

**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**  
**10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**  
**July 28, 2013 10:00 A.M.**

**THE APPROACH**

PRELUDE

*Premier Livre d’Orgue*

**Jacques Boyvin**  
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

Peter Miller

With all our hearts,

**we praise you, O Lord.**

As we bow down before you,

**we praise you, O Lord.**

Because you have exalted your name and your promise above everything else,

**we praise you, O Lord.**

Your love, O Lord, endures forever;

**we praise you, O Lord.**

HYMN #446 (Hymnal)\*

*“Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken”*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)\*

**O God of our salvation, speak peace to your people as we turn to you in our hearts. We confess we have been easily deceived by empty philosophies, and puffed up without cause by human ways of thinking. In our pursuit of prosperity, we have failed to hold fast to Christ our Head, for the growth that comes from you. In our pride, we have sought satisfaction in the shadows, when the substance of your reign belongs to Jesus Christ, and your Spirit is ever calling us home. Pardon your people and show us your favor. Renew us, O God, and restore us again, that we may abide forever in your presence, abounding in thanksgiving. Amen**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON\*

HYMN #577 (Hymnal)\*

*“Gloria Patri”*

THE PEACE\* ✚

**PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE ✨

Peter Miller

SCRIPTURE

Ephesians 4: 1-10

Stan Dickerson  
Pew Bible pgs. 193-194

ANTHEM

*"Mary Had a Baby"*

**spiritual, arr. David Wright**  
Men's Barbershop

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 20: 1-16

Pew Bible pgs. 21-22

SERMON

"What Are We Working For?"

Brett Butler

**THE RESPONSE**

HYMN #335 (Hymnal)\*

*"Though I May Speak"*

COMMISSIONING OF VBS FAMILY MINISTRY LEADERS: Samantha Andrews, Daune Arsnow, Elizabeth Balazs, Brett Butler, Linda Cody, Jenni Collins, Scott Collins, Jessica Corriveau, Collin Corriveau, Bea Davison, Earl Davison, Dina Ellsworth, Kate Ellsworth, Becky Franke, Joe Frascella, Sarah Gordon, Alicia Kasper, Cassandra Khazem, Carron Kohn, Dorothy Klotzbeacher, Helen Lazarro, Emily Frascella, Taylor Manos, Jeannine Meizenis, Pam Mills, Carlene Reyes, Rebekah Sandefer, Katie Stewart, Cherylanne Thyrum, Alex Vogen, Cassi Waciega, Maggie Welch, Janet Wheeler, Doris Wiegartner and Margo Wegner.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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, and with all your soul, and with all your might. 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, Jesus told his disciples: 'I give you a new commandment, that you love one another just as I have loved you.'

**What we have heard and know for ourselves, we must hand on to the next generation. These in their turn will tell others to put confidence in the Lord, never forgetting God's faithfulness and always keeping his commandments.**

QUESTIONS TO THE VBS FAMILY MINISTRY LEADERS

We give thanks to God that you are leaders in our VBS Family Ministry. Through your efforts, the good news of God's love will be celebrated among another generation. Please answer these questions. Do you trust Jesus Christ your 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 to faith in Jesus Christ and training his disciples? **We do.**

You are now commissioned to be a leader in the VBS Family Ministry. May the light of God's love shine through all that you say and do!

PRAYER (In Unison)

**Eternal God, in every age you have appointed teachers and leaders to tell of your love and power, your justice and peace. We thank you for these brothers and sisters who will teach children and young people your ways this week in VBS. Give them the gifts of your Spirit, so that they may be bold witnesses of your good news. Guide them as they serve in your name. May they speak your word and show your kindness. O Lord, help us to turn to you in obedience to your commandments and to live in the hope and joy of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

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

*Trio a deuz dessus*

Jacques Boyvin  
Organ

Hymn #593 (Hymnal)\*

*"Doxology"*

Prayer of Dedication\*

HYMN #473 (Hymnal)\*

*"For the Beauty of the Earth"*

BENEDICTION\*

RESPONSE\*

*Irish Blessing*

traditional, arr. Don Grey  
Men's Barbershop

POSTLUDE\*

*Duo*

Jacques Boyvin  
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](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.

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

**The Flowers** in the chancel today are given in memory of Mildred Watts, Happy Birthday from Michael, Leslie, Andrew and Alicia Kasper.

**Refreshments** today will be hosted by Arthur and Gloria-Jean Ryba.

**Greeters** are Earl Davison and Don Winchell.

**Head Usher** is Bob Kane.

**We would also like to thank** chorister, Ross Trube, who organized the male barbershop singers for this morning's worship service.

#### **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 call the church office at (609)395-0897.

#### **PRAYER REQUESTS**

**Church members with special needs:** Marge Bloom; Everett Campbell; David Geijer; Bill Keller; Claire Maselli; Russ Richardson; Art Ryba; Carol Sprout; and Nancy Stewart.

**Family and Friends of Church Members for whom prayers are asked:** Rosellyn Cassidy's father, Jim Savasta and friend, Sarah Pagano; Barbara Danser's mother, Evelyn Walton; Pat Demers' son, Erik Bjornen; Judy Duke's mother, Ruth Biesecker; Jean Dunham's son, Jay and family; Arlene Duran's daughter, Catherine Lepp; Paul and Janet Furchak's friend, David Braverman; Gail Geijer's son, Dan; Jane Huff's grandson, James Huff-Miller; Joanne Hughes' parents, Cornelius and Bella Tanis; Mark Hughes' grandmother, Olga Zelder and great uncle, Peter Ewaskiw; Linda Ill's mother, Carol Scarpone; Carolyn Lee's husband, John; Barbara Santoro's niece, Krystine; Fran Stewart's father, Eugene Feeney; Gretchen Stults' granddaughter, Jodi Mallette and family; Cathy Vogen's husband, Mike; and Doris Wiegartner's son, Brian.

**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:** Arthur Danser on July 30. **Happy Birthday!**

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~ CHRISTIAN EDUCATION ~

#### **Vacation Bible School 2013**

**REMINDER:** There will a VBS teacher/volunteer meeting in the library at 11:15 a.m. after worship TODAY!

VBS 2013 begins tomorrow, July 29 through August 2 from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. each day. This year's curriculum is Cokesbury's - Everywhere Fun Fair. Please contact Cassandra Khazem ([609-619-2617](tel:609-619-2617)) or Jenni Collins ([609-395-8151](tel:609-395-8151)) if you have any questions.

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~ CPNS ~

We are closed for the summer, and are busy getting ready for school to begin in September. We have several openings for our classes at this time and a very short wait list for our 2 1/2-year-old program. We also have a variety of exciting enrichment offerings as well as our new Kindergarten Skill Builder class on Monday and Friday afternoons. Don't hesitate to register for any of the exciting opportunities we are offering for the school year 2013 -2014. I look forward to speaking with you.

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](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.

Please call or stop by for details on any of our programs. We look forward to hearing from you.

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~~ MISSION, SERVICE & GRANTS ~~

**Skeet's Pantry Needs Some Food!** With many thanks to all our friends in the congregation who have been so generous, we're asking again for some food for our pantry. Specifically, we need PASTA, RICE and CEREAL. Any kind, any size (but think "family size" if possible) will be very welcome. So thanks again for always being there when we need your help!

**Snippets from the Year Book of Prayer:** First Presbyterian Church in Kingsport, TN has operated a clothes closet for more than 50 years. Today, over 4,500 families have been assisted by this ministry. It is the only active clothes closet in the area, and it provides almost anything in clothes that a family might need. Other organizations refer clients to the clothes closet. A large number of volunteers gather early every Monday morning to sort, fold, hang, and display the merchandise. A family may visit the clothes closet twice each calendar month and select two outfits per person registered. Shoes, jackets, coats, and some other items are not included in this limit. Each July the clothes closet has a back-to-school giveaway with new underwear, socks, and tennis shoes for children. At Christmas children receive toys and free photos of themselves with Santa.

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~~ OTHER NEWS ~~

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The Wounded Warriors program is partnering with the Toys for Tots annual drives to collect gifts and items to provide pregnant wives of wounded warriors with "virtual" baby showers. There are about ten wives who are expecting within the next month but who are currently spending time with their husbands at Walter Reed Hospital and are away from friends and families.

If you would like to help these soon-to-be mothers have a little normalcy in their disrupted lives, please bring new, unwrapped newborn or infant items: clothing, diapers, onesies, pacifiers, disposable bottles, etc... to the church (there will be a donation box in fellowship hall and at the church office) by 8/4/13. This is a time sensitive giving opportunity, so we only have about a week.

Thank you for your generosity and care to assist those who serve our country.

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~~ STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE ~~

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Counting Teams: 7/28 (Team #4) and 8/4 (Team #)

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~~ CALENDAR ~~

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**July 28, 2013 - August 4, 2013**

<b>Sunday 28</b>	10:00a Worship with VBS Commissioning followed by refreshments 11:15a VBS - Library 12:00p VBS set-up and prep - FH 4:00p-5:00p Cranbury Scout Band Practice - upstairs classroom
<b>Monday 29</b>	<b>VBS All Areas</b> 7:30p Brass Choir 8:00p AI-Anon-McK Rm
<b>Tuesday 30</b>	<b>VBS All Areas</b> <b>9:00a Bulletin Material Due</b> 7:30p AA - McKnight Room
<b>Wednesday 31</b>	<b>VBS All Areas</b>
<b>Thursday 1</b>	<b>VBS All Areas</b> 2:30p-5:30p Youth going to TASK (VAN) 7:00p Worship Meeting - Lib. 7:30p B&G Meeting-Lib.
<b>Friday 2</b>	<b>VBS All Areas</b> 9:00a Bulletin Assembly-Church Office 8:00p-9:00p AA (Promises 12 Steps)McK Room
<b>Saturday 3</b>	
<b>Sunday 4</b>	10:00a Worship w/communion followed by refreshments 4:00p-5:00p Cranbury Scout Band Practice - upstairs classroom