



## Nassau Presbyterian Church

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September 9, 2018 9:15 and 11:00 AM



# Gathering

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

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Prelude

“Joyous Meditation”

Michael Ryan

♦ Introit

“In My Life”

Hymn 468

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.

You came to us, Word made flesh, to show us what it means to love.

**You came to us, Word made flesh, to teach us how to serve.**

You came to us, Word made flesh,

to honor the poor, to clothe the naked, and feed the hungry.

**Come to us now, Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.**

**Show us. Teach us. Clothe us. Feed us.**

♦ Opening Hymn

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

Hymn 475

Prayer of Confession

**You, O God, offer us more than we could ever ask,  
blessing us beyond compare.**

**You call us to feed, clothe, and hold others up with love.**

**But we pay more attention to our own well-being rather than  
the well-being of those around us.**

**We ensure our own backs are covered before protecting  
society’s most vulnerable. Lord, forgive us.**

**Have mercy upon us.**

**Bind us together—with you and one another—**

**so that we may follow our risen Lord who feeds us and holds us up. 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      “In the Lord I’ll Be Ever Thankful”      Hymn 654

**In the Lord, I’ll be ever thankful, in the Lord, I will rejoice!  
Look to God, do not be afraid. Lift up your voices, the Lord is near.  
Lift up your voices, the Lord is near.**

Words of Welcome

## Commissioning of Church School Teachers

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.



## Proclaiming the Word

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

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Prayer for Illumination

**Holy One,  
illuminate our hearts and minds  
with your abiding peace.  
Quiet the busyness and anxieties that race through our souls.  
By the power of your Holy Spirit,  
speak as your Word is  
proclaimed. Amen.**

First Scripture Lesson      Psalm 125: A Responsorial Setting      Psalter 125 A, pg 826

*Psalter indicates the blue pew psalter Psalms for All Seasons.*

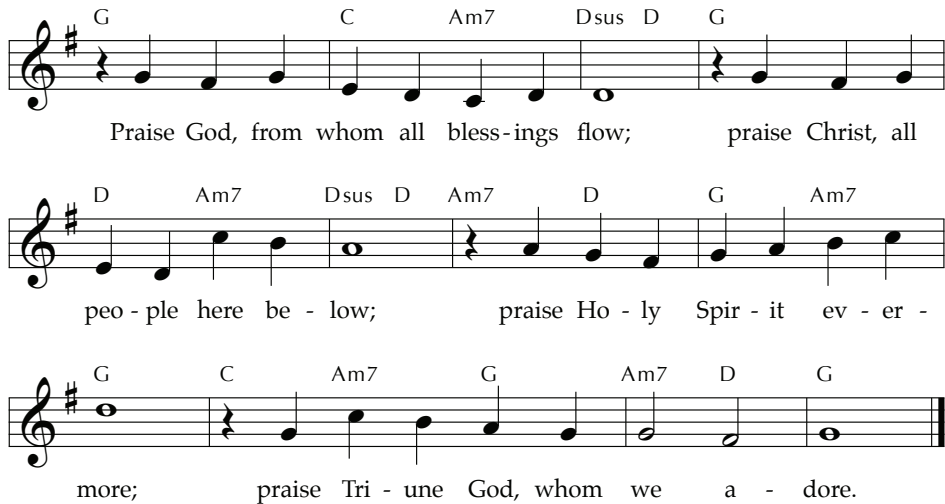
Second Scripture Lesson      James 2 : 1–17      pg 229

Sermon      “The Triumph of Mercy”      David A. Davis



◆ Doxology

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”



Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise Christ, all  
 peo - ple here be - low; praise Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er -  
 more; praise Tri - une God, whom we a - dore.

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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

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

Hymn 611

◆ Benediction

◆ Response

“Lead Me, Guide Me”

Hymn 740

Postlude

“Tocatta in D Minor”

J. S. Bach

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Preacher

David A. Davis

Liturgists

Lauren J. McFeaters

Len Scales

Time with Children

Corrie Berg

Musicians

*Adult Choir*

Noel Werner, director

Michael Ryan, student organist

Cover

“Hands” a linocut by Elizabeth  
Steele Halstead.

Flowers

The flowers in the Sanctuary are  
given to the glory of God and in  
memory of David Dugan Prince  
and Jennifer Ellen Prince from  
Nancy Prince.

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# The Week Ahead

## September 10 – 16

### Monday, Sep. 10

No scheduled events

### Tuesday, Sep. 11

6:30 PM *Presbytery of New Brunswick*  
First Presbyterian Church,  
Hamilton Square

### Wednesday, Sep. 12

7:30 PM *Adult Choir*  
Music Room

### Thursday, Sep. 13

9:00 AM *Walk Talk Pray*  
Meet on Front Steps, end in  
Room 304

10:00 AM *Al-Anon*  
Conference Room

5:00 PM *Handbell Coaching and Training*  
Room 202

5:30 PM *Nassau Festival Ringers*  
Room 202

6:45 PM *Nassau Chamber Ringers*  
Room 202

7:00 PM *Youth Ministry Committee*  
Conference Room

### Friday, Sep. 14

7:00 AM *Women's Early Morning Bible Study*  
Contact Doodie Meyer  
609-275-9647

7:30 AM *Men's Breakfast*  
Assembly Room

### Saturday, Sep. 15

No scheduled events

### Sunday, Sep. 16

9:15 AM *Education for All Ages*  
Assembly Room and Classrooms

9:15 AM *Worship*  
Sanctuary

10:15 AM *Fellowship*  
Assembly Room

11:00 AM *Worship*  
Sanctuary

11:15 AM *Worship Explorers*  
Room 302

12:00 PM *Annual Meeting*  
Assembly Room

5:00 PM *Cantorei*  
Music Room

5:00 PM *Middle School Fellowship*  
Room 302

5:30 PM *Breaking Bread Music Rehearsal*  
Niles Chapel

6:00 PM *Youth Dinner*  
Assembly Room

6:30 PM *Breaking Bread*  
Niles Chapel

6:40 PM *Middle School Choir*  
Music Room

6:40 PM *Senior High Fellowship*  
Room 304

7:30 PM *Breaking Bread Meal*  
Assembly Room

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## TODAY AT NASSAU

Education for all ages  
9:15 AM *Assembly Room and Classrooms*

Worship - Teacher Commissioning  
9:15 AM *Sanctuary*

Fellowship  
10:15 AM *Assembly Room*

Worship - Teacher Commissioning  
11:00 AM *Sanctuary*

Worship Explorers  
11:15 AM *Room 302*

New Elders Gathering  
12:15 PM *Davis Study*

## 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](http://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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