



## Nassau Presbyterian Church

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March 8, 2020 9:15 & 11:00 AM

LENT II



# Gathering

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

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Prelude

Élévation

Louis Vierne

## ♦ Call to Worship

Isaiah 58 : 6–8

Bold text is read or sung in unison.

Is not this the fast I choose:

to loose the bonds of injustice;

**to share your bread with the hungry;**

to bring the homeless poor into your house;

**when you see the naked, to clothe them?**

Then your light shall break forth like the dawn,

**and your healing shall spring up quickly.**

Let us worship God.

## ♦ Opening Hymn

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Red Hymnal 610

*Hymn* indicates the red pew hymnal *Glory to God*.

## Prayer of Confession

**Liberating God,**

**we confess too often we operate from mindsets of scarcity.**

**You are a God of abundance**

**who preaches good news and promises freedom.**

**Remind us that your salvation liberates those**

**who are oppressed**

**in body and in spirit.**

**Empower us to work for a world**

**that seeks the well-being of all peoples. Amen.**

*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



## 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

Psalm

Deliver Me from Evil

Blue Psalter 140 A  
pg 917

*Psalter indicates the blue pew psalter Psalms for All Seasons.*

Gospel Lesson

Luke 4 : 16–30

pg 61

Sermon

From Oppression to Liberation

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

O Carpenter, Why Leave the Bench

Red Hymnal 162

verse 1–choir  
verse 2–all  
verse 3–choir  
verses 4 & 5–all

♦ Affirmation of Faith

Philippians 2 : 5–11

**Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,  
who, though he was in the form of God,  
did not regard equality with God  
as something to be exploited,  
but emptied himself, taking the form of a servant,  
being born in human likeness.**

**And being found in human form he humbled himself  
and became obedient to the point of death – even death on a cross.  
Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name  
that is above every name,  
so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend,  
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,  
and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

## Offertory

Arise, Shine, for Your Light Has Come

William Mathias  
from Isaiah 60  
and the Gloria Patri

Arise, shine, for your light has come,  
and the glory of the Lord has dawned upon you.  
For behold, darkness covers the land; deep gloom enshrouds the peoples.  
But over you the Lord will rise, and God's glory will appear upon you.  
Nations will stream to your light, kings to the brightness of your dawning.  
Your gates will always be open; by day or night they will never be shut.  
They will call you the City of the Lord, the Zion of the Holy One of Israel.  
Violence will no more be heard in your land,  
ruin or desolation within your borders.  
You will call your walls Salvation, and all your portals Praise.  
The sun will no more be your light by day;  
by night you will not need the brightness of the moon.  
The Lord will be your everlasting light, and your God will be your glory.  
Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit:  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

## ♦ Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
praise God all creatures here below,  
praise God above, ye heav'nly host,  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

## Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

The Lord's Prayer is recited in the language closest to your heart. The common English text may be found in the hymnal on pg 11, the traditional, pg 35; Spanish, pg 40; and Korean, pg 45.



We follow the Word into the world, sent forth with  
God's blessing to lives of service and love.

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| ♦ Closing Hymn | Live into Hope      | Red Hymnal 772            |
| ♦ Benediction  |                     |                           |
| ♦ Response     | Lift High the Cross | Red Hymnal 826<br>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                      Dialogue sur les Grands Jeux                      Nicolas de Grigny

Preacher  
David A. Davis

Liturgists  
Lauren J. McFeaters  
Mark Edwards 11:00

Time with Children  
Carol Wehrheim

Musicians  
*Adult Choir*  
 Noel Werner, director  
 Michael Ryan, student organist  
 Michael Cooney, prelude  
 organist

Flowers  
The flowers in the Sanctuary  
are given to the glory of God  
and in loving memory of  
Bill Sword, Jr. from Martha,  
Gretchen and Russell, Hope  
and Will Sword

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# The Week Ahead

March 9 – March 15

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

## Monday, Mar. 9

No Scheduled Events

## Tuesday, Mar. 10

- 9:30 AM *Staff Devotions*  
Niles Chapel
- 10:30 AM *Staff Meeting*  
Conference Room
- 1:00 PM *Grace Notes Singers*  
Kingston Presbyterian Church
- 6:45 PM *Presbytery of New Brunswick*  
Stockton Presbyterian Church

## Wednesday, Mar. 11

- 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. 12

- 10:00 AM *Al-Anon*  
Conference Room; Library
- 5:00 PM *Handbell Choirs*  
Room 202

## Friday, Mar. 13

- 7:00 AM *Women's Early Morning Bible Study*  
Contact Carol Wehrheim
- 7:30 AM *Men's Breakfast*  
Assembly Room
- 5:30 PM *Club 3-4-5*  
Assembly Room

## Saturday, Mar. 14

No Scheduled Events

## Sunday, Mar. 15 – Lent III

- 9:15 AM *Worship–Youth Sunday*  
Sanctuary
- 9:30 AM *Adult Education*  
Assembly Room
- 10:15 AM *Fellowship*  
Conference Room
- 11:00 AM *Worship–Youth Sunday*  
Sanctuary
- 11:15 AM *Worship Explorers*  
Room 302
- 12:15 PM *Nassau Book Group*  
Room 202
- 5:30 PM *Youth Fellowship Off-Site*  
Colonial Lanes, Lawrenceville
- 6:30 PM *Breaking Bread Worship*  
Niles Chapel

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## Tending the Flock

Deaths—

Freeman Dyson, husband of Imme and father of Mia, Dorothy, Emily, and Rebecca on February 28, 2020 in Plainsboro, New Jersey. A memorial will be held on April 18 at 2:00 PM at Trinity Episcopal Church, Princeton.

James Mitchell Teale, father of Bill on March 1, 2020 in Tinton Falls, New Jersey.

## 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*

### Worship

11:00 AM *Sanctuary*

### Worship Explorers

11:15 AM *Room 302*

### Power of Photography

12:15 PM *Conference Room*

### 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*

### Breaking Bread Dinner

6:30 PM *Assembly Room*

## 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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