



# Nassau Presbyterian Church

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July 10, 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      Piano Sonata in F Minor, Op. 2, no. 1      Ludwig van Beethoven  
Adante

♦ Call to Worship      Isaiah 40 : 27-31

♦ Opening Hymn      Red Hymnal 624  
I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art

At the sign ♦ you may stand. *Hymn* indicates the red pew hymnal *Glory to God*. Bold text is read or sung in unison.

## Prayer of Confession

**O Lord our God,  
you call us to work for a world  
where all will be fed and have dignity,  
but we find ourselves distracted by our own desires.  
You call us to seek justice and peace,  
but we are satisfied with injustice and discord.  
You call us to bring liberty to the oppressed,  
but we do not insist on freedom for all.  
Forgive us, O Lord.  
Turn us to your will by the power of your Spirit,  
so that all may know your justice and peace;  
through Jesus Christ, your Son, 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.**

## 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

**Loving God, fountain of every blessing,  
open us to your life-giving Word,  
and fill us with your Holy Spirit  
so that living water may flow through our hearts—  
a spring of hope for a thirsty world;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## First Scripture Lesson

Psalm 25 : 1–10

BCW

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.  
My God, I put my trust in you;  
let me not be put to shame,  
nor let my enemies triumph over me.  
Let none who look to you be put to shame;  
rather let those be put to shame who are treacherous.  
Show me your ways, O Lord,  
and teach me your paths.  
Lead me in your truth and teach me,  
for you are the God of my salvation;  
in you have I trusted all the day long.

Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love,  
for they are from everlasting.

Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions;  
remember me according to your steadfast love  
and for the sake of your goodness, O Lord.

You are gracious and upright, O Lord;  
therefore you teach sinners in your way.

You lead the lowly in justice  
and teach the lowly your way.

All your paths, O Lord, are steadfast love and faithfulness  
to those who keep your covenant and your testimonies.

## Second Scripture Lesson

Colossians 1:1–14

NRSV

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother,

To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on our behalf, and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you may walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. May you be made strong with all the strength

that comes from his glorious power, so that you may have all endurance and patience, joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Sermon

Pleasing, Bearing, Growing

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 Spirit, Open My Heart Red Hymnal 692
- ♦ Affirmation of Faith Deuteronomy 6 : 4-5

**Hear, O Israel: The Lord is our God,  
the Lord alone.**

**You shall love the Lord your God  
with all your heart,  
and with all your soul,  
and with all your might.**

**Hear, O Israel: The Lord is our God,  
the Lord alone.**

**Thanks be to God.**

Offertory Make Our Church One Joyful Choir music Jonathan Crutchfield  
text Thomas Troeger

- ♦ Doxology Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer



◆ Closing Hymn      God of Grace and God of Glory      Red Hymnal 307

◆ Benediction

Postlude      Nun lob mein Seel' den Herren      Dietrich Buxtehude  
(Now, my soul, praise the Lord)  
BuxWV 215

Preacher

David A. Davis

Liturgist

Lauren J. McFeaters

Time with Children

Corrie Berg

Musicians

Fiona Christano, pianist

*Summer Choir*

Joyce Irwin, guest organist &  
director

Sound Engineer

Nick Mastalesz

Livestream Operators

Jeff Santoro

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## TODAY AT NASSAU

Summer Choir  
9:00 AM *Music Room*

Adult Education  
9:00 AM *Assembly Room*  
(July 10, 17, 24)

Worship  
10:00 AM *Sanctuary*

Summer Church School  
10:15 AM *Room 04*

Fellowship  
11:00 AM *Front Plaza*

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## *Tending the Flock*

Birth—Luna Cheung, daughter of Allen and Clare Cheung, and granddaughter of Yak-Fa Cheung and Shuang Huang on July 2, 2022, in Tokyo, Japan

## 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](https://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](https://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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