

**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.)

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**AN ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD**  
**Stewardship Commitment Sunday/All Saints’ Sunday**  
**November 6, 2011 10:30 A.M.**

**THE APPROACH**

PRELUDE *“Thanksgiving Bells”* arr. Barbara Kinyon  
Bell Choir

INTROIT *“Who Shall Ascend the Hill of the Lord?”* Donovan Klotzbeacher  
(Ps. 24: 3-4) The Chorale

CALL TO WORSHIP The Rev. Rosanna Anderson  
Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! **Amen!**  
In the days to come, the Lamb at the center of the throne will be our shepherd and will guide us to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from our eyes. **Amen and amen!**

HYMN #451 (Hymnal)\* *“Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones”*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)\*  
**Blessed are the poor in Spirit, Jesus said, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are the meek and those who mourn, the merciful, and those who hunger and thirst for righteousness. Blessed are the peacemakers, the pure in heart, and those who are persecuted for Christ’s sake. O Lord, we who long for your blessing confess that these words convict and confound us. We are your people, but we seldom seek you. We are your children, but we barely resemble you. We hope half-heartedly for your kingdom to come. Merciful God, we want to stand before you without shame. Unite us with the saints who look to you and are radiant with your blessing. 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
SCRIPTURE	Genesis 15: 7-18	Stan Dickerson Pew Bible pg. 12
ANTHEM	<i>"We Gather Together"</i>	<b>arr. Linker &amp; McFadden</b> Bell Choir and Pianist, Joanne Hughes
SCRIPTURE	Hebrews 11: 8-16	Pew Bible pgs. 225-226
SERMON	<i>"The Journey Home"</i>	Dr. Louis Mitchell

## THE RESPONSE

### OFFERING AND DEDICATION OF 2012 STEWARDSHIP PLEDGES

Offertory	<i>"Give Alms of Thy Goods"</i>	<b>Christopher Tye (1505-1572)</b> The Chorale
Hymn #592 (Hymnal)*	<i>"Doxology"</i>	
Prayer of Dedication*		Rev. Anderson
HYMN #446 (Hymnal)*	<i>"Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken"</i>	

## 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 (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 COMMUNION OF GOD'S PEOPLE

We will eat the bread individually when served. We will hold the cup until all have been served and then partake together. All baptized Christians, whatever your denomination or tradition, are invited to share with us in this holy sacrament.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

HYMN #526 (Hymnal)\*

*"For All the Saints"*

BENEDICTION\*

RESPONSE\*

*"God Be With You"*

**W.G. Tomer  
Bell Choir**

POSTLUDE\*

*Partite Sopra L'Aria Della Folia di Spagna*

**Bernardo Pasquini  
(1637-1710)  
Organ**

**\*ALL WHO ARE ABLE MAY STAND**

**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](mailto: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.

**Gluten free bread** is now available at all communion services. At today's communion service, it will be in a small cup or area in the center of the bread trays which are passed throughout the aisles.

**We thank those who are serving today in these ways:**

**Communion Servers** are George Conley, Pat Demers, Gaylord French, Marlene French, Gail Geijer, Cyndi Girardet, Mike Kasper and Karen Moser.

**The Flowers** in the chancel are given in honor of Aldo and Claire Maselli from friends.

**Head Ushers** are George Arsnow and Rick & Nancy Norland.

**After Church Greeters** are Stan and Gretchen Stults.

#### 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; Joan Brown; Martha Davis; John Henzler; Margaret Lawson; Kathy Mitchell; Helen Myer; Russ Richardson; Dorothy Swec; Anna Wahler; Lindsey Warne and Mildred Watts.

**Family and Friends of Church Members for whom prayers are asked:** Vicki Bain's mother, Joan Stiles; Barbara Danser's mother, Evelyn Walton; friend of the church, Barbara Darvin's daughter, Cindy; Gail Geijers' son, Dan; Jane Huff's grandson, James Huff-Miller; Joanne Hughes' parents, Cornelius and Bella Tanis; Linda III's mother, Carol Scarpone; Carolyn Lee's husband, John; 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!

**Birthdays of Distinction:** Betty DeStein on November 11. **Happy Birthday!!**

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#### ~~ ADULT EDUCATION ~~

**Do you know what a parable is? Do you know why Jesus spoke in parables?** This is your opportunity to explore this vital part of Jesus' ministry and learn the answers. We

will then review four parables. Come to the Adult Education Class which began today and continues through November 27 in Room 1 in the Parish Hall. This class will be led by Dr. Gretchen Hull. Don't worry if you miss one class—each class will be an independent study. We especially encourage those of you dropping off your youngsters for their Sunday School classes to stay.

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#### ~~ CHRISTIAN EDUCATION ~~

**To all Sunday School Teachers...**Please join us on November 13 at 8:15 a.m. in Fellowship hall for a discussion of how the school year is progressing.

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#### ~~ CONGREGATIONAL LIFE ~~

**Pictorial Directory:** We are producing a new pictorial family directory! There is no cost to have your portraits taken, and you will receive a **complimentary 8 x 10 portrait and directory for participating.** At your session you will be able to view your images electronically and have the opportunity to purchase additional portraits to share with family and friends.

Sign-up sheets are available at coffee hour immediately following our worship service or visit our website to schedule your own appointment. Included in the directory will be photos of our church activities and committees. If you have photos of these activities or groups, please contact Bea Davison at [beard@verizon.net](mailto:beard@verizon.net).

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#### ~~ CPNS ~~

Our school pictures will be taken on Monday, November 7 and November 8. We look forward to the many smiles from our children.

Our 2nd Parent Discussion Group will be held on Wednesday, November 9. Our topic will be "Bullying". Please join us at 9:15 a.m. in our Power of Play/Music Room for an informal discussion on this very current topic. We will be closed on Thursday, November 10 and Friday, November 11 for the NJEA. We hope everyone has the opportunity to enjoy a long weekend.

As you begin to research your options for a preschool for your child, please consider CPNS. We began our 2012-2013 registration last week for existing students and on November 7 and November 8 siblings of existing students and siblings of alumni as well as church members are able to register. We will also be registering the children of our volunteer first aid squad and fire department as part of our Community Volunteer Program. Please call Janice Parker at 609 655-8663 or email her at [CPNSchool@comcast.net](mailto: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.

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#### ~~ MISSION, SERVICE & GRANTS ~~

**Snippets from the Year Book of Prayer:** Math Olympics at the First Presbyterian Church in Vallejo, CA came into being when the pastor who had volunteered at a nearby school, realized that many students did not understand the basics of math. The congregation has long had a history of being involved with students. For the past sixteen years, the church has run the Breakfast Club which is open every school morning and has served

more than 80,000 free hot meals to middle school students. Continuing these involvements and recognizing a specific need, Math Olympics was established. Each Wednesday more than fifty middle school students come. The program begins with a nutritious snack, a conversation between students and adults and then students work on basic math skills. Students are paid for their efforts; their money is deposited in the Olympics bank, and may be used to buy only items in the Math Olympics store. These items vary from ice cream and candy to larger items that teach students to save, and special trips or other events thought up by the volunteers.

~~ OUTREACH ~~

**Inquirers' Class:** Are you interested in joining the First Presbyterian Church? Consider joining the Inquirers' Class. The class began today will continue on November 13 and November 21 at 9:15 in the church library. Pastor Mitchell will be leading these sessions. The class is your opportunity to learn more about First Presbyterian, what it means to be a Presbyterian and how you might fit in our church family.

Please call the church office at 609-395-0897 if you have any questions and to let us know you are interested in participating. We look forward to meeting all who are interested in becoming members of the church family.

~~ SENIOR BREAKFAST CLUB~~

Please join us on **Thursday, November 17 at 8:30 a.m.** at the Cranbury Inn when Marilyn Mullen will talk about the Cranbury Public Library. If you wish to attend, and have not done so before, please notify the church office at 609-395-0897 so that we can contact you. We need to notify the Cranbury Inn with a head count of the guests that wish to attend.

~~ SENIOR FELLOWSHIP ~~

Join Senior Fellowship for our Program *Visions in Stone* on **Friday, November 11, 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 film features some of the most stunning rock art videography ever recorded. If you are not on the Senior Fellowship call list and want to attend this program please contact the church office (609)395-0897 by Monday, November 7. When you call, be prepared to tell us how many hot dogs you would like us to grill for you.

**Senior Exercise Schedule**

November 7, November 10, November 14, November 17, November 28

~~ STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE ~~

**Counting Teams:** 11/6 (Team #3) - 11/13 (Team #4)

~~ YOUTH MINISTRY ~~

**November Activities for Youth Group**

11/6 5:30-7 p.m. Youth Group: "Make Your Own Pizza" Night in the Kitchen  
 11/13 11:30 a.m. Youth Mission Trip table at the Mission Fair 5:30-7 p.m.  
 Service Project: **Sort food for Thanksgiving Baskets** -Fellowship Hall (*All students in grades 5-12 are encouraged to participate in sorting food!*)

11/18-20 (Friday 5 p.m.-Sunday 3 p.m.) **High School Fall Retreat** at Camp Johnsonburg  
 11/20 6:30-8:30 p.m. **Interfaith Community Thanksgiving** Worship Service  
 11/27 (Thanksgiving weekend/First Sunday in Advent) No Youth Group

~~ CALENDAR ~~

**November 6, 2011 - November 13, 2011**

<b>Sunday 6</b>	<b>(All Saint's Sunday/Stewardship Dedication Sunday)</b> 9:15a Inquirers' Class - Library 9:15a Christian Education for all ages (Classrooms/FH/McKnight Rm) 10:30a Worship with Communion followed by coffee hour 11:45 Library Committee - Library 4:00p-5:00p Cranbury Scout Band Practice - upstairs classroom 5:30p-7:00p Youth Group-FH/Kit 7:00p Boy Scouts (GC) - FH 7:30p-9p Cranbury Men's Bible Study at the Inn
<b>Monday 7</b>	9:00a-3:00p CPNS Pictures-McK Room 10:00a Senior Exercise 1:30p Martha's Circle - Lib. 7:30p Brass Choir 8:00p Al-Anon-McK Rm
<b>Tuesday 8</b>	<b>9:00a Bulletin Material Due</b> 9:00a-3:00p CPNS Pictures-McK Room 9:30a- 12 noon Women's Bible Study-Bell Choir Rm 11:00a Staff Mtg.-Church Office 7:30p MS&G Meeting-Lib. 7:30p Youth Ministry Committee Meeting-Church Office 7:30p Stewardship & Finance-Church Office 7:30p Youth Instrumental Ensemble 7:30p AA - McKnight Room
<b>Wednesday 9</b>	7:00p-9:00p Boy Scout District Mtg-McK Rm 7:00p Boy Scout Eagle Board of Review Meeting- (JK) -Library 7:30p Bell Choir
<b>Thursday 10</b>	<b>CPNS Closed/NJEA Convention</b> <b>9:00a Session Material Due</b> 10:00a Senior Exercise 7:30p B&G Meeting-Lib. 7:30p The Chorale - Choir Room
<b>Friday 11</b>	<b>(Veterans Day)/NJEA Convention</b> <b>CPNS Closed</b> 9:00a Bulletin Assembly-Church Office 11:00a-4:00p Sr. Fellowship Program - FH/Kit/VAN 7:30p AA - McKnight Room
<b>Saturday 12</b>	Boy Scouts deliver food-FH/Stage
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