April 7, 2024        9:15 & 11:00 A.M.

SUNDAY WORSHIP WITH COMMUNION
Gathering

Prelude Voluntary in D John Stanley

Introit Surrexit Christus Taizé

Call to Worship I Peter 1:3-5

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

• 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

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

Sermon

Imagine

Felipe Paz
Thanksgiving

Sermon Hymn  
*My Soul Cries Out with a Joyful Shout*

refrain: all  
verses 1 & 4: all  
verse 2: higher voices  
verse 3: lower voices

Red Hymnal 100

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.**

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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.
Sending

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
Felipe Paz

Liturgist
Lauren J. McFeaters

Time with Children
Elizabeth Steel

Musicians
Michael Cooney, prelude organist
Noel Werner, director
Don Dolan, organist

Sound Engineer
Nick Mastalesz

Livestream
Doug Ladendorf

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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).

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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TODAY AT NASSAU

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

Worship - Communion
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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