

# Nassau Generations

Weekly News & Events at Nassau Presbyterian Church

June 9, 2019

## ADULT EDUCATION

### THIS SUNDAY

#### *Joy to the World: A Reappraisal of Isaac Watts' 1719 Psalter*

11:15 AM, Assembly Room, Martin Tel

Oscar Wilde said “there seems to be some curious connection between piety and poor rhymes.” In fact, for many Presbyterians in the 18th century, beautiful lyrics were considered suspect. In such an environment, Watts’ Psalter set off alarm bells with lines such as *Joy to the world, the Lord is come* and *Jesus shall reign where'er the sun*. Denominations split over the question of singing these paraphrases in church. In this 300th anniversary year of Watts’ revolutionary Psalter, we will consider some of these well-loved texts and the impact that they have had on Presbyterian worship through the centuries.

### NEXT SUNDAY

#### *Galileo on Science and Scripture*

11:15 AM, Assembly Room, Eileen Reeves

In 1615 Galileo Galilei’s Letter to the Grand Duchess Cristina argued for the compatibility of science and scripture, or at least for the relative autonomy of each body of knowledge. Come learn more about Galileo’s treatise and discuss the various ways in which the relationship of science and scripture is treated in the present day.

### Thank You!

Pastor Karen Hernandez-Granzen of Westminster Presbyterian Church and Dave Bush would like to thank the members of Nassau Presbyterian Church for your generous support of the Get SET Program’s trip to the Trenton Thunder Baseball Game on May 19th. This was the second game for the Get SET Program that was sponsored by Nassau. All the children who attended had a fantastic time. Again, many thanks to everyone for making it a special day!

## Summer Church School Volunteers Needed

Would you consider assisting in Summer Church School? We offer two classes, one for children in preschool, and one for kindergarten to grade two. Summer Lead Teachers are already in place. Sign up to be an adult helper for the weeks of your choice through September 1. Youth helpers are also welcome to join as additional helpers.

Anne Lord will be on the front plaza (rain location: in the Narthex) to answer questions and help you sign up!

Contact Corrie Berg (Corrie@nassauchurch.org, x 108)

## VIP Benefit Concert

Join us for a benefit concert in the sanctuary on June 22 from 3:00–5:00 PM with a performance by violinists Joey Hsia & Tiffaney Hsia and pianist Daniel Gillen, for the Khonda Clinic Campaign with Villages in Partnership. The concert will feature music by Mendelssohn, Vitali, Mozart, Bach and many more. A free-will offering will be collected at the concert and the reception.

## ExtraOrdinaryStories: The Parables of Jesus

Monday, June 24 to Thursday, June 27.

A despised man, a jealous brother, an impatient judge, a fearless widow and a frustrated host. Jesus uses the stories of very (extra!) ordinary people to teach us about our extraordinary God. Come to VBS and be part of the ExtraOrdinaryStory.

Vacation Bible School:

(age 3 to rising grade 6) 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

The fun and fellowship continues for older children. PresbyCampers travel offsite and participate in local mission projects.

PresbyCamp:

(rising grades 4 – 6) 12:00 PM - 3:30 PM

Register now at [nassauchurch.org/vbs](http://nassauchurch.org/vbs)

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### Youth Fellowship

NEXT WEEK: Sunday, June 16 we'll hike the Sourland Mountain Preserve. Meet at 415 E. Mountain Rd. Hillsborough Twp., at 2:00 PM, pick up at 5:00 PM. Wear weather-appropriate clothing, sturdy shoes, and bring water bottles!

### Summer Choir

Join the Summer Choir as your schedule allows on Sundays through September 2. We rehearse at 9:00 AM in the Music Room for the morning service, learning music that is easily prepared in one rehearsal. Supported by our section leaders, singers of all abilities, middle school and older, are welcome for this "come as you are" choir. Join us and make a joyful noise unto God.

### 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* Debbi Roldan (4droid2010@gmail.com)

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

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### Needed: Bed Sheets for Lumber

Our Appalachia Service Project crew is asking for old bed sheets to help protect the inside of rental vans as they transport construction materials and dust-covered volunteers to and from worksites from July 7 to 13. Double or queen sizes preferred. All donations graciously accepted. Bring your donations to the laundry basket outside the church office on Sunday mornings or during regular business hours during the week by Sunday, June 30.

### Time for a Summer Update

Is your contact information changing this summer? Let the church office know by taking a moment to update your *My Nassau* profile.

*My Nassau* offers you many helpful tools, and it also helps our pastors and staff run church programs (for one, it's how we make the email list for our *News from Nassau* newsletter). You can also use it to track your giving and view the church photo directory.

Visit [nassauchurch.org/mynassau](http://nassauchurch.org/mynassau) to learn more, and call the office if you need any help. By the way, your *My Nassau* login also works for the Church Life app, a handy way to access the same features from your phone.

### Register now for "It's Cool in the Furnace!"

Be a part of our summer chancel drama: music (instruments, singing), staging, costumes, microphones, bible study, snacks, fun. Rising grade 3 through 12.

Join us this August 7-11!

Register now at [nassauchurch.org/cdw](http://nassauchurch.org/cdw)

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### Museum of the Bible – Saturday, June 29

Witherspoon Street Presbyterian Church would like to invite members of Nassau to join us on a trip to the Museum of the Bible in Washington DC on Saturday, June 29, 7:00 AM-9:00 PM, from the Mountain Lakes Nature Preserve Parking Lot. The cost per person to cover the trip (bus and museum tickets included) is \$90 per person.

The Museum includes artifacts, short films, panoramas, technology-enhanced exhibits, and a biblically themed restaurant. It tells the story of how the Bible came to us, illustrates the culture, and of special interest is a current exhibit called "The Slave Bible: Let the Story Be Told."

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### Bethany Community Garden Party

You are invited to the 7th annual Bethany Community Garden Party, on Saturday, June 29, from 2:00-6:00 PM at 426 Hamilton Avenue, Trenton. The Garden Party celebration will include honoring Westminster partners an open mic, spoken word, drumming, and dancing from 4:00-5:00 PM. Light refreshments will be provided by ArmInArm and The Bonner Foundation.

Designed by David Byers, the Bethany Community Garden is a project of the Bethany House of Hospitality, and the produce goes to their residents and neighbors and also to clients of ArmInArm.

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