



Nassau Presbyterian Church

December 2, 2018 9:15 and 11:00 AM

ADVENT I



Gathering

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

Prelude

“Come Now, Savior of the Nations”
BWV 659

J. S. Bach

♦ Call to Worship

Psalm 104 : 1–2

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

Bless the Lord, O my soul.

O Lord, our God, you are very great.

Bless the Lord, O my soul.

You are clothed with honor and majesty.

Bless the Lord, O my soul.

You are wrapped in light as with a garment.

Bless the Lord, O my soul.

Come, and let us worship the Lord!

♦ Opening Hymn

“On Jordan’s Bank the Baptist’s Cry”

Hymn 96

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

Prayer of Confession

Lord, have mercy on us.

We are not ready for your coming.

We live in sin, as though there is no justice.

We live in fear, as though there is no grace.

We live in disorder, as though there is no peace.

Forgive us, Lord. Show us your mercy and steadfast love.

**Lead us in your truth, and teach us your paths,
for you are the God of our salvation. Amen.**

Silence

**This flower, whose fragrance tender with sweetness fills the air,
dispels with glorious splendor the darkness everywhere.**

**Enfleshed, yet very God, from sin and death he saves us
and lightens every load.**

Assurance of Forgiveness

Good news! Great joy!

**In Jesus Christ the grace of God is pleased to dwell,
bringing salvation to all. We are restored. We are forgiven.**

Glory to God in the highest! And on earth, peace, to all people.

Words of Welcome



Proclaiming the Word

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

Time with Children and Lighting of the Advent Candle

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.

Response

“While We Are Waiting, Come”

Hymn 92
verse 1

**While we are waiting, come; while we are waiting come.
Jesus, our Lord, Emmanuel, while we are waiting, come.**

Prayer for Illumination

Psalms 25 : 4-5

**Make us to know your ways, O Lord; teach us your paths.
Lead us in your truth, and teach us, for you are the God of our salvation;
for you we wait all day long. Amen.**

Old Testament Lesson

Jeremiah 33 : 14-16

pg 738

Psalms

“Once in Royal David’s City, When the King Was in Distress”
(verses 1, 3, 4, and 6)

Psalter 132 B
pg 866

Psalter indicates the blue pew psalter Psalms for All Seasons.

New Testament Lesson

Luke 4 : 14-21

pg 61

Sermon

“Disorder to Peace”

David A. Davis



Thanksgiving

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

◆ Sermon Hymn

“O Come, O Come Emmanuel”

1. O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, And ran - som cap - tive
 2. O come, Thou Day-spring, come and cheer Our spir - its by Thine
 3. O come, De - sire of na - tions, bind All peo - ples in one

Is - ra - el, That mourns in lone - ly ex - ile here
 ad - vent here; Dis - perse the gloom - y clouds of night,
 heart and mind; Bid en - vy, strife, and dis - cord cease;

Un - til the Son of God ap - pear. Re - joice! Re - joice! Em -
 And death's dark shad - ows put to flight. Re - joice! Re - joice! Em -
 Fill the whole world with heav - en's peace. Re - joice! Re - joice! Em -

man - u - el Shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!
 man - u - el Shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!
 man - u - el Shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!

Offertory

“E’en So Lord Jesus, Quickly Come”

music Paul Manz
text Revelation 22
adapt. Ruth Manz

Peace be to you and grace from him who freed us from our sins,
Who loved us all and shed his blood that we might saved be.
Sing holy, holy to our Lord, the Lord, Almighty God,
Who was and is and is to come; sing holy, holy Lord!
Rejoice in heaven, all ye that dwell therein; rejoice on earth, ye saints below,
For Christ is coming, is coming soon, for Christ is coming soon!
E’en so, Lord Jesus, quickly come, and night shall be no more;
They need no light, nor lamp, nor sun, for Christ will be their All!

Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

We invite all followers of Jesus Christ to the table. Pass the tray to your neighbor, who will hold it for you as you receive the bread and grape juice. Cups on the bread tray hold gluten-free bread.

Invitation

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

...Therefore we join our voices with all the saints and the great cloud of witnesses and the whole creation to proclaim the glory of your name.

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory!**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

...Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Words of Institution

Sharing of the Bread “Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence”

Hymn 347

Sharing of the Cup “O Little Town of Bethlehem”

Hymn 121

Concluding Prayer



Sending

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

◆ Benediction

◆ Response “On This Day Earth Shall Ring”

Hymn 141

verse 1

**On this day earth shall ring with the song children sing
to the Lord, Christ our King, born on earth to save us; him the Father gave us.**

Ideo – o – o, ideo – o – o, ideo gloria in excelsis Deo!

Therefore, glory to God in the highest!

Postlude Fantasia on “Come Now, Savior of the Nations”
BWV 661

J. S. Bach

Preacher
David A. Davis

Liturgists
Lauren J. McFeaters
Len Scales 9:15
Corrie Berg 11:00

Musicians
Adult Choir
Noel Werner, director
Alex Pino, student director
Michael Ryan, student organist

Cover
“From Darkness to Light” by
staff member, Sarah Finbow.
While the artwork develops
each Sunday on the bulletin
cover, you can view the full
image on the portico banner.

Time with Children
Andrew Scales

The Week Ahead

December 3 – December 9

Monday, Dec. 3

- 4:30 PM *Communities of Light Preparation*
Narthex
- 5:30 PM *Communities of Light: Luminary Lighting with Womanspace*
Front Portico

Tuesday, Dec. 4

- 9:30 AM *Staff Devotions*
Niles Chapel
- 10:30 AM *Staff Meeting*
Conference Room
- 1:00 PM *Grace Notes Singers*
Kingston Presbyterian Church
- 7:00 PM *Adult Education Committee*
Conference Room

Wednesday, Dec. 5

- 4:00 PM *Homework Hangout*
Room 302
- 4:15 PM *Carol Choir*
Music Room
- 4:15 PM *In Choir Bible Study*
Conference Room
- 4:15 PM *Joyful Noise*
Nile Chapel
- 5:00 PM *Wee Christmas*
Assembly Room
- 5:15 PM *Choir 3-4-5*
Music Room
- 7:30 PM *Adult Choir*
Music Room

Thursday, Dec. 6

- 9:00 AM *Stretch Center Pray*
Room 301
- 10:00 AM *Al-Anon*
Conference Room; Library
- 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
- 7:30 PM *Human Resources Committee*
Davis Study

Friday, Dec. 7

- 7:00 AM *Women's Early Morning Bible Study*
Contact Doodie Meyer 609-275-9647
- 7:30 AM *Men's Breakfast*
Assembly Room

Saturday, Dec. 8

NO SCHEDULED EVENTS

Sunday, Dec. 9 – Advent 2

- 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
- 12:15 PM *Christmas Pageant Rehearsal*
Sanctuary
- 12:15 PM *Mass Incarceration Task Force*
Conference Room
- 2:00 PM *Advent Service of Remembrance*
Niles Chapel
- 4:00 PM *Westminster Live Nativity*
Westminster Presbyterian Church, Trenton
- 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 302
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TODAY AT NASSAU

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

Worship—Communion
9:15 AM *Sanctuary*

Fellowship
10:15 AM *Assembly Room*

Worship—Communion
11:00 AM *Sanctuary*

Worship Explorers
11:15 AM *Room 302*

Christmas Pageant Rehearsal
12:15 PM *Sanctuary*

Sing We All Noël—
Lunch and Carol Sing
12:15 PM *Assembly Room*

Middle School Fellowship
5:00 PM *Room 302*

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

Youth Dinner
6:00 PM *Assembly Room*

Breaking Bread
6:30 PM *Niles Chapel*

Middle School Choir
6:40 PM *Music Room*

Tending the Flock

Death—Stephen J. Allen, brother of Deborah Thomas and brother-in-law of Gordon Thomas, on November 20, in Mystic, Connecticut.

Death—Donna Mann, sister of Patty Thel, on November 26, in Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

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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