



Nassau Presbyterian Church

December 4, 2022 9:15 & 11:00 AM

ADVENT II



Gathering

Prelude

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence
Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

Cathy Mokolbust
arr. Bill Ingram

♦ Call to Worship

based on Romans 13 : 11–12

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

You know what time it is,
how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep.

**For salvation is nearer to us now
than when we became believers;
the night is far gone, the day is near.**

Let us then lay aside the works of darkness
and put on the armor of light.

Come, let us worship God.

♦ Opening Hymn On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry

Red Hymnal 96

Prayer of Confession

God of righteousness, you are coming in power to bring all nations. But who can stand before you? Who can endure the day of your coming? We confess you as Lord, yet our paths remain crooked, our ways rough. We confess you as Lord, yet we turn our backs on those you would have us serve. Forgive us and show us your tender mercy. Break in upon us from your holy heights. Refine us with the fire of your Spirit, that we may live as people of Advent light, and walk in your ways of peace, to your glory and praise. Lift us by your Spirit to join the heavenly hosts in songs of joy and peace, brought to us in the holy advent of Jesus Christ, our Lord. 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

Anthem (9:15)

Raise a Song of Gladness

Taizé Community

Raise a song of gladness, peoples of the earth.

Christ has come, bringing peace, joy to every heart.

Alleluia, alleluia, joy to every heart!

Alleluia, alleluia, joy to every heart!

Jubilate Deo omnis terra.

Servite Domino in laetitia.

Alleluia, alleluia, in laetitia!

Alleluia, alleluia, in laetitia!

Be joyful in the Lord, all the earth.

Serve the Lord with joy.

Alleluia, with joy!

Alleluia, with joy!



Proclaiming the Word

Time with Children

Lighting of the Advent Candles

Response

He Came Down

trad. Cameroon song

He came down that we may have peace:

he came down that we may have peace:

he came down that we may have peace: hallelujah, forevermore.

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

**Holy God, our hope and strength,
by the power of your Spirit
prepare the way in our hearts
for the coming of your Word,
so that we may see the glorious signs
of your promise fulfilled;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

First Scripture Lesson Isaiah 11 : 1–10 pg 640

Second Scripture Lesson Matthew 3 : 1–12 pg 2

Sermon Sacramental Christmas David A. Davis



Thanksgiving

♦ Sermon Hymn We Are Yearning for the Season
See Insert text: Ruth Duck
tune: Picardy

♦ Affirmation of Faith John 1 : 1-4

**In the beginning was the Word,
and the Word was with God,
and the Word was God.
He was in the beginning with God.
All things came into being through him,
and without him not one thing came into being.
What has come into being in him was life,
and the life was the light of all people.
Thanks be to God.**

Offertory And the Glory of the Lord
(from Messiah) G. F. Handel
Isaiah 11:5

♦ Doxology

**All creation, join in praising God the Father, Spirit, Son,
evermore your voices raising to th'eternal Three in One:
come and worship, come and worship Christ, the newborn king!**

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer



Sending

♦ Closing Hymn Good Christian Friends, Rejoice Red Hymnal 132

♦ Benediction

♦ Response

**On this day angels sing; with their song earth shall ring,
praising Christ, heaven's King, born on earth to save us;
peace and love he gave us.**

Ideo - o - o, ideo - o - o, ideo gloria, in excelsis Deo!

(Therefore, glory to God in the highest!)

Postlude

Fugue in C major

Dietrich Buxtehude

Preacher

David A. Davis

Liturgist

Lauren J. McFeaters

Time with Children

Elizabeth Steel

Musicians

Festival Ringers

Robert Lamb, director

Carol Choir & Choir 3·4·5 (9:15)

Ingrid Ladendorf, director

Adult Choir

Noel Werner, director

Don Dolan, organist

Livestream

Doug Ladendorf

Ian Lewono

Sound Engineer

Nick Mastalesz

Cover Art

“Holy Encounter” created by
staff member, Sarah Finbow.

Tending the Flock

Death—Elizabeth Taylor Bryant, mother of Gordon Bryant (Ann), grandmother of Allen and Douglas Bryant, in Calhoun, Kentucky, on November 19, 2022

Death—Frances K. Russell, mother of Lynn Charles (Tom), grandmother of Marissa and Natalie, in Wilmington, Delaware, on November 23, 2022

Death—Diana Edwards Murnaghan, aunt of Corrie Berg (Shane) and Mark Edwards (Janine), great-aunt of Anders, Mathias, and Soren Berg, and Adeline and Elias Edwards, in Baltimore, Maryland, on November 26, 2022

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The Week Ahead

Monday, Dec. 5

- 5:30 PM *Festival Ringers*
Music Room
- 7:00 PM *Children's and Family Ministry Committee*
Zoom
- 7:30 PM *Art of Faithfulness*
Assembly Room

Tuesday, Dec. 6

- 9:30 AM *Staff Meeting*
Niles Chapel; Conference Room
- 7:00 PM *Grief Encounters*
Conference Room

Wednesday, Dec. 7

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

Thursday, Dec. 8

- 10:00 AM *Al-Anon*
Assembly Room
- 7:00 PM *Advent Contemplative Prayer*
Niles Chapel
- 7:00 PM *Youth Ministry Committee*
Zoom; Conference Room

Friday, Dec. 9

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

Saturday, Dec. 10

- 11:00 AM *Nancye Fitzpatrick Memorial Service*
Sanctuary
- 5:00 PM *Newark Boys Chorus Concert*
Sanctuary

Sunday, Dec. 11

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| 9:15 AM <i>Worship - Advent 3</i>
Sanctuary | 12:15 PM <i>Pageant Cast Rehearsal</i>
Sanctuary; Music Room | 6:40 PM <i>Chorale</i>
Music Room |
| 9:15 AM <i>Education for All Ages</i>
All Classrooms | 2:00 PM <i>Service of Remembrance</i>
Niles Chapel | 6:40 PM <i>Senior High Fellowship</i>
Room 304 |
| 10:15 AM <i>Fellowship</i>
Assembly Room | 5:00 PM <i>Cantorei</i>
Music Room | |
| 10:15 AM <i>Wee Christmas</i>
Sanctuary | 5:00 PM <i>Middle School Fellowship</i>
Room 304 | |
| 11:00 AM <i>Worship - Advent 3</i>
Sanctuary | 6:00 PM <i>Youth Fellowship Dinner</i>
Room 302; Room 303 | |
| 11:15 AM <i>Worship Explorers</i>
Room 302 | 6:30 PM <i>Breaking Bread</i>
Niles Chapel | |
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TODAY AT NASSAU

Education for All Ages
9:15/9:30 AM *All Classrooms*

Worship - Advent 2
9:15 AM *Sanctuary and Livestreamed*

Joyful Noise
10:05 AM *Niles Chapel*

Card Sale for Mission Partners
10:15 AM *Assembly Room*

Fellowship
10:15 AM *Assembly Room*

Carol Choir
10:30 AM *Niles Chapel*

Worship - Advent 2
11:00 AM *Sanctuary*

Worship Explorers
11:15 AM *Room 302*

Card Sale for Mission Partners
12:00 PM *Main Office Hallway*

Pageant Cast Rehearsal
12:15 PM *Sanctuary; Music Room*

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*

Welcome to Nassau Church

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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