

Welcome to Worship at First Presbyterian Church
Please join us for fellowship and refreshments at “Coffee Hour” in the Fellowship Hall immediately following the service.
(✚ Latecomers may be seated.)

AN ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD
18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 2, 2009 10:00 A.M.

THE APPROACH

PRELUDE

Voluntary, Op. VII, No. 9

Charles John Stanley
Organ

CALL TO WORSHIP

Dr. Louis Mitchell

O Lord, open my lips,

and my mouth will declare your praise.

The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit.

A humble and contrite heart, O Lord, you will not despise.

HYMN #210 (Hymnal)*❖

“Our God, Our Help in Ages Past”

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)*

Mighty and merciful God, hear our prayers and be gracious to us. For the lives we live are not worthy of our calling. Too often we heed other voices and obey other powers than your own. We have wavered in our faith and wandered from your path. We forget who we are because we forget who you are. By your grace, O God, forgive us. Restore us to the fullness of life in the Spirit of Jesus Christ. Make us your grateful servants whose greatest joy is to praise you, we ask in Jesus’ name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON*

HYMN #577 (Hymnal)*

“Gloria Patri”

THE PEACE* ✚

WELCOME AND RITUAL OF FELLOWSHIP (Please sign the red “friendship pads” found at the end of each pew by the center aisle. Note the names of those worshipping around you as you pass the pad back. We encourage you to greet each other after the service.)

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE ✚

Pastor Rosanna

SCRIPTURE	Acts 28: 11-16	Marie Perrine Pew Bible pgs. 149-150
SPECIAL MUSIC	<i>Chorale</i>	J. S. Bach Becky Young, cello
SCRIPTURE	Acts 28: 17-31	Pew Bible pg. 150
SERMON	<i>“Do All Roads Lead to Rome?”</i>	Rev. Rosanna Anderson

THE RESPONSE

THE GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory	<i>Bouree</i>	J. S. Bach Becky Young, cello
Hymn #593 (Hymnal)* Prayer of Dedication*	<i>“Doxology”</i>	Dr. Mitchell

HYMN #394 (Hymnal)*❖ *“There Is a Balm in Gilead”*

COMMISSIONING OF VBS FAMILY MINISTRY LEADERS (see insert)

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Minister:	The Lord be with you.
People:	And also with you.
Minister:	Lift up your hearts.
People:	We lift them up to the Lord.
Minister:	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People:	It is right to give our thanks and praise. [The Minister continues.]

God is praised for the history of faithfulness shown to God’s people. The congregation then joins the celestial choirs and all the faithful of every time and place to sing:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The prayer continues with thanksgiving for the life and work of Jesus Christ. The Words of Institution are recalled. The elements are set apart for their sacred use, and we offer ourselves to God's service. Then, this response:

According to His commandment:

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory.**

The presence of the Holy Spirit is sought, as well as God's blessing on our lives. The prayer concludes with a Trinitarian doxology.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE COMMUNION OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Please come forward by a side aisle. At the front, take a piece of bread and dip the bread in the cup before eating. Those unable to come forward will be served in their seats.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

HYMN #526 (Hymnal)* ❖

"For All the Saints"

BENEDICTION*

POSTLUDE*

Voluntary on Old Hundredth

Henry Purcell
Organ

***ALL WHO ARE ABLE MAY STAND/❖ CONGREGATION SUMMER MUSIC REQUEST**

COMMISSIONING OF VBS FAMILY MINISTRY LEADERS

Daune Arsnow, Jenni Collins, Jessica Corriveau, Julia DeMarco, Amy Dixon, Dina Ellsworth, Becky Franke, Tara Guidi, Claudette Guy, Frances Janovitz, Patti Janovitz, Carol Kane, Leslie Kasper, Dorothy Klotzbeacher, Susan Mavoides, Dawn Michaud, Kyle Michaud, Pam Mills, Kari Novak, Jodi Pagano, Sandy Price, Marley Pulz, Jennifer Rinaldi, Barbara Santoro, Kristen Stewart, Emily Toplin, Leslie Vandenberg, Michelle Vitulli, Cathy Vogen, Linda Wegryn, Renee Welch, Janet Wheeler and Kelly Zullo

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

God spoke these words to his people through his servant Moses: ‘Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is one Lord; and you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. These words which I command you this day shall be upon your heart; and you shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise.’ ... Jesus said to his disciples: ‘I give you a new commandment, that you love one another just as I have loved you.’”

What we have heard and known for ourselves, we must hand on to the next generation. These in their turn will tell others to put confidence in the Lord, never forgetting God’s faithfulness and always keeping his commandments.

QUESTIONS TO THE VBS FAMILY MINISTRY LEADERS

We give thanks to God that you are leaders in our VBS Family Ministry. Through your efforts, the good news of God’s love will be celebrated among another generation. Please answer these questions. Do you trust Jesus Christ your Savior, and through him believe in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit? **We do.**

Do you promise to be guided by the Scriptures and the teachings of the church, so that with imagination and love you may serve the Holy Spirit by calling children to faith in Christ and training his disciples? **We do.**

You are now commissioned to be a leader in the VBS Family Ministry. May the light of God’s love shine through all that you say and do.

PRAYER (In Unison)

Eternal God, in every age you have appointed teachers and helpers to tell of your love and power, your justice and peace. We thank you for these brothers and sisters, who through the VBS Family Ministry will teach children and adults your ways. Give them the gifts of your Spirit, so that they may be bold witnesses of your good news. Guide them as they serve in your name; may they speak your word and show your kindness. O Lord, help all of us to turn to you and live in hope and joy, obedient to your commandments. Amen.

Visitors! We hope that you will find a warm welcome here. We invite you to consider membership in our church family. Please speak to one of the greeters or pastors after worship for more information.

Childcare is provided during worship. Children from birth to age 2 may be taken to the infant room, and children age 3 through Kindergarten are welcome in the toddler room. Childcare providers for the infant nursery are Linda Protinick and Taylor Panconi, and for the toddler nursery David Mills and a student assistant. Laurie Davis is the Nursery Coordinator (MusicMomNJ@comcast.net).

Our congregation is very happy to have children participate in worship with their family as part of our church family! "Worship bags" containing quiet faith activities are available in the narthex for children to enjoy during worship.

We thank those who are serving today in these ways:

Communion Servers are Dawn Arsnow, Carolyn Barlow, George Conley and Dorothy Klotzbeacher.

The Flowers are given in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Bloom and Dorothy by Marjorie and John Bloom.

Head Usher is Linda Cody.

Coffee hour today is hosted by Doreen Grand-Jean.

PRAYER CHAIN

If you have a prayer request, or if you would like to become part of the "chain" of church members who pray daily with and for people with a particular need, please contact the church office at 395-0897.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Church members with special needs: Marge Bloom; Liz Callaway; Jim Cox; Martha Davis; Ruth Davison; Jean Dunham; Elizabeth Hagerty; Judson Hagerty; Kim Hafner; Helen Myer; Diane Smith; and Mildred Watts.

Family and Friends of Church Members for whom prayers are asked: Phyllis Dyke's sister, Joyce Lepore & brother, Lou Scirrotto; Andrew Kremann's father, Bill; Paul & Janet Furchak's daughter, Christine Massaro; Gail Geijer's son, Dan; Sandy Majeski from Senior Exercise Group; church treasurer, Art Pellichero; and Gretchen Stults' daughter, Ann Schwartz.

We pray for all the people who are in need in our wider community.

Prayer Requests in the Bulletin: *In order to keep the prayer request list up to date we will print the names of friends and family of church members who have prayer requests for one month. After that time you may call the church office to have a name reappear on the prayer list.*

Please remember family & friends in our nation's service: Colonel John Bartolotto (US Army), Elsie & Russell Sutton's son-in-law; Lt. Nick Brunetti (USMC), Tracey Yeager Brunetti's husband and Jeff & Diane Yeager's son-in-law; Adam Frick (US Army), Cathy & Michael Vogen's cousin; Sgt. Robert Hansson (75th Ranger Regiment), Janet & Paul Furchak's son; Colonel Martha Lenhart (US Army), Jim & Barbara Cox's daughter-in-law; Greg McAvoy (US Navy), Lewis & Ruth Blackmer's grandson; Michael McSurdy (US Army Specialist), Dr. Mitchell's son-in-law; Thomas Mentes (9th Cavalry Troop), Pat & Bill Leonard's son-in-law; Major Douglas Miller (US Air Force), George & Audrey Smith's nephew and Anna Wahler's grandson; Colonel Daniel Shanahan (US Army), Leslie Vandenberg's cousin; and Jason Stuart (Specialist NJ Reserve), Cathy Vogen's friend.

- Please be sure to sign the "**Pipeline to Session**" cards found in the pews if you have any questions/concerns for the Session. This is a great way to give "kudos" as well!

Birthday of Distinction: William Schlegel on August 8. **Happy Birthday!**

~~ CHRISTIAN EDUCATION ~~

New Superintendent: Please prayerfully consider if God may be calling you to help in this way. If you would like to know more, please contact Pam Mills, Chair, or Pastor Rosanna through the church office or the directory. We look forward to working with the new person(s) in this very meaningful role.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL begins this week! Please pray for the 66 children and 34 volunteers that will be attending SonRock Kids Camp. Campers will enjoy skits, songs around the "campfire", crafts, games, snacks and a Bible learning time each day. Based on 1 John 3:1, campers will learn how their lives can be transformed by God's great love for them. Stay tuned for a little taste of the camp week during next Sunday's worship service.

~~ CONGREGATIONAL LIFE ~~

URGENT! Coordinator Needed!

As of August 30, I will be stepping down as the "Coordinator" of Coffee Hour. I am asking you to start praying now so that God can pick the person that He wants for the job. I will gladly do different "coffee hours" but we need someone to serve as the coordinator. Thank you in advance for being the ONE. God knows you are out there and so do !!!!

God bless you, Doreen Grand-Jean

~~ CPNS ~~



CPNS has begun registration for the school year 2009-2010. As a Christian Nursery School our goal is to guide your children in the appropriate ways to get along with others, to be self-confident and respectful individuals, to make decisions, to be creative, to solve math problems, to love reading and writing, and most of all to love to learn.

In addition to our regular classes, we also offer enrichment programs for any child whether enrolled in CPNS or not. You may have a child attending a Cranbuddies program or even a local ½-day kindergarten program that you would like to enrich their learning opportunities. We welcome everyone! To receive registration information, please contact Janice Parker at 655-8663 or e-mail her at cpnschool@comcast.net or check the CPNS portion of the church website.

~~ MISSION, SERVICE & GRANTS ~~

A SNIPPET FROM THE YEAR BOOK OF PRAYER: The churches of the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina have been helping their neighbors in many generous ways. They responded to hurricanes and tornadoes on the Gulf Coast and at home and now they are working toward responding with more coordination to future disasters. They hope to pool the resources of volunteer workers to help with rebuilding efforts. They are making plans to help with debris removal, housing, and the reconstruction of damaged homes, all of this through a new subcommittee working on disaster relief. They are working with other Christian groups and aid organizations, thus bringing their communities closer together.

SKEETS PANTRY - Donations Needed:

Supplies are low. We are in need of all types of food items. Crackers, cake and cookies mixes are appreciated.

ATTENTION ALL GARDENERS!!!

If you have extra home grown vegetables and you would like to donate them to Skeet's Pantry for those in need, please place all donations in the plastic container in the side porch of the church office. **These donations can only be dropped off and accepted on the following THURSDAYS: AUGUST 20 AND SEPTEMBER 17.** Many thanks from the Skeet's Pantry Crew!

~~ OUTREACH COMMITTEE ~~

CRANBURY COFFEE HOUSE:

Through the initiative of some very adventuresome church members (chaired by our very own George Conley) and in an effort to unite the church and town communities, we are excited to announce the creation of The Cranbury Coffee House. Session unanimously approved this wonderful outreach effort which will benefit Skeet's Pantry & the Deacons' Benevolence Fund.

The Coffee House is a venue to showcase local musical talent with musical genres such as Jazz, Folk, Acoustic Rock, String Quartet, Open Mike, Oldies & Brass Band. Opening night is Friday, September 11, 2009. This once a month event will be held on the second Friday of each month through June 10, 2010.

We really look forward to a fun community meeting place & shared fellowship. Come help in the planning process! Join us in launching this fabulous project with your creative ideas to make this a "must attend" monthly event! Our next meeting is Tuesday, August 4 at 7:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall.

For more information, please contact George Conley, cell: 577-7201, e-mail: geolive60@aol.com.

~~ SENIOR FELLOWSHIP ~~

PLEASE NOTE: Senior Fellowship exercise class has grown. We are keeping a waiting list. If you would like to be placed on it, please call Connie Bauder at 395-1215.

PLEASE HELP

Here is a service opportunity for you. You do not need to be a senior. Senior Fellowship needs a few people to help us with transportation when we go on day trips. The church van holds 14 people and we usually have about 18-24 people who wish to go on a trip. We need volunteers who will take 3 or 4 church members in their car to and from our destination. We will reimburse any costs you incur. Our trips are only on weekdays, usually Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday. We usually leave at 10:30 or 11 a.m. and return by 4 p.m. In order for this mission of the church to continue, we need the support of the congregation. If you can help us out with this need, please contact Connie Bauder or the church office.

Senior Fellowship needs a few additional members on the programs and trips planning committee. We meet during the day (10:00 a.m.) about 6 times a year to select destinations for trips or speakers for programs. After a schedule for the year is worked out, we plan the details. Members of the committee help to execute the programs by setting tables, distributing beverages and assisting individuals as necessary or acting as chaperones on trips. You do not need to help with all the trips, just commit to what you can fit in your schedule. Senior Fellowship is a great mission of our church which is run totally by volunteers. For this program to continue, we need enough volunteers to run our programs. We could use a few people who are not senior citizens. If you would like to volunteer, please call Connie Bauder the coordinator of Senior Fellowship or the church office.

Cranbury Senior Center Event

KNITTING GROUP - Starting in September! Learn to knit or bring your knitting. If you are interested, call 395-9000, x. 244.

~~ STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE ~~

Double your money! Offerings received by our church are used to support the mission and ministries of the church, including community-based organizations that may be eligible for matching gifts from some companies. Consider using your employer's matching gift program for some or all of your offering. Contact Ken Gordon if you have any questions.

Did you know that you can use direct deposit from your bank account to the church for your offering? Please contact the Church Office for the Church's Bank Account and Routing Number to set this up.

Counting Team Today: Team #1
Counting Team Next Week (August 9): Team #2

~~ WORSHIP ~~

The Worship Committee would like to invite you to take advantage of our nursery if you have children age 5 and under. If you prefer to keep your young child with you during worship, we remind you that you can hear the sermon from the narthex if your child becomes restless.

~~ YOUTH MINISTRY ~~

Youth Group Activities

Youth Mission Team: Welcome back from "Mission 101" at Ocean Grove. We look forward to hearing about this time of service and fellowship with other Christian youth. This year's team included adults Linda Cody, Anne Gordon, Barbara Rogers, Mike Kasper, Ken Gordon, and Tom Senko (liaison with Ocean Grove) and youth Jenna Cody, Zach Conley, Abby Gordon, Andrew Kasper, Hannah Moy, Katie Olsson, Ian Pulz, Marley Pulz, Ally Rogers, Brian Santoro, Warren Santoro, Katie Senko, Steven Senko, Tina Till, and Cassi Waciega.

GOING TO TASK: Students age 13 and up are invited to serve a meal at TASK **this Thursday, August 6**. We will meet in the church parking lot at 2:30 pm and return by 5:30 pm. Please wear closed-toed shoes, modest t-shirt and jeans. Contact Anne Gordon if you can help out. (The church office will be closed at 2:30 p.m. that day.)

~~ CALENDAR ~~

August 2, 2009 - August 9, 2009

Sunday 2	10:00a Worship w/communion and VBS Leaders Commissioning 11:00a Fellowship 11:00a VBS set-up
Monday 3	9a-11:30a "Son Rock Kids' Camp" - use of all areas 7:15p Christian Ed. -Church Office(upstairs) 8:00p Al-Anon-McK Rm
Tuesday 4	9a-11:30a "Son Rock Kids' Camp"- use of all areas 9:00a Bulletin Material Due 7:30p P&A Meeting- Lib. 7:30p AA - McKnight Room
Wednesday 5	9a-11:30a "Son Rock Kids' Camp"- use of all areas 11:45a Staff Mtg.-Church Office 1:00p 275 th Anniversary Task Force Meeting - Church office 7:00p MS&G Meeting-Lib.
Thursday 6	9a-11:30a "Son Rock Kids' Camp"-use of all areas 2:30p - 6:15p TASK (VAN) (Office Closed 2:30p-3:00p) 7:00p Worship Meeting—Lib.
Friday 7	9a-11:30a "Son Rock Kids' Camp"-use of all areas 9:00a Bulletin Assembly-Church Office 7:30p AA - McKnight Room
Saturday 8	
Sunday 9	10:00a Worship w/Minute for History 11:00a Fellowship