

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

AN ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

**Epiphany of the Lord
January 2, 2011 10:30 A.M.**

THE APPROACH

PRELUDE *“We Three Kings”* arr. Valerie Stephenson
Bell Choir

INTROIT *“O Gladsome Light”* Donovan Klotzbeacher
The Chorale

CALL TO WORSHIP Dr. Louis Mitchell
Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.
We hear the news of the boundless riches of Christ and our hearts sing for joy.
God reveals the mysteries of the ages for those who wait.
The light of Christ illumines our way. Let us walk in the light of the Lord!

HYMN #66 (Hymnal)* *“We Three Kings of Orient Are”*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)*
Dear Lord our God, you are the light of the world, in whom no darkness can abide. We come to worship you in joy . . . but we also tremble, for we know what darkness abides in us. We cannot conceal from you our cowardice, our shallowness, the resentments we harbor against others. We confess to you our capacity to deceive, our willfulness, our avoidance of others’ pain and suffering. O Wonderful Counselor, illuminate our hearts and minds. Cast out our sin, as light casts out darkness. Live in us, so that we might live for you. 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 ✨

Pastor Rosanna

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 81: 1-16

Don Winchell
Pew Bible pgs. 541-542

ANTHEM

"O God, Who by the Leading of a Star"

Donovan Klotzbecher
The Chorale

SCRIPTURE

Philippians 4: 4-9

Pew Bible pgs. 198-199

SERMON

"Commendable Resolutions"

Rev. Rosanna Anderson

THE RESPONSE

THE GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

"'Tis a Gift To Be Simple"

arr. Anna Page
Bell Choir

Hymn #592 (Hymnal)*

"Doxology"

Prayer of Dedication*

Dr. Mitchell

HYMN #51 (Hymnal)*

"See Amid the Winter's Snow"

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 #63 (Hymnal)*

"As with Gladness Men of Old"

BENEDICTION*

RESPONSE*

Fourfold Amen

Donovan Klotzbeacher
The Chorale

POSTLUDE*

La Tromba

Francois Couperin
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:

Communion Servers are Gail Geijer, Andy and Karen Moutenot and John Sprout.

Head Ushers are George Arsnow and Rick and Nancy Norland.

Coffee Hour is hosted by Fran Stewart.

After Church Greeters are Maggie Miller and Marie Perrine.

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; Martha Davis; Helen Dickerson; Kim Hafner; John Henzler; Helen Myer; Walter Ornberg; Russ Richardson; Don Jo Swanagan; Anna Wahler; and Mildred Watts.

Family and Friends of Church Members for whom prayers are asked: 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; and Gretchen Stults' great granddaughter, Emily Mallette.

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; 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!

Birthday of Distinction: Rose Eller on January 5. **Happy Birthday!**

~~ CHRISTIAN EDUCATION ~~

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

January 9, 2011 Bob Kane will lead a new six week series introducing the New Testament epistle "Hebrews" in the Library.

ADULT EDUCATION AT OTHER TIMES

Cranbury Men's Bible Study: Sundays 7:30-9 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, contact Clifford Anderson at clifford.anderson@ptsem.edu.

Martha Circle Women's Bible Study: All women are welcome to join us tomorrow, January 3, at 1:30 p.m. in the Library. Our study is *Journeys Through Revelation: Apocalyptic Hope for Today*. We greatly appreciate Rose Eller's leadership of this group!

~~ 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 and 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 will be 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: The Presbytery of Santa Fe in New Mexico has recently responded to a long-dormant dream: reaching out to immigrants from Mexico and other places. When Second Presbyterian in Albuquerque hired a multicultural intern, the southwest mesa of that city was rediscovered. The presbytery's Council looked at the opportunity and reconnected with the Lutherans and with the United Church of Christ which has a Spanish-speaking congregation in the area. Last June the three denominations launched the beginnings of a new congregation, not with a building or regular Sunday services, but with a pastor/mission developer who is developing community. People began to gather in various ways and in various places, and the hope is that within two years those scattered people will form a congregation that can organize and be chartered. The seeds planted years ago have been cultivated, watered and fed.

GUATEMALA DINNER FUNDRAISER

Our Sixth Annual Gourmet Dinner to support our Guatemala mission is quickly approaching. Don't miss the wonderful opportunity for church fellowship, entertainment and a delicious meal. There are a limited number of tickets being sold, so buy them today.

We will be serving dinner on Friday, January 28 and on Saturday, January 29 beginning at 7:00 p.m. with open seating beginning at 6:30 p.m. As you dine on Friday, you will be serenaded by classical music. The entertainment for Saturday is soon to be announced. The cost of the meal will be \$50.00 per person (remember this is a fundraiser). You may want to attend both evenings to experience the variety of entertainment being offered. The tickets are on sale now and will be available during coffee hour (see Lil or George Conley) or call the church office.

We are offering filet mignon, grilled salmon or stuffed chicken as your main entrees along with all the trimmings and a delicious desert to top it off with. Checks can be made payable to The First Presbyterian Church (tax deductible) memo: Guatemala dinner. Any amount above the \$50.00 fee will be greatly appreciated. Please save this date, we are counting on you for our success in this project.

George Conley, Guatemalan Team (609) 395-0513

SKEET'S PANTRY

Our supply of paper grocery bags is in good shape for now. Thank you for all your help in collecting bags and we'll let you know when the supply runs low.

~~ OUTREACH COMMITTEE ~~

Book of the Month Club: Philippians

What better book to curl up with during the long winter months than the Bible? Beginning in January the Outreach Committee will be hosting an informal book club. Each month we will encourage all members in the congregation to read the same book of the Bible and to spend time with other members and friends sharing thoughts and discussions on the book. The first book to be read in January will be Philippians.

There are so many ways to share your thoughts! Get together for coffee, take a walk together, chat during Coffee Hour, start a group in your home, call a member you have wanted to reach out to. We will also be able to participate on line with the newly created Bible Blog on the church website. The first entry in the blog will be written by Pastor Rosanna. Check out the front page of the website for further information on the blog.

Sharing the good news of the Bible... a joyful way to start the New Year!

~~ SENIOR FELLOWSHIP ~~

Join Senior Fellowship for our program "Visions in Stone", Tuesday, January 18, 2011 at 12 noon. We will also have our annual hot dog and beans lunch. We will view the DVD "Visions in Stone" on our big screen in Fellowship Hall. This movie made by the US Navy and Maturango Museum features some of the most stunning rock art videography ever recorded. These petroglyphs were discovered by the US Navy during WWII on their bombing range in the Coso Mountain Range, on the western edge of California's Mojave Desert. Theories of the how, the when and the why of the petroglyphs are explored in interviews with archaeologists and others who study rock art.

This program is brought to us and will be introduced by artist Milt Liebson PhD., who was a professor at the New School in NYC and also Mercer County College. Milt has exhibited large sculptures in metal wood and stone worldwide and is exhibited in various museums.

If you are not on the Senior Fellowship call list and want to attend this program, please contact Connie Bauder or the church office 609-395-0897 by Tuesday, January 11. When you call, be prepared to tell us how many hot dogs you would like us to grill for you.

PLEASE NOTE: The 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

January 3, January 6, January 10, January 13, January 17,
January 20, January 24, January 27, January 31

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: 1/2 (Team #3) - 1/9 (Team #4)

Stewardship Campaign Update

We are happy to report that as the current year comes to a close, the financial condition of our Church remains healthy. Through the efforts of the Session, all Committees and your financial support, we were able to finish the year 2010 without having to use any funds from our Rainy Day Fund to balance the budget. This is the first year out of the last three that we were able to accomplish this. Again, thank you.

While 2010 is ending on a positive note, Session has been in the process of developing a budget for 2011. A key ingredient to that discussion, of course, is pledge commitments from all of you. The Stewardship Campaign for the 2011 budget year is nearing its conclusion. If you have already pledged, thank you! If you have not yet submitted your pledge form and time and talent survey, please give prayerful thought in completing your pledge for 2011 - soon.

If you have any questions or wish to discuss any of the stewardship materials or any other matters regarding our

Church please call the church office or any members of the Stewardship & Finance Committee.

The S&F Committee: Ken Gordon, Barrie Sutton, Courtney Brown, Alan Danser, Craig Vandenberg, George Smith

Please Note: Remember to pick-up your 2011 Pledge Envelopes in the Narthex for those who have pledged.

~~ WORSHIP ~~

FLOWER OPENINGS AVAILABLE: We have openings for flowers for January 2011 - January 23 and January 30. If you are interested, please call Diane Smith at 609-890-0822.

USHERS' GUILD

PLEASE NOTE: Please pick up your 2011 usher packet that is now available in the Narthex for all ushers and alternates.

Do you have an extra hour or two that you could share four or six times a year? Would you like to help the church? Would you like to be part of a great team?

The Ushers' Guild is looking for new members. Every week the ushers provide an invaluable service before, during and after worship on Sunday. Every Sunday the members open the shutters, put out the sidewalk signs, greet parishioners, distribute bulletins, collect the offering, clean up and tidy the church after the service.

If you are interested or need more information, contact Caren Anuszewski, Ushers' Guild Coordinator, at (609) 587-8883 or email her at ccrab91@optonline.net

~~ YOUTH MINISTRY ~~

Youth Group Activities

- Jan. 2 5:30-7 p.m. Epiphany Party in the McKnight Room (bring a \$10 gift to exchange)
ALSO: Registration fee of \$50 due for the Youth Mission Trip 2011, make checks payable to the Cranbury Presbyterian Church
- Jan. 9 5:30-7 p.m. Youth Group meeting on the Fourth Commandment: Sabbath-keeping

~~ CALENDAR ~~

January 2, 2011 - January 9, 2011

Sunday 2	(Epiphany Sunday) 9:15 am Christian Education for all ages (Classrooms/Library/FH/McKnight Room) 10:30 am Worship with The Lord's Supper followed by coffee hour 11:30 am Meeting with Officers- Elect - McKnight Room 11:45 am Library Committee - Library 4-5 pm Cranbury Scout Band Practice-upstairs classroom 5:30-7 pm Youth Group Epiphany Party- McKnight Room 7:00 pm Boy Scouts (GC)-Fellowship Hall 7:30-9:00 pm Cranbury Men's Bible Study at the Inn
Monday 3	Church Office Closed 10:00 am Senior Exercise 1:30 pm Martha's Circle Women's Bible Study - Library 8:00 pm Al-Anon - McKnight Room
Tuesday 4	9:00a Bulletin Material Due 1:00 pm Staff Meeting - Church Office 7:00 pm Outreach Committee Meeting- Library 7:15 pm Christian Education Committee - Church Office 7:30 pm P & A Meeting- Office 7:30 pm AA Meeting - McKnight Room
Wed. 5	7:00 pm M S & G Meeting- Library 7:30 pm Bell Choir
Thursday 6	(Epiphany of the Lord) 10:00 am Senior Exercise 2:30-5:30 pm TASK (VAN) 4:15-4:45 pm Cherub Choir - Sanctuary 4:45-5:30 pm Children's Choir- Sanctuary 7:00 pm Worship Committee Meeting- Library 7:30 pm The Chorale - Choir Room
Friday 7	9:00 am Bulletin Assembly - Church Office 7:30 pm AA Meeting - McKnight Room
Saturday 8	11:00 am Celebration of Life for Jim Cox (Sanctuary) followed by a reception in Fellowship Hall 7-9 pm Cub Scout Movie Night-(JY) - Fellowship Hall
Sunday 9	(Baptism of the Lord) ANNUAL REPORTS DUE 9:15 am Christian Education for all ages (Classrooms/Library/Fellowship Hall/McKnight Room) 10:30 am Worship followed by coffee hour 11:30 am Meeting with Officers- Elect 4-5 pm Cranbury Scout Band Practice - upstairs classroom 5:30-7:00pm Youth Group - McKnight Room 7:30-9:00 pm Cranbury Men's Bible Study at the Inn