

Nassau Presbyterian Church

October 22, 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

O Worship the King

arr. Lloyd Larsen

Call to Worship

Psalm 96:1-6

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

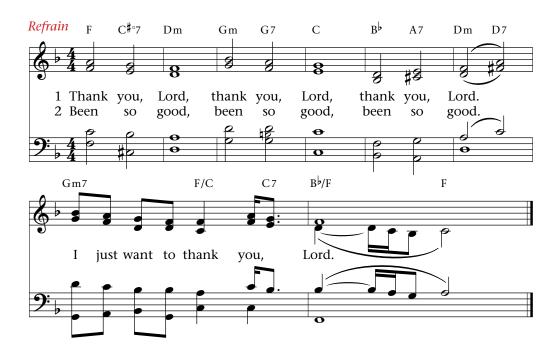
Friends in Christ, hear and believe the good news of the Gospel.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

## • Response of Praise

Thank you, Lord

African American Spiritual



#### 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

pg 35

Psalm

Psalm 57: A Responsorial Setting

Blue Psalter 57B

pg 365

Second Scripture Lesson

Daniel 6:10-15

pg 827

Sermon

In the Lion's Den

David A. Davis



## **Thanksgiving**

• Sermon Hymn Jesus, Draw Me Ever Nearer

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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

African American Spiritual arr. Harry T. Burleigh

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; it 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

Red Hymnal 606

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

Red Hymnal 816

Benediction

Response

Lead Me, Guide Me

Red Hymnal 740

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

Musicians

David A. Davis

Adult Choir

Sound Engineer

Festival Ringers

Nick Mastalesz

Liturgists

9:15: Elizabeth Steel

Livestream

Jeff Santoro

11:00: Lauren J. McFeaters

Ryan Santoro

Time with Children

Noel Werner, director

Robert Lamb, director

Cover Art

Rachel Berliner

Don Dolan, organist

"Sun of Righteousness" a linocut by Elizabeth Steele

Halstead.

## The Week Ahead

#### Monday, October 23

5:30 PM Festival Ringers
Music Room

7:00 PM Embodied Faith Small Group
Room 304

#### **Tuesday, October 24**

9:30 AM Staff Meeting/Devotions Niles Chapel; Conference Room

7:00 PM Taizé Service Sanctuary

7:00 PM GriefEncounters Support Group
Conference Room

#### Wednesday, October 25

10:00 AM GriefEncounters Support Group

Conference Room

4:15 PM Carol Choir
Music Room

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

7:30 PM Adult Choir
Music Room

#### Thursday, October 26

10:00 am Al-AnonAssembly Room

7:00 PM Mission and Outreach Committee

#### Friday, October 27

8:00 am Men's Breakfast Zoom

7:00 PM Adult Choir & Cantorei Rehearsal
Sanctuary

#### Saturday, October 28

NO SCHEDULED EVENTS

#### Sunday, October 29

9:15/9:30 Education for All Ages
Assembly Room & Classrooms

9:15 AM Worship - Reception of New Members
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 Pageant Auditions
Music Room, Sanctuary

2:00 PM Carol Lockwood Memorial Service
Sanctuary

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

#### **TODAY AT NASSAU**

 $\begin{array}{cc} & \text{Education for All Ages} \\ 9:15/9:30 \text{ AM} & \textit{Assembly Room & Classrooms} \end{array}$ 

Worship 9:15 AM Sanctuary & Livestream

Inquirers Class 9:30 AM Conference Room

Joyful Noise 10:05 AM Niles Chapel

Fellowship 10:15 AM Assembly Room

Session Meeting 10:15 AM Conference Room

Carol Choir 10:30 AM Niles Chapel

Worship 11:00 AM Sanctuary

Worship Explorers 11:15 AM Room 302

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

## 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.

### 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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