



## Nassau Presbyterian Church

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March 1, 2020 9:15 & 11:00 AM

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# Gathering

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

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Prelude 9:15

He Leadeth Me

William B. Bradbury  
arr. Sandra Eithun

11:00

Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley

Trad. Spiritual  
arr. Valerie W. Stephenson

## ♦ Call to Worship

Matthew 11 : 28–30

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

Jesus said:

Come to me, all you that are weary  
and are carrying heavy burdens,  
and I will give you rest.

**Take my yoke upon you,  
and learn from me;  
for I am gentle and lowly in heart,  
and you will find rest for your souls.**

For my yoke is easy,  
and my burden is light.

**Come. Let us worship God.**

## ♦ Opening Hymn

What Wondrous Love Is This

Red Hymnal 215

## Prayer of Confession

**We confess we are too often silenced by fear.  
Loving and powerful God, you speak, but we do not listen.  
We do not believe. We do not act. Show us grace,  
and surround us with partners in faith who bear with us.  
Fill us with hope, Lord, so we may go forth  
proclaiming your salvation for the world here and now.**

*Silence*

## Response

## You Are the Lord, Giver of Mercy!

Richard Wetzel

Em D Em Am Em D Em

You are the Lord, giv-er of mer-cy!

Am D C D Em C Em

You are the Christ, giv-er of mer-cy!

Em D G Am Em D E

You are the Lord, giv-er of mer-cy!

## 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.**

## Words of Welcome

Anthem 9:15

O Praise the Lord, Who Made All Beauty

Hal H. Hopson

O praise the Lord who made all beauty.

Whose gift of the senses we enjoy.

O may we live each day in constant wonder, to see all of life in simple pleasure.

O praise the Lord who made all beauty.

Sing, "*Laudeamus te.*"

Praise God who makes each day an adventure.

Praise God for eager eyes to see the world.

Praise God for budding flower. Praise God for stars and moonbeams.

Sing, "*Laudeamus.*"

Praise God for sound of voice and music.

Praise God for touch that loved ones share.

Praise God for fragrant springtime. Praise God for winter's bleakness.

Sing, "*Laudeamus.*"



## Proclaiming the Word

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

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### 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

Psalm	How Long, O Lord, Will You Forget verse 1 – solo verses 2 & 3 – all	Blue Psalter 13 D pg 63
Gospel Lesson	Luke 1 : 5–25	pg 56
Sermon	From Hopelessness to Hope	David A. Davis



## Thanksgiving

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

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♦ Sermon Hymn	I Love the Lord, Who Heard My Cry	Red Hymnal 799
Offertory	To Dust	Karen Marrolli
Let my crying come to dust. Let my grief be turned to ashes. Let my heart be cleansed with flame. Kyrie eleison. Let my mourning turn to song. Let my sorrow turn to sunrise. Let my broken spirit rest. Kyrie eleison. Let your healing waters rise. Let your deserts bloom with bounty. Let your Holy Spirit come. Christe eleison. Let our crying come to dust. Let our grief be turned to ashes. Let our hearts be cleansed with flame. Kyrie eleison. (Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison. Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy.)		

# Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

## 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

### Sharing the Cup

### Concluding Prayer



◆ Benediction

◆ Response

Lift High the Cross

Red Hymnal 826  
verse 2

**Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim  
till all the world adore his sacred name.  
All newborn servants of the Crucified  
bear on their brow the seal of Christ who died.  
Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim  
till all the world adore his sacred name.**

Postlude

Chaconne

Louis Couperin

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Preacher

David A. Davis

Liturgists

Lauren J. McFeaters

Andrew Scales

Time with Children

Elizabeth Steel

Musicians

*Chamber Ringers* 9:15

*Festival Ringers* 11:00

Robert Lamb, director

*Cantorei and Choir* 3-4-5 9:15

Ingrid Ladendorf, director

*Adult Choir*

Elem Eley, soloist

Noel Werner, director

Michael Ryan, student organist

Flowers

The flowers in the Sanctuary  
are given to the glory of  
God and in loving memory  
of Carole Messersmith and  
those people before her who  
helped make her the person  
she was, by her husband Jim  
Messersmith and family.

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# The Week Ahead

March 2 – March 8

Lenten Small Groups take place throughout the week. See *My Nassau* or the web calendar for the schedule.

## Monday, Mar. 2

9:00 AM *Children's & Family  
Ministry Committee*  
Conference Room

## Tuesday, Mar. 3

9:30 AM *Staff Devotions*  
Niles Chapel

10:30 AM *Staff Meeting*  
Conference Room

7:00 PM *Adult Education  
Committee*  
Conference Room

## Wednesday, Mar. 4

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*  
Niles Chapel

5:15 PM *Choir 3-4-5*  
Music Room

5:15 PM *Choir Family Co-Op  
Dinner*  
Assembly Room

7:30 PM *Adult Choir*  
Music Room

## Thursday, Mar. 5

10:00 AM *Al-Anon*  
Conference Room; Library

5:00 PM *Handbell Choirs*  
Room 202

## Friday, Mar. 6

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

7:30 AM *Men's Breakfast*  
Assembly Room

## Saturday, Mar. 7

5:00 PM *Confirmation Retreat #2*  
Room 304

## Sunday, Mar. 8

9:15 AM *Worship*  
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

11:00 AM *Worship*  
Sanctuary

11:15 AM *Worship Explorers*  
Room 302

12:15 PM *Power of Photography*  
Conference Room

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*  
Niles Chapel

6:40 PM *Chorale*  
Music Room

6:40 PM *Senior High Fellowship*  
Room 304

7:30 PM *Breaking Bread Dinner*  
Assembly Room

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## Tending the Flock

Deaths—

Lucinda Servis on February 9, 2020 in Plainsboro, New Jersey

Nancy Teare, mother of Suzy Morris and mother-in-law of  
John Morris on February 15, 2020 in Princeton, New Jersey

Ann Lee Brown on February 22, 2020 in Richmond, Virginia

## TODAY AT NASSAU

Teacher Appreciation Breakfast

8:00 AM *Conference Room*

Worship—Communion

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*

Worship—Communion

11:00 AM *Sanctuary*

Worship Explorers

11:15 AM *Sanctuary*

Cantorei

5:00 PM *Music Room*

Middle School Fellowship

5:00 PM *Room 304*

Youth Dinner

6:00 PM *Assembly Room*

Breaking Bread Worship

6:30 PM *Niles Chapel*

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](http://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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