



# Nassau Presbyterian Church

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September 5, 2021 10:00 AM



# Gathering

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

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Prelude

Deck Thyself, My Soul, with Gladness

Johannes Brahms

## ♦ Call to Worship

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

We will bless the Lord at all times.

**God's praise will always be on our lips.**

Let us magnify the Lord.

**Let us lift high the name of God.**

O, taste and see that the Lord is good.

**Let us worship God together!**

## ♦ Opening Hymn

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Red Hymnal 65

## Prayer of Confession

**Loving God,**

**we confess that many times we forget that you are Lord of all.**

**We get so caught up in our own fears that we embrace selfish ways.**

**We serve only our pride.**

**We do not live in ways of compassion and love,  
justice and mercy,**

**repentance and forgiveness that are taught to us  
in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.**

**Forgive us. Create clean hearts in us.**

**Put new, faithful spirits deep inside us—  
every day, every hour, every minute.**

## 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.

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### Time With Children

Children, age three to rising grade two, may leave for Summer Church School activities.

### Prayer for Illumination

**Dear God of every space and time,  
Meet us in this time of transition,  
Open our ears to hear your Word,  
Clear our minds of every distraction,  
And let your Word take root in our hearts,  
So that this message will bloom in us  
when we need it the most. Amen.**

### First Scripture Lesson

Psalm 34 : 1–8

BCW

I will bless the Lord at all times;  
the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth.

I will glory in the Lord;  
let the lowly hear and rejoice.

Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord;  
let us exalt God's name together.

I sought the Lord, who answered me  
and delivered me from all my terrors.

Look upon the Lord and be radiant,  
and let not your faces be downcast.

I called in my affliction, and the Lord heard me  
and saved me from all my troubles.

The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear the Lord

and delivers them.

Taste and see that the Lord is good;  
happy are they who take refuge in God!

## Second Scripture Lesson I Kings 19 : 4–8

NRSV

But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors." Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. The angel of the Lord came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you." He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.

Sermon

Food for the Journey

Len Scales



## Thanksgiving

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

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Sermon Hymn

Taste and See

Red Hymnal 520

Offertory

The Eyes of All Wait Upon Thee

Jean Berger  
Psalm 145 : 15, 16

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...**

Words of Institution

Communion of the People

Wine of Peace

Charles Camilleri

Concluding Prayer



## **Sending**

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

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◆ Benediction

◆ Response

Go With Us, Lord

Red Hymnal 748

Postlude

Prelude on "Cwm Rhonnda"

Paul Manz

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Preacher

Len Scales

Liturgists

Andrew Scales

Time with Children

Heather Riehl

Musicians

Michael Cooney, prelude  
organist

Summer Choir

Noel Werner, director &  
organist

Sound Engineer

Nick Mastalesz

Livestream Operators

Jeff Santoro

Tom Coogan

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“Cross and Chalice” a linocut  
by Elizabeth Steale Halstead

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## *Tending the Flock*

Birth— Owen Matthew Hove, son of Alexa and Erik Hove, grandson of Sandy and Roger Hove was born on August 21, 2021 in Berkeley Heights, New Jersey

Birth— Caleb Patrick and Cameron Kevin Shock, twin grandsons of Marie and John Shock, sons of Patrick and Stephanie Shock were born August 17, 2021 in Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania

Death— Elizabeth Lea Winfrey Shindel, sister of Polly Griffen on August 31 in O’Fallon, Illinois

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