

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/Thanksgiving Sunday
November 21, 2010 10:30 A.M.

THE APPROACH

PRELUDE

“We Gather Together”

Franklin Ritter
Organ

INTROIT

“Joy”

Cherub Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Joanne Petto

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved; though the mountains be toppled into the depths of the sea.

God is in our midst; we will not be overthrown. God will help us at the break of day.

The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

HYMN #559 (Hymnal)*

“We Gather Together”

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)*

Sovereign God, often we do not know what we are doing. We are so absorbed in our concerns that we are unaware of who is being hurt by the works of our hands or the desires of our hearts. We fail to see how connected we are, how our actions affect so many, how the web of creation links us all together. So often we do not realize that what we are doing is sinful, contrary to your purposes and obstructing your gracious intents. Have mercy on us. Open our eyes so we can see who we are and what we have done. Cleanse our hearts so we can be who you call us to be and do what you would have us do, for the sake of Jesus Christ, who rules over all. 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

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE ✚		Peter Miller
RECOGNITION OF NEW MEMBERS		(see insert)
SCRIPTURE	Genesis 3: 6-10	Gretchen Stults Pew Bible pg. 3
ANTHEM	<i>"All Good Gifts"</i>	Children's Choir
SCRIPTURE	Romans 1: 18-32	Pew Bible pgs. 152-153
SERMON	"The Sin of Ingratitude"	Dr. Louis Mitchell

THE RESPONSE

HYMN #170 (Songbook)*	<i>"Give Thanks"</i>	
MINUTE FOR MISSION	Stewardship	Alan Danser
PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH		Rev. Petto
THE LORD'S PRAYER		
THE GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS		
Offertory	<i>"Plenty good room on the glory train"</i>	Kirby Shaw The Chorale
Hymn #592 (Hymnal)*	<i>"Doxology"</i>	
Prayer of Dedication*		Rev. Petto
HYMN #555 (Hymnal)*	<i>"Now Thank We All Our God"</i>	
BENEDICTION*		
RESPONSE*	<i>Fourfold Amen</i>	Donovan Klotzbeacher The Chorale
POSTLUDE*	<i>"Nun Danket alle Gott"</i>	Georg Kaufmann Organ

***ALL WHO ARE ABLE MAY STAND**

We give thanks to God for the births of
Anya and Nicolaus Kitelinski
on November 3, 2010
children of Edward and Nancy Kitelinski

*“See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children
of God; and that is what we are.” I John 3:1*

OF NEW MEMBERS

The Session has received the following people into church membership: Stephanie Hodul, Edward Kitelinski, Nancy Kitelinski, Beatrice Mabutho, Bryan Nemeth and Laurie Sasso. 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.

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 in loving memory of Ethel and Jake Klotzbeacher and Ellen and George Vandercher by Dorothy Klotzbeacher.

Head Usher is Alan Danser.

After Church Greeters are Becky Huselid and Flo Kremann.

Coffee Hour today is hosted by Debi Mara and Kirstie Venanzi.

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; Jim Cox; Martha Davis; Joan Eiker, family and friends due to the death of her husband, Ken; Kim Hafner; John Henzler; Helen Myer; Walter Ornberg; Jen Probasco; Dawn Simpson-Klotzbeacher; Russ Richardson; Anna Wahler; Dietrich Wahlers; and Mildred Watts.

Family and Friends of Church Members for whom prayers are asked: Carolyn and Brent Barlow's daughter and Ina and Richard Zimmer's daughter-in-law, Joelle Zimmer; Sue and Jack Britton's daughter Amy Langsdale and her family; the Cashman family on the death of their son, Kollin, Pat and Bob Demers grandson; Phyllis Dyke's brother, Lou Scirrotto; Paul and Janet Furchak's daughter, Christine Massaro; Gail Geijer's son, Dan; the Nick Duke's and the Monty Hagerty's friend, Dick Walter; Barbara Hannon's sister-in-law, Patricia Hannon; Linda Ill's mother, Carol Scarpone; Eileen Keve's brother, Tom McErlean; Carolyn Lee's husband, John; and Leah Moy's cousin, Dan Ogden.

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 Bartlotto (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!

~~ CHRISTIAN EDUCATION ~~

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

New Adult Education Series

"The Sermon on the Mount" with Gretchen Gaebelein Hull

Please join us in the church Library on Sunday mornings through December 12. Each lesson is designed as a complete unit. Ms. Hull is the author of *Equal to Serve: Women and Men Working Together Revealing the Gospel*, published in 1998 by Baker Books. She has written numerous book chapters and articles and is a widely-cited scholar. Participants should read Matthew chapters 5-7 and be prepared for a close reading of the text.

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 as we study 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 today. For more information, please contact Clifford Anderson at clifford.anderson@ptsem.edu.

~~ CPNS ~~



As you begin to research your options for a preschool for your child, consider CPNS. In addition to our regular classes, we also have our 4/5-year-old class with the enrichment component. This class will meet on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday afternoons. On one of those days, each week, an enrichment teacher will join the class along with the teacher and assistant teacher; will provide the children with the enrichment program that they specialize in. Each week during the month there will be a different enrichment class. One week it will be Art & Literacy, one week it will be Science & Math, one week it will be Music & Movement and one week will be another enrichment class yet to be determined. Each child will have the opportunity to experience all of our enrichment programs on a limited basis, but only pay for a 4-day afternoon class. The theme and the activity of the enrichment classes offered in the 4 day class will be different than the enrichment class itself.

We also offer our Mommy's Morning Out on Friday mornings for those children who are not ready for our 2 1/2-year-old program but ready for our 3's the following year.

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 problems, to love reading and writing, and most of all love to learn.

Please call Janice Parker at 609-655-8663 or email her at CPNSchool@comcast.net.

~~ MISSION, SERVICE & GRANTS ~~

A SNIPPET FROM THE YEAR BOOK OF PRAYER: Grace Presbyterian Church in Walnut Creek, CA is a congregation of 252, busy living out its devotion to Jesus through an unusual ministry. In 1983, the congregation began the Diablo Respite Center (DRC) to help people in the early stages of Alzheimer's disease and to give some relief to their caretakers. About a dozen men and loss participate in weekly women with memory loss participate in weekly field trips around the Bay Area to see museums, historic sites, a jelly bean factory, and Navy ships. Meanwhile, their caregivers enjoy respite from the daily routines of care. Members of the congregation serve as advisers, volunteers and staff to participants who engage in activities they thought were lost to them. A participant's wife writes, "The DRC gives me back my husband!"

CHRISTMAS WREATHS FOR SALE!

Today is your last opportunity to place your order for a beautiful fresh balsam wreath made in Maine. Proceeds from these sales provide a welcome source of income to the wreath makers in an area of Maine that has struggled in a slow economy. Nancy Stewart and Heidi Knowlton will be taking orders for wreaths during coffee hour. The price of each wreath is \$12.00. Checks may be made payable to the First Presbyterian Church. Wreaths may be picked up, as in the past, at the Gordons' home (127 North Main Street, Cranbury) after December 4. Please consider using this opportunity to assist our friends in Maine where the Presbyterian Church is active in the Mission of the Eastward and enjoy a beautiful, handmade wreath for Christmas.

~~ OTHER NEWS ~~

Hightstown venue for Windsor-Hightstown Area Ministerium Annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Service: Congregations from throughout the area will gather **this evening at 7:00 p.m.** at the Interfaith Thanksgiving Service at the St. Anthony of Padua Roman Catholic Church, Franklin Street, Hightstown.

The annual event, sponsored by the Windsor-Hightstown Area Ministerium (WHAM) will feature choirs from area churches and synagogues. The preacher will be The Rev. Bryan J. Franzen, Pastor and Head of Staff of the First Presbyterian Church of Hightstown. The collection will benefit the Chaplaincy program at the University Medical Center of Princeton. All are welcome to come and join in this Thanksgiving service.

WHAM is an interfaith consortium of active clergy persons dealing with the common problems and opportunities facing people of faith.

A special note from the family of Ken Eiker wishing to thank everyone for their support, cards, prayers and kindness.

~~ SENIOR FELLOWSHIP ~~

PLEASE NOTE: Senior Fellowship exercise class is keeping a waiting list. If you would like to be placed on it, please call the church office.

EXERCISE SCHEDULE

November 29, December 2, December 6, December 9
December 13, December 16

UPCOMING EVENT

Senior Fellowship will celebrate Christmas with the Annual Christmas Luncheon on Tuesday, December 7 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. Starting on November 22, we will be calling our calling list of regular participants. If you are not one of the people that we call each month and you would like to attend you must call Connie Bauder or the church office to preregister for this program before November 23. 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 program and especially to have this Christmas program.

CRANBURY SENIOR CENTER EXERCISE PROGRAM

Low Impact Seated Chair Exercises. Increase your mobility and flexibility while using little effort on THURSDAYS 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at the Cranbury Senior Center. To sign up, call Phyllis at (609) 409-8533. The class is limited to 20 people.

~~ STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE ~~

Counting Teams: 11/21 (Team #1) - 11/28 (Team #2)

STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN

In case you missed it, November 7 was Commitment Sunday. This was the day when your Stewardship pledge for 2011 was due. We know you want to pledge. We need you to pledge. We are asking you to pledge. Please pledge. While you are at it, consider increasing your pledge so we can reduce our dependence on endowment income in order to pay the bills and thereby re-direct this income to long-term mission giving and other wonderful ministries of our church. Please contact the church office if you need another pledge card. When you get one, turn it in during worship service. We appreciate it.

~~ WORSHIP ~~

LAY READERS WANTED! If you are interested in being a Scripture reader in worship, please sign-up in Fellowship Hall.

~~ YOUTH MINISTRY ~~

Youth Group Activities

Nov. 21 **6:30-8:30 p.m. Community Interfaith Thanksgiving Worship Service** at St. Anthony's in Hightstown
Dec. 3-5 (Fri. 5:00 p.m. - Sun. 2:00 p.m.) Middle School Retreat at Camp Johnsonburg.
Dec. 5 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Youth Group meeting in the McKnight Room.

Dec. 12 Vespers worship service 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. followed by practicing Christmas carols until 5:30 p.m.

~~ CALENDAR ~~

November 21, 2010 - November 28, 2010

Sunday 21	(Christ the King/Thanksgiving Sunday) 9:15a Christian Education for all ages (Classrooms/Lib./McKnight Rm) 9:00a Inquirers' Class Breakfast-FH 10:30a Worship w/New Member Recognition followed by coffee hour 2:00p High School Retreat Returns Camp Johnsonburg 4p-5p Cranbury Scout Band Practice-upstairs classroom 7:00p Boy Scouts (GC)-FH 6:30p-9p Confirmands and Youth Group attending Interfaith Thanksgiving Worship Service (VAN) (St. Anthony's) 7:00p Community Thanksgiving Service @ St. Anthony's of Padua of Hightstown 7:30p-9p Cranbury Men's Bible Study at the Inn
Monday 22	9:00a Bulletin Material 10:45a CPNS Thanksgiving Programs-FH 7:30p CPNS Board Mtg-Lib 7:30p Brass Choir 8:00p Al-Anon-McK Rm
Tuesday 23	10:45a CPNS Thanksgiving Prog.-FH 2:15p CPNS Thanksgiving Prog.-FH 7:00p Presbytery Meeting - Manasquan 7:30p Deacons - FH 7:30p AA - McKnight Room
Wednesday 24	CPNS Closed 9:00a Bulletin Assembly-Church Office 10:45a Staff Mtg.-Church Office 7:30p Bell Choir
Thursday 25	(Thanksgiving Day) CPNS/CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
Friday 26	CPNS/CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
Saturday 27	11:00a Linda Service Memorial Service - Memorial Garden 2:00p Court of Honor for Greg Carroll-FH
Sunday 28	(1st Sunday of Advent) 9:15a Celebration Sunday - FH 9:15a Christian Education for all ages (Classrooms/Lib./FH/McKnight Rm) 10:30a Worship followed by coffee hour 4p-5p Cranbury Scout Band Practice-upstairs classroom