

**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**

**Transfiguration of the Lord**

**Feb. 19, 2012 10:30 A.M.**

**THE APPROACH**

PRELUDE

*Voluntary IV*

**William Russell (1777-1813)**

Organ

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (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.)

INTROIT

*“Christ is made the sure foundation”*

**Donovan Klotzbeacher**

The Chorale

CALL TO WORSHIP

The Rev. Rosanna Anderson

God calls to the heavens and to the earth and invites the faithful to gather.

**The heavens declare God’s righteousness, and earth sings God’s praise. Let us worship God.**

HYMN #30 (Songbook)\*

*“Great Is the Lord”*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)\*

**Holy God, you are so far beyond our understanding, your glory is more than we can comprehend. We persist in making you too small; we restrict your wisdom and mercy to what we can explain. Forgive us. Open our eyes to your infinite splendor and make us more faithful, that we may follow, in trust, wherever you lead. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON\*

HYMN #579 (Hymnal)\*

*“Gloria Patri”*

THE PEACE\* ✚

**PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE ✚

Kurt Heineman

SCRIPTURE

II Peter 1: 16-21

Taylor Miller  
Pew Bible pgs. 236-237

ANTHEM	<i>“Give ear, O ye heavens” (Deut. 32 &amp; 28)</i>	<b>John Ness Beck (1930-1987)</b> The Chorale
SCRIPTURE	John 14: 23-27 & 16: 12-15	Pew Bible pgs. 109&110
SERMON	“Listen ____ God’s Word”	Dr. Louis Mitchell

### **THE RESPONSE**

HYMN #14 (Songbook)*	<i>“How Majestic Is Your Name”</i>	
PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH		Dr. Mitchell

#### 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>Lento</i>	<b>Samuel Wesley (1766-1837)</b> Organ
Hymn #592 (Hymnal)* Prayer of Dedication*	<i>“Doxology”</i>	Rev. Anderson

HYMN #142 (Songbook)*	<i>“Shine, Jesus Shine”</i>	
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#### BENEDICTION\*

RESPONSE*	<i>“The Grace of the Lord, Jesus Christ”</i>	<b>Donovan Klotzbeacher</b> The Chorale
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POSTLUDE*	<i>Fugue on the “Kyrie”</i>	<b>François Couperin (1668-1733)</b> Organ
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**\*ALL WHO ARE ABLE MAY STAND**

~~ YOUTH MINISTRY ~~

**Activities for Youth Group**

**Feb. 19** (Sunday) No evening meeting due to the holiday weekend.

**Feb. 26** 2:00p - 5:00p Youth Group Bowling

~~ CALENDAR ~~

**February 19, 2012 - February 26, 2012**

<b>Sunday 19</b>	<b>(Transfiguration of the Lord)</b> 9:15a Christian Education for all ages (Classrooms/Lib./FH/McKnight Rm) 10:30a Worship followed by coffee hour 4:00p-5:00p Cranbury Scout Band Practice - upstairs classroom NO Youth Group NO Cranbury Men's Bible Study
<b>Monday 20</b>	<b>(Presidents' Day)</b> <b>CPNS/Church Office Closed</b> 10:00a Senior Exercise 7:30p Brass Choir 7:30p CPNS Board Meeting - Library 8:00p Al-Anon-McK Rm
<b>Tuesday 21</b>	<b>CPNS Closed</b> <b>9:00a Bulletin Material Due</b> 9:30a- 12 noon Women's Bible Study-Bell Choir Rm 9:00a-3:00p CPNS Staff Development Day-FH/Kit 11:00a Staff Mtg.-Church Office 7:30p Session Meeting - FH 7:30p AA - McKnight Room
<b>Wednesda y 22</b>	<b>(Ash Wednesday)</b> 7:30p Ash Wednesday Service-Sanctuary 7:30p Bell Choir
<b>Thursday 23</b>	8:30a Senior Breakfast at the Cranbury Inn 10:00a Senior Exercise 6:00p-7:00p Cub Scouts-McK Rm (KE) 7:00p-9:00p Boy Scouts Mercer Area Committee Mtg. -Library (JK) 7:30p The Chorale - Sanctuary
<b>Friday 24</b>	9:00a Bulletin Assembly-Church Office 7:30p AA - McKnight Room
<b>Saturday 25</b>	9:00a-12(noon) Deacons Retreat @ the Britton's house
<b>Sunday 26</b>	<b>1st Sunday of Lent)</b> 9:15a Christian Education for all ages (Classrooms/Lib./FH/McKnight Rm) 10:30a Worship with CPNS Board Commissioning followed by coffee hour 2:00p-5:00p Youth Group Bowling 4:00p-5:00p Cranbury Scout Band Practice - upstairs classroom 5:30p-7p Jr. High Youth Group (Grades 5 - 7)-McKnight Room 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 or if you would like to be contacted by the Outreach Committee please provide us with your address and/or email address in the red "friendship pad".

**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.

**Friends,** as we prepare for worship, please be mindful of our neighbors in the pews who are allergic to strong scents and perfumes. We want everyone to be comfortable and healthy as we worship the Lord together! Thanks very much for your thoughtfulness.

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

**The Flowers** in the chancel today are given by Mr. Stanley Stults in loving memory of his family.

**Head Ushers** are Bill & Sheree Dunnett and Brian & Gina Moore.

**After Service Greeters** are Liz Callaway and Jane Hovland.

**Coffee Hour** is hosted by Lola Madsen and Doreen Grand-Jean.

**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 (609)395-0897.

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

**Church members with special needs:** Marge Bloom; Liz Callaway; Martha Davis; John Henzler; Helen Myer; Rebecca Pelto; Russ Richardson; Dorothy Swec; Anna Wahler and Mildred Watts.

**Family and Friends of Church Members for whom prayers are asked:** family and friends of cemetery superintendent, Chris Christiansen due to his death; Barbara Danser's mother, Evelyn Walton; friend of the church, Barbara Darwin's daughter, Cindy; Joan Fraser's friend, Joyce Stempel; Gail Geijer's son, Dan; Jane Huff's grandson, James Huff-Miller; Joanne Hughes' parents, Cornelius & Bella Tanis; Linda Ill's mother, Carol Scarpone; Dorothy Klotzbecher's daughter, Nancy Varga; Carolyn Lee's husband, John; Kathy Mitchell's mother, Marjorie Stewart; Lou Mitchell's mother, Elizabeth; CPNS teacher Sheila Morrissey's sister, Tricia; friend of the church Sharon Ramkishun's niece, Kaitlyn and friend, Kelly; Dave Stewart's mother, Carolyn Stewart and Cathy Vogen's aunt, Dani Ratkelis.

**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!

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~~ CHRISTIAN EDUCATION ~~

**VBS STANDS FOR... VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL! SAVE THE DATES!** Vacation Bible School is back again this year with another fun and exciting program! The week-long VBS morning program (9-11:30am) is scheduled for July 30<sup>th</sup> - August 3<sup>rd</sup>. This year's theme is "SonRise National Park". Stay tuned to the bulletin and church website for more details. Please call Daune Arnow (448-6181) or Cassandra Khazem (448-7425) with any questions. Come along and get caught up in the excitement of VBS!

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~~ CPNS ~~

CPNS is closed on Monday and Tuesday. Our teachers will return on Tuesday for a Staff Development Day. It's a wonderful time for all of us to get together and share valuable information regarding teaching our preschoolers. We want to thank our CPNS families for providing lunch for us that day and a big thank you to Janet Wheeler for coordinating this lunch.

Please mark your calendars for **Tuesday, March 6**. Our CPNS teachers will be reading at the Barnes & Noble store in Hamilton. You could find a special page with a voucher and additional information on our website at [www.cranburypres.org](http://www.cranburypres.org), click on the panda for CPNS.

As you begin to research your options for a preschool for your child, please consider CPNS. 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:** Congregations in Eastern Oklahoma Presbytery are actively serving their communities through creative ministries addressing hunger, poverty and health. Community meals are the focus of several congregations with 3 congregations providing over 100 meals each week. One church has partnered with Lutheran and Disciples of Christ congregations for their community meals. Sewing ministries provide clothing for children and lap quilts and bibs for older adults. Backpack ministries provide either weekend meals for needy families or school supplies. The mission committee of the presbytery provides resources to congregations for hunger, peacemaking, environmental, racial ethnic, and prison ministries.

**Bread for the World Offering of Letters -- FEBRUARY 12, 2012:** Many thanks to all those who graciously and efficiently helped out at the BREAD FOR THE WORLD table when we were sending out letters to our Senators and Representatives, asking that they adhere to the Circle of Protection--protecting measures that assist the poverty stricken and the hungry. We are sending out a total of 111 letters to Senators Lautenberg and Menendez and Representatives Holt and Smith. We trust that our efforts will make a difference in the votes cast by these men.

**Looking Ahead - Trenton Psychiatric Hospital Outreach:** May is Mental Illness Awareness Month. In recognition of the needs of those who are affected by mental illness and receiving treatment in Trenton Psychiatric Hospital (TPH), we are asking for

donations to be placed in the box in Fellowship Hall for the Trenton Psychiatric Hospital Auxiliary to distribute for birthday gifts and prizes for Bingo, etc. The items they could use are: grooming and cosmetic supplies, playing cards, jewelry, and greeting cards as well as, books, current magazines, DVD movies or TV programs. Please donate new or gently used items. (Note that there should be no glass items or anything containing alcohol.)

Those being discharged can always use good grooming supplies such as deodorant, toothpaste, shampoo, soap and tissues, as well as large or small luggage. Please be generous. Many of these folks have no one else who helps them but this small band of auxiliary workers.

**Volunteers Wanted:** We are in need of help with the Special Offerings during the coming year. This is a great opportunity for persons to participate in a church activity without its being a full time, all year commitment.

We have four of these offerings: One Great Hour of Sharing on April 1; Pentecost on May 27; Peacemaking on October 7; and Christmas Joy on December 9. There are printed guidelines available for these special offerings, and PCUSA always sends us a wealth of materials (banks for Sunday School participants, special donation envelopes, special bulletin inserts, and an information packet which explains all about the special offering.) We are asking you to consider just one of these four. If you think that you might be interested, please contact the Church Office or speak to John Sprout. He is always available to aid and assist the person or group heading the special offering.

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~~ SENIOR FELLOWSHIP ~~

**Senior Exercise Schedule:** February 20, February 23, February 27, March 1, March 5, March 8, March 12, March 15, March 19, March 22, March 26 and March 29.

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~~ STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE ~~

**Per Capita/Denomination Support Requested:** Part of being Presbyterian is understanding the connectional nature of our denomination, and celebrating the strength that is achieved in the interrelationships among congregation, presbytery, synod and General Assembly. These interrelationships in our denomination provide a sound structure that allows us to go places we could not otherwise get to alone.

Session is asking for your help in supporting our ministry by covering the cost of our "per capita" assessment as a congregation of the Presbyterian Church, USA. The amount of this assessment is \$35 per active member. The *per capita* is paid for all active members, including youth who have been confirmed.

We hope you will see the importance of contributing your portion of the *per capita* apportionment. Remember, it is based on the number of members, not the number of families. We encourage you to make your contribution toward this important operating expense of the Presbyterian Church, USA. You can drop your contribution in the offering plate or forward it to the Church office. Please note on your check it is for your *per capita* assessment (per capita envelopes are available in your pledge envelope box) so we may properly acknowledge your support.

**Counting Teams:** 2/19(Team #2) and 2/26(Team #3)