



Nassau Presbyterian Church

November 24, 2019 9:15 & 11:00 AM



Gathering

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

Prelude

Prelude in C Major

Johann Pachelbel

♦ Introit

Jesus, We Are Here

Red Hymnal 392

At the sign ♦ you may stand.

♦ Call to Worship

Bold text is read or sung in unison.

O the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!

How unsearchable are God's judgments and how inscrutable God's ways!

For from God and through God and to God are all things.

To God be the glory forever. Amen.

♦ Opening Hymn

Now Thank We All Our God

Red Hymnal 643

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God,

**we confess we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.**

We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength.

We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

Lord, forgive us, transform us, and call us forth

that we may do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you.

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 Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me Red Hymnal 582

Words of Welcome



Proclaiming the Word

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

Time with Children

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.

Prayer for Illumination

**Lord, open our hearts and minds
by the power of your Holy Spirit,
that we may hear your Word with joy. Amen.**

First Scripture Lesson	Psalm 46: A Responsorial Setting refrain—pg 289	Psalter 46 D pg 288
Second Scripture Lesson	Luke 1 : 67–79	pg 58
Sermon	Tender Mercy	Len Scales



Thanksgiving

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

♦ Sermon Hymn Blest Be the God of Israel Red Hymnal 109

♦ Affirmation of Faith

Confession of Belhar
South Africa, 1982

We believe in the triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, who gathers, protects and cares for the church through Word and Spirit. This, God has done since the beginning of the world and will do to the end.

We believe in one holy, universal Christian church, the communion of saints called from the entire human family.

We believe that God's life-giving Word and Spirit has conquered the power of sin and death, and therefore also of irreconciliation and hatred, bitterness and enmity, that God's life-giving Word and Spirit will enable the church to live in a new obedience which can open new possibilities of life for society and the world.

Offertory

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

music Hugo Distler
text Joachim Neander
tr. Martin Seltz

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
My heart is longing to offer up sweet adoration.
Melody make; dulcimer, harp now awake,
sound forth your praise, every nation.

Praise the Almighty, o'er all life so wondrously reigning,
and, as on wings of an eagle uplifting, sustaining.
God is our rest, working in all for the best.
Look to God's gracious ordaining.

♦ Doxology

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures here below. Alleluia, alleuia!
Praise God above, ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Alleluia, alleluia,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

Preacher

Len Scales

Liturgists

Katie Garner

Andrew Scales 9:15

Corrie Berg 11:00

Time with Children

Carol Wehrheim

Musicians

Adult Choir

Michael Ryan, director &
organist

Flowers

The flowers in the Sanctuary
are given to the glory of God
and in thanksgiving for the
Nassau Church members
and Staff who faithfully stand
up for justice, peace, and
reconciliation by Claire Mulry
and Holly Hardaway on the
fifth anniversary of their
wedding.

Cover Art

“Daily Prayer,” a linoleum block
illustration by Martha Kelly
from the Book of Common
Worship.

Commitment Sunday is NEXT Sunday, December 1, 2019.

Please bring your pledge cards to worship.

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The Week Ahead

November 25 – December 1

Monday, Nov. 25

7:30 PM *Adult Choir*
Music Room

Tuesday, Nov. 26

9:30 AM *Staff Devotions*
Niles Chapel

10:30 AM *Staff Meeting*
Conference Room

1:30 PM *Grace Notes Singers*
Kingston Presbyterian Church

5:00 PM *Cemetery Committee*
Assembly Room

7:30 PM *Worship and Arts
Committee*
Conference Room

Wednesday, Nov. 27

No Scheduled Events

Thursday, Nov. 28

Thanksgiving - Office Closed

11:00 AM *Community Thanksgiving
Service*
Princeton University Chapel

Friday, Nov. 29

Thanksgiving - Office Closed

7:00 AM *Women's Early Morning
Bible Study*
Contact Carol Wehrheim

Saturday, Nov. 30

No Scheduled Events

Sunday, Dec. 1– Advent 1

9:15 AM *Worship–Communion*
Sanctuary

9:15/30 AM *Church School for
Children and Youth*
Classrooms

9:30 AM *Adult Education*
Assembly Room

10:15 AM *Fellowship*
Conference Room

10:15 AM *Plarn Project Workshop*
Niles Chapel

11:00 AM *Worship–Communion*
Sanctuary

11:15 AM *Worship Explorers*
Room 302

12:15 PM *Sing We All Noël–Lunch &
Carol Sing*
Assembly Room

12:15 PM *Christmas Pageant
Rehearsal*
Sanctuary

5:00 PM *Cantorei*
Music Room

5:00 PM *Middle School Fellowship*
Room 304

6:00 PM *Youth Dinner*
Assembly Room

6:30 PM *Breaking Bread Worship*
Niles Chapel

6:40 PM *Chorale*
Music Room

6:40 PM *Senior High Fellowship*
Room 304

TODAY AT NASSAU

Worship

9:15 AM *Sanctuary*

Church School for Children and Youth

9:15/9:30 AM *Classrooms*

Adult Education

9:30 AM *Assembly Room*

Fellowship

10:15 AM *Conference Room*

Plarn Project Workshop

10:15 AM *Niles Chapel*

Worship

11:00 AM *Sanctuary*

Worship Explorers

11:15 AM *Room 302*

Plarn Project Workshop

12:00 PM *Niles Chapel*

Christmas Pageant Rehearsal

12:15 PM *Sanctuary*

Senior Adult Lunch

12:15 PM *Assembly Room*

Cantorei

5:00 PM *Music Room*

Middle School Fellowship

5:00 PM *Room 304*

Youth Dinner

6:00 PM *3rd floor*

Breaking Bread Thanksgiving Feast

6:30 PM *Assembly Room*

Chorale

6:40 PM *Music Room*

Senior High Fellowship

6:40 PM *Room 304*

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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