Gathering

Prelude O Worship the King arr. Lloyd Larsen

Call to Worship

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. For great is the Lord and greatly to be praised; God is to be revered above all gods.

For all the gods of the peoples are idols, but the Lord made the heavens. Honor and majesty are before the Lord; strength and beauty are in God’s sanctuary.

We come to worship the Lord!

Opening Hymn O Worship the King Red Hymnal 41

Prayer of Confession

God of grace and truth, in Jesus Christ you came among us as light shining in darkness.

We confess that we have not welcomed the light, or trusted good news to be good.

We have closed our eyes to glory in our midst, expecting little, and hoping for less.

Forgive our doubt, and renew our hope,
so that we may receive the fullness of your grace and live in the truth of Christ the Lord.
Through 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.

Response of Praise
Thank you, Lord

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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.

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

Pour out your Holy Spirit, O God,
and prepare our hearts to accept your Word.
Silence in us any voice but your own,
that, hearing, we may also obey your will;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

First Scripture Lesson
Mark 1:32-39

Psalm
Psalm 57: A Responsorial Setting
Blue Psalter 57B

Second Scripture Lesson
Daniel 6:10-15

Sermon
In the Lion’s Den
David A. Davis

Thanksgiving

- Sermon Hymn
Jesus, Draw Me Ever Nearer
Verse 1: higher voices
Verse 2: lower voices
Verse 3: all

- Affirmation of Faith
from a Brief Statement of Faith

We trust in God the Holy Spirit,
everywhere the giver and renewer of life.
The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith,
sets us free to accept ourselves
and to love God and neighbor,
and binds us together with all believers
in the one body of Christ, the Church.

The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles
rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture,
engages us through the Word proclaimed,
claims us in the waters of baptism,
feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation,
and calls women and men of all ministries of the Church.
In a broken and fearful world
the Spirit gives us courage
to pray without ceasing,
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,
to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,
to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,
and to work with others for justice, freedom and peace.

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,
we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks
and to live holy and joyful lives,
even as we watch for God’s new heaven and new earth,
praying, “Come, Lord Jesus!”

Offertory

Didn’t My Lord Deliver Daniel

Didn’t my Lord deliver Daniel, deliver Daniel, deliver Daniel,
Didn’t my Lord deliver Daniel, and why not-a every one?

He delivered Daniel from the lion’s den,
Jonah from the belly of the whale,
and the Hebrew children from the fiery furnace,
and why not-a every one?
Didn’t my Lord deliver Daniel...

The wind blows East and the wind blows West,
it blows like the judgement day;
every poor soul that never did pray
will be glad to pray that day.
Didn’t my Lord deliver Daniel...

I set my foot on the Gospel ship,
and the ship it began to sail;
I landed me over on Canaan’s shore,
and I’ll never come back any more.
Didn’t my Lord deliver Daniel...
Doxology

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

If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee

Benediction

Response

Lead Me, Guide Me

Lead me, guide me, along the way, for if you lead me I cannot stray.
Lord, let me walk each day with thee. Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

I am weak and need your strength and power
to help me over my weakest hour.
Help me through the darkness you face to see.
Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

Lead me, guide me, along the way...

Postlude

Little Fugue in G minor

J.S. Bach

Preacher
David A. Davis

Liturgists
9:15: Elizabeth Steel
11:00: Lauren J. McFeaters

Time with Children
Rachel Berliner

Musicians

Festival Ringers
Robert Lamb, director

Adult Choir
Noel Werner, director
Don Dolan, organist

Sound Engineer
Nick Mastalesz

Livestream
Jeff Santoro
Ryan Santoro

Cover Art
“Sun of Righteousness” a linocut by Elizabeth Steele Halstead.
# The Week Ahead

## Monday, October 23

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<td><strong>Adult Choir &amp; Cantorei Rehearsal</strong></td>
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## Saturday, October 28

**NO SCHEDULED EVENTS**

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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.

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Tending the Flock

Birth — Bridget Langdon, daughter of Luisa and Andrew Langdon and sister of Susannah, Edith, and James, on October 10, 2023, in Plainsboro, New Jersey.