

*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

Homecoming Sunday

September 12, 2010 10:00 A.M.

THE APPROACH

PRELUDE

"Swing Low, Sweet Chariot"

Afro-American Spiritual
Brass Choir

"When the Saints Go Marchin' In"

Afro-American Spiritual
Brass Choir

INTROIT

"Be Still and Know that I Am God"

Donovan Klotzbeacher
The Chorale

CALL TO WORSHIP

The Rev. Rosanna Anderson

Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us.
O Lord, open our lips, and our mouths shall declare your praise.

HYMN #293 (Hymnal)*

"This Is My Father's World"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)*

God, you are like a shepherd searching for us, your lost sheep. We hide and we run, sometimes knowing we have strayed, other times completely unaware that we are lost. Let, you come after us with love, compassion and mercy. We confess our sin with the hope that you might wipe away our sin, and return us to your fold. We pray in the name of 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 ✚		Peter Miller
SCRIPTURE	Genesis 2: 4-14	Gretchen Stults Pew Bible pg. 2
ANTHEM	<i>“O Come, Let Us Sing Unto the Lord”</i>	E. Stanley Glarum The Chorale
SCRIPTURE	Genesis 2: 15-25	Pew Bible pg. 2
SERMON	“A Garden Wedding”	Dr. Louis Mitchell
<u>THE RESPONSE</u>		
HYMN #306 (Hymnal)*	<i>“Fairest Lord Jesus”</i>	
MINUTE FOR MISSION	Peacemaking Offering	John Sprout
PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH		Rev. Anderson
THE LORD’S PRAYER		
THE GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS		
Offertory	<i>“Come, Let Us Eat”</i> (Maracas, Alexander Vogen)	Arr. Cathy Moglebust Bell Choir
Hymn #593 (Hymnal)*	<i>“Doxology”</i>	
Prayer of Dedication*		Rev. Anderson
HYMN #376 (Hymnal)*	<i>“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”</i>	
BENEDICTION *		
RESPONSE*	<i>“Father, Give Thy Benediction”</i>	Spiritual Bell Choir
POSTLUDE*	<i>Allegro Maestoso</i>	Flor Peeters Organ
PICNIC*		

*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 today are given by Mr. and Mrs. Russell Sutton and family in memory of Russell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Sutton and Elsie Sutton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Fryer. Flowers are also given in memory of Jeanne and Ernest E. McKenrick by Arthur and Gloria-Jean Ryba.

Head Ushers are Helen and Stan Dickerson.

Coffee Hour will not be held today due to our Homecoming Picnic hosted by the Congregational Life Committee.

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: family and friends of Virginia Benedict due to her death; Marge and John Bloom; Jim Cox; Bill and Martha Davis; Ken Eiker; Kim Hafner; Helen Myer; Walter Ornberg; Jen Probasco; Dawn Simpson-Klotzbecher; Russ Richardson; Anna Wahler; and Mildred Watts.

Family and Friends of Church Members for whom prayers are asked: Colleen Arno, grandmother of the Pease family who attend CPNS; Carolyn and Brent Barlow's daughter and Ina and Richard Zimmer's daughter-in-law, Joelle Zimmer; Phyllis Dyke's brother, Lou Scirrotto; Paul and Janet Furchak's daughter, Christine Massaro; Gail Geijer's son, Dan; Linda Ill's mother, Carol Scarpone; Carolyn Lee's husband, John; Dr. Mitchell's mother, Elizabeth Mitchell; Leah Moy's cousin, Dan Ogden; Fran Stewart's nephew, Miles Matteo Whitaker; Alex Vogen's friend, Bennett Sherr and Cathy Vogen's father in-law, Don Vogen.

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; Robert F. Davison (US Army), Earl and Bea Davison's grandson; 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), Dr. Mitchell's son-in-law; Thomas Mentis (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; Tony Paschall, Ann and Ted Zimmerman's step- grandson, and Colonel Daniel Shanahan (US Army), Leslie Vandenberg's cousin.

- 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: Ruth Blackmer and Diane Cox on September 13 and Betty Borgeson on September 18. **Happy Birthday!**

~~ BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS ~~

Freezer on the Fritz!

Can You Contribute to a New One?

Recently one of our upright freezers finally gave up the ghost, and we are now very short of space to store perishable food for Skeet's Pantry as well as other church functions. Our Buildings & Grounds Committee is working on plans to purchase a replacement freezer, and some donations have already been received for this important project. But some additional contributions would be really helpful. If you can help us buy a new freezer, just make out a check to the church and indicate in the memo section "for freezer". The check can be put in the collection plate or sent to the church office. If you have any questions about this project, feel free to talk with B & G chairman John Kirkenir or B & G member George Conley. Thanks so much.

~~ CHRISTIAN EDUCATION ~~

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

September 19 - October 24 with Dr. Louis Mitchell

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 6-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. Those who want to do some 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.

Adult Education at Other Times

Cranbury Men's Bible Study: Sundays 7:30-9:00 p.m. at The Cranbury Inn: All men are invited to join us starting tonight in this relaxed setting for our study of the Westminster Confession of Faith, in the *Book of Confessions*, Part I of the Constitution of the PC(USA). 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.

Martha Circle Women's Bible Study: First Monday of the Month, 1:30 pm in the Library. Our first meeting of the year will take place on September 20, led by Rose Eller. Our study will be *Journeys Through Revelation: Apocalyptic Hope for Today* by Barbara Rossing, the PC(USA) Horizons Bible study. All women are welcome to join us!

~~ CONFIRMATION CORNER ~~

Confirmation Class for seventh grade students begins on the **first day of Sunday School, September 19.** We will meet for introductions and expectations in the McKnight Room from 9:15-10:15 a.m. Bring your Bible and a picture from the summer. You will use your photo to decorate your notebook.

Our Parents' Meeting will be from 11:30 - Noon. during coffee hour that day in the McKnight Room. Just pick up some refreshment and bring it with you!

We are really looking forward to launching our new year together! Sincerely, your Confirmation Teaching Team: Associate Pastor Rosanna Anderson, Becky Huselid, Maggie Miller, Peter Miller, Nancy Rhodes and Matt Rhodes

~~ CPNS ~~



We are currently registering for the 2010-2011 school year. Please contact Janice Parker at 655-8663 or e-mail her at CPNSchool@comcast.net to find out more information. 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.

~~ MISSION, SERVICE & GRANTS ~~

SKEET'S PANTRY SHOPPING LIST - PLUS "HELP WANTED"

In addition to spaghetti and spaghetti sauce, which are always needed, our "wish list" this month includes:

FRESH FRUITS & VEGETABLES from the garden... If you are one of those very special and talented people who grow vegetables and/or fruit, and you happen to have enough to spare for people who could use some help, then please consider bringing your spare fruit and vegetables to our food pantry on the **3rd Friday of the month (September 17) between 8:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall.**

Volunteer needed - who can work along with Flo Kremann, one of our food pantry coordinators, to take care of ordering and receiving food deliveries from Mercer Street Friends. It doesn't involve heavy work, but you will need access to a computer and you'll need to have an email address. If you can be available a few hours each month to help Flo monitor what we need to order, as well as the paperwork necessary to place and keep track of the order, then we need you. Flo would love to work with you to keep this essential part of our Food Pantry operating smoothly. You can call Flo directly (or email her) at 609/490-1140 or kremannf@yahoo.com. She'll be glad to talk with you about this important volunteer job.

Thanks again for everyone's generous help and support!!!

A SNIPPET FROM THE YEAR BOOK OF PRAYER: Beechmont Presbyterian Church in Kentucky embarked on an exciting and challenging adventure when its pastor befriended a newly arrived refugee family. The church has since become a multicultural church. In fact the entire Presbytery of Mid-Kentucky is "joyfully creating the conditions for peoples of all nations and ethnicities to join in the building of a truly inclusive, multicultural church--the church of Jesus Christ." And thanks to grants from the Synod and General Assembly and pledges from congregations and individuals, funds were sufficient to hire full-time workers for the African American Youth/Young Adult Initiative and Hispanic/Latino Ministries.

~~ SENIOR FELLOWSHIP ~~

PLEASE HELP! The Senior Fellowship Trip scheduled for September 15 at 10:00 a.m. needs volunteers who will drive to The Edison Museum in South Orange. Without some new people volunteering to help us we will not be able to offer this trip to all of our members. Please contact Connie Bauder if you are available to help us.

Senior Fellowship will meet on **Wednesday, September 15 at 10:00 a.m.** in the parking lot to visit the **Edison Museum** in West Orange, NJ. We will eat our brown bag lunches in a park in the South Mountain Reservation and then proceed to the group of red buildings built in 1887 by Thomas A. Edison to house his laboratory complex. After a six year, \$13 million dollar restoration, 20,000 square feet of added exhibit space has been opened up including 2 floors of the main lab that has never been seen before by the public. Inside this set of buildings visitors can view 400,000 artifacts including the many machines invented by Thomas Edison. A ranger will show us a short video in the theater and explain the background of the museum. Following this, each person will be able to tour the handicapped accessible laboratory at their own pace listening to their own audio equipment (like a cell phone) and viewing what interests them. During the day there are ranger demonstrations of the phonograph, chemistry related to his inventions and the movie studio.

This is a National Historic Site, so if you have a Senior Citizens National Parks Pass, please bring it with you.

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.

SENIOR EXERCISE SCHEDULE

September 13, September 16, September 20,
September 23, September 27 and September 30

CRANBURY SENIOR CENTER - HELP WANTED

Mah Jongg, anyone? The Cranbury Senior Center has a group of eager students that want to learn how to play it.

If you are interested in volunteering to teach, please leave a message at (609)395-0900 x-244. We will supply the game and place. We just need your expertise!

~~ STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE ~~

Counting Teams: 9/12 (Team #3) - 9/19 (Team #4)

~~ 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.

Flower Openings: There are flower openings for October 10 and October 31. Please contact Diane Smith at 609-890-0822 if you are interested.

~~ YOUTH MINISTRY ~~

Upcoming Events

September 19	9:15-10:15 a.m. First Day of Sunday School and 6:30-7:30 p.m. Youth Group Kick-Off! This is our Parents' Meeting, so bring your calendars. We look forward to giving a warm Cranbury welcome to Seminarian Kurt Heineman. <i>The price of admission tonight is an item for Skeet's Pantry!</i>
September 26	6:30-8:00 p.m. Youth Group in the McKnight Room

~~ CALENDAR ~~

September 12, 2010 - September 19, 2010

Sunday 12	8:30a New Teachers' Meeting-FH 9:00a-9:15a Returning teachers' meeting-FH 9:15a - 9:45a Room set-up/teams meet 10:00a Worship followed by the Homecoming Picnic 11:30a-12:15p Youth Group Music Practice-McKnight Room 4:00p-5:00p Cranbury Scout Band Practice - upstairs classroom
Monday 13	(Church Office Hours 9a to 4p) CPNS First Day of School 10:00a Senior Exercise 7:30p Brass Choir 8:00p AI-Anon-McK Rm
Tuesday 14	9:00a Bulletin Material Due 7:30p Youth Ministry Committee Meeting- Church Office 7:30p Stewardship & Finance- Church Office 7:30p AA - McKnight Room
Wednesday 15	9:00a Skeet's Food Pantry Packing 9:30p Sr. Fellowship - VAN 10:00a Sr. Fellowship trip to Edison Museum (West Orange) - VAN 10:45a Staff Mtg.-Church Office 7:00 Boy Scout District Meeting-McK Rm 7:30p Congregational Life Meeting-Library 7:30p Bell Choir
Thursday 16	9:00a Session Material Due 10:00a Senior Exercise 6:30p-7:30p Cub Scouts-McK Rm (KE) 7:30p The Chorale - Choir Room
Friday 17	8:30-11:00a Skeet's Food Pantry Distribution 9:00a Bulletin Assembly-Church Office 3:00p Perrine/LeBrun Wedding Rehearsal 7:30p AA - McKnight Room
Saturday 18	11a Perrine/LeBrun Wedding
Sunday 19	(Fall/Winter Hours Begin) 9:15a First Day of Christian Education for all ages (Classrooms/Lib./FH/ McKnight Rm) 10:30a Worship followed by coffee hour 11:30a Confirmand Parents' Meeting- McK Room 6:30p-7:30p Youth Group-FH/Kit 7:30p-9p Cranbury Men's Bible Study at the Inn