

Nassau Generations

Weekly News & Events at Nassau Presbyterian Church

November 24, 2019

ADULT EDUCATION

THIS SUNDAY

An Act of Faith: Lessons in Aging with Dignity & the End of Life

Part 2: The Why and How of Pre-Planning a Funeral Service

9:30 AM, Assembly Room, Lauren J. McFeaters

NEXT SUNDAY

The Politics of the Incarnation

9:30 AM, Assembly Room, Shane Berg

Join us for an exploration of the political themes woven in Luke's story of the birth of Jesus. We'll discuss how the Gospel writer boldly asserts the relevance of Jesus' birth within the Roman Empire, and what this narrative means for our own attempt to live faithfully in a complex world.

Senior Adult Lunch TODAY

Senior adults are invited to a fellowship lunch TODAY, 12:15 PM in the Assembly Room. We will focus on giving thanks. Come and enjoy friendship and conversation.

Contact Lauren McFeaters (Lauren@nassauchurch.org, x102)

November Hunger Offering

TODAY we will receive the monthly Hunger Offering, a designated special offering for alleviating hunger in our community and around the world. The Mission Committee thanks all who contributed to the Offering for October, which totaled \$3,171.25, and asks for your continued support and prayers to end hunger.

Christmas Poinsettias

TODAY through December 15, you are invited to give a poinsettia in memory or in honor of a loved one. A full listing of poinsettias will be printed in the worship bulletin on December 22 and deacons will deliver the plants to those who need support and care. The suggested donation is \$20. Make checks payable to Nassau Presbyterian Church. For your convenience, order cards are available in the main office.

Thanksgiving Feast with Princeton Presbyterians

Undergraduates, graduate students, young adults, and friends of Princeton Presbyterians are invited to a potluck feast in the Assembly Room at 6:30 PM TODAY. Bring yourself, bring a friend, and bring a side dish or dessert to share.

Contact Len Scales (lscales@princeton.edu)

Deacon Holiday, All-Occasion Cards, Ornament Handcrafts TODAY

These items are available TODAY in support of our Nassau mission partners, CETANA in Myanmar and Villages in Partnership in Malawi. Our ginger cookie ornaments, and hand-crafted cards are designed and created by members of Nassau, are on sale for \$15-\$20 per package at our table during fellowship in the Assembly Room and at noon outside the front of the church.

Contact Agnes Olah

Join our Congregation-wide "Plarn" Project TODAY

"Plarn" is plastic yarn made from repurposed plastic shopping and newspaper bags and can be used to make sleeping mats for those experiencing homelessness. Attend a Sunday workshop in the Chapel and learn how to make plarn and mats TODAY, 10:15 AM & 12:00 PM; December 1, 10:15 AM. We especially need plarn makers so help yourself to the bags outside the office.

Contact Juanell Boyd

Princeton Community Inter-Faith Thanksgiving Day Service

All are welcome to the Princeton Thanksgiving Day Worship Service, November 28, 2019 at 11:00 AM in the Princeton University Chapel. Please bring non-perishable food for a collection for local food pantries. No glass please. Sponsored by the University Office of Religious Life and Princeton Clergy Association.

Sing We All Noël

Come to our All-Church All-Ages Lunch and Christmas Carol Sing, December 1, 12:15-1:15 PM, in the Assembly Room. Suggested donation: \$8/adult (\$25 max/family). Good food, good company – a joyful start to the season.

Wee Christmas

Wednesday, December 4, 5:00-6:30 PM

Hear the Nativity story and join a low-expectation, high-participation flash pageant (costumes provided!). The evening includes a family-friendly dinner for all. Wee Christmas is intended for families with children age 2 to grade 2. Older siblings are welcome to participate, if inclined. To celebrate the birth of Baby Jesus, we will collect diaper donations for HomeFront for infants in our own community.

Youth Fellowship

All youth are invited to Fellowship and Dinner tonight. See "Today at Nassau" on the bulletin back page for times.

On Sunday, December 1, come to Fellowship for our annual Christmas celebration and White Elephant Gift Exchange. Don your worst Christmas sweater, grab a glass of eggnog, and bring a bizarre gift (under \$10) that will make someone's season really unforgettable. We'll also be collecting for Arm in Arm's food pantry: non-perishable food in cans or boxes.

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* Debbi Roldan (4drold2010@gmail.com)

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

Newark Boys Chorus in Concert – December 7 at 4:00 PM

The world-famous Newark Boys Chorus, under the direction of Donald Morris and with guest musicians will present a concert of seasonal favorites and a specially-commissioned work written for them. A free-will offering will be collected in support of the Newark Boys Chorus School.

Advent Craft Fair

Wednesday, December 11, 4:00-6:00 PM

Children, age 3 and up, join us for this festive afternoon of crafts, treats, and Christmas stories by the tree. There will be a variety of projects suitable to every ability, and childcare is available for younger siblings.

Contact Corrie Berg (corrie@nassauchurch.org)

Mark Your Calendars For Our Christmas Pageant

Join us for our annual Christmas Pageant on December 15, 2019 at 4 PM.

Play in the Christmas Bell Peal

Be a part of the annual Christmas bell peal at the 7:00 PM Christmas Eve Service. All players must attend the rehearsal on December 23 at 6:30 PM. Contact Lauren Yeh to sign up. If you have never played handbells before or if you want a refresher, contact Noel Werner to schedule some practice time.

Contacts Lauren Yeh (x106, lauren.yeh@nassauchurch.org) and Noel Werner (x104, nwerner@nassauchurch.org)

Give the Gift of Mission

As you plan your holiday gift giving, consider honoring friends and family members with meaningful alternative gifts available in support of Nassau Church's mission partners. Donate to a mission partner and receive a greeting card that explains the work your gift supports. Visit the Alternative Gifts table hosted by the Mission & Outreach Committee during Fellowship in the Assembly Room beginning next week.

Advent Service of Remembrance

Advent and Christmas can be challenging for those who are grieving and for whom the season is tender. Join us for scripture, song, and prayer in a Service of Remembrance on Sunday, December 8 at 2:00 PM in Niles Chapel. We gather to acknowledge our sadness and grief, we seek God's healing and restoration, and we offer one another the gift of fellowship.

Contact Lauren McFeaters (Lauren@nassauchurch.org, x102)

Alumni Choir, Christmas Eve 7 PM Service

Our high school choir Cantorei invites choir alumni to sing in the 7:00 PM service on Christmas Eve. Rehearsal on December 23, 7:00–9:00 PM. All are welcome!

Contact Ingrid Ladendorf (Ingrid@nassauchurch.org)

2020 Calendars

The Mass Incarceration Task Force is collecting 2020 calendars to send to East Jersey Prison in Rahway. Stop by the office to read recent "Thank you" cards from calendar recipients. The calendars must not have wire but staples are fine. Place your donations in the basket in the office. If you are interested in being a pen pal with an inmate in one of our prisons, please contact Marcia.

Contact Marcia Van Dyck

Become a Part of a Work of Art

Our artist-in-residence, Trudy Borenstein-Sugiura, is accepting submissions of documents to be incorporated into the chancel banner that she is creating for us. Papers and documents (or copies) can be related to church, home, work, or school and should be able to be cut and become a permanent part of the work. You can drop off documents in the large box in the corner of the Conference Room, or give them to Noel Werner.