Nassau Presbyterian Church

October 15, 2023  9:15 & 11:00 AM
Gathering

Prelude

“Récit de cromorne”
Louis-Nicolas Clérambault
from Suite du premier ton

• Introit

The Lord Is My Light
Taizé

The Lord is my light, my light and salvation;
in God I trust; in God I trust.

• Call to Worship

Psalm 96:1-3

O sing to the Lord a new song;
sing to the Lord, all the earth!
Sing to the Lord, bless God’s name;
tell of God’s salvation from day to day.
Declare God’s glory among the nations,
God’s marvelous works among all the peoples.
Let us worship God!

• Opening Hymn

Gather Us In
Red Hymnal 401
(verses 1, 2, 4)

Prayer of Confession

Holy God,
we remember that every person
has been fearfully and wonderfully made by you.
We confess that we compare ourselves with our neighbors,
judging each other for the ways we are different,
arranging one another into greatest and least.
Forgive us, and make us disciples whose words and actions
celebrate all the ways our neighbors are precious in your sight.
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
In the Lord, I’ll Be Ever Thankful

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.
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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)
Come on down, rain, come on down,
Come on down, rain, and water this ground.
Come on down, rain, clean and cold,
Come on down, rain, and water my soul.

We are blessed by God. We are blessed with good friends.
We are blessed by our families. We are blessed, we are blessed.
We are blessed with rest. We are blessed with sweet dreams.
We are blessed with a bed to sleep in. We are blessed, we are blessed.
We are blessed with hope. We are blessed with freedom.
We are blessed to have food to eat. We are blessed, we are blessed.
Proclaiming the Word

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

Merciful God,
speak now in the power of your Spirit,
that we may know Christ and his benefits.
Amen.

First Scripture Lesson
Isaiah 55:1-13  pg 498

Second Scripture Lesson
Acts 10:1-16  pg 198

Sermon
Catching Up to the Spirit  Andrew Scales

Thanksgiving

- Sermon Hymn  Spirit, Open My Heart  Red Hymnal 692
- Affirmation of Faith  from Confession of 1967

God the Holy Spirit fulfills the work of reconciliation in humankind.
The Holy Spirit creates and renews the church as the community in which people are reconciled to God and to one another.
The Holy Spirit enables them to receive forgiveness as they forgive one another and to enjoy the peace of God as they make peace among themselves.
In spite of their sin, the Holy Spirit gives them power to become representatives of Jesus Christ and his gospel of reconciliation to all people.

Offertory

Hallelujah, Amen

Giovanni Pergolesi

Doxology

Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures here below.
Praise God above, ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

Sending

Closing Hymn

In Christ, There Is No East or West

Red Hymnal 317

Benediction

Response

Bless the Lord, My Soul

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God’s holy name.
Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life.

Postlude

Dialogue sur les grands jeux

Louis-Nicolas Clérambault

Preacher

Andrew Scales

Liturgists

9:15: Brian Ballard
11:00: Len Scales

Time with Children

Elizabeth Steel

Chorale, Cantorei (9:15)
Elizabeth and Connor, percussion
Ingrid Ladendorf, director

Adult Choir

Noel Werner, director
Don Dolan, organist

Sound Engineer

Nick Mastalesz

Livestream

Doug Ladendorf
Ian Lewono

Cover Art

“Palm Branch” a linocut by Elizabeth Steele Halstead.
The Week Ahead

**Monday, October 16**
5:30 PM  *Festival Ringers*  
Music Room

7:30 PM  *Embodied Faith Small Group*  
Room 304

**Tuesday, October 17**
9:30 AM  *Staff Meeting/Devotions*  
Niles Chapel; Conference Room

7:00 PM  *Grief Encounters Support Group*  
Conference Room

**Wednesday, October 18**
4:15 PM  *Carol Choir*  
Music Room

4:15 PM  *Homework Hangout*  
Room 302

5:15 PM  *Choir 3-4-5*  
Music Room

7:00 PM  *Adult Choir Fellowship*  
Music Room

7:30 PM  *Adult Choir*  
Music Room

**Thursday, October 19**
10:00 AM  *Al-Anon*  
Assembly Room

12:15 PM  *Westminster Conservatory Recital*  
Niles Chapel

7:00 PM  *Session*  
Assembly Room

**Friday, October 20**
8:00 AM  *Men’s Breakfast*  
Zoom

**Saturday, October 21**
9:00 AM  *Sacred Art of Photography Day*  
Assembly Room

**Sunday, October 22**
9:15/9:30  *Education for All Ages*  
Assembly Room & Classrooms

9:15 AM  *Worship*  
Sanctuary & Livestream

9:30 AM  *Inquirers 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
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 worshiping 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.