



Nassau Presbyterian Church

November 19, 2023 9:15 & 11:00 AM

If you are worshipping 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

Holy Manna

William Moore
arr. Karen Thompson

♦ Call to Worship

Psalm 130:5-7

I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in God I hope.

**My soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning,
more than those who watch for the morning.**

O Israel, hope in the Lord!

**For with the Lord there is steadfast love,
and with the Lord there is great power to redeem.**

Come, people of God, let us worship God!

♦ Opening Hymn

Now Thank We All Our God

Red Hymnal 643

Prayer of Confession

**Eternal God,
in whom we live and move and have our being,
whose face is hidden from us by our sins,
and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts:
Cleanse us from all our offenses,
and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires,
that with reverent and humble hearts
we may draw near to you,
confessing our faults,
confiding in your grace,
and finding in you our refuge and strength;
through Jesus Christ your Son. 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

1 Thank you, Lord, thank you, Lord, thank you, Lord.
2 Been so good, been so good, been so good.

Gm7 F/C C7 Bb/F F

I just want to thank you, Lord.

The musical score is written for two staves (treble and bass clef) in 4/4 time. The key signature has one flat (Bb). The first system contains two lines of lyrics. The second system contains the lyrics 'I just want to thank you, Lord.' with musical notation above and below the text. Chord symbols Gm7, F/C, C7, Bb/F, and F are placed above the staff. The score ends with a double bar line.

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

**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 Scripture Lesson Matthew 25:1-13 pg 28

Psalm Alzo a los montes/Lift Your Eyes Up Blue Psalter 121C
Psalm 121 pg 796
Verse 1: in Spanish - soloists
Verse 1: in English - all
Verse 2: in Spanish - soloists
Verse 2: in English - all

Second Scripture Lesson Habakkuk 2:1-2 pg 872

Sermon Watch Keeping David A. Davis



Thanksgiving

♦ Sermon Hymn The Days Are Surely Coming Red Hymnal 357

♦ Affirmation of Faith from the *Confession of 1967* 9:54-56

Biblical visions and images of the rule of Christ, such as a heavenly city, a father's house, a new heaven and earth, a marriage feast, and an unending day, culminates in the image of the kingdom. The kingdom represents the triumph of God over all that resists God's will and disrupts God's creation. Already God's reign is present as a ferment in the world, stirring hope in humanity and preparing the world to receive its ultimate judgment and redemption.

With an urgency born of this hope, the church applies itself to present tasks and strives for a better world. It does not identify limited progress with the kingdom of God on earth, nor does it despair in the face of disappointment and defeat. In steadfast hope, the church looks beyond all partial achievement to the final triumph of God.

“Now to the One who by the power at work within us is able to do far more abundantly than all we ask or think, to God be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.”

Offertory

Laß dich nur nichts nicht dauren

Johannes Brahms

text Paul Flemming

Laß dich nur nichts nicht dauren

Mit Trauren,

Sei stille

Wie Gott es fügt,

So sei vergnügt,

Mein Wille!

Was willst du heute sorgen

Auf morgen?

Der Eine

Steht allem für;

Der gibt auch dir

Das Deine.

Sei nur in allem Handel

Ohn Wandel,

Steh feste;

Was Gott beschleußt,

Das ist und heit

Das Beste.

Amen.

*Let yourself nothing indeed suffer
with grief;
be quieted.*

*As it is God's ordaining,
be satisfied,
my inmost will!*

*Why do you want to worry today
about tomorrow?*

*The One
who commands all,
gives to you also
that which is yours.*

*Be in all affairs
without wavering;
stand firmly.*

*Whatever God ordains
is and signifies
the best.*

Amen.

♦ 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 Live into Hope Red Hymnal 772

♦ 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 your face to see.
Lead me, O Lord, lead me.**
Lead me, guide me, along the way...

Postlude Fugue in B-flat Major Clara Schumann

Preacher

David A. Davis

Liturgists

9:15: Lauren J. McFeaters

11:00: Len Scales

Time with Children

Rachel Berliner

Musicians

Festival Ringers

Robert Lamb, director

Adult Choir

Noel Werner, director

Don Dolan, organist

George Somerville &

Robert Lamb, soloists

Sound Engineer

Nick Mastalesz

Livestream

Jeff Santoro

Peter Spelda

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The Week Ahead

Monday, November 20

5:30 PM *Festival Ringers*
Music Room

7:30 PM *Adult Choir*
Sanctuary

Tuesday, November 21

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

Wednesday, November 22

NO SCHEDULED EVENTS

Thursday, November 23

OFFICE CLOSED - THANKSGIVING

11:00 AM *Priceton Community Inter-Faith
Thanksgiving Service*
Princeton University Chapel

Friday, November 24

OFFICE CLOSED - THANKSGIVING

Saturday, November 25

2:00 PM *Card Makers*
Assembly Room

Sunday, November 26 Pledge Sunday

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*
Assembly Room

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

TODAY AT NASSAU

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

Worship
9:15 AM *Sanctuary & Livestream*

Fellowship
10:15 AM *Assembly Room*

Worship
11:00 AM *Sanctuary*

Worship Explorers
11:15 AM *Room 302*

Pageant Cast Rehearsal
12:15 PM *Sanctuary*

Nassau Book Group
12:15 PM *Conference Room*

Cantorei and Chorale
5:00 PM *Music Room*

Youth Fellowship Dinner
6:00 PM *Third Floor*

Breaking Bread Thanksgiving Feast
6:30 PM *Assembly Room*

Middle School and Senior High
Fellowship
6:40 PM *Room 304*

Tending the Flock

Death - María Isabel (Chabela) Roldan, sister of Aldo Roldan, and sister-in-law of Debbi Roldan, on November 7, 2023, in Santiago, Chile.

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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