for food and housing and ensures long-term stability for low-income people in Mercer County
Camp Johnsonburg – Mentors a young adult intern Nassau supports where city kids meet country kids, black and white discover common ground, and each is encouraged to realize oneness in Christ
Centurion Ministries – Investigates and frees innocent people who have been wrongly incarcerated, with the help of dedicated volunteers who identify and develop cases
Latin American Legal Defense & Education Fund (LALDEF) - defends the civil rights of Latin Americans and facilitates their access to health care and education, and advances cross-cultural understanding
Middle East Peace and Justice – Nassau supports Mar Elias Educational Institutions, Oasis of Peace, and the Parents Circle, which work for both Israeli security and Palestinian justice through the peace process
Mercer Project TEACH – Teen Education and Child Health builds skills needed to create a positive life for pregnant and parenting adolescents
Pastoral Care at Princeton Health - Provides spiritual and emotional support to patients, families, staff and physicians at the Medical Center, Princeton House Behavioral Health, and Princeton Hospice
Paul Robeson House – is being renovated and developed as a community center to promote dialog and reconciliation among people of diverse ethnic and racial backgrounds
Princeton Community Housing – Develops and manages affordable rental housing in Princeton at Elm Court, Griggs Farm, Harriet Bryan House and Princeton Community Village
Princeton Presbyterians - Commits to the faithful discipleship of undergraduate and graduate students in Princeton
Princeton Children’s Chorus – Offers music education, performance opportunities, academic support, leadership training, summer enrichment, SAT prep, and college scholarships to Trenton children
Young Adult Volunteers (PCUSA) – Offers a year of service for young adults 19 to 30 who live in intensional Christian community and deepen and develop their faith while serving in the US and abroad

Mission & Outreach at Nassau Presbyterian Church

All that we do together challenges us to act in ways that bring God’s transforming word to our community and the world. Through dedication to deep mission partnerships and widespread, informed congregational involvement, Nassau’s Mission and Outreach efforts will bring food, justice, peace, empowerment, help in times of emergency, and the good news of God’s love and Christ’s saving grace to people in Princeton, Trenton and around the world.

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Westminster

Nassau Presbyterian Church and Westminster Presbyterian Church in Trenton have been friends for many years, but from 2014 through 2018 Nassau and Westminster have had a formal partnership intended to enhance our reciprocal ministry. This initiative has enabled the members of Nassau Church to engage in a wide range of joint ministries with the members of Westminster Church, and to deepen our understanding of, and empathy for, the challenges both communities face that deprive individuals and families of their capacity to thrive as children of God.

Together we:

- Support the Get-Set After-school program at Westminster
- Eat and engage with Bethany House, 2nd Thursdays
- Participate in social justice arts and theater events
- Enjoy the live nativity at Westminster during Advent
- Worship together at Nassau on Christmas Eve and Maundy Thursday
- Clean up Columbus Park on MLK Day
- Celebrate the gifts of women in March at Nassau
- Worship at Westminster on the first Sunday of June
- Tour Trenton in the summer
- And so much more!

Our partnership continues! Contact either the Rev. Patti Daley (pattidaley@aol.com) or the Rev. Karen Hernandez-Granzen (karisuhg@aol.com) for ways to engage.

Cetana

Nassau Presbyterian Church began a five-year partnership with Cetana Educational Foundation in 2014. Founded in 1993 by Lois Young, a long-time Nassau Church member, and her siblings, who grew up in Burma (now Myanmar) where their parents served as missionaries, Cetana has sought to provide educational opportunities to the young people of Myanmar since the military, which originally came to power in a 1962 coup, decimated the country's educational system. Cetana operates learning centers in Yangon, Kyaing Tong, Pathein, and Dawei, providing English language instruction critical for students to advance their education and develop critical thinking and career advancement skills.

Most recently, Nassau’s partnership funds have been used to establish courses for local English teachers in Kanpetlet in Chin State and to set up an English language learning center which will be a model for the way Cetana can serve isolated communities around the country.

Congregation members are invited to participate in an annual trip to Myanmar to learn about the country as well as Cetana’s work.

This partnership will continue through the efforts of local CETANA supporters and events. For more information, contact Susan Jennings (susancjennings@gmail.com).

In the summer of 2019, Nassau hopes to send a team of 10 people together who will continue to serve on the Malawi Partnership Team so that this partnership can continue beyond our five-year commitment. Join us!

Villages in Partnership

Villages in Partnership (VIP) in Malawi Africa became a five-year mission partner in the fall of 2015. VIP is committed to improving the lives of vulnerable families by working with villages in responding to needs in six areas – food security, water, housing, health care, education, and economic development.

For the first three years, someone from Nassau visited VIP on a Friendship Trip, and in the summer of 2018 two members participated in that introduction to their work.

In the fall of 2018 for the first time Nassau will host a Water Walk for walkers of all ages to raise money for families in Malawi to purchase and raise animals.

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