

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

Christ the King

November 22, 2009 10:30 A.M.

THE APPROACH

PRELUDE

Concerto

Johann Adolf Hasse
Organ

INTROIT

“Thy word is a lamp unto my feet”

Donovan Klotzbeacher
The Chorale

CALL TO WORSHIP

“I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty—

Praise to the One who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood; who made us to be a kingdom, priests serving God the Father—

Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, the ruler of all rulers of the earth,
To Christ be glory and dominion forever and ever!

HYMN #151 (Hymnal)*

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)*

Almighty God, in power and in love you have exalted the Son, Jesus Christ, to reign with you in eternal glory. We confess our resistance to Christ’s rule: our slowness to respond in faith, our disobedience to your will, our reluctance to proclaim your truth, our complicity with the powers of this world. By the power of your sovereign love vanquish our sin and claim us anew. Rule in us, that our lives would conform with your gracious will and our service further Christ’s reign on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON*

HYMN #579 (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

RECOGNITION OF NEW MEMBERS

The Session has received the following people into church membership: George Arsnow, Sue Britton, Jack Britton, Robert Davison, Karen Demarest, Tim Demarest, Gaylord French, Marlene French, Kristen Hackett, Steve Hackett, Sharon Pulz, Holly Root and Stephen Root. They have participated in our Inquirers' Class, where they have learned something of the belief and practice of God's people in this place. They are here to declare their faith, and to be joined with us in the service of Jesus Christ.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

L: Who is your Lord and Savior?

C: Jesus Christ is my Lord and Savior.

L: Do you trust in him?

C: I do.

L: Do you intend to be his disciple, to obey his Word and show his love?

C: I do.

CONFESSION OF FAITH - The Apostles Creed*

L: Do you believe in God, the Father almighty?

P: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

L: Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

P: I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

L: Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

P: I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

QUESTION (to the new members)

L: Will you be a faithful member of this congregation, giving of yourself in every way, and will you seek the fellowship of the church wherever you may be?

C: I will.

WELCOME

L: These sisters and brothers have been received into full and active church membership. Let us welcome them as they join with us in the worship and mission of the church.

P: With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you to share with us in the ministry of Christ, for we are all one in him.

L: Let us pray:

P: Eternal God: we praise you for calling us to be a servant people, and for gathering us into the body of Christ. We thank you for choosing to add to our number these brothers and sisters in faith. Together, may we live in your Spirit, and so love one another, that we may have the mind of Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, along with you and the Holy Spirit, we give honor and glory forever. Amen.

SCRIPTURE Psalm 100 Mike Kasper
Pew Bible pg. 552

ANTHEM *“He shall feed his flock”* John Ness Beck
The Chorale

SCRIPTURE Matthew 25: 31-46 Pew Bible pg. 29

SERMON *“Room for One More”* Rev. Joanne Petto

THE RESPONSE

HYMN #551 (Hymnal)* *“Come, Ye Thankful People, Come”*

MINUTE FOR MISSION Alternative Christmas Gifts Carol Kientz

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH
THE LORD’S PRAYER

THE GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory *Overture* John Christian Bach
Organ

Hymn #592 (Hymnal)* *“Doxology”*
Prayer of Dedication*

HYMN #555 (Hymnal)* *“Now Thank We All Our God”*

BENEDICTION*

RESPONSE* *Fourfold Amen* Donovan Klotzbeacher
The Chorale

POSTLUDE* *“Eins ist Not, ach Herr”* Max Reger
(One Thing’s Needful, Lord) Organ

***ALL WHO ARE ABLE MAY STAND**

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. The toddler nursery is staffed by Bob and David Mills. 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:

The Flowers in the chancel are given in loving memory of Clendon and Lydia Danser by Arthur and Barbara Danser. Flowers are also given in loving memory of Ethel and Jake Klotzbeacher and Ellen and George Vandercher by Dorothy Klotzbeacher.

Head Ushers are Bob and Carol Kane.

After Service Greeter is Ann Riemann.

Coffee Hour today is hosted by Jane Huff and Barrie Sutton.

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; Kim Hafner; Helen Myer; Betty Jane Petterson and family due to the death of her grandson, Thomas; Esta Schulte; Diane Smith; Jim Walcott and Mildred Watts.

Family and Friends of Church Members for whom prayers are asked: Phyllis Dyke's sister, Joyce Lepore & brother, Lou Scirrotto; Bob Dyke's friend, Joel Morales; Joan Fraser's friend, Lisa Hodges; Paul & Janet Furchak's daughter, Christine Massaro; Gail Geijer's son, Dan; Florence Kremann's friend, Peter Bigler; Karen Moser's daughter, Dawn Winkler; Leah Moy's cousin, Dan Ogden; Eva Reyes' friend, Haley and Cathy Vogen's father-in-law, Don Vogen.

We pray for all the people who are in need in our wider community and for our family and friends in our nation's service.

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 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!

~~ CHRISTIAN EDUCATION ~~

Sunday School Hour (9:15-10:15 a.m.)

Fall Adult Sunday School: Come and join us in the library at 9:15 a.m. for friendly conversation on the Book of James.

ADULT EDUCATION AT OTHER TIMES

Transitions Networking Group: Fridays, 7:30-8:30 a.m. in Room 1. (PLEASE NOTE, we will not be meeting on Friday, November 27.) This is an opportunity to connect with others going through job change and sharing information about jobs, opportunities and resources. It will feature expert speakers and guests, and provide Scripturally-based resources focused on career and life changes. Everyone is welcome to attend. The group will be facilitated by church member, Charlie Ernst and sponsored by the Outreach Committee. Coffee and donuts/fruit will be provided.

Martha Circle Women's Bible Study: First Monday of the Month, 1:30 p.m. in the Library All women are welcome to attend! Our study for the year is *Joshua: A Journey of Faith*, the new Horizons Presbyterian Women's Bible study. Join us for fellowship, Bible study and prayer, with the discussion led by Rose Eller. She can be reached at 655-9175.

Cranbury Men's Bible Study: Sundays 7-8:30 pm, The Cranbury Inn: All men are invited to join us in this relaxed setting for our new study on *The Westminster Confession of Faith*. Weekly themes are the starting point for our conversation about confessing Christ in our contemporary context. For more

information, please contact Mike Kasper at cwcollector@aol.com or Clifford Anderson at clifford.anderson@ptsem.edu. **(PLEASE NOTE, we will not be meeting on Sunday, November 29.**

~~ CPNS ~~



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.

~~ CONGREGATIONAL LIFE ~~

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

Sunday, December 6 at 11:30 a.m.

Right after Worship Service In Fellowship Hall

Celebrate Christmas with food and song – and the fellowship of our congregation.

On December 6, we'll be serving good, old-fashioned homemade chicken soup – Liz Calloway's great recipe! There will be fresh rolls, dessert, and holiday punch to complete the family style lunch.

We'll have Christmas Carols for all to take part in, and best of all, we'll be together to share in the joy of the Advent season.

If you would like to bring something for the meal you are welcome and encouraged to bring either a dessert (cookies, brownies, or other "finger food" desserts) or special bread if you have a recipe that you like to make. Just drop off your dessert items in the kitchen before our worship service so that we can have all of the preparations ready in the fellowship hall after our church service.

Mark your calendar and be sure come and bring your family to our Christmas Luncheon on December 6!

~~ MISSION, SERVICE & GRANTS ~~

CHRISTMAS WREATHS! Today is your last opportunity to purchase a fresh green fragrant Christmas wreath from Maine. Heidi Knowlton or Nancy Stewart are at the Christmas wreath table and will be happy to accept your \$12.00 per wreath. Either cash or check will do. Remember that you not only beautify your front door or a loved one's grave, but you are assisting a needy people in Maine. Wreaths will be available after December 4 at the Gordon home, 127 North Main Street, Cranbury.

PLEASE KEEP SKEET'S SHELVES FULL!! We need everybody's help to re-stock our Skeet's Pantry so that the growing number of people and families in need can be fed each month through our Cranbury Presbyterian food program. So PLEASE help to keep our shelves full so that we can continue to care for these folks in need. Just put your donations in the wheelbarrow outside church on Sunday or leave bags labeled "Skeet's Pantry" in the little telephone/mailbox room across from Fellowship Hall.

The following items are needed: Soups, peanut butter, tuna fish, macaroni and cheese, beans/pork and beans, canned fruit and vegetables. Other foods are welcome, too, just please check the expiration dates on them. Toothpaste, tooth brushes, soap, and laundry detergent would also be very helpful.

A SNIPPET FROM THE YEAR BOOK OF PRAYER: The Presbytery of Tampa Bay helps to support Honduran brothers and sisters. They facilitate the education of pastors, sew children's school uniforms and provide a hot breakfast to children on Sunday mornings. Communication between these two groups identifies goals and activities that will assist them in their continued growth and service to Jesus Christ. At one Mission affair in Tampa Bay, a pastor from Honduras, Juan Rodas, told of his longing for a decent pair of trousers when he was a boy. Eventually he worked as a tailor's apprentice and

learned to make the trousers he dreamed of. He worked long hours but managed to go to school and today he is a pastor in Honduras, an officer in the Presbytery of Honduras, and he makes trousers for children's school uniforms.

A CHANCE TO HELP! The Mission of the Auxiliary at Trenton Psychiatric Hospital has always been to make life more comfortable and more interesting for the residents. To that end they sponsor bingo parties and other game related activities; they also provide gifts for both men and women at Christmas time. They are looking for:

- General gifts like sweaters, gloves, socks, wallets and purses, knit caps or baseball caps (new, of course)
- Grooming gifts like shampoos, conditioners, body lotion, bath and talcum powder, cosmetic bags (No spray or glass containers)
- Recreational items like cards, puzzle books and games
- Small items for bingo prizes
- Current magazines, especially male oriented

Missions, Service and Grants has agreed to collect for this worthwhile program. There will be a box in Fellowship Hall to collect your contributions. The gifts will be delivered to the hospital early in December. We appreciate your help in reaching out to our neighbors. Thank you!

FIFTH ANNUAL GUATEMALA GOURMET DINNER FUNDRAISER
Friday and Saturday Night Only

Where: First Presbyterian Church of Cranbury
Time: Seating Begins at 6:30 PM
Dinner served at 7:00 PM
Price: \$50.00 or more
Food Choices: Filet Mignon, Salmon or Chicken

Date: Friday, January 29, 2010
Entertainment: Cranbury String Serenade

Date: Saturday, January 30, 2010
Entertainment: Don Klotzbeacher, pianist

Tickets can be purchased from Lil Conley during coffee hour or call her at 395-0642 or at the church office at 395-0897

~~ 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 the church office.

EXERCISE SCHEDULE

November 30, December 3, December 7,
December 10, December 14 and December 17

UPCOMING EVENT

Senior Fellowship will celebrate Christmas with the Annual Christmas Luncheon on Tuesday, December 8 at 12(noon) in Fellowship Hall. Join us for a full luncheon, singing some of the old favorite Christmas songs and entertainment by the students of CPNS. Please make reservations to attend by Sunday, November 29 by calling Connie Bauder. **ALSO CALL, IF YOU ARE NOT ON THE SENIOR FELLOWSHIP CALLING LIST** or you are on the calling list and **YOU PLAN TO BRING A GUEST**. If you register to attend or tell us you will attend when we call you and you find that you cannot attend, please call Connie as soon as you know that you cannot attend. If you do not drive let us know and we will arrange to pick you up and take you home.

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL FROM SENIOR FELLOWSHIP. Many thanks to all the volunteers who make it possible for us to have this event.

~~ STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE ~~

Third Quarter Pledge Statements Are Now Available. If you did not receive yours in the mail, look for your 3rd quarter pledge statement in the Narthex or see George Smith for your copy. Our church relies heavily on the generous contributions from the Congregation in order to fund our missions and ministries. If you have any questions, please contact George Smith or any member of the Stewardship & Finance Committee. Thank you

Counting Teams: 11/22 (Team #1) - 11/29 (Team #2)

Stewardship Offerings Update to November 1, 2009

	Last Week	Year-to-Date
Offering	\$8,445	\$317,023
Amount needed to meet our obligations	\$7,038	\$328,672
Collection for Historical Records	\$0	\$1,075
Peacemaking	\$0	\$1,309

~~ 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 deep your young child with you during worship, we remind you that you can hear the sermon from the narthex if your child becomes restless.

USHERS GUILD: If you are interested in joining the Ushers Guild, please contact Caren Anuszewski at (609)587-8883 or ccrab91@optonline.net. **Ushers please remember to pick up your ushering packets in the Narthex.**

PLEASE HELP: As the holiday season is quickly approaching, the Ushers Guild once again is looking for volunteers to help with the extra December services. All persons are eligible, and you do not need to be a member of the Ushers Guild. If you are interested in ushering for the below services, the sign-up sheet is available in the Narthex or contact Caren Anuszewski at 609-587-8883 or ccrab91@optonline.net.

Vesper's Service, Sunday, December 13 at 4:00

Christmas Eve Services, Thursday, December 24 at:

- 5:00 p.m. --- Children's Service
- 8:00 p.m. --- Family Service
- 11:00 p.m. --- Communion Service

~~ YOUTH MINISTRY ~~

Youth Group Activities for November

- 11/20-22** (Friday at 4 pm) through Nov. 22 (Sunday at 12:30 pm) High School Fall Retreat at Camp Johnsonburg on "Gifts of the Spirit."
No evening youth group
- 11/29** No evening activity due to the Thanksgiving holiday

~~ CALENDAR ~~

November 22, 2009 - November 29, 2009

Sunday 22	(Christ the King) 9:15a Christian Education for all ages (Classrooms/Lib./FH/McKnight Rm) 9:00a Inquirers' Class Breakfast - FH 10:30a Worship w/New Member Recognition followed by coffee hour 3:15p-7:15p Confirmand trip (Liquid Worship) VAN No Youth Group 7:30p-9p Cranbury Men's Bible Study at the Inn
Monday 23	9:00a-12(noon) CPNS Thanksgiving Program - FH 7:30p CPNS Board Meeting - Library 7:30p Brass Choir 8:00p Al-Anon - Room
Tuesday 24	9:00a Bulletin Material 9:00a-3:00p CPNS Thanksgiving Program - FH 7:30p Presbytery - Bayville 7:30p Deacons - FH 7:30p AA - McKnight Room
Wed. 25	CPNS Closed 9:00a Bulletin Assembly-Church Office 10:45a Staff Mtg.-Church Office 7:30p Bell Choir 7:30p Boy Scouts Leaders' Meeting-Lib 8:00p Annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Service @ Congregation Beth Chaim, 329 Village Road East, Princeton Junction 609-799-9693
Thursday 26	(Thanksgiving Day) CPNS/Church Office Closed
Friday 27	CPNS/Church Office Closed
Saturday 28	
Sunday 29	9:15a Celebration Sunday - FH 9:15a Christian Education for all ages (Classrooms/Lib./FH/McKnight Rm) 10:30a Worship w/Baptism followed by coffee hour 7:30p Boy Scout Troop Meeting-McK Rm (GC) NO Youth Group NO Cranbury Men's Bible Study