



# Nassau Presbyterian Church

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October 9th, 2022 9:15 & 11:00 AM



# Gathering

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

Prelude      Chorale Prelude on Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty      Wayne L Wold

♦ 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 111 : 1-3

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

Praise the Lord!

**I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart,  
in the company of the upright, in the congregation.**

**Great are the works of the Lord,  
studied by all who delight in them.**

Full of honor and majesty is God's work,  
and God's righteousness endures forever!

Come, let us worship God!

♦ Opening Hymn      Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty      Red Hymnal 35

## Prayer of Confession

**You, O God, offer us more than we could ever ask,  
blessing us beyond compare.**

**You feed us with compassion, hold us up with hope,  
and clothe us with grace.**

**You call us to feed others, hold others up,  
and clothe them with peace, joy, and love.**

**But we worry about the food on our own plates  
before offering it to others.**

**We pay more attention to our own survival  
than to the well-being of those around us.**

**Have mercy on us and forgive us.**

**Bind us together—with you and with one another—  
so that we may follow the Lord who has called us. 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

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat). It consists of two systems of music, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The lyrics are: "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." The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line with chords that support the vocal melody.

## Words of Welcome



## Time with Children

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

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

## Prayer for Illumination

### First Scripture Lesson

Romans 5 : 1-5

NRSV

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

### Second Scripture Lesson

Exodus 2 : 1-10

NRSV

Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him three months. When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him.

The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him, "This must be one of the Hebrews' children," she said. Then his sister said to Pharaoh's daughter, "Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?" Pharaoh's daughter said to her,

“Yes.” So the girl went and called the child’s mother. Pharaoh’s daughter said to her, “Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages.” So the woman took the child and nursed it. When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh’s daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, “because,” she said, “I drew him out of the water.”

Sermon

The God of Hidden Choices

Andrew Scales



## Thanksgiving

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

♦ Sermon Hymn    Sing Praise to God, Whose Mighty Acts    Red Hymnal 356

♦ Affirmation of Faith    Scriptural Affirmation

**This is the good news which we have received,  
in which we stand,  
and by which we are saved,  
if we hold it fast:  
that Christ died for our sins  
according to the scriptures,  
that he was buried,  
that he was raised on the third day,  
and that he appeared  
first to the women,  
then to Peter, and to the Twelve,  
and then to many faithful witnesses.  
We believe that Jesus is the Christ,  
the Son of the living God.  
Jesus Christ is the first and the last,  
the beginning and the end;  
he is our Lord and our God. Amen.**

# Offertory

# Let the Peoples Praise You, O God

Alan Smith  
Psalm 67:3-7

Let the peoples praise you O God:  
 let all the peoples praise you.  
 Let the nations be glad and sing:  
 for you judge the peoples with integrity,  
 and govern the nations upon earth.  
 Let the peoples praise you O God:  
 let all the peoples praise you.  
 Then the earth will yield its fruitfulness:  
 and God our God will bless us,  
 and all the ends of the earth will fear him.  
 Let the peoples praise you O God:  
 let all the peoples praise you.

## ◆ 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

## O Christ, the Great Foundation

Red Hymnal 361

## ◆ Benediction

◆ Choral Response

Peace I Leave with You

Amy Beach  
John 14:27

Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you.  
Not as the world giveth give I unto you.  
Let not your heart be troubled.

Postlude

Benedictus

Alec Rowley

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Preacher

Andrew Scales

Liturgist

Len Scales

Time with Children

Corrie Berg

Moment for Mission

*Stitchers for Peace*

Juanell Boyd

Musicians

*Adult Choir*

Noel Werner, director

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# The Week Ahead

## Monday, Oct. 10

8:30 AM *Office Closed*  
Holiday

## Tuesday, Oct. 11

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

1:00 PM *GraceNote Singers*  
Kingston Presbyterian  
Church

7:00 PM *Adult Education  
Committee*  
Zoom

7:00 PM *Mission and  
Outreach  
Committee*  
Zoom

## Wednesday, Oct. 12

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

7:30 PM *Adult Choir*  
Music Room

## Thursday, Oct. 13

9:00 AM *Walk Talk Pray*  
Meet on Front Steps,  
end in Room 301

10:00 AM *Al-Anon*  
Assembly Room

7:00 PM *Youth Ministry  
Committee*  
Zoom; Conference  
Room

## Friday, Oct. 14

8:00 AM *Men's Breakfast*  
Zoom

## Saturday, Oct. 15

5:00 PM *Confirmation  
Retreat #1*  
Room 304; Assembly  
Room

## Sunday, Oct. 16

9:15 AM *Worship*  
Sanctuary

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

9:30 AM *Inquirers Class*  
Conference Room

10:15 AM *Fellowship*  
Assembly Room

10:05 AM *Joyful Noise*  
Niles Chapel

10:15 AM *Session - Reception  
of New Members*  
Conference Room

10:30 AM *Carol Choir*  
Niles Chapel

11:00 AM *Worship -  
Ordination and  
Installation of  
Officers*  
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  
9:15 AM *Sanctuary and Livestreamed*

Inquirers Class  
9:30 AM *Conference Room*

Fellowship  
10:15 AM *Assembly Room*

Joyful Noise  
10:05 AM *Niles Chapel*

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*

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### *Tending the Flock*

Marriage— Danielle Alu and Nick Mastalesz,  
on October 8, 2022, in Chesterfield, New  
Jersey

Death— Steve Updegraff, husband of Jessica,  
father of Cassie, Nate, and Hannah, on  
October 4, 2022, in North Brunswick, New  
Jersey

Death— William Allen “Bill” Lloyd,  
brother-in-law of Kristina Hill (David),  
uncle of Anna, Margaret, and Julia Hill,  
on September 28, 2022, in Nashville,  
Tennessee

Death— Dr. Ian Happer, brother of Will  
Happer and brother-in-law of Barbara, on  
September 25, 2022, in Chapel Hill, North  
Carolina

## 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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