

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
8th Sunday after Pentecost
July 22, 2012 10:00 A.M.

THE APPROACH

PRELUDE

Morecame and Picardi

Lani Smith
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.)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Mr. Chris Welch

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters; he restores my soul.

He leads me in right paths for his name’s sake.

Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff—they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;

you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,

and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

HYMN #243 (Hymnal)* *“We Thank You, Lord, for You Are Good”*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)*

Good Shepherd, we do not like to admit that we need you. We want to believe that we are perfectly capable of taking care of ourselves; we imagine that whatever we do is acceptable, as long as we think it doesn’t hurt someone else. Yet our sins are too great to count, and chief among them is the belief that we are our own master. Lord, forgive our refusal to be truly reliant on you and your guiding, shepherding, and challenging ways. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON*

HYMN #577 (Hymnal)*

“Gloria Patri”

THE PEACE* ✚

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE ✚

Pastor Rosanna

COMMISSIONING OF LEADERS OF THE CRANBURY PRESBYTERIAN NURSERY SCHOOL SUMMER PROGRAM

Vicki Bain, Annette Briffa, Rosellyn Cassidy, Laurie Davis, Rebecca Franke, Dorothy Klotzbeacher, Janice Parker and Linda Protinick

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 CPNS SUMMER PROGRAM TEACHERS

You are leaders in our church's nursery school summer program. Through your efforts, the good news of God's love will continue to be taught and nurtured in the hearts, minds and lives of children in our 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, calling children to faith in Christ as his disciples? **We do.**

By the authority of the Session, you are commissioned as leaders in our church's nursery school summer program. May the light of Christ shine through all that you say and do.

UNISON PRAYER:

Eternal God, in every age you have appointed teachers to tell of your wonderful love and justice. We thank you for these sisters in Christ, through whom you continue to teach children 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

Acts 9: 1-9a

Lil Conley
Pew Bible pg. 127

ANTHEM *“Come my way, my truth, my life”* **R. Vaughan-Williams,**
(*The Call – George Herbert: 1593-1633*) **Arr. D. Klotzbeacher**
Jenni Collins, vocalist and Scott Collins, clarinet

SCRIPTURE Acts 9: 19b-25 Pew Bible pg. 128

SERMON “Praying at This Moment” The Rev. Rosanna Anderson

THE RESPONSE

HYMN #207 (Hymnal)* *“How Lovely, Lord”*

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH Mr. Welch

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 *“O Come and Mourn with Me Awhile”* **Evelyn Morrison**
(*Kedron*) Organ

Hymn #593 (Hymnal)* *“Doxology”*
Prayer of Dedication* Mr. Welch

HYMN # 379 (Hymnal)* *“My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”*

BENEDICTION*

POSTLUDE* *Forest Green* **Lani Smith**
Organ

***ALL WHO ARE ABLE MAY STAND**

We give thanks to God for the birth of

June Katherine Perry
on July 13, 2012
daughter of Ron and Leigh Perry
sister of Mitchell

“See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are.” I John 3:1

~~ CALENDAR ~~

July 22, 2012 - July 29, 2012

Sunday 22	10:00a Worship w/Commissioning of CPNS SUMMER PROGRAM followed by refreshments
Monday 23	CPNS SUMMER PROGRAM 7:30p Brass Choir 8:00p Al-Anon-McK Rm
Tuesday 24	CPNS SUMMER PROGRAM 9:00a Bulletin Material Due 11:00a Staff Mtg.-Church Office 7:30p AA - McKnight Room
Wednesday 25	CPNS SUMMER PROGRAM
Thursday 26	CPNS SUMMER PROGRAM
Friday 27	CPNS SUMMER PROGRAM
Saturday 28	
Sunday 29	10:00a Worship w/Commissioning of VBS followed by refreshments 11:15a VBS Teachers Meeting-Library

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 in memory of Elizabeth Hagerty by her family.

Head Usher is Bob Kane.

Coffee Hour is hosted by George Conley & Margie Conley and Lil Conley.

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: Tory Anderson; Marge Bloom; Everett Campbell; the Cassidy family; Martha Davis; Arlene Duran; Cyndi Girardet; Judson Hagerty and family due to the death of his grandson,

Greg Hagerty; John Henzler; Helen Myer; Rebecca Pelto; Russ Richardson; Marion Sutton; Dorothy Swec; Cathy Vogen; Lindsey Warne; Mildred Watts; and Don Winchell.

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; Gail Geijer's son, Dan; family member of CPNS, Patricia Holman; Jane Huff's grandson, James Huff-Miller; Joanne Hughes' parents, Cornelius and Bella Tanis; Linda Ill's mother, Carol Scarpone; Mary Lou Kerr's friend, Ron Wanat; Carolyn Lee's husband, John; Pastor Lou Mitchell's mother, Elizabeth; church treasurer, Art Pellichero and his wife Linda; friend of the church Sharon Ramkishun's niece, Kaitlyn; Stan and Gretchen Stults' friend, Dick Brennan; 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: Mildred Watts on July 27. **Happy Birthday!**

~~ CPNS ~~

We hope everyone is staying cool during these hot summer days. We are busy with our CPNS Summer program. Many of the children are caring for our CPNS garden and enjoying the vegetables they are growing for snack. You might want to see what's growing for yourself. You can find the garden near the overflow lot. A big thank you to Rosellyn for ensuring this exciting garden learning experience happens for our children.

The teachers this year for our CPNS Summer Program are Mrs. Franke and Mrs. Briffa in our class of children going into our 3's program in September; Mrs. Davis and Mrs. Protinick in our class of children going into our 4's program in September; and Mrs. Cassidy and Mrs. Bain in our class of children going into Kindergarten and First Grade in September. Mrs. "K" will be helping out during both weeks and sharing her gift of music with our youngest group. We will be commissioning these teachers during our church service. The classes are everyday each week from 9:00 a.m. until noon, so stop by and visit if you can.

For the school year 2012-2013, we are offering Discover 123, Art, Story & Theater, Library Adventures, Little Music Makers, Creative Movement and Power of Play. You could find the details as well as a registration form on our church website. Remember even children in a part time kindergarten program are welcome, so don't pass up this opportunity.

As you 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.

~~ MISSION, SERVICE & GRANTS ~~

All Aboard to go to TASK - Your help is needed! We invite youth, ages 13 and up, to serve an evening meal at TASK on Thursday August 2. We depart the church parking lot at 2:30 p.m. and return by 5:45 p.m.

This is a great opportunity for community service! Since October 2011, TASK has served over 116,000 meals - about 15,000 more meals served than last year. Come on, get on-board for TASK. Please email Anne Gordon at kgordon22@comcast.net.

Skeet's Pantry REALLY Needs Some Food - Especially - TUNA FISH, RICE (any and all varieties), CEREAL (family-size boxes of any variety) and/or PEANUT BUTTER. Other foods, as well as laundry/dish/face soap, toothpaste and toothbrushes are always welcome, too. Just leave your donations in bags in the wheel barrow in front of church on Sunday morning or in the entrance hall of the Parish House whenever you get a chance. We truly appreciate your help, and the many families who visit our Food Pantry each month are very grateful, too.

Snippets from the Year Book of Prayer: What is a Circle of Support team? Knoxville's Compassion Coalition encourages all area churches to consider becoming a part of these mentoring teams. And how do they mentor? The goal is for three to five people to form a Circle of Support around an individual or couple who is transitioning from chronic homelessness to permanent supportive housing. Strong connections are made between mentor and the mentees and much nurturing takes place through weekly visits. As is sharing meals, perhaps celebrating a milestone together. As is usually the case in these kinds of situations, the mentors soon realize that they have much to learn from their mentees and that the giving and receiving go both ways. One person made this comment after he developed a bond with a Circle of Support team: "If this is what church is about, then I want to be part of it." So this fortunate individual not only found a new house/home, but a new church home also.

~~ STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE ~~

Counting Teams: 7/22(Team #4) and 7/29(Team #1)

~~ WORSHIP ~~

Please note: Dr. Mitchell is on vacation and will be back in the pulpit on July 29.

Lay Readers: The schedule for June through December has been posted in Fellowship Hall. Please sign up if you wish to be a lay reader. Thank you.

Coffee Hour Hosts Needed: Coffee hour hosts are needed for the fall. Please contact Debbie Mara at dmara@comcast.net or 732-890-2841 if you are interested.

~~ YOUTH MINISTRY ~~

July 30-Aug. 3 Assist with **Vacation Bible School "SonRise National Park"** from 9-11:30 a.m. Everyone who is helping with VBS will be commissioned during worship at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday, July 29. We will have a meeting for the whole staff after worship that morning beginning in the Library.

August 2Service Project: Assist with TASK. You can make a difference! All students age 13 and over are invited to participate and bring a friend. Our group will meet at church 2:30 p.m. and return by 5:45 p.m. Please contact Anne