

# Nassau Presbyterian Church

November 14, 2021 9:15 & 11:00 AM



Prelude	Poco allegretto in C Major	César Franck
	Praeludium in A Minor	J. C. F. Fischer
Call to Worship		Psalm 50:1-2
At the sign $\bullet$ you may	stand. Bold text is read in unison.	
The mighty one, Goo speaks and summon		
from the rising of th	e sun to its setting.	
-	fection of the beauty,	
God shines forth.		
Come, people of Go	d, let us worship the God who summon	ls us.
Opening Hymn	All People That on Earth Do Dwell Congregation sings all verses	Red Hymnal 385
Prayer of Confessio	on	
For failing to love ot	hers as you have loved us	
God of grace, <b>forgiv</b>	e us.	
For wasting your gif	ts and hoarding our goods	
God of grace, <b>forgiv</b>	e us.	
For plundering the e	earth and abusing the planet	
God of grace, <b>forgiv</b>	e us.	
For fearing those wh	e	
and ignoring those i		
God of grace, forgiv		
For losing heart and	0 1	
God of grace, <b>forgiv</b>		
For all the ways we t	·	
	e us.	
God of grace, <b>forgiv</b> We offer our prayers		

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. Some classes will gather outside as weather permits.

11:00 Children age three to grade three may leave for Worship Explorers. This class will gather outside as weather permits.

#### Prayer for Illumination

Pour out your Holy Spirit, O God, and prepare our hearts to accept your Word. Silence in us any voice but your own, that, hearing, we may also obey your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

First Scripture Lesson Ruth 1:16–22
But Ruth said,
"Do not press me to leave you or to turn back from following you!
Where you go, I will go; where you lodge, I will lodge;
your people shall be my people, and your God my God.
Where you die, I will die there will I be buried.

NRSV

May the Lord do thus and so to me,

and more as well,

if even death parts me from you!"

When Naomi saw that she was determined to go with her, she said no more to her.

So the two of them went on until they came to Bethlehem. When they came to Bethlehem, the whole town was stirred because of them; and the women said, "Is this Naomi?" She said to them,

"Call me no longer Naomi,

call me Mara,

for the Almighty has dealt bitterly with me.

I went away full,

but the Lord has brought me back empty;

why call me Naomi

when the Lord has dealt harshly with me,

and the Almighty has brought calamity upon me?"

So Naomi returned together with Ruth the Moabite, her daughter-in-law, who came back with her from the country of Moab. They came to Bethlehem at the beginning of the barley harvest.

Second Scripture Lesson Matthew 12:46–50 NRSV

While Jesus was still speaking to the crowds, his mother and his brothers were standing outside, wanting to speak to him. Someone told him, "Look, your mother and your brothers are standing outside, wanting to speak to you." But to the one who had told him this, Jesus replied, "Who is my mother, and who are my brothers?" And pointing to his disciples, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! For whoever does the will of my Father in heaven is my brother and sister and mother."

Sermon	Are You My Mother?	David A. Davis
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- Sermon Hymn
- I Want to Be as Close to You Choir alone verses 1 & 3

Red Hymnal 736

Affirmation of Faith

From The Confession of Belhar

We believe that Christ's work of reconciliation is made manifest in the church as the community of believers who have been reconciled with God and with one another; that we share one faith, have one calling, are of one soul and one mind; have one God and Father, are filled with one Spirit, are baptized with one baptism, eat of one bread and drink of one cup, confess one name, are obedient to one Lord, work for one cause, and share one hope; together come to know the height and the breadth and the depth of the love of Christ: together are built up to the stature of Christ, to the new humanity; together know and bear one another's burdens, thereby fulfilling the law of Christ that we need one another and upbuild one another, admonishing and comforting one another; that we suffer with one another for the sake of righteousness; pray together; together serve God in this world; and together fight against all which may threaten or hinder this unity. Amen.

Offertory

Followers of the Lamb

Shaker text and tune arr. Philip Dietterich

• Doxology

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

Sending	We follow the Word into the world, sent forth with God's blessing to lives of service and love.		
<ul> <li>Closing Hymn</li> </ul>	For Everyone Born All sing verses 1, 3, 5	Red Hymnal 769	
<ul> <li>Benediction</li> </ul>			
Postlude	Toccata in Seven	John Rutter	
Preacher David A. Davis	Musicians	Sound Engineer	
Liturgists Lauren J. McFeaters (9:15) Maddie Lannon (11:00) Corrie Berg (11:00)	Michael Cooney, prelude organist <i>Adult Choir</i> Noel Werner, director & organist	Nick Mastalesz Livestream Operators Jeff Santoro Tom Coogan	
Reader Helga Joswig Time with Children Noah Gourlie		Cover Art "Cross and Sun Rays" a linocut by Elizabeth Steale Halstead	

## *Tending the Flock*

Death—Priscilla Grindle, mother of Heather Oliver, on November 5, 2021, in Skillman, New Jersey Education for all ages 9:15/9:30 AM Assembly Room, Classrooms & Tents

Worship 9:15 AM Sanctuary & Livestreamed

> Joyful Noise 10:15 AM *Niles Chapel*

> > Fellowship 10:15 AM *Plaza*

Beyond Malibu Info Meeting 10:30 AM Tent

> Worship 11:00 AM Sanctuary

Christmas Pageant Rehearsal 12:15 PM Music Room

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Middle School Fellowship 5:00 PM Assembly Room

Cantorei 5:00 PM Music Room

Youth Dinner 6:00 PM Assembly Room

High School Fellowship 6:40 PM Assembly Room

Chorale 6:40 PM Music Room