

# Nassau Generations

Weekly News & Events at Nassau Presbyterian Church

October 7, 2018

## ADULT EDUCATION

### TODAY

#### *Bonhoeffer and the Question of Compromise*

9:15 AM, Assembly Room, Mark Edwards

#### *Shakespeare and the Bible*

9:15 AM, Music Room, Rhodri Lewis

### NEXT SUNDAY

#### *Contemporary Theologian Russel Botman*

9:15 AM, Assembly Room, Dirk Smit

The South African theologian Russel Botman was internationally known for his contributions to public life - as a student leader against apartheid, as an influential minister, as academic theologian, as President of the South African Council of Churches, as Rector and Vice-Chancellor of Stellenbosch University, and as leading voice in tertiary education in Africa. His family participated in the life of this congregation when Botman was a Fellow at The Center of Theological Inquiry. One of the founding figures in what is today known as "public theology," he received the Kuyper Prize in 2014 for his contributions to public life. This class will focus on how faith informed and inspired Botman's own life of public service - in his own words, his "project of hope."

#### *Renewal and Rebirth in Jane Austen's Persuasion*

9:15 AM, Music Room, Deborah Nord

Austen's final completed novel, *Persuasion*, published posthumously in 1918, tells the story of spinster Anne Elliot's second chance at happiness with the same man, Captain Wentworth, she had rejected years before. But marriage is never just marriage in Jane Austen. This hugely satisfying love story is also a tale of spiritual renewal and even bodily rejuvenation, and it imagines, at the same time, a kind of renewal and reform of British social relations. Longing for rebirth, for escape from her autumnal and dimming life, Anne Elliot also enacts an escape from outmoded notions of privilege, class, and marriage.

### WEEKLY

#### *Colossians In-depth*

9:15 AM, Maclean House, George Hunsinger

## International Student Lunch

Princeton Theological Seminary International Students and friends are invited to an annual lunch TODAY following 11:00 AM worship in the Assembly Room. Share and hear testimonies of God's faithfulness across the globe, and build life-long friendships.

Contact Len Scales (lscales@nassauchurch.org).

## Inquirers Class for Prospective Members

Come explore the meaning of Christian faith, church membership, and the foundations of the Presbyterian Church (USA) in classes on Sundays, October 14, 21, and 28; 9:30-10:30 AM in Niles Chapel; first floor. They are open to anyone wanting to discover more about our church and are required for those who wish to become church members. Your presence and membership mean everything to us!

Contact Lauren McFeaters (lauren@nassauchurch.org, 609-924-0103 x102)

## Join the Mass Incarceration Task Force (MITF) and make a difference

MITF meets in the 1st Floor Conference Room on October 14 from 12:15-1:15 PM. Bring your skills, compassion and support: become a pen-pal, mentor, or tutor.

Contact Mary Beth Charters (mbc4695@gmail.com), Jonathan Shenk (jshenk@greenleafpainters.com)

## Nassau Book Group

Nassau Book Group will meet on Sunday, October 14 at 12:30 PM in Room 202 to discuss *The Whistling Season* by Ivan Doig, a delightful coming-of-age novel set in rural Montana in 1909 and again in 1957. Bring a sack lunch. Coffee and tea are provided. All are welcome.

Contact Ginger August (gingeraugust@gmail.com, 609-924-6391)

## Central New Jersey Interfaith Stitchers for Peace

Join us as we dedicate ourselves to crafting hope, healing, and peace one stitch at a time. We welcome people of all faiths, and those who profess no faith, to join our work. Our next meeting will be Sunday, October 14, 2:00-4:00 PM at Congregation Beth Chaim in Princeton Junction. We are a Peace Pod of Women4Women Knitting4Peace and can be found at [knitting4peace.org](http://knitting4peace.org).

Contact Juanell Boyd (juanellbo@aol.com, 732-940-9442)

### *Youth Fellowship*

All youth are invited to Fellowship and Dinner tonight. See “Today at Nassau” in the bulletin for times.

### *Breaking Bread*

Breaking Bread is the worshipping community of Princeton Presbyterians, a campus ministry in Princeton. We welcome undergraduates, graduate students, young adults, and others who want to gather for a time of song, prayer, and communion around the Lord’s Table. Our time together equips us to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly throughout the week. Come as you are on Sundays, 6:30 PM, Niles Chapel. Contact Len Scales (lscales@princeton.edu).

### *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 (x106, lyeh@nassauchurch.org).

### *Prayer Chain*

To request prayer for yourself, a loved one, or a friend:

- fill out a pew prayer card and place it in the marked basket in the Narthex;
- write in the prayer book in the Narthex; or
- contact Deacon Debbi Roldan (4drold2010@gmail.com).

To join the prayer chain, send Debbi your email address or phone number.

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### **Coat Drive**

Princeton Theological Seminary is preparing to open its annual “Coat Shop.” Many international students arrive in New Jersey without adequate protection against our winters. To help prepare them for the winter, we are collecting unused and gently worn men’s and women’s light jackets, heavy coats, fleece pullovers and winter accessories. Please bring items to the collection bin in the Assembly Room by October 18 or contact Arie if you would like to assist at the shop. Your help is appreciated!

Contact Arie Manchen (alcerbin@aol.com, 956-466-0118)

### **Choral Evening Service**

The choirs of Nassau and Witherspoon will join with soloists, brass, and harp to present Alice Parker’s “Melodious Accord: A Concert of Praise” as part of a service of evening prayer and song on October 20, 5:00 PM at Nassau Church. An offering will be taken in support of the Paul Robeson House. Save the date and spread the word!

### **Walk for Water**

Nassau’s first annual water walk fund raiser for Villages in Partnership (VIP) will be Sunday, October 21, following the 11:00 AM service. All ages are welcome to wear their walking shoes and learn more about VIP. Buckets for carrying water will be provided. Register during Fellowship.

### **Invitation to Reflect and Write**

It is only October, but the Adult Education Committee is already planning for Nassau’s 2019 Lenten Devotional. We are calling on all interested writers to share their reflections with the congregation during the Lenten season. The Committee will provide the Lenten lectionary verses for your assigned day from which you chose one to write a meditation.

Contact Cynthia Miller (cmiller@braunresearch.com)

### **Cetana is celebrating its 25th!**

Nassau’s mission partner, Cetana Educational Foundation, is celebrating its 25th anniversary on Friday, November 2 at 7:30 PM with a champagne and dessert affair at the D&R Greenway’s Johnson Education Center on Rosedale Road. The event includes an auction of beautiful Myanmar art and handcrafts (preview items at cetana25.com). Cetana, founded by Nassau member Lois Young and her family, has brought educational opportunities to thousands of Myanmar youth, most recently with its Nassau Church-funded English teacher-training project in Kanpetlet. Tickets are \$100 per person.

Contact Sue Jennings (susancjennings@gmail.com)

### **Disaster Relief Effort**

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) is responding to disasters in the US and around the world in witness to the healing love of Christ to communities adversely affected. To assist in any or all of these efforts 1) write a check to Nassau Presbyterian Church with the note Disaster Relief or 2) Give online at nassauchurch.org under the “Giving” tab, then “Giving Now” and Disaster Relief.

### **Nassau’s Student Interns**

#### **2018 – 2019**

Congregational Care:	Grace Rakow
Princeton Presbyterians:	Max Hill
Music Ministry :	Alex Pino
Youth Ministry:	Jesse Barkalow Kelsey Lambright Lauren Seppi Nathan Seppi