



NASSAU PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



September 21, 2025

9:15 & 11:00 A.M.

SUNDAY WORSHIP

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.



Gathering

Prelude

Be Thou My Vision

Paul Manz

♦ Introit

What Does the Lord Require

Christianne Bessières Lane

♦ Call to Worship

Psalm 95

O come, let us sing to the Lord;

let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving;

let us make a joyful noise to God with songs of praise!

O come, let us worship and bow down;

let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

For the Lord is our God,

and we are the people of God's pasture

and the sheep of God's hand.

Come, people of God! Let us worship the rock of our salvation!

♦ Opening Hymn

Be Thou My Vision

Red Hymnal 450

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God,

you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you.

We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy.

We have not loved you with a pure heart,

nor have we loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We have not done justice, loved kindness,

or walked humbly with you, our God.

Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving-kindness.

In your great compassion,

cleanse us from our sin.

Do not cast us away from your presence,

or take your Holy Spirit from us. 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

Love the Lord Your God

Jean & Jim Stradthee

Proclaiming the Word

The Sacrament of Baptism (9:15)

Presentation of Bibles to 3rd Graders (9:15)

Children may leave for Church School classes. Teachers and ushers can assist in finding classrooms.

Ordination & Installation of New Officers (11:00)

Children age three to grade three may leave for Worship Explorers, room 302, third floor.

Words of Welcome

We invite you to fill out the fellowship pads you will find in the pews or scan the QR code to the right. If you are watching the livestream we invite you to fill out the virtual fellowship pad: nassauchurch.org/check-in.



Prayer for Illumination

**Loving God, fountain of every blessing,
open us to your life-giving Word,
and fill us with your Holy Spirit
so that living water may flow through our hearts—
a spring of hope for a thirsty world;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

First Scripture Lesson

Bless the LORD,
O Saints and Servants
Psalm 113

Blue Psalter 113B
pg 718

Second Scripture Lesson

Luke 16:1-13

pg 79

Sermon

Faithful in Little, Faithful in Much

David A. Davis



Thanksgiving

♦ Sermon Hymn Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord Red Hymnal 707

♦ Affirmation of Faith from *A Brief Statement of Faith* (PCUSA)

**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 to 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!"
With believers in every time and place,
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death
can separate us from the love of God
in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

Offertory	Jesus Is Our Joy, Our Treasure	Anonymous Thuringian Choral Aria
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♦ Response	We Give Thee but Thine Own	Red Hymnal 708 verses 1 & 4
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Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Sending

♦ Closing Hymn	God of Grace and God of Glory	Red Hymnal 307
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♦ Benediction

♦ Response	We Are One in the Spirit	Red Hymnal 300 verses 1 & 2
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Postlude	Toccata	Théodore Dubois
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Preacher

David A. Davis

Liturgists

Lauren J. McFeaters

Andrew Scales (9:15)

Presentation of 3rd Grade Bibles

Ingrid Ladendorf

Musicians

Adult Choir

Noel Werner, director

Don Dolan, organist

Sound Engineer

Nick Mastalesz

Livestream

Jeff Santoro

Ryan Santoro

Cover Art

"Tree of Life" - a linoleum
block print by
Elizabeth Steel Halstead

Flowers

The flowers today are given
to the glory of God and in
memory of Benjamin Po-ting
Yeh, by his wife Emily Liu
and daughter Symphony Tsai.
Benjamin's memorial service
is today at 2:00 PM in the
sanctuary, with a reception
following.

Elders, Class of 2028

Elena Barreto

Dawne Barnes

Jixin Dai

Joan Kettelkamp

Jeff Kuhn

Douglas Ladendorf

Jeanne Radimer

Linda Revelle

Elder, Class of 2026

Ryan Santoro

Deacons, Class of 2028

Maria Bowditch

Grace Coogan

Lynn Dippold

Elias Edwards

John Gilmore

Mary Hammell

John Lane

Tia Panjaitan

Colleen Santoro

Hanka Spelda

Emily Szurek

Russell Szurek

LUKE 16:1-13 NRSVUE

¹Then Jesus said to the disciples, “There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. ²So he summoned him and said to him, ‘What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management because you cannot be my manager any longer.’ ³Then the manager said to himself, ‘What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. ⁴I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.’ ⁵So, summoning his master’s debtors one by one, he asked the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’ ⁶He answered, ‘A hundred jugs of olive oil.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.’ ⁷Then he asked another, ‘And how much do you owe?’ He replied, ‘A hundred containers of wheat.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill and make it eighty.’

⁸And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly, for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. ⁹And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

¹⁰“Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much, and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. ¹¹If, then, you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? ¹²And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? ¹³No slave can serve two masters, for a slave will either hate the one and love the other or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.”

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CHANCEL ART AND TEXT

The curved apse behind the pulpit, created in the 1890s, has been given new life with paint colors derived from the stained-glass windows and decorative brackets that draw the eye inward to the texts. Gold leaf, representative of light in Christian art, is used exclusively for the biblical texts: “The light shines in the darkness and the darkness has not overcome it.” (John 1:5)

The scriptural texts are reflections on what God requires of us when called to worship and sent forth into the world: to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with our God. We’re reminded that YHWH,* revealed to Moses in the burning bush, is the very one who made us and to whom we humbly offer our entire selves. Jesus is the hidden “I” that we see in all who need justice: the hungry, the thirsty, the stranger, the naked, the sick, and the imprisoned. Finally, we are empowered by God’s abiding Spirit to show loving kindness to one another as we build a community of compassion, honesty, respect, and joyful hope.

**Pronounced “Yahweh,” God’s name means “the One who brings into existence whatever exists.” Out of reverence for its holiness, YHWH is normally not spoken aloud, though it is visually “unveiled” here. The usual substitution in English translations is “the LORD.”*

Tending the Flock

Marriage — Meghan Foley, daughter of Lois Foley, married Noah Osterhus, in Princeton, New Jersey, on September 13, 2025.

Marriage — Nicholas Hunter Henkel, grandson of Nancy & Rick Henkel, married Tessa Alexandria Wimmer, in Mill Valley, California, on September 13, 2025.

Marriage — Lily Olsen, daughter of Angie & Allen Olsen, married Josh Haradon, in Colchester, Connecticut, on August 30, 2025.

Marriage — Kelly Roman, daughter of Janet & George Roman, married Chelsea Colatriano, in Stockton, New Jersey, on August 24, 2025.

The Week Ahead

Monday, September 22

NO SCHEDULED EVENTS

Tuesday, September 23

- 9:30 AM *Staff Devotions & Meeting*
Niles Chapel
- 7:00 PM *Adult Education Committee*
Zoom

Wednesday, September 24

- 4:15 PM *Carol Choir*
Music Room
- 4:15 PM *Homework Hangout*
Room 302
- 5:15 PM *Choir 3-4-5*
Music Room
- 5:30 PM *Festival Ringers*
Room 202
- 7:30 PM *Adult Choir*
Music Room

Thursday, September 25

- 10:00 AM *AlAnon*
Conference Room

Friday, September 26

- 8:00 AM *Men's Breakfast*
Zoom

Saturday, September 27

- 2:00 PM *Card Makers*
Assembly Room

Sunday, September 28

- 9:15 AM *In-Depth Bible Study*
Room 202
- 9:15/9:30 *Education for All Ages*
Assembly Room & Classrooms
- 9:15 AM *Worship - Sanctuary Dedication*
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 Dedication*
Sanctuary
- 12:00 PM *Annual Meeting of the Congregation*
Assembly 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

In-Depth Bible Study
9:15 AM *Room 202*

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

Worship - Bibles to 3rd Graders
9:15 AM *Sanctuary & Livestream*

New Bible Parent Class
9:30 AM *Conference Room*

Joyful Noise
10:05 AM *Niles Chapel*

Confirmation Information Meeting
10:15 AM *Room 304*

Fellowship
10:15 AM *Assembly Room*

Carol Choir
10:30 AM *Niles Chapel*

Worship - Ordination & Installation of
New Officers
11:00 AM *Sanctuary*

Memorial Service for Benjamin Yeh
2:00 PM *Sanctuary*

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*

Breaking Bread Dinner
7:30 PM *Assembly Room*

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 using the QR code to the right or 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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