

# NASSAU PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



April 7, 2024

9:15 & 11:00 A.M.

**SUNDAY WORSHIP WITH COMMUNION** 

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.

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## **Gathering**

Prelude Voluntary in D John Stanley

Introit Surrexit Christus Taizé

Call to Worship

Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed.

Praise the God of our Lord Jesus Christ.

God has given us new life and hope.

God has raised Jesus from the dead.

God has claimed us as God's own.

God has brought us out of darkness.

God has made us light to the world.

Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed!

Opening Hymn

Thine Is the Glory

Red Hymnal 238

I Peter 1:3-5

Prayer of Confession

Loving God,
in raising Jesus from the grave,
you shattered the power of sin and death.
We confess we remain captive to doubt and fear,
bound by the ways that lead to death.
We overlook the poor and hungry,
and are unmoved by the cries of the oppressed.
Forgive us. Have mercy upon us.
Help us to trust you to live anew,
so that we may serve you with joy.
We pray in the name of our Risen Lord. Amen.

## Assurance of Forgiveness

Friends in Christ,
hear and believe the good news of the Gospel.
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.
For Christ is Risen! He is Risen Indeed!
Thanks be to God!

• Response of Praise

Aleluya

Honduras

#### 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.

#### 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.



## Proclaiming the Word

#### Prayer for Illumination

Spirit of God, you raised our Lord Jesus from the dead. We give you our gratitude and praise. Send your Spirit to give us deeper insight, encouragement, faith, and compassion, through the proclamation of the Easter gospel. Amen.

Scripture Lesson

John 3:1-17

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Sermon Imagine Felipe Paz



Sermon Hymn My Soul Cries Out with a Joyful Shout

Red Hymnal 100

refrain: all

verses 1 & 4: all

verse 2: higher voices verse 3: lower voices

Offertory

O Death, Where is Thy Sting? But Thanks Be to God

G.F. Handel I Corinthians 15:55-57

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

The Invitation

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Words of Institution

Sharing of the Bread

Prélude (dedicated to Nadia Boulanger)

Louis Vierne

Sharing of the Cup

Arabesque Louis Vierne

Concluding Prayer

Nourished at this table, O God, may we know Christ's redemptive love and live a new life in him. By the power of the Holy Spirit, nothing can separate us from your great love made known in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



Closing Hymn Rise, O Church, like Christ Arisen Red Hymnal 536

Benediction

Response Siyahamba South Africa

Siyahamb' ekukhanyen' kwenkhos'. We are marching in the light of God.

Postlude Gigue (from Suite in G major) Elizabeth de la Guerre

Preacher Musicians Sound Engineer

Michael Cooney, prelude organist Nick Mastalesz Felipe Paz

Adult Choir Livestream

Liturgist Noel Werner, director Doug Ladendorf Lauren J. McFeaters Don Dolan, organist

Cover Art Time with Children

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## The Week Ahead

#### Monday, April 8

5:30 PM Festival Ringers
Music Room

#### **Tuesday, April 9**

9:30 AM Staff Meeting/Devotions Niles Chapel

1:30 PM Grace Note Singers
Stonebridge at Montgomery

7:00 PM Adult Education Committee

7:00 PM Grief Encounters
Conference Room

#### Wednesday, April 10

10:00 AM Grief Encounters
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, April 11**

10:00 AM Al-Anon Conference Room

7:00 PM Youth Ministry Committee
Zoom

#### Friday, April 12

8:00 AM Men's Breakfast Zoom

#### Saturday, April 13

9:00 AM Dress Rehearsal for Messiah
Sanctuary

#### Sunday, April 14

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

11:00 AM Worship Sanctuary

11:15 AM Worship Explorers
Room 302

12:15 PM Lunch and Learn - CMEP
Assembly Room

12:15 PM Nassau Book Group
Conference Room 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

7:30 PM Breaking Bread Dinner
Assembly Room

#### **TODAY AT NASSAU**

> Worship - Communion 9:15 AM Sanctuary & Livestream

> > Joyful Noise 10:05 AM Niles Chapel

Fellowship 10:15 AM Assembly Room

Carol Choir 10:30 AM Niles Chapel

Worship - Communion 11:00 AM Sanctuary

Worship Explorers 11:15 AM Room 302

Cantorei 5:00 PM *Music Room* 

Middle School Fellowship 5:00 PM Room 301

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 301

Breaking Bread Dinner 7:30 PM Assembly Room

## Tending the Flock

Birth — Cole Michael Hove, son of Alexa and Erik Hove, grandson of Sandy and Roger Hove, on March 25, 2024, 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).

*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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