

Adult Education Linked-In Learning, Fall 2024

NASSAU PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sundays, 9:30 AM in the Assembly Room, unless otherwise noted

Women in the Old Testament

A queen, mothers of nations, and advocates for themselves and other women are among those we will meet during these weeks. They employ faithfulness and savvy as they navigate a life at the margins. Let's learn from these women together as we ask challenging questions and remember other women who have helped make a way for us in our own lives.

"Linked-In Learning" helps us explore the same stories from multiple perspectives. In these classes members and friends of the congregation will lead us through the same texts the preachers will take up in worship and small groups will have engaged the week prior. Let's learn together!



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Oct
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Women, Poetry and God

Proverbs 31



Elaine T. James is Associate Professor of Old Testament at Princeton Theological Seminary. Her research interests are in biblical Hebrew poetry, ideas of art in the ancient world, and issues of land, ecology, and gender. She is the author of *Landscapes of the Song of Songs: Poetry and Place* (Oxford University Press,

2017), and *An Invitation to Biblical Poetry* (Oxford University Press, 2021).

Oct
27

The Daughters of Zelophehad

Numbers 27:1-11; Joshua 17:3-6



Isabella Shutt is a first-year M.Div. student at Princeton Theological Seminary and recent graduate of Princeton University. Originally from western North Carolina, she became a member of Nassau after worshipping weekly with Princeton Presbyterians at Breaking Bread. Isabella currently

serves as the Intern for the Adult Education and Missions and Outreach Committees. She is the eldest of three daughters and brings this perspective to her readings of women in the Old Testament.

Nov
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Ruth and Naomi: Identity and Belonging

The Book of Ruth



Leslie Virnelson is a Democracy Fellow at Interfaith America through a postdoctoral partnership with Princeton Theological Seminary (PTS) and a scholar of the Hebrew Bible/Old Testament. Her forthcoming book with Oxford University Press is *Fruit of Her Hands: Women, Work, & Society in the Hebrew Bible*. She has taught classes for masters and undergraduate students at PTS, Princeton University, Mercer University, Union Theological Seminary, and Union Presbyterian Seminary. She also served as the interim director of the Center for Theology, Women, & Gender at PTS from 2020-2023, organizing events and curricula to educate public and scholarly audiences on the intersections of religion and gender. She lives in West Windsor, NJ and enjoys hiking, foraging, and fermentation.

Nov
10

Sarah and Hagar: Re-imagining Paths to Healing

Genesis 16:1-16, 21:1-21



Rev. **Jonathan C. Shenk** is a minister and entrepreneur. He is the owner of Greenleaf Painters, a local painting company. He is also a certified spiritual director and founding member of the Trenton Microloan Collaborative, a joint venture of Nassau and Westminster. He lives in Princeton Junction with his wife, Cynthia Yoder. Their son, Gabriel, is a high school English teacher and frontman for Sona, an indie rock band.

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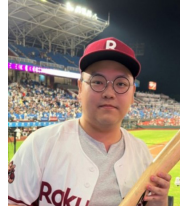
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STORYTELLING

TOLSTOY'S "TWO OLD MEN"

Nov
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Esther: Courage and Power

The Book of Esther



Joseph Kwan (he/him) is currently a final year Master of Divinity student at Princeton Theological Seminary, and he joined Nassau Presbyterian in 2022. Joseph is originally from Hong Kong, where he was born, raised, educated, and lived for most of his life. Before coming to the US for ministerial formation, he studied theology for four years in Hong Kong. His living and educational experience in Hong Kong gave him a special lens through which to approach the scriptures and Christian tradition from a post-colonial and East Asian perspective. He is a candidate for ordained ministry in the Presbyterian Church (USA) under care through our church.

In-depth Bible Study with George Hunsinger

Galatians

Sundays, 9:15 AM, Room 202



George Hunsinger is Professor of Systematic Theology at Princeton Theological Seminary. He is the founder of the National Religious Campaign Against Torture.