

# Nassau Generations

Weekly News & Events at Nassau Presbyterian Church

December 8, 2019

## ADULT EDUCATION

### THIS SUNDAY

*O Come, O Come Emmanuel*

9:30 AM, Assembly Room, Joyce Irwin

### NEXT SUNDAY

*The Story of the Other Wise Man*

9:30 AM, Assembly Room, Maria LoBiondo

First read as a holiday sermon, Presbyterian minister Henry Van Dyke's parable imagining a fourth Magi's lifelong search for the King of Kings remains one of his most popular works. Storyteller Maria LoBiondo will share her version of "The Other Wise Man," as well as a brief history of the author, who was educated at Princeton University and Princeton Theological Seminary and called Princeton home.

### WEEKLY

*Colossians In-Depth*

9:15 AM, Maclean House, George Hunsinger

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## Christmas Poinsettias

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.

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## Advent Service of Remembrance TODAY

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 TODAY 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)

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## Join the Mass Incarceration Task Force (MITF)

Join the Mass Incarceration Task Force (MITF) TODAY and make a difference. MITF meets in the 1st Floor Conference Room from 12:15-1:15 PM. Bring your skills, compassion, and support: become a pen-pal, mentor, or tutor.

Contact Mary Beth Charters, Jonathan Shenk

## Decorate the Health for Haiti Christmas Tree

TODAY through December 29, help decorate our Christmas tree in the Assembly Room. Items needed for the clinic, which can be placed on the Christmas tree, include: muscle rub, antibiotic cream, gauze, tape, Band-Aids, ACE bandages, thermometers, wooden tongue depressors, non-latex gloves, hand lotion, small cakes of soap, packaged toothbrushes, small children's toys (matchbox cars, jump ropes, etc.), barrettes, and hair ribbons.

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## Beyond Malibu for Teens and Adults

Beyond Malibu Meeting, Sunday, December 15, 10:15 AM in Room 304. Teens who are interested and their parents are invited to hear more about the trip to British Columbia, Canada, find out why the packing list is so specific, pick up hard copies of the forms, and have your questions answered. Also invited to this meeting is anyone interested in the Adults-Only Beyond experience. Come listen, ask questions, explore. Maybe you'll be inspired to Go Beyond!

Contact Mark Edwards (mark@nassauchurch.org)

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## Summer 2020 Youth Trips

NorthBay July 2-6, Rising grades 7-9

Appalachia Service Project July 12-18, Age 14 and up

Beyond Malibu July 23-August 2, Age 15 and up, (two trips: one adults only)

Registration forms are available in the literature rack outside the church office. Scholarships are available.

Contact Mark Edwards (mark@nassauchurch.org) or Lauren Yeh (LYeh@nassauchurch.org)

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## December Conference Room Art Show

HomeFront will have a display of artwork in the conference room which will be available for purchase. TODAY, between the two services, they will have Holiday Greetings Cards to sell as well. The artwork and cards are created in HomeFront's therapeutic art program, ArtSpace, by individuals who have been touched by poverty, homelessness and abuse. As you prepare to send your best wishes to friends, family, colleagues and customers this holiday season, please consider the expanded impact you can achieve through the purchase of HomeFront's Holiday Greeting Cards from HomeFront's ArtSpace.

### Youth Fellowship

Middle School youth are invited to Fellowship and Dinner tonight. See "Today at Nassau" in the bulletin for times. Senior high has the night off after a whirlwind Winter Weekend at Lake Champion.

### Breaking Bread

Sundays, 6:30 PM in Niles Chapel. Breaking Bread is the worshipping community of Princeton Presbyterians, a campus ministry in Princeton. Our time together equips us to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly throughout the week. Undergraduate students, graduate students, young adults, and friends are invited to come as you are. Visit [princetonpresbys.org](http://princetonpresbys.org) for more information or contact Andrew Scales ([ascales@princeton.edu](mailto:ascales@princeton.edu)).

### Music at Nassau

Membership in our music 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](mailto: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 ([4droid2010@gmail.com](mailto:4droid2010@gmail.com))

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

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### Give the Gift of Mission

As you plan your Christmas gift giving, consider honoring friends and family members with meaningful alternative gifts available in support of Nassau's Church 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.

### 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.

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### Alumni Choir, Christmas Eve 7:00 PM Service

Cantorei, our high school choir 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](mailto:Ingrid@nassauchurch.org))

### Holy Land Trip 2021

SAVE THE DATE

Nassau Presbyterian Church 2021 Holy Land Pilgrimage led by Dave and Cathy Cook Davis and Shane and Corrie Berg.

May 19th - June 2st, 2021

More info to come early 2020 with cost estimates and exact travel dates.

### Stewardship 2020

One of the privileges of serving as pastor of Nassau Presbyterian Church comes in two parts. I get the chance to express the gratitude of the entire congregation to all who generously give of their financial resources to this ministry. I also have the responsibility and the privilege of asking people for the financial support and commitment necessary to forward the vibrant life and mission of our church forward.

So with confidence and joy I thank you for your gifts and pledge to Nassau Church. With these year-end statements we seek to remind folks of the remaining amounts on pledges. I also want to invite those who are able to consider giving at this time of year; even extra giving over and above what has been pledged. As all the other organizations ask at the end of the tax year, I would be remiss not to ask on behalf of your congregation.

Thanks be to God for the life and witness of Nassau Presbyterian Church in 2019.

David A. Davis, Pastor

### A CHILD'S ADVENT AT NASSAU

#### 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. Parents are encouraged to stay and participate with preschool-age children.

#### CHRISTMAS PAGEANT & TEA & TAPAS

Our Christmas Pageant is NEXT Sunday, December 15 at 4:00 PM. All are invited to come and enjoy this beloved tradition and then to stay for refreshments and fellowship "Tea and Tapas" at 5:00 PM.

#### CHRISTMAS EVE FAMILY WORSHIP

On Christmas Eve, December 24, our 3:00 PM worship service is especially suited to families.