

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
15th Sunday after Pentecost
September 25, 2011 10:30 A.M.

THE APPROACH

PRELUDE *Voluntary VI* **Jacob Kirkman**
Organ

INTROIT *“Praise the Lord, All Ye Nations”* **Donovan Klotzbeacher**
The Chorale

CALL TO WORSHIP Youth Class

In the sight of our ancestors, God worked marvels.
God divided the sea and let them pass through it.
The Lord guided them each day with a cloud and each night with fire.
Let us tell of God’s marvelous works to all generations.

HYMN #229 (Hymnal)* *“From All That Dwell Below the Skies”*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)* The Rev. Rosanna Anderson
Eternal God, in Jesus Christ you showed us that love looks not to its own interests, but to the interests of others. We lament how little we resemble Christ in his humility, dedication, and love. We are driven too often by ambition and conceit. We defend our views, arguing without understanding. We speak of love, but resist the sacrifices love requires. Gracious God, you are at work in us. Fill us and shape us with your Spirit, so that we may will and work for your pleasure, loving you with all our heart and loving our neighbors as ourselves. 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 ✨

Kurt Heineman

COMMISSIONING OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION & YOUTH MINISTRY LEADERS

God spoke these words through his servant Moses: "Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is one Lord; and you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your mind, with all your soul, and with all your strength. These words which I command you this day shall be upon your heart; and you shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise." Then in the fullness of time, the Lord Jesus said to his disciples: "I have not come to abolish the law, but to fulfill it... Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. Remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

UNISON STATEMENT: What the Lord has taught us through his Word and Spirit, and by the witness of his people, we must hand on to the next generation. These in turn will teach others to put their confidence in the Lord, remembering God's faithfulness and keeping his commandments.

QUESTIONS TO THE CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AND YOUTH LEADERS

You are leaders in our congregation's educational ministries to children, youth and adults. Through your efforts, the good news of God's love will be taught and nurtured in the hearts, minds, and lives of people in this faith community. Please answer these questions. Do you trust Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior and through him believe in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit? **We do.**

Do you promise to be guided by the Scriptures and the teachings of the church, so that with imagination and love you may serve the Holy Spirit, by calling children, youth and adults to faith in Christ and training his disciples? **We do.**

By the authority of the Session, you are commissioned to lead in our Christian education and youth ministries. May the light of Christ shine through all that you say and do.

UNISON PRAYER: Eternal God, in every age you have appointed teachers and helpers to tell of your wonderful love, power and justice. We thank you for these brothers and sisters in Christ, through whom you will teach children, young people and adults your Word and your ways. Give them the gifts of your Holy Spirit, so that they may be bold witnesses of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Help them to speak your Word and serve their neighbors. Help all of us to live the new life in Christ, obedient to your commandments. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

SCRIPTURE

Deuteronomy 6: 1-9

Janice Parker
Pew Bible pg. 163

ANTHEM	<i>“Come, my way, my truth, my life”</i>	arr. Hal Hopson The Chorale
SCRIPTURE	Genesis 9: 18-29 & Ephesians 6: 1-4	Pew Bible pg. 8 (OT) Pew Bible pg. 195 (NT)
SERMON	“Fractured Family”	Dr. Louis Mitchell

THE RESPONSE

HYMN #267 (Hymnal)*	<i>“All Things Bright and Beautiful”</i>
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PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH	Rev. Anderson
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THE LORD’S PRAYER (Unison)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

THE GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory	<i>Prelude on St. Columba</i>	Healey Willan Organ
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Hymn #592 (Hymnal)*	<i>“Doxology”</i>	
Prayer of Dedication*		Mr. Heineman

HYMN #304 (Hymnal)*	<i>“Jesus Loves Me!”</i>
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BENEDICTION*

RESPONSE*	<i>Twofold Amen</i>	Donovan Klotzbeacher The Chorale
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POSTLUDE*	<i>Pro Fine</i>	Peter Cornet Organ
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***ALL WHO ARE ABLE MAY STAND**

~~ YOUTH MINISTRY ~~

September/October Activities for Youth Group

- 9/25 5:30-7 p.m. **Youth Group** in Fellowship Hall - We will launch our new series, **"Does the Bible Really Say That!?"** Musicians, please bring your guitars!
- 10/2 (World Communion Sunday/Peacemaking Offering) Afternoon: Go to the **Medieval Festival at The Cloisters**, the medieval branch of the Metropolitan Museum of Art. "Manhattan's Fort Tryon Park is transformed into a medieval market town decorated with bright banners and processional flags. Performers, guests and festival goers dress in medieval costume. Admission is free, including falconry demonstration and tours of the museum and gardens. Bring some cash for refreshments and/or souvenirs.
- 10/9 5:30-7p.m. **Youth Group** in Fellowship Hall: "Does the Bible Really Say That!?" Part 2
- 10/16 1-4 p.m. **Service Project: CROP Walk** to raise funds and awareness for Church World Service at Mercer County Park
- 10/23 5:30p-7:00p Youth Group: **College Student Care Packages**
- 10/30 Outdoor Activity: Visit Ocean Grove or go hiking in the mountains

~~ CALENDAR ~~

September 25, 2011 - October 2, 2011

Sunday 25	9:15a Christian Education for all ages (Classrooms/Lib./FH/McKnight Rm) 10:30a Worship with Educator Commissioning followed by coffee hour 4:00p-5:00p Cranbury Scout Band Practice-upstairs classroom 5:30p-7:00p Youth Group-FH/Kit 7:30p-9p Cranbury Men's Bible Study at the Inn
Monday 26	10:00a Senior Exercise 7:00p-9:00p Eagle Scout Board of Review-FH(JK) 7:30p Brass Choir 7:30p CPNS Board Meeting - Library 8:00p Al-Anon-McKnight Rm
Tuesday 27	9:00a Bulletin Material Due 9:30a-1:00p CPNS Getting to Know You Day-FH 10:30a-2:00p CPNS Parent Social - McKnight Room 1:30p Staff Mtg.-Church Office 7:00p Presbytery Mtg. - (Freehold) 7:30p Deacons - FH 7:30p AA - McKnight Room
Wednesday 28	9:30a-1:00p CPNS Getting to Know You Day-FH 10:30a-2:00p CPNS Parent Social - McKnight Room 7:30p Bell Choir
Thursday 29	10:00a Senior Exercise 7:30p The Chorale - Choir Room
Fri. 30	
Sat. 1	B&G Workday (9:00 a.m. to Noon)
Sunday 2	(World Communion/Home Communion/Peacemaking Offering) 9:15a Christian Education for all ages (Classrooms/Lib./FH/McKnight Rm) 10:30a Worship with Communion followed by coffee hour 11:45a Library Committee - Library Afternoon Youth Group field trip to the Medieval Festival at The Cloisters

4:00p-5:00p Cranbury Scout Band Practice - upstairs classroom
7:00p Boy Scouts (GC) - FH
7:30p-9p Cranbury Men's Bible Study at the Inn

Visitors! We hope 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. 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.

Hearing devices are now available for your convenience in the narthex. The ushers can assist you.

We thank those who are serving today in these ways:

The Flowers in the chancel today are given in loving memory of Rhoda and Walter White and Ella Jeannette White by Mrs. T.E. Sushereba and Heidi and Cabot Knowlton. **Head Ushers** are Bob and Carol Kane.

Coffee Hour is hosted by the Cranbury Presbyterian Nursery School.

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; John Henzler; Margaret Lawson; Dorothy Musson; Helen Myer; Walter Ornberg; Russ Richardson; Mary Speer; Dorothy Swec; Anna Wahler; Mildred Watts; and Ina Zimmer.

Family and Friends of Church Members for whom prayers are asked: Vicki Bain's mother, Joan Stiles; Linda Campbell's friend, Barbara Wasylyk; Barbara Danser's mother, Evelyn Walton; Gail Geijers' son, Dan; The Hagerty's and Britton's friend, Carole Reed; Barbara Hannon's friend, Ruth Nunez; Jane Huff's grandson, James Huff-Miller; Joanne Hughes' parents, Cornelius and Bella Tanis; Linda Ill's mother, Carol Scarpone; Carolyn Lee's husband, John; friend of the church, June Oakes, Andrew; and Arthur and Gloria-Jean Ryba's brother-in-law, Arthur Sanford.

We pray for all the people who are in need in our wider community and please remember 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!

~~ ADULT EDUCATION ~~

Sunday Mornings from 9:15-10:15 a.m.

"Romans" with Rev. Dr. Louis Mitchell September 18 - October 30 and February 16 - March 25. "Romans" is a two-part study led by Dr. Mitchell based on the book *Romans: God's Good News for the World* by John Stott. Please join us in the library.

~~ BUILDINGS & GROUNDS ~~

FALL WORKDAY IS COMING!!! Saturday, October 1 from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon

Please come out and help your B & G committee spruce up our church. Your help in landscaping, painting, minor repairs and cleaning will be greatly appreciated. We have a variety of projects for everyone. Some projects we need help with include: Outside ground care including sweeping and flower bed fixing up, kitchen and appliance cleaning, basement cleanout, painting, window and wall cleaning as well as some general handyman tasks.

If you have a specific project or need that you would like taken care of, please let your B&G committee know. Thank you for your support and we are looking forward to this wonderful fellowship opportunity.

~~ CHOIRS ~~

Does your child like to sing??? If so the cherub/children's choirs are looking for new members. Please notify Laurie Davis via email at MusicMomNJ@comcast.net for more information.

~~ CONGREGATIONAL LIFE ~~

Coffee Hour Hosts Needed! There is a need for people willing to host coffee hour on October 2 and October 23. Anyone willing to help, please email Fran Stewart at FrannyMag58@aol.com

~~ CPNS ~~

We have our Getting you Know you days this week. The children will be having their first music classes with Mrs. "K". Everyone wears our yellow CPNS shirts and we introduce all of our CPNS family to the children as we learn about our school bear, "The Panda" and what it means to be part of our CPNS family.

The parents will be having their own get together. On the same days, we will be holding parent socials for all of our families. They will be on Tuesday, 9/27 and Wednesday, 9/28 in the mornings at 11:00 a.m. and in the afternoons at 2:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Please join us as we welcome new families to our school as well as welcoming back returning families. We will also be sharing information regarding our first ever Parent Discussion Group during this time. Please join us for some light refreshments and a time of fellowship.

Our CPNS teachers are part of the CE Commissioning today. This year our teachers are: Annette Briffa, Roselyn Cassidy, Jen Colonna, Laurie Davis, Wendy delaRosa, Pam Dressel, Kathy Edwards, MaryEllen Glynn, Kathy Iorio, Dorothy Klotzbeacher, Sheila Morrissey, Kelly O'Keefe, Director: Janice Parker, Debbie Petro, Linda Protinick, Denise Reilley, Eileen Sahli, Patty Skapyak and Kathy Wiseman.

If you are not enrolled yet, there are still a few openings. Please call Janice Parker at (609)655-8663 or email her at CPNSchool@comcast.net for more information. Don't forget to tell your friends and neighbors about our developmentally appropriate academic Christian preschool. We don't want anyone to miss the opportunity to give their children the best and strongest foundation for their child's academic success.

~~ MISSION, SERVICE & GRANTS ~~

SNIPPETS FROM THE YEAR BOOK OF PRAYER: First Presbyterian Church in Rushville, Ill. is serving a growing African immigrant population. The church opened its Welcome Center in the summer of 2008 as a language lab with four computers. Now seven computers are available and the Center provides other resources for immigrants such as hosting meetings with the mayor, an annual African festival, and other community services. The Center also helps new immigrants learn about services and resources of the community and to become familiar with American culture and their rights as residents. Many of the immigrants were professionals in their home countries but are unable to use their skills here because of language and bureaucratic barriers. First Presbyterian's Welcome Center hopes to help immigrants in their community navigate those barriers and become United States citizens.

~~ OTHER NEWS ~~

The Historic Cranbury House Tour, *Journey Through Time*, will be held on Saturday, October 15, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. The tour will feature six beautiful homes, Cranbury Museum and several other buildings, including our church sanctuary and the Parsonage Barn where there will be entertainment. A gourmet luncheon in Fellowship Hall by the Friends of the Cranbury Public Library will be available. A limited number of tickets for the luncheon are on sale by advance sale only and can be purchased through Audrey Smith at 609-655-5361. Advance sale tour and luncheon tickets are on sale at Charmed by Claire, Cranbury Bookworm, Henderson Sotheby's International Realty, Mhz Designs, the Cranbury History Center and the Cranbury Museum. On the day of the tour, tickets will be on sale at the tour table in front of Charmed by Claire. You can also purchase tickets online at cranburyhistory.org. Please look for order forms in businesses around town or call Audrey Smith for information.

~~ SENIOR FELLOWSHIP EXERCISE ~~

Seniors note the date change for the following event due to the Cranbury house tour. On Saturday, October 8 at 12:00(noon), the Deacons will hold their buffet luncheon for the Senior Fellowship and the Golden Age Neighbors in Fellowship Hall.

The main dish, beverages and dessert will be provided. Please bring a side dish like a salad or deviled eggs to share with the group. There will be entertainment and tables all set with utensils, plates and lovely fall centerpieces made by Bea Davison. This is open to all seniors so if you have never participated before this would be a delicious way to join either group.

SENIOR EXERCISE SCHEDULE

September 26, September 29, October 3, October 6, October 10, October 13
October 17, October 20, October 24, October 27, October 31 NO CLASS

~~ STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE ~~

Counting Teams: 9/25 (Team #1) - 10/2 (Team #2)

