



# Nassau Presbyterian Church

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January 15, 2023 9:15 & 11:00 AM

If you are worshiping with us in the Sanctuary at 9:15 AM, please be aware that you may be visible on the livestream camera at any time during worship.

A large print bulletin with scripture and hymns for those who require it is available in the narthex.

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



## Gathering

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Prelude Arabesque on “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” John G. Barr

♦ Introit Raise a Song of Gladness Red Hymnal 155

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

**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!**

♦ Call to Worship Psalm 36 : 7, 9

How precious is your steadfast love, O God!

**All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings.**

For with you is the fountain of life.

**In your light we see light.**

**Come, let us worship God!**

♦ Opening Hymn Great Is Thy Faithfulness Red Hymnal 39

### Prayer of Confession

For failing to love others as you have loved us...

God of grace, **forgive us.**

For wasting your gifts and hoarding our goods...

God of grace, **forgive us.**

For plundering the earth and abusing the planet...

God of grace, **forgive us.**

For discounting the mentally ill and ignoring those in need...

God of grace, **forgive us.**

For losing heart and abandoning hope...

God of grace, **forgive us.**

For all the ways we turn from you...

God of grace, **forgive us.**

We offer our prayers in the name

of the One who saves us,

Jesus Christ. **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 of Praise      Know That God Is Good      Red Hymnal 659  
(Shona text first, followed by English)

## Words of Welcome



## **Proclaiming the Word**

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### 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

**God of abundant life, your grace is our daily bread.  
Nourish us by your Word and fill us with your Spirit  
so that we may grow in faith and love;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

First Scripture Lesson      Psalm 40 : 1–11      pg 513

Second Scripture Lesson      I Corinthians 1 : 1–9      pg 165

Sermon      A Testament of Hope      Samuel Yenn-Batah



## **Thanksgiving**

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♦ Sermon Hymn      I Waited Patiently for God      Blue Psalter 40 B  
pg 249

♦ Affirmation of Faith      The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth.  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried;  
he descended into hell;  
the third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church;  
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;  
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Offertory

He Never Failed Me Yet

Robert Ray

Doxology

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Red Hymnal 608

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise Christ, all people here below;  
praise Holy Spirit evermore;  
praise Triune God, whom we adore.**

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer



## **Sending**

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- ◆ Closing Hymn                      My Life Flows On                      Red Hymnal 821
  
- ◆ Benediction
  
- ◆ Response                      In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful                      Red Hymnal 654

**In the Lord I'll be ever thankful; in the Lord I will rejoice!  
Look to God; do not be afraid. Lift up your voices; the Lord is near.  
Lift up your voices; the Lord is near.**

Postlude

Jubilate

Fela Sowande

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Preacher  
Samuel Yenn-Batah

Musicians  
*Adult Choir*  
Kelsey Hendler, Marissa  
Chalker, and George  
Somerville, soloists  
Noel Werner, director  
Don Dolan, organist

Sound Engineer  
Nick Mastalesz

Liturgist  
David A. Davis

Livestream  
Peter Spelda  
Tom Coogan

Time with Children  
Corrie Berg

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"Cross (Ionic/Celtic)" a  
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Lauren McFeaters is preaching at the Witherspoon Street Presbyterian Church today.

The Rev. Samuel Yenn-Batah was born and raised in Accra, Ghana, before immigrating to Atlanta, Georgia with his family of origin during the 1996 Olympics. While helping high school students to develop an entrepreneurial mindset and start their own businesses, Sam studied saxophone with Ryan Kilgore, toured with Sonnie Badu, and shared the gift with music to bring people joy and healing. In 2012, Sam was named a Global Young Entrepreneur of the Year by the Network for Teaching Entrepreneurship in partnership with Goldman Sachs, while completing degrees in Economics and French at Georgia State University.

Sam makes a home in Princeton with his spouse, The Rev. LaThelma A. Yenn-Batah, and their beloved daughter and son. While serving as the Director of Religious Ministries at Penn Medicine Princeton Health, Sam serves on the Workplace Violence Committee, the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee, and is a biomedical ethics consultant for the spiritual needs of patients. While training graduate students in chaplaincy, Sam also serves as Chair of the Employee Benevolent Fund and COVID-19 Relief Fund which aids hospital employees facing financial constraints and food insecurity.

Sam is a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, an ordained Minister of Word & Sacrament in the Presbyterian Church (USA), and a Certified Educator Candidate in the Association for Clinical Pastoral Education. Sam loves comedy, writes poetry, watches drama movies, and fervently prays for a revival of the L.A. Lakers!

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# The Week Ahead

## Monday, Jan. 16

(CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED)

- 10:30 AM *Morning of Mission*  
Assembly Room
- 1:00 PM *Afternoon of Mission*  
Mt. Lakes Nature Preserve
- 6:00 PM *Pick-Up Choir Rehearsal*  
Sanctuary
- 7:00 PM *Community Service*  
*Honoring the Life of*  
*Martin Luther King Jr*  
Sanctuary

## Tuesday, Jan. 17

- 9:30 AM *Staff Meeting*  
Niles Chapel/Conference Room

## Wednesday, Jan. 18

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

## Thursday, Jan. 19

- 9:00 AM *Walk-Talk-Pray*  
Meet on Front Steps
- 10:00 AM *Al-Anon*  
Assembly Room
- 12:15 PM *Westminster Conservatory*  
*Recital*  
Niles Chapel
- 7:00 PM *Session*  
Assembly Room

## Friday, Jan. 20

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

## Saturday, Jan. 21

- 5:00 PM *Dan + Claudia Zanes*  
*Concert*  
Sanctuary

## Sunday, Jan. 22

- 9:15/9:30 *Education for All Ages*  
Classrooms
- 9:15 AM *Worship*  
Sanctuary
- 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*  
Niles Chapel
- 6:40 PM *Chorale*  
Music Room
- 6:40 PM *Senior High Fellowship*  
Room 304
- 7:30 PM *Breaking Bread Dinner*  
Assembly Room

## TODAY AT NASSAU

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

Worship  
9:15 AM *Sanctuary*

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*

Chorale  
5:00 PM *Music Room*

Youth Fellowship  
Dinner + Movie  
6:00 PM *Assembly Room*

## 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](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 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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