



# Nassau Presbyterian Church

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September 18th, 2022 9:15 & 11:00 AM



# Gathering

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

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Prelude

Chorale Prelude on Slane

Paul Manz

♦ Introit

Spirit of the Living God

Red Hymnal 288

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

**Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.**

**Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.**

**Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.**

**Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.**

♦ Call to Worship

Psalm 96 : 1-2

Praise the Lord!

Praise, O servants of the Lord;

praise the name of the Lord.

**Blessed be the name of the Lord  
from this time on and forevermore.**

From the rising of the sun to its setting,  
the name of the Lord is to be praised.

**The Lord is high above all nations  
and his glory above the heavens.**

Come, people of God, let us worship God!

♦ Opening Hymn

Be Thou My Vision

Red Hymnal 450

Prayer of Confession

**Gracious God,  
our sins are too heavy to carry,  
too real to hide,  
and too deep to undo.**

**Forgive what our lips tremble to name,  
what our hearts can no longer bear,**

and what has become for us  
 a consuming fire of judgment.  
 Set us free from a past that we cannot change;  
 open to us a future in which we can be changed;  
 and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image;  
 through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. 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                                      Heaven Is Singing for Joy                                      Red Hymnal 382

El cielo canta alegría, ¡aleluya!,  
 porque en tu vida y la mía las une el amor de Dios.

**Refrain - All**

Al - le - lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia!  
 ¡A - le - lu - ya,      a - le - lu - ya!

(G7)                      (C)                      (F)      (Em7)      (Am)  
 B<sup>b</sup>7                      E<sup>b</sup>                      A<sup>b</sup>      Gm7      Cm

Al - le - lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia!  
 ¡A - le - lu - ya,      a - le - lu - ya!

Heaven is singing for joy, alleluia,  
 for your life and mine unite in the love of our God.

**Refrain - All**

### Words of Welcome

Sacrament of Baptism                      9:15                      Walker Harrison Desai

Son of Cora Walker & Joshua Desai

9:15 Children may leave for church school classes. Teachers and ushers can assist in finding classrooms.

Time with Children 11:00

11:00 Children age three to grade three may leave for Worship Explorers, room 302, third floor.



## Proclaiming the Word

We encounter the Word in speech and song  
as we interpret and expound scripture.

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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

Psalm 71 : 1–6

NRSV

In you, O Lord, I take refuge; let me never be put to shame.  
In your righteousness deliver me and rescue me;  
incline your ear to me and save me.  
Be to me a rock of refuge, a strong fortress, to save me,  
for you are my rock and my fortress.  
Rescue me, O my God, from the hand of the wicked,  
from the grasp of the unjust and cruel.  
For you, O Lord, are my hope, my trust, O Lord, from my youth.  
Upon you I have leaned from my birth; it was you who took me  
from my mother's womb. My praise is continually of you.

Second Scripture Lesson

Luke 16 : 1–13

NRSV

Then Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now

that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.' And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes. "Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

Sermon

Really? Snap! Ouch!

David A. Davis



## Thanksgiving

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

♦ Sermon Hymn

God of the Fertile Fields

Red Hymnal 714

♦ Affirmation of Faith

from A Brief Statement of Faith

**In life and in death we belong to God.**

**Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,**

**the love of God,**

**and the communion of the Holy Spirit,**

**we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel,  
whom alone we worship and serve.**

**We trust in God the Holy Spirit,  
everywhere the giver and renewer of life.**

**The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith,  
sets us free to accept ourselves  
and to love God and neighbor,  
and binds us together with all believers  
in the one body of Christ, the Church.**

**The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles  
rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture,  
engages us through the Word proclaimed,  
claims us in the waters of baptism,  
feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation,  
and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church.**

**In a broken and fearful world  
the Spirit gives us courage  
to pray without ceasing,  
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,  
to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,  
to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,  
and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.**

**In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,  
we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks  
and to live holy and joyful lives,  
even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth,  
praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"**

**With believers in every time and place,  
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death  
can separate us from the love of God  
in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.**

## Offertory

## Cantate Domino

Hans Leo Hassler

Psalm 96:1-3

Cantate Domino canticum novum,  
cantate Domino omnis terra.

Cantate Domino,  
et benedicite nomini eius;  
annunciate de die in diem  
salutare eius.

Annunciate inter gentes  
gloriam eius,  
in omnibus populis mirabilia eius.

Sing to the Lord a new song,  
sing to the Lord all the earth.

Sing to the Lord  
and bless God's name;  
proclaim from day to day  
God's salvation.

Make known among the nations  
God's glory,  
among all people God's wonders.

- ◆ Doxology      Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.**

**Praise God, all creatures here below. Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Praise God above, ye heavenly host.**

**Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

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.

- ◆ Closing Hymn    Take My Life, and Let It Be Consecrated      Red Hymnal 697
- ◆ Benediction

◆ Response

Going and Coming

Joachim Schwartz

Go - ing and com - ing, end and be - gin - ing,  
Al - ways be - side us, firm - ly in your hand, Lord.

Postlude

Prelude in F major

Fanny Mendelssohn (Hensel)

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Preacher

David A. Davis

Liturgist

Lauren J. McFeaters

Time with Children

Carol Wehrheim

Musicians

*Adult Choir*

Noel Werner, director

Don Dolan, organist

Sound Engineer

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# The Week Ahead

## Monday, Sep. 19

5:30 PM *Festival Ringers*  
Music Room

## Tuesday, Sep. 20

9:30 AM *Staff Meeting*  
Niles Chapel;  
Conference Room

7:00 PM *Mission and  
Outreach  
Committee*  
Assembly Room

7:00 PM *Deacon Elect  
Training*  
Zoom

## Wednesday, Sep. 21

4:15 PM *Carol Choir*  
Music Room

4:15 PM *Homework  
Hangout*  
Room 302; Room 303

4:15 PM *In Choir Bible  
Study*  
Conference Room

5:15 PM *Choir 3-4-5*  
Music Room

7:00 PM *Membership  
Committee*  
Zoom

7:30 PM *Adult Choir*  
Music Room

## Thursday, Sep. 22

10:00 AM *Al-Anon*  
Assembly Room

## Friday, Sep. 23

No Scheduled Events

## Saturday, Sep. 24

No Scheduled Events

## Sunday, Sep. 25

9:15 AM *Education for All  
Ages*  
All classrooms

9:15 AM *Worship*  
Sanctuary

9:30 AM *Communion Prep  
for K/1*  
Room 04

10:15 AM *Fellowship*  
Assembly Room

10:15 AM *Joyful Noise*  
Niles Chapel

11:00 AM *Worship*  
Sanctuary

11:15 AM *Worship Explorers*  
Room 302

12:15 AM *Annual Meeting of  
the Congregation*  
Sanctuary

5:00 PM *Cantorei*  
Music Room

5:00 PM *Middle School  
Fellowship*  
Room 304

6:00 PM *Youth Fellowship  
Dinner*  
Assembly Room

6:30 PM *Breaking Bread*  
Niles Chapel

6:40 PM *Chorale*  
Music Room

6:40 PM *Senior High  
Fellowship*  
Room 304

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## TODAY AT NASSAU

### Education for All Ages

9:15/9:30 AM *Classrooms and Assembly Room*

### Worship

9:15 AM *Sanctuary and Livestreamed*

### Fellowship

10:15 AM *Assembly Room*

### Joyful Noise

10:15 AM *Niles Chapel*

### Confirmation Information Session

10:20 AM *Room 304*

### Worship

11:00 AM *Sanctuary*

### Worship Explorers

11:15 AM *Room 302*

### Cantorei

5:00 PM *Music Room*

### Middle School Fellowship

5:00 PM *Room 304*

### Youth Fellowship 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*

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## *Tending the Flock*

Marriage— Allegra Kettelkamp, daughter of Joan and Keith Kettelkamp and sister of Kara, Tessa, and Trent & Shawn Hensely, on August 27, 2022, in Sausalito, California.

## 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 3 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.

*Livestream Worship.* Livestream worship can be found at [NassauChurch.org/livestream-worship](http://NassauChurch.org/livestream-worship). If you are worshipping 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, 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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