



# Nassau Presbyterian Church

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July 3, 2022 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

Méditation from Thaïs

Jules Massenet

Choral Introit

Many and Great

Dakota chant  
text: Joseph Renville

## ♦ Call to Worship

Psalm 135 : 1–3

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

Praise the Lord! Praise the name of the Lord!

**Give praise, O servants of the Lord,  
you that stand in the house of the Lord,  
in the courts of the house of our God.**

Praise the Lord, the Lord is good;  
sing to God's name, for God is gracious.

**We come to praise, to sing, and to worship.  
For the Lord is good! And God is gracious!**

Come, let us worship God!

## ♦ Opening Hymn

For the Beauty of the Earth

Red Hymnal 14

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

## Prayer of Confession

**Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness,  
our shortcomings, and our offenses against you.**

**You alone know how often we have sinned  
in wandering from your ways,  
in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love.**

**Have mercy upon us and forgive us.**

**Help us to live in your light and walk in your ways,  
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

## 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.**

♦ Response                      In the Lord, I'll Be Ever Thankful                      Taizé

## 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 2 to grade 2, may now leave for a Bible story and activity time. Parents may pick-up children in room 04 (lower level) at the end of the service.

## Prayer for Illumination

**Our Lord and our God,  
as we hear your Word, fill us with your Spirit.  
Soften our hearts that we may delight in your presence.  
Sharpen our minds that we may discern your truth.  
Shape our wills that we may desire your ways;  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

## Scripture Lesson

Matthew 13 : 44–53

NRSV

“The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and reburied; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.”

“Have you understood all this?” They answered, “Yes.” And he said to them, “Therefore every scribe who has become a disciple in the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.” When Jesus had finished these parables, he left that place.

Sermon

Too High Up. Too Far Away.

Lauren J. McFeaters



## Thanksgiving

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

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♦ Sermon Hymn

Be Thou My Vision

Red Hymnal 450

Offertory

Jesus Is Our Joy, Our Treasure

anon. Thuringian Choral Aria

Sacrament of Holy Communion

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

When Morning Gilds the Skies

Sharing of the Cup

It Is Well With My Soul

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 and Fugue in E Minor (BWV 555)

J. S. Bach

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Preacher

Lauren J. McFeaters

Liturgist

Len Scales

Time with Children

Corrie Berg

Musicians

Angela Triandafillou-Jones,  
pianist

Chris Jones, violinist

*Summer Choir*

Noel Werner, director &  
organist

Sound Engineer

Nick Mastalesz

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## TODAY AT NASSAU

Summer Choir  
9:00 AM *Music Room*

Worship  
10:00 AM *Sanctuary*

Summer Church School  
10:15 AM *Room 04*

Fellowship  
11:00 AM *Front Plaza*

No Adult Education this morning

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## *Summer Sunday Schedule*

May 22–September 4, 2022:

9:00 AM—Summer Choir

10:00 AM—One service of worship, livestream and in-person. Church school for age 2 through grade 2 in Room 04 following the Time with Children in worship.

11:15 AM—Adult Education class in the Assembly Room 11:15 AM–12:00 PM

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## *Tending the Flock*

Marriage— Alexandra Katen-Narvell (daughter of BJ and Bill Katen-Narvell, granddaughter of Jeanne Katen) & Trekhaal (Trex) Desai on May 28, 2022, in Princeton, New Jersey

## Welcome to Nassau Church

*Children.* Children are always welcome in our services of worship.

Childcare is available for infants and toddlers in the Nursery (Conference Room) during the service.

Summer Church School classes begin following “Time with Children.” Children ages three to grade two may go to a story and activity time in Room 04 (Lower Level).

Visit the website for more information about our September-to-May Church School program.

*Order CDs of the service.* Stop by the sound room.

*Livestream Worship.* Livestream worship can be found at [NassauChurch.org/livestream-worship](http://NassauChurch.org/livestream-worship). If you are worshiping with us in person, please be aware that you may be visible on camera at any time.

*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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