



Nassau Presbyterian Church

September 10, 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

Prelude

Cornet Voluntary

William Walond

♦ Introit

Come, All You People

Blue Psalter 66B
(pg 406)

**Come all you people, come and praise your Maker,
come all you people, come and praise your Maker,
come all you people, come and praise your Maker,
come now and worship the Lord.**

Come all you people, come and praise the Savior...

Come all you people, come and praise the Spirit...

♦ Call to Worship

from Psalm 124 and Psalm 9

Our help is in the name of the LORD,
who made heaven and earth.

We will give thanks to you, O LORD, with our whole heart;
we will tell of all your wonderful deeds.

**We will be glad and exult in you;
we will sing praise to your name, O Most High.**

Come, people of God, let us worship God!

♦ Opening Hymn

God Is Here!

Red Hymnal 409

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 In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful Taizé

**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.**

Words of Welcome

We invite you to fill out the fellowship pads you will find in the pews. If you are watching the livestream we invite you to fill out the virtual fellowship pad: nassauchurch.org/check-in.

Anthem (9:15)

Wings of the Dawn
from *Malice in the Palace:*
The Story of Esther

Allen Pote
text Tom Long
based on Psalm 139

Mighty One, you hear me, though my voice is small.
In the night, be near me when darkness falls.
For you whispered in my heartbeat on the day that I was made,
and I know you go beside me when I'm afraid.
If I climb to the heights of a mountain, or search the depths below,
I know your arms will hide me everywhere I go.
If I rise on the wings of the dawn, or fly beyond the sea,
I will find you there waiting for me.



Proclaiming the Word

Time With Children (Teacher Commissioning)

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

**Guide us, O God,
by your Word and Spirit,
that in your light we may see light,
in your truth find freedom,
and in your will discover your peace,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

First Lesson	John 10:1-10	pg 103
Second Lesson	Ezekiel 37:1-14	pg 806
Sermon	The Rattling of Hope	David A. Davis



Thanksgiving

♦ Sermon Hymn

There's a Spirit in the Air

Insert

Verse 1: Choir

Verse 4: All

Verse 2: All

Verse 5: Lower voices

Verse 3: Higher voices

Verse 6 & 7: All

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 Jesus Christ,
fully human, fully God.**

**Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor
and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed
and blessing the children, healing the sick
and binding up the brokenhearted,
eating with outcasts,
forgiving sinners,
and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.**

**Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition,
Jesus was crucified,
suffering the depths of human pain
and giving his life for the sins of the world.**

**God raised this Jesus from the dead,
vindicating his sinless life,
breaking the power of sin and evil,
delivering us from death to life eternal.**

**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

Ev'ry Time I Feel the Spirit

arr. William Dawson

Ev'ry time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart, I will pray;
Yes, ev'ry time I feel the Spirit moving in my heart, I will pray.

Upon the mountain, my Lord spoke, out of his mouth came fire and smoke;
Looked all around me, it looked so fine, till I asked my Lord if all was mine.

Ev'ry time I feel the Spirit...

Jordan river is chilly and cold, it chills the body, but not the soul;
There ain't but one train upon this track, it runs to heaven and right back.

Ev'ry time I feel the Spirit...

◆ Doxology

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Hal Hopson

G C Am7 Dsus D G
Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise Christ, all

D Am7 Dsus D Am7 D G Am7
peo - ple here be - low; praise Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er -

G C Am7 G Am7 D G
more; praise Tri - une God, whom we a - dore.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer



Sending

◆ Closing Hymn

God of Grace and God of Glory

Red Hymnal 307

◆ Benediction

◆ Response

Siyahamba

Red Hymnal 853

Siyahamb' ekukhanyen' kwenkhos.

We are marching in the light of God.

Postlude

Every Time I Feel the Spirit

arr. Marianne Kim

Preacher

David A. Davis

Liturgists

Lauren J. McFeaters

Andrew Scales

Time with Children

Elizabeth Steel

Musicians

Chancel Drama Ensemble

Ingrid Ladendorf, director

Adult Choir

Elem Eley, soloist

Noel Werner, director

Don Dolan, organist

Sound Engineer

Nick Mastalesz

Livestream

Doug Ladendorf

Peter Spelda

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The Week Ahead

Monday, September 11

NO SCHEDULED EVENTS

Tuesday, September 12

- 9:30 AM *Staff Meeting*
Niles Chapel
- 1:30 PM *Grace Notes Singers*
Stonebridge at Montgomery
- 7:00 PM *Adult Education Committee*
Zoom

Wednesday, September 13

- 7:30 PM *Adult Choir*
Music Room

Thursday, September 14

- 10:00 AM *Al-Anon*
Assembly Room
- 7:00 PM *Youth Ministry Committee*
Zoom

Friday, September 15

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

Saturday, September 16

NO SCHEDULED EVENTS

Sunday, September 17

- 9:15/9:30 *Education for All Ages*
Assembly Room & Classrooms
- 9:15 AM *Worship*
Sanctuary & Livestream
- 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
- 12:15 PM *Nassau Book Group*
Conference Room
- 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 *Assembly Room & Classrooms*

Worship - Teacher Commissioning

9:15 AM *Sanctuary & Livestream*

Fellowship

10:15 AM *Assembly Room*

Worship

11:00 AM *Sanctuary*

Worship Explorers

11:15 AM *Room 302*

Breaking Bread Worship

6:30 PM *Niles Chapel*

Breaking Bread Dinner

7:00 PM *Assembly Room*

Tending the Flock

Marriage — Theodore Tel, son of Martin and Sharilyn Tel, to Andi Brandsness, on July 15, 2023, in Washington State.

Marriage — Sarah Parker, daughter of John and Cynthia Parker, to Will Ossoff, on August 19, 2023, in Fryeburg, Maine.

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 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 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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