

Nassau Presbyterian Church

October 23rd, 2022 9:15 & 11:00 AM



Gathering

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

Prelude

Madrigal

Philippe Gaubert

♦ Introit

Jesus, We Are Here

Patrick Matsikenyiri

1 Je - sus, we are here; Je - sus, we are here; Je - sus,
1 Je - su, ta - wa pa - no; Je - su, ta - wa pa - no; Je - su,

we are here; we are here for you.
ta - wa pa - no; ta - wa pa - no, mu zi - ta re - nyu.

*Leader: Wel - come, Je - sus.
Mam - bo Je - su.*

♦ Call to Worship

Psalm 84 : 1-2

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

How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts!

**My soul longs, indeed it faints for the courts of the Lord,
my heart and my flesh sing for joy to the Living God!**

People of God, come let us worship God!

Let us sing for joy to the Living God!

Let us sing praise to God who reigns above!

♦ Opening Hymn Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

Red Hymnal 645

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.**

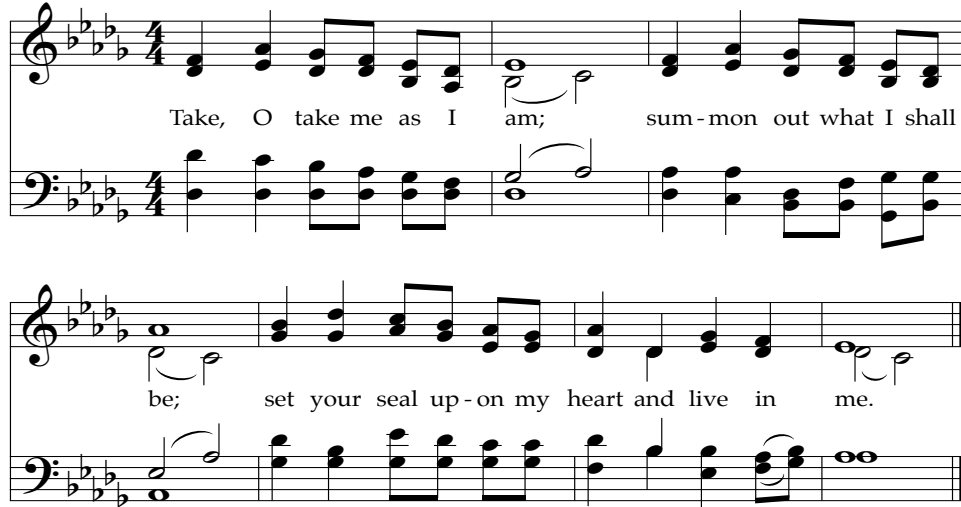
Assurance of Forgiveness

Friends in Christ, hear and believe the good news of the Gospel.
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

◆ Response

Take, O Take Me as I Am

John Bell



Take, O take me as I am; sum-mon out what I shall
be; set your seal up-on my heart and live in me.

Words of Welcome

Reception of New Members (9:15)

Anthem (9:15) Thank you, God, for My Family

Terry D. Taylor

Love is a thing our family needs to fill our thoughts, our words, and deeds.
Love is a thing our family learns, through prayer, and worship,
and God's Word.

I thank you God, for my family, and for all the love they give to me.

Love is a thing our family shows when tears of joy or sadness flow.

Love is a thing our family shares to help us listen, serve, and care. *Refrain.*

Love is patient, love is kind. Love is hopeful all the time.

Love forgets when it is wronged. Love continues on and on!

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

Sacrament of Baptism (11:00) Robert Dixon Hayes, III

Son of Caroline Smetana Hayes and Dixon Hayes, Jr., and
brother of Charlotte, Annabel, and Caroline

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.

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

Nehemiah 8 : 1-12

NRSV

All the people gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the Lord had given to Israel. Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. He read from it facing the

square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. The scribe Ezra stood on a wooden platform that had been made for the purpose; and beside him stood Mattithiah, Shema, Anaiah, Uriah, Hilkiyah, and Maaseiah on his right hand; and Pedaiah, Mishael, Malchijah, Hashum, Hash-baddanah, Zechariah, and Meshullam on his left hand. And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshiped the Lord with their faces to the ground. Also Jeshua, Bani, Sherebiah, Jamin, Akkub, Shabbethai, Hodiah, Maaseiah, Kelita, Azariah, Jozabad, Hanan, Pelaiah, the Levites, helped the people to understand the law, while the people remained in their places. So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading.

And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the Lord your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our Lord; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength." So the Levites stilled all the people, saying, "Be quiet, for this day is holy; do not be grieved." And all the people went their way to eat and drink and to send portions and to make great rejoicing, because they had understood the words that were declared to them.

Second Scripture Lesson

Acts 9 : 33-43

NRSV

There he found a man named Aeneas, who had been bedridden for eight years, for he was paralyzed. Peter said to him, "Aeneas, Jesus Christ heals you; get up and make your bed!" And immediately he got up. And all the residents of Lydda and Sharon saw him and turned to the Lord.

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek

is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

Sermon

What about the Names?

David A. Davis



Thanksgiving

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

- ◆ Sermon Hymn The Church of Christ in Every Age Red Hymnal 320
- ◆ Affirmation of Faith Confession of 1967

Biblical visions and images of the rule of Christ, such as a heavenly city, the household of God, a new heaven and earth, a marriage feast, and an unending day culminate in the image of the kingdom. The kingdom represents God's triumph over all that resists the divine will and disrupts God's creation. Already God's reign is present as a ferment in the world, stirring hope in all people and preparing the world to receive its ultimate judgment and redemption.

With an urgency born of this hope, the church applies itself to present tasks and strives for a better world. It does not identify limited progress with the kingdom of God on earth, nor does it despair in the face of disappointment and defeat. In steadfast hope, the church looks beyond all partial achievement to the final triumph of God.

Now to him who by the power within us is able to do far more abundantly than all we ask or think, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

Offertory

Blessed Are They

Carolyn Jennings

Blessed are they who take delight in the living Word of God,
for they, like trees along a stream, grow strong in all they do,
deeply rooted in the Word, ever nourished by the Word;
and the fruit of a holy life is good.

The Word enlightens all who strive to know and do God's will:
a lamp to guide us on our way, a light upon our path,
for the law of God is true, and the grace of God is pure,
and the fruit of a holy life is good.

All you hearers of the Word, rejoice and offer thanks
for love so deep and broad and high, and praise for life so full,
deeply rooted in the Word, every nourished by the Word,
and the fruit of a holy life is good.

◆ Doxology

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Hal Hopson

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all
peo - ple here be - low; praise Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er -
more; praise Tri - une God, whom we a - dore.

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

Live into Hope

Red Hymnal 772

◆ Benediction

◆ Choral Response

Somos uno en Cristo

music anon.
arr. Philip Blycker
text anon.

Somos uno en Cristo, somos uno,
somos uno, uno solo.
Un sola Dios, un solo Señor,
una solo fe, un solo amor,
un solo bautismo, un solo Espíritu,
y ése es el Consolador.

We are one in Christ Jesus, all one body,
all one spirit, all together.
We share one God, one mighty Lord,
one abiding faith, one binding love,
one single baptism, one Holy Comforter,
the Holy Spirit, uniting all.

New Members Received by Session on October 16, 2022

By Letter of Transfer

Joseph Kwan

from the Hop Yat Church, The Church of Christ in China (Hong Kong)

Cherrie Quakenbush Shoemaker

from the Myers Park Baptist Church, Charlotte, North Carolina

By Reaffirmation of Faith

Hyun Jin Cho

Spouse: Soohyun Son

Wendy Wakefield Davis & Charles Stephen Heaps “Steve”

Michael Kyong Ham & Grace Youngeun Moon

Child: Charlotte Ham (7)

Jane G. Lafferty

Affiliate Member

Elizabeth Adrienne Steel

Lewinsville Presbyterian Church, McLean, Virginia

Clergy

Reverend Charles Baier

Spouse: Sharyn Baier

Reverend Jean Johnston

Spouse: Ed Johnston

Reverend Chaijung Lim

Spouse: Heejeoung Son

Child: Sung-Ryung Lim

Preacher	Musicians	Livestream Operators
David A. Davis	John Lane, flute	Doug Ladendorf
Liturgists	<i>Carol Choir & Choir 3-4-5</i>	Ian Lewono
Lauren J. McFeaters (9:15)	Ingrid Ladendorf, director	Cover Art
Mark Edwards (11:00)	<i>Adult Choir</i>	“Cross (Ethiopian),” a
	Noel Werner, director & organist	linocut by Elizabeth Steele Halstead.
	Sound Engineer	
	Nick Mastalesz	

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The Week Ahead

Monday, Oct. 24

- 11:00 AM *Peg Drayer
Memorial Service*
Sanctuary
- 5:30 PM *Festival Ringers*
Music Room
- 7:00 PM *Art of Faithfulness*
Niles Chapel

Tuesday, Oct. 25

- 9:30 AM *Staff Meeting*
Niles Chapel;
Conference Room
- 1:00 PM *GraceNote Singers*
Kingston Presbyterian
Church
- 7:00 PM *Worship and Arts
Committee*
Zoom

Wednesday, Oct. 26

- 4:15 PM *Carol Choir*
Music Room
- 5:15 PM *Choir 3-4-5*
Music Room
- 7:00 PM *Adult Choir
Fellowship*
Assembly Room
- 7:30 PM *Adult Choir*
Music Room

Thursday, Oct. 27

- 9:00 AM *Walk Talk Pray*
Meet on Front Steps,
end in Room 301
- 10:00 AM *Al-Anon*
Assembly Room

Friday, Oct. 28

- 8:00 AM *Men's Breakfast*
Zoom

Saturday, Oct. 29

- 2:00 PM *Card Makers*
Assembly Room

Sunday, Oct. 30

- 9:15 AM *Worship -
Presentation of
Bibles to 1st & 2nd
Graders*
Sanctuary
- 9:15 AM *Education for All
Ages*
All Classrooms
- 9:30 AM *New Bible Parent
Class*
Conference Room
- 10:05 AM *Joyful Noise*
Niles Chapel
- 10:15 AM *Fellowship*
Assembly Room
- 10:30 AM *Carol Choir*
Niles Chapel
- 11:00 AM *Worship*
Sanctuary
- 11:15 AM *Worship Explorers*
Room 302
- 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
Worship*
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 *All Classrooms*

Worship - Reception of
New Members
9:15 AM *Sanctuary and Livestreamed*

Joyful Noise
10:05 AM *Niles Chapel*

Fellowship
10:15 AM *Assembly Room*

Carol Choir
10:30 AM *Niles Chapel*

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*

Tending the Flock

Death—Joanna Doob Nickerson,
sister of Katharine Sakenfeld,
on October 18, 2022, in Bedford
Massachusetts

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. 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 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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