

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
4th Sunday of Easter
April 29, 2012 10:30 A.M.

THE APPROACH

PRELUDE

Elevations

Dom Paul Benoit
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

“I will extol Thee, O God”

Donovan Klotzbeacher
The Chorale

CALL TO WORSHIP

The Rev. Rosanna Anderson

God leads us into places filled with life.

God carries us through darkness and comforts us with gentleness.

God feeds us and sustains us with more goodness than we can imagine.

Let us worship the One God, our Lord and Shepherd.

HYMN #123 (Hymnal)*

“Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)*

God of love and truth, in trust we confess our sin to you. Instead of loving one another as you have loved us, we damage one another with words. We utter lies and speak against one another. Forgive us, and turn us around; abide in us, as we seek to abide in you. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON*

HYMN #579 (Hymnal)*

“Gloria Patri”

THE PEACE* ✚

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE ✚

Peter Miller

SCRIPTURE

Colossians 3: 1-17

Joan Fraser
Pew Bible pg. 198

ANTHEM *“In Joseph’s Lovely Garden”* Clarence Dickinson
The Chorale

SCRIPTURE Galatians 5: 16-25 Pew Bible pgs. 190-191

SERMON “Habits of the Heart” Dr. Louis Mitchell

THE RESPONSE

HYMN #'s 122 & 123 (Songbook)* *“He is Lord” and “Because he Lives”*

MINUTE FOR MISSION Healthy Women Healthy Families Anne Gordon

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH Rev. Anderson

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 *“All Glory Be to God On High”* Andreas Armsdorf
Organ

Hymn #592 (Hymnal)* *“Doxology”*
Prayer of Dedication* Rev. Anderson

HYMN #108 (Hymnal)* *“Christ Is Alive!”*

BENEDICTION*

RESPONSE* *Threefold Amen in Eb* Donovan Klotzbeacher
The Chorale

POSTLUDE* *Basse et Dessus de Trompette* Gilles Jullien
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 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).

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 Mary Jane and Fritz Hagar in loving memory of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Hillier & Mr. and Mrs. George Hager.

Head Ushers are Janice Parker & Jeff and Diane Yeager.

After Service Greeters are Stan and Gretchen Stults.

Coffee hour is hosted by the Deacons.

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; Everett Campbell; Lil Conley; Martha Davis; Arlene Duran; John Henzler; Helen Myer; Rebecca Pelto; Russ Richardson; Carol Sprout; Dorothy Swec; Cathy Vogen; Anna Wahler; Lindsey Warne; Mildred Watts; and Doris Wiegartner.

Family and Friends of Church Members for whom prayers are asked: Barbara Danser's mother, Evelyn Walton; friend of the church, Barbara Darwin's daughter, Cindy; Phyllis Dyke's co-worker Jovina Mintz's son; Joan Fraser's friend, Joyce Stempel; Paul and Janet Furchak's friend, Diana Facher; Gail Geijer's son, Dan; Monty and Peg Hagerty's friend, Carole Reed; Jane Huff's grandson, James Huff-Miller; Joanne Hughes' parents, Cornelius and Bella Tanis; Linda Ill's mother, Carol Scarpone; Dorothy Klotzbeacher's daughter, Nancy Varga; Carolyn Lee's husband, John; Leah Moy's friends, Irene and Martin Goldberg; Linda Protinick's mother, Jane Hand; friend of the church Sharon Ramkishun's niece, Kaitlyn; Joan Smith's friend, Mary Lou Valente; Leslie Vandenberg's brother, James Danek; 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!

Birthdays of Distinction: Ginny Swanagan on May 5 and John Sprout on May 6. **Happy Birthday!**

~~ ADULT EDUCATION ~~

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

April 22 - May 27 Join Spencer Bruno in Room 1 at 9:15 a.m. on "The Meanings Behind the Gospel Miracles."

~~ BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS ~~

We just want to invite everyone to our Spring Workday, on Saturday, May 5 beginning at 9:00 a.m. There is a long list of items we would like to complete this spring. The list includes outside and inside clean up and some repairs and maintenance items. No special skills are required. We hope to see you there.

~~ CHRISTIAN EDUCATION ~~

VBS stands for ... Vacation Bible School!

SonRise National Park is this year's Vacation Bible School theme; expect an exciting week of fun and wilderness adventure! Join us

on the woodland trail beside the wildflower meadow, for lively songs, hilarious skits, creative crafts and yummy snacks while children learn how Jesus can make a difference in their lives every day.

What: "SonRise National Park" Vacation Bible School
Where: First Presbyterian Church of Cranbury
When: Monday, July 30 - Friday, August 3
Time: 9 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
Who: Kids entering 4 year old preschool through 6th grade; all are welcome!
Cost: \$20/child*

Why: Young explorers will develop long-lasting friendships with each other and VBS guides during five days of discovery. SonRise National Park VBS will take your kids beyond what they can explore with their senses to discover a living spiritual relationship with Jesus Christ, the Son of God. This summer, point your kids toward Jesus at SonRise National Park VBS, where kids will learn the most important survival skill of all; they can always depend on Jesus! "My God will meet all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus." (Philippians 4:19)

Registration: Registration has begun! Forms are available on-line at www.cranburypres.org. Forms can also be found in the church office and on the table near Janice Parker's office. Registration forms may be brought or mailed to the church: First Presbyterian Church, 22 South Main St., Cranbury, NJ 08512. Get your registration in now! **Registration will conclude on May 29.**

VBS needs your help! To ensure that we can deliver the children an inspirational and educational adventure, we need your help! If you're available to help in any way, please contact one of the directors listed below.

Lead or assist as a VBS Guide and Bible Study Leader (lesson plans and crafts are provided); Oversee or assist with Recreation Activities; Oversee or assist with Snacks; Oversee or assist with Decorations

Also, coming in May, please help us defray our VBS costs by purchasing snack and/or craft supplies through our Giving Tree. Here's how it works; take an "ornament" off the tree, purchase the item listed on the card, and place it in the donation basket located next to the tree. Please look for the tree in Fellowship Hall beginning in early May.

We hope you and your children can join us at SonRise National Park VBS, for an unforgettable experience of discovery that will bring everyone closer to Jesus.

For more information or questions, visit the church website (www.cranburypres.org) or contact either director: Daune Arsnow (448-6181) or Cassandra Khazem (448-7425).

* Scholarships available; please contact the church office to discuss.

~~ CONGREGATION LIFE ~~

Church Directory - If you had your photo taken for the new church directory, we have a copy of the directory for you in Fellowship Hall during coffee hour. Please stop by and pick up your copy!

~~ CPNS ~~

Our 3-year-old classes will be going to the Plainsboro Preserve on a class trip. The program is called "Sensory Safari"; the children will be experiencing nature with their five senses. Our 4/5-year-old classes are going to Von Thun's Farm and will be learning about planting and the things that are growing right in our local area. We really are blessed to have these opportunities available to our children and families in our neighborhoods. We are also having childcare for all siblings so parents can enjoy this time with their preschooler. We want to thank all the volunteers for helping us out with the child care and making it possible.

Our CPNS families will be invited to participate in our church "Work Day" on Saturday, May 5. We look forward to working together to help make our school and church a safe and wonderful place for everyone. We hope to see you there as well.

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 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.

Our CPNS Summer Program registration has begun and classes are filling up. If you are interested, please register today. Children that are entering our 3-year-old program up to children entering first grade are eligible to attend.

~~ MISSION, SERVICE & GRANTS ~~

Snippets from the Year Book of Prayer: An Alternative Christmas was the inspiration of the First Presbyterian Church of Wellsboro, PA. This kind of Christmas offered Christians a chance to make a difference by reducing materialism and supporting local, national, and international mission. Shoppers had the opportunity to buy an emergency blanket, a personal care kit or other such items for needy persons and ministries which will be given on behalf of another in lieu of the normal Christmas gift. Each of eight organizations had a display that explained its mission and shoppers went from table to table compiling their lists. This congregation of 240 members had hoped to raise \$2,500 but when donations were counted more than \$5,700 had been raised for mission in about four hours. Interest was expressed in expanding the Alternative Christmas Fair the following year.

Looking Ahead to Mother's Day - This year our church is giving you the opportunity to help protect and restore the health of women and children in Africa by supporting Healthy Women Healthy Families, a year-round PC(USA) ministry.

In exchange for donations to the Healthy Women Healthy Families, we can honor the women in our families with Mother's Day cards. For example, \$10.00 will pay for both prenatal care and delivery in the Congo. A clinic visit for a child costs about \$2.00. A \$10.00 donation will provide a mosquito net and malaria prevention education. These beautiful, specially designed Mother's Day cards are on sale now, by contacting Becky Huselid at rhuselid@bhassociates.com or Anne Gordon at kgordon22@comcast.net. **CARDS WILL BE AVAILABLE TODAY, APRIL 29 AND MAY 6 DURING COFFEE HOUR.** Please plan ahead and think of honoring all special women in your life with the gift of life.

The **Trenton Psychiatric Hospital** collection box will be placed in the corner nearest the first door of Fellowship Hall. Please place any donations in this box. These items will be given to the Hospital Auxiliary during May which is Mental Illness Awareness Month. Thank you for your generosity. (Call Pat Demers for more information at 609-395-0314 or email patdemers@aol.com)

~~ OTHER NEWS ~~

Annual Women's Retreat: Women of our Church, you are invited to the 2012 Women's Retreat at Camp Johnsonburg, May 4 - 6. Presbyterian women from all over New Jersey gather annually for this special time of fellowship, reflection and renewal. This year's theme is "Accepting that we are Beloved". Many women from our church are already signed up, but there is still space for a few more. The cost is \$100.00 for the entire weekend. Please contact Rosellyn Cassidy or Anne Gordon if you would like to attend. Registration forms are available in the church narthex and office.

~~ SENIOR FELLOWSHIP ~~

Senior Exercise Schedule: April 30, May 3, May 7, May 10, May 14, May 17, May 21, May 24, May 28 (no class), May 31

Senior Fellowship will go on a trip to attend the organ concert at the Princeton Chapel on Thursday, May 10. Following the 30 minute concert, we will stroll across the quad to the University Library to view their exhibit: "Capping Liberty". When the American Founders declared independence in 1776, a major task was creation of coinage, finding suitable bullion, setting a monetary system and providing minting capability. Founders had to choose images to represent their ideals. Franklin, Jefferson and Washington were leaders in this task. This exhibit tells the story of American coinage through coins, medals, bank notes, related books, manuscripts and graphic arts from the Princeton University collections.

The star will be the 1792 half dime pattern, the first coin minted by the US govt. minted from silver reputed to have been supplied by George Washington. Fewer than 2,000 were made. Other rare exhibits are 4 issues of 17th century Massachusetts silver shilling, 2 tin continental dollars of 1776 and a 1794 Flowing Hair 14 star silver dollar. To view photos of the exhibited coins go to www.astahl@princeton.edu

We will meet in Fellowship Hall at 11:00 a.m. for a brown bag lunch. Soda, water and cookies will be provided. As soon as we finish eating, we will make a quick departure for the chapel. If you would like to attend this trip and you are not on our Senior

Fellowship call list, please preregister with the church office at 609-395-0897 by Monday, May 7.

Opportunity for Service - Please help - Senior Fellowship is a great mission of our church that tries to create a sense of community for senior citizens. This program is run totally by volunteers. For this program to continue, we need your help. We could use people who are not senior citizens as well as senior citizens to be on the programs and trips planning committee. We meet about 5 times a year at 10:00 a.m. in the library on a day most of us agree upon to select trip destinations or program speakers. We make a yearly schedule and plan the details. Committee members help by setting tables, distributing beverages and assisting people as needed or acting as chaperones on trips. You do not need to help with all the trips, just what you can fit into your schedule. Our programs and trips are on weekdays and range from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. depending on the program. If you would like to join our committee, please contact Connie Bauder or the church office at 609-395-0897 and we will contact you.

~~ STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE ~~

Counting Teams: 4/29(Team #4) and 5/6(Team #1)

~~ YOUTH MINISTRY ~~

Activities for Youth Group

- April 29** 5:30-7:00 p.m. Youth Group music in the McKnight Room - students make phone calls to previous bakers to ask them to make something for our May 13 "Bake for Heaven's Sake" bake sale on Mother's Day during coffee hour for the Youth Mission Trip.
- May 5** (Sat.) 9:00- 10:30 a.m. Service Project: youth assist with the Spring Church Work Day (refreshments are provided in Fellowship Hall)
- May 6** 5:30-7:00 p.m. Youth Group in the McKnight Room, make signs for our bake sale and play Quoits on the South Lawn if the weather is nice!

~~ CALENDAR ~~

April 29, 2012 - May 6, 2012

Sunday 29	9:15a Inquirers' Class - Library 9:15a Christian Education for all ages (Classrooms/FH/McKnight Rm) 10:30a Worship followed by coffee hour 4:00p-5:00p Cranbury Scout Band Practice - upstairs classroom 5:30p-7:00p Youth Group-McK Rm 7:30p-9p Cranbury Men's Bible Study at the Inn
Monday 30	10:00a Senior Exercise 7:30p Brass Choir 8:00p Al-Anon-McK Rm
Tuesday 1	9:00a Bulletin Material Due 9:30a- 12 noon Women's Bible Study-Room 10 11:00a Staff Mtg.-Church Office 3p-5p CPM Meeting-Room 1 7:00p Outreach Committee Meeting- Library 7:00p-9:00p Eagle Scout Board of Review-Rm 1 7:30p Christian Ed. Meeting-FH 7:30p Youth Instrumental Ensemble 7:30p AA - McKnight Room
Wednesday 2	7:30p Bell Choir
Thursday 3	10:00a Senior Exercise 2:30p-5:30p TASK (VAN) 4:15p-4:45p Cherub Choir -Sanctuary 4:45p-5:30p Children's Choir-Sanctuary 7:00p Worship Meeting - Lib. 7:30p B&G Meeting-Lib. 7:30p The Chorale - Sanctuary
Friday 4	9:00a Bulletin Assembly-Church Office
Saturday 5	9:00 a.m. B&G Spring Workday
Sunday 6	9:15a Inquirers' Class Breakfast - FH 9:15a Christian Education for all ages (Classrooms/Library/McKnight Rm) 10:30a Worship with Communion and New Member Recognition 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-McK Rm 7:00p Boy Scouts (GC) - FH 7:30p-9p Cranbury Men's Bible Study at the Inn