

**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.)

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**AN ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD**  
**20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**August 16, 2009 10:00 A.M.**

**THE APPROACH**

PRELUDE

*Voluntary for the Trumpet*

**John Stanley**  
Organ

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Joanne Petto

Praise the Lord!

**I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart.**

God has sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant forever.

**Holy and awesome is God's name!**

HYMN #478 (Hymnal)\*

*"Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)\*

**Sovereign God, we cannot hide from you the sinfulness of our hearts. You know our every thought and deed. You see the evil that we do, and the good that we leave undone. You see our selfishness and pride, our petty scheming and our grand designs. Forgive us for pursuing our own agendas more than your life-giving Word in Jesus Christ. 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 ✚

Youth Mission Team

SCRIPTURE

Jonah 3:1 - 4:5

Joan Fraser  
Pew Bible pgs. 860 & 861

SPECIAL MUSIC                                    *“If with all your heart” (Elijah)*                                    **Felix Mendelssohn**  
Tim Coombs, vocalist

SCRIPTURE    Matthew 12:38-42    Pew Bible pg. 13

SERMON                                    “The Sign of Jonah & the People of Nineveh”    Rev. Rosanna Anderson

### **THE RESPONSE**

HYMN #403 (Hymnal)\* ❖                    *“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”*

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH    Rev. Petto  
THE LORD’S PRAYER

THE GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS  
Offertory    *Piece pour Orgue*    **Cesar Franck**  
Organ

Hymn #593 (Hymnal)\*    *“Doxology”*  
Prayer of Dedication\*    Rev. Petto

HYMN #387 (Hymnal)\* ❖                    *“Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”*

BENEDICTION\*

POSTLUDE\*    *Praeambulum on Tone III*    **Franz X. A. Murschauser**  
Organ

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

**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](mailto: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.

**The Flowers** are given in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. Clendon M. Danser and Adelaide by Marjorie and John Bloom.

**Head Ushers** are Bill & Sheree Dunnett and Brian & Gina Moore.

**Coffee hour today** is hosted by Lola Madsen.

### 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:** Arlene Duran's sister, Dawn Bieinek; Phyllis Dyke's sister, Joyce Lepore & brother, Lou Scirrotto; Dorothy Klotzbeacher's daughter, Nancy Varga; Andrew Kremann's father, Bill; Paul & Janet Furchak's daughter, Christine Massaro; Gail Geijer's son, Dan; Carolyn Lee's husband, John; 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 (75<sup>th</sup> 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 (9<sup>th</sup> 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!

**Birthdays of Distinction:** Stan Stults on August 20 and Helen Myer on August 23. **Happy Birthday!**

**Happy Anniversary!!!!** Ruth and Lewis Blackmer are celebrating their 67<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary today!

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~~ CHRISTIAN EDUCATION ~~

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**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** was blessed with 67 enthusiastic campers and 38 dedicated volunteers AND good weather! Thank you to the congregation and all the volunteers for your prayers and support. It was a fun and meaningful week.

**Fall Adult Sunday School Series:** In David Brainerd's last letter to his brother John in Cranbury, he encouraged his brother to "read Mr. Edwards..." by which he meant to read Jonathan Edwards. So, we will follow David Brainerd's advice. There will be a 5-week fall adult Sunday school class on Jonathan Edwards. The book we will use is *A Jonathan Edwards Reader* published by Yale University Press. Participants will be responsible for securing their own copy of the book. I suggest using amazon.com. Those who want to do some summer reading in preparation for the class may want to get *Jonathan Edwards for Armchair Theologians*. This is a good introduction to Edwards' life and work. It is published by Westminster John Knox Press.

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~~ CONGREGATIONAL LIFE ~~

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**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'm working on the calendar for next year, so much of the work will be already done! I will also 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

**BRING A FRIEND TO CHURCH DAY!**

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**Sunday, September 13**, will be a very exciting day in church. It is the first Sunday after the summer and we will be thrilled to be back together as a church family. It is also the date of the **Annual Homecoming Picnic**, which is always enjoyed by all. We will be enjoying the picnic in the new courtyard.

We are asking members to **bring a friend (or 2 or 3!) to church** with them on that day to share in worship and fellowship. Let's share our enthusiasm for the church home we love with the people we love by including them in that special day.

**CRANBURY COFFEE HOUSE**

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September's Coffee House is just around the corner, starting at 7:00 p.m., Friday, September 11. We will be hosting our first show featuring Barbecue Bob and His Only Friends. Bob happens to be a regular attendee of our church. Please come out and hear a side of Bob that no one has ever heard before. During the intermissions there will be a full service kitchen managed by Cranbury Delights. The general menu will be homemade cookies and pastries, sandwich wraps, hot dogs, popcorn, coffee, tea, soda and water at an additional cost. Friday night's performance will be upbeat Rockabilly and Blues tunes.

Please come out and help support the local community outreach and remember a portion of the proceeds go towards the Deacon's Benevolent Fund and Skeet's Pantry.

If you have any questions please go to the web site at [www.cranburycoffeehouse.com](http://www.cranburycoffeehouse.com) for further information.

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~~ 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](mailto:cpnschool@comcast.net) or check the CPNS portion of the church website.

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~~ MISSION, SERVICE & GRANTS ~~

**A SNIPPET FROM THE YEAR BOOK OF PRAYER:** It is encouraging to learn that many of the mission relationships between PC(USA) groups and individuals and their partners throughout Europe are in a state of renewal. New mission personnel are involved in Poland, the Oxford Center for Mission Studies, and on the faculty of LCC International University and the United Evangelical Theological Seminary. Congregations and presbyteries in the states are partnering with similar groups in Europe. Thirty members of Presbyterian Women took part in PW Global Exchange 2008, the beginning of new mission relationships between PW and Christian women of Eastern Europe.

**SKEET'S PANTRY:** THANKS to all the families at VBS who contributed food to Skeet's Pantry! Your donations were a blessing. Our supplies continue to be low. We are in need of all types of food items. Crackers, cake and cookies mixes are appreciated.

**FRESH VEGETABLES NEEDED:**

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 20,** we will be collecting fresh produce for Skeet's Pantry. There will be a collection box on the side porch of the church office. Simple place your fresh produce in the container any time on Thursday, August 20. The next collection date will be September 17. Many thanks from the Skeet's Pantry Crew!

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~~ OTHER NEWS ~~

The Cranbury Historical & Preservation Society is interested in rebuilding the Parsonage Barn c1770 that was once a part of the Parsonage Plantation of the First Presbyterian Church of Cranbury. The Parsonage Plantation of 150 acres was secured by a deed in 1759 and adjoined the earlier church property. In 2005, the timbers of this historic barn were dismantled and were put in storage with the NJ Barn Company. Society preservation funds and grant funds will fund most of the project of rebuilding the barn on Cranbury Neck Road near South Main Street where two other historic barns now stand. If you are interested in seeing the Parsonage Plantation barn rebuilt in Cranbury, please attend the Cranbury Township Committee meeting in Town Hall on Monday, August 24 at 7:00 p.m.

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~~ SENIOR FELLOWSHIP ~~

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**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.

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**PLEASE HELP**

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- 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.

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**Cranbury Senior Center Event**

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**KNITTING GROUP** – Starting in September! Learn to knit or bring your knitting. If you are interested, call 395-0900, x. 244.

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~~ STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE ~~

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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 #3

Counting Team Next Week (August 23): Team #4

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~~ WORSHIP ~~

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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.

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~~ YOUTH MINISTRY ~~

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Youth Group Activities

**SAVE THE DATES!**

- Sept. 12 (Sat.) Cranbury Day** with the Helene Cody Memorial 5K and 1 Mile Fun Race- Sign up to walk or run!
- Sept. 13 (Sun.) Bring a Friend to Church Sunday!**  
10 a.m. Worship, 11 a.m. Homecoming Picnic, 1- 3 p.m. Youth Group Ice Cream Sundae & Pool Party at the Waciegas' House
- Sept. 20 (Sun.)** Sunday School at 9:15 a.m., Worship at 10:30 a.m. **11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Youth Group Car Wash Fundraiser for Camp Johnsonburg & Parents' Meeting.**

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~~ SPECIAL NOTE ~~

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**Thank You, Thank You, Thank You!**

My husband Clifford and I wish to express our deep appreciation and gratitude to all the members and friends of the congregation for the wonderful Baby Shower you gave us last Sunday. What a delightful surprise! We're overwhelmed by your thoughtfulness, generosity and all the encouraging good wishes for our baby-to-be. We look forward to reading all those charming books with the little one! Thanks especially to the Congregational Life Committee for the beautiful, festive coffee hour, to Janice Parker and CPNS for the lovely bassinet, to Pastor Lou and the office staff for their behind the scenes arrangements, and to everyone for keeping it a secret!

May the Lord bless all of you abundantly! Pastor Rosanna

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~~ CALENDAR ~~

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**August 16, 2009 - August 23, 2009**

<b>Sunday 16</b>	10:00a Worship 11:00a Fellowship
<b>Mon. 17</b>	8:00p Al-Anon-McK Rm
<b>Tuesday 18</b>	<b>9:00a Bulletin Material</b> 7:30p Session Meeting - FH 7:30p AA - McKnight Room
<b>Wednesday 19</b>	7:00 Boy Scout District Meeting-Mck Rm 7:30p Cong. Life Meeting-Church Office
<b>Thursday 20</b>	<b>Newsletter Info Due</b> 9:00a Skeet's Food Pantry Packing
<b>Friday 21</b>	9:00a Skeet's Food Pantry Distribution 9:00a Bulletin Assembly-Church Office 7:30p AA - McKnight Room
<b>Sat. 22</b>	
<b>Sunday 23</b>	10:00a Worship 11:00a Fellowship