

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE ✨

Pastor Lou

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. **Amen.**

SCRIPTURE	Ecclesiastes 2: 12-16	Janice Parker Pew Bible pg. 615
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ANTHEM	<i>"When I survey the wondrous cross"</i>	Gilbert Martin The Chorale
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SCRIPTURE	I Corinthians 1: 18-25	Pew Bible pg. 166
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SERMON	"The Limits of Wisdom"	Dr. Louis Mitchell
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THE RESPONSE

HYMN #371 (Hymnal)*

“Lift High the Cross”

MINUTE FOR MISSION

CROP Walk

Waleska Rodriguez

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

Elevation

Donovan Klotzbeacher
Organ

Hymn #592 (Hymnal)*

“Doxology”

Prayer of Dedication*

Mr. Butler

HYMN #332 (Hymnal)*

“Live Into Hope”

BENEDICTION*

RESPONSE*

Threefold Amen (mixolydian)

Donovan Klotzbeacher
The Chorale

POSTLUDE

Jordan

The Sacred Harp, 1844
Organ

***ALL WHO ARE ABLE MAY STAND**

**“I am the resurrection and the life.
Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live,
and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.”**

Dorothy Mae Orey

July 3, 1919 – September 7, 2012

**Christian Education and
Youth Ministry Leaders in 2012-13**

**Adult Education Leaders, Christian Education Committee
Leaders, Sunday School Staff, Substitutes, and Other Education
Leaders and Youth Ministry Committee Leaders**

Rosanna Anderson, Daune Arsnow, Vicki Bain, Andrea Baverov, Spencer Bruno, Brett Butler, Rosellyn Cassidy, Earl Davison, Dina Ellsworth, Matt Ferguson, Gaylord French, Karen Henderson, KY Huang, Joanne Hughes, Mark Hughes, Gretchen Hull, Becky Huselid, Bob Kane, Mike Kasper, Cassandra Khazem, Julie Kim, Brenda Kirkenir, Dorothy Klotzbeacher, Jennifer Kong, Andy Kremann, Paul Michaud, Maggie Miller, Peter Miller, Jodene Miller, Lou Mitchell, Janice Parker, Megan Pease, Matt Rhodes, Ron Riemann, Waleska Rodriguez, Holly Root, Barbara Santoro, Kristen Stewart, Blasé Toto, Leslie Vandenberg, Kirstie Venanzi, Cathy Vogen, Vicki Waciega, Alaina Waters, Margo Wegner, Linda Wegryn, Janet Wheeler and Doris Wiegartner

Cranbury Presbyterian Nursery School Staff

Vicki Bain, Annette Briffa, Rosellyn Cassidy, Francine Coffee, Laurie Davis, Wendy delaRosa, Pam Dressel, Dorothy Klotzbeacher, Sheila Morrissey, Cyndi Oresto, Janice Parker, Debbie Petro, Linda Protinick, Denise Reilley, Kathy Edwards, Dina Ellsworth, MaryEllen Glynn, Kathy Iorio, Noel Kinney, Eileen Sahli, Patty Skapyak, Alaina Waters and Kathy Wiseman

Library Subcommittee

Daune Arsnow, Jenni Collins, Barbara Hannon, Dorothy Klotzbeacher, David, Hannah and Leah Moy, Carole Vandercher and Kirstie Venanzi

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:

Flowers in the chancel are given by Lillian Conley in honor of her grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Coffee Hour is hosted by Cranbury Presbyterian Nursery School.

Greeters are Stan and Gretchen Stults.

Head Ushers are Janice Parker and Jeff & Diane Yeager.

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; Nancy Chonko and family due to the death of her father, Lyle Armstrong; Martha Davis; Arlene Duran; John Henzler; Leslie Kasper, family and friends due to the death of her mother, Mildred Watts; Bill Keller; Helen Myer; Rebecca Pelto; Russ Richardson; and Dorothy Swec.

Family and Friends of Church Members for whom prayers are asked: Barbara Danser's mother, Evelyn Walton; Arlene Duran's daughter, Catherine Lepp; Joan Fraser's in-law, Debbie Costello; Gail Geijer's son, Dan; friend of the church, Robert Grasso; 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; friends of the church, Monica & Jerry McCutcheon's friend, Bill Mulcrone; church treasurer, Art Pellichero; friend of the church Sharon Ramkishun's niece, Kaitlyn;

Carlene Reyes' friend, Will; and Barrie Sutton and family due to the death of her mother, Anne Miller.

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!

Birthday of Distinction: Dorothy Swec on October 5. **Happy Birthday!**

~~ CHOIR ~~

New Cherub/Worship Choir members needed. Cherub Choir, ages 4-8, practice Thursdays from 4:15 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. Worship Choir, ages 9 and up, practice Thursdays 4:45 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. First practice is on Thursday, October 4, 2012 in the church. Please email Mrs. Laurie Davis at MusicMomNJ@comcast.net to inquire.

Youth Band - The Youth Band will start rehearsals on Tuesday evening, October 16. If your child is interested in joining, please email Pat Bohrs at pbohrrs@att.net. Also, let her know what is a convenient 45 minute time slot for rehearsing. Our first performance will be on Sunday, December 16.

~~ CHRISTIAN EDUCATION ~~

Adult Education from 9:15-10:15 a.m. in the Library

Today, Dr. Mitchell continued his series on Romans, a biblical book that has had a tremendous impact on Christian theology throughout the centuries. Join us for the next two weeks as we reflect on how God speaks to us through its message today.

~ CPNS ~

The Cranbury fire department will be visiting with us on Monday and Tuesday this week. The 2 ½ year-old classes will have the fire fighter gear to explore and become comfortable with as Mrs. "K" talks about fire fighters and fire safety. The children in our 3's classes will have one of our local fire fighters visit with them and show them their equipment as they dress as a fire fighter. Both classes will learn about stop, drop and roll and how important it is to not run away when a fire fighter comes to their homes. The children in our 4/5-year-old classes will walk to the fire department. We will also be having our first fire drills of our new school year, so don't be alarmed, it's only a drill; but please follow the directions and get out of our building, just to be on the safe side.

Our lunch programs and enrichment classes all begin on Monday. We have a variety of enrichment programs including, Creative Movement, Art, Story & Theater, Library Adventures, Discover 123, The Little Music Makers and the Power of Play. You are welcome to sign your child up even if they are not attending CPNS. Children through Kindergarten are welcome to participate. Also beginning this week is our Mommy's Morning Out program for our youngest children. Dina Ellsworth and Alaina Waters are the teachers this year.

We look forward to another wonderful week at CPNS. Please remember to come to church on Sunday, September 30, if you are getting this by email prior to Sunday; and if you are reading this in our bulletin at church we are so glad you are here for the commissioning of all of our Christian Educators. CPNS will be hosting coffee hour to celebrate all they do for our children. We hope to see you there.

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.

~~ MARTHA'S CIRCLE ~~

Please note: The October meeting for **Martha's Circle** has been rescheduled to **Monday, October 15** at 1:30 p.m. in the Library.

~~ MISSION, SERVICE & GRANTS ~~

Our church will be participating in the **CROP Hunger Walk 2012**, sponsored by the WHAM (Windsor-Hightstown Area) Ministerium. The walk will take place on **Sunday, October 14** at 2:00 p.m. in Mercer County Park. We need walkers and sponsors.

To join the Cranbury Presbyterian team as a walker or to make a donation, please go to: <http://www.churchworldservice.org/goto/cranburypresbyterian>. For more information, contact Waleska Rodriguez at (732)274-0352 or email: wigs814@aol.com. You can also visit the CROP Walk information table during coffee hour. Please help us end hunger-one step at a time!

Skeet's Pantry NEWS: Through your generosity, we are providing food for more families than ever. Here are the numbers to prove how much you are doing for the community:

In the first 8 months of 2011, we served 356 families, consisting of 1,037 people.

In the first 8 months of 2012, we served 529 families, consisting of 1,564 people.

Your contributions, both financial and food products, are truly demonstrating your faith in action. But the need continues, and the food we are most in need of for now is as follows:

TUNA FISH, RICE (any and all varieties), SOUP (all varieties), CANNED FRUIT (all varieties), and PEANUT BUTTER

Please just be sure the food you donate is not out-of-date. Then please 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: Hoxie, a small agricultural community in the high plains of northwest Kansas includes a Presbyterian Church that celebrated its 125th Anniversary in 2011. It is a small congregation with 78 members, a few children, fewer youth, and many members over 70. The church decided to make local mission a priority and during the 2010 Advent season. The session decided that instead of decorating the sanctuary Christmas tree with the usual decorations, they encouraged the idea of a "Very Warm" Christmas tree. Congregations were asked to bring decorations such as mittens, gloves, and mufflers. By the time Epiphany arrived, the tree had been decorated with 112 pairs of gloves, 68 pairs of socks, 62 warm hats, 8 mufflers, 2 baseball caps, 2 tote bags, and one pair of slippers. The Hoxie congregation gave the decorations to the schools and clothes closet for distribution. The "Very Warm" Christmas tree is now a new tradition for the Hoxie Church.

~~ PEACEMAKING OFFERING ~~

For over 30 years, the Presbyterian Peacemaking Program and the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) have been committed to pursuing a peaceful and just world. Peace seekers and advocates, those who work and pray for reconciliation and justice, have found their home in the Presbyterian peacemaking community. In 1980, the 192nd General Assembly adopted *Peacemaking: The Believers' Calling*, a document that has guided Presbyterian peace efforts. It is no less critical today. The document declares, among other things, that "the church is obedient to Christ when it nurtures and equips God's people as peacemakers."

Our church will participate in this Offering on October 7, and our share of this offering will be given to Skeet's Pantry. Special envelopes may be found in the pew racks and should be placed in the collection plates on October 7. It would be a help to have the name "Peace Offering" noted on any check that is donated.

~~ SENIOR FELLOWSHIP ~~

Please Note: The following Senior Fellowship program date has changed from the date previously printed on our schedule. On Saturday, October 13 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. If you can make or purchase a side dish like a salad, deviled eggs or baked beans etc... to share with the group that would be nice. 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

October 1, October 4, October 8, October 11, October 15, October 18, October 22, October 25 and October 29

~~ STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE ~~

Counting Teams: 9/30(Team #2) and 10/7(Team #3)

~~ WORSHIP ~~

Coffee Hour Hosts Needed: Coffee hour hosts are needed for October 28. Please contact Fran Stewart at frannymag58@aol.com if you are interested.

~~ YOUTH MINISTRY ~~

BIG THANKS to everyone who helped at our Service Project, the church Spaghetti Night on Friday, September 28. We are so glad for your support of our church's efforts in Outreach to our wider community. May God bless you!

Upcoming Events:

Sunday, Sept. 30 11:30 a.m. Jr. High Youth Parent meeting in the church library.

Sunday, Oct. 14 2:00-5:30 p.m. Canoeing on the Canal in Princeton OR Bowling at East Windsor Bowl & Recreation Center if the weather is bad.

Saturday, Oct. 20 Grades 5-12 all students Fall Work Day at Church: Service Project 9:00 - 10:30 a.m. Families with youth and parents of students in the confirmation class will be encouraged to participate together and stay for the whole morning until 12:00 noon if possible.

Sunday, Oct. 28 5-6:30 p.m. Halloween-Themed College Care Packages in Fellowship Hall. We're asking youth and the rest of the congregation to donate light-weight treats like hot cocoa packets and macaroni and cheese. Thank you!

~~ CALENDAR ~~

September 30, 2012 - October 7, 2012

Sunday 30	9:15a Christian Education for all ages (Classrooms/Lib./FH/McKnight Rm) 10:30a Worship w/CE Commissioning followed by coffee hour 11:30a Jr. High Parent Mtg - Library 4:00p-5:00p Cranbury Scout Band Practice - upstairs classroom 7:30p-9p Cranbury Men's Bible Study at the Inn
Monday 1	9:30a-11:30a Women's Bible Study - Room 10 10:00a Senior Exercise 7:30p Brass Choir 8:00p Al-Anon-McK Rm
Tuesday 2	9:00a Bulletin Material Due 11:00a Staff Mtg.-Church Office 1:00p Outreach Committee Meeting- Library 7:30p Christian Ed. Meeting-Lib 7:30p MS&G Meeting-FH 7:30p AA - McKnight Room
Wednesday 3	6:00p Women's Club Mtg- FH 7:30p Bell Choir
Thursday 4	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 5	9:00a Bulletin Assembly-Church Office
Saturday 6	
Sunday 7	(World/Home Communion/Peacemaking Offering) 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 7:00p Boy Scouts (GC)-FH 7:30p-9p Cranbury Men's Bible Study at the Inn