

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

Christ the King Sunday
November 24, 2013 10:30 A.M.

THE APPROACH

PRELUDE

“Come Thou Almighty King”

Edward Broughton
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

Fifth and Sixth Grade Sunday School Class

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, everything in heaven and on earth was created, the visible and the invisible.

Praise Jesus Christ, the king of all creation!

The Lord has visited and redeemed the people.

Praise Jesus Christ, the king of our salvation!

God has remembered the holy covenant and saved us from the clutches of our enemies.

Praise Jesus Christ, the king of our deliverance!

The Sun of Righteousness has arisen to rescue us from darkness.

Praise Jesus Christ, the king of kings!

The Lord is making peace and reconciling all things.

Praise Jesus Christ, our king!

HYMN #151 (Hymnal)*

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)*

Martha Donovan

O Lord our righteousness, we thank you that through your Son, Jesus Christ, we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. For in him your fullness was pleased to dwell and through him you have rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of light. Renew us all, we pray, in the faith of Christ our Lord, who has made true peace through the blood of his cross. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON*

HYMN #579 (Hymnal)*

THE PEACE* ✠

“Gloria Patri”

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE ✠

Pastor Lou

SCRIPTURE

Revelation 4: 1-11

Mary Speer
Pew Bible pgs. 247-248

ANTHEM

“Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving” Welsh, arr. **Katherine K. Davis**
The Chorale

SCRIPTURE

Revelation 5: 1-14

Pew Bible pg. 248

SERMON

“Not a Tame Lion”

Dr. Louis Mitchell

THE RESPONSE

HYMN #147 (Hymnal)*

“Blessing and Honor”

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

Toccata per l’Elevazione

Girolamo Frescobaldi
Organ

Hymn #592 (Hymnal)*

“Doxology”

Prayer of Dedication*

Mrs. Donovan

HYMN #555 (Hymnal)*

“Now Thank We All Our God”

RESPONSE*

Choral Amen

Donovan Klotzbeacher
The Chorale

BENEDICTION*

POSTLUDE*

“Rejoice, the Lord is King”

Adam Mason
Organ

***ALL WHO ARE ABLE MAY STAND**

A Congregational Meeting

has been called by the session immediately following the 10:30 a.m. Worship Service on December 1, 2013, for the sole purpose of electing church officers.

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.

We thank those who are serving today in these ways:
The Flowers in the chancel today are given in loving memory of Ethel and Jake Klotzbeacher and Ellen and George Vandercher by Dorothy Klotzbeacher.

Coffee Hour is hosted by George and Audrey Smith and Stan and Helen Dickerson.

Greeters are Joy Barclay and Earl Davison.

Head Usher is Bob Kane.

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; Liz Callaway; Everett Campbell; Rose Eller; Cyndi Girardet; Bill Keller; Claire Maselli; Russ Richardson; Art Ryba; Mark Sasso; and Agnes Winchell.

Family and Friends of Church Members for whom prayers are asked: Rosellyn Cassidy's father, Jim Savasta; Barbara Danser's mother, Evelyn Walton; Martha Donovan's friend, The Rev. Dusty K. Fiedler; Judy Duke's mother, Ruth Biesecker; Jean Dunham's son, Jay and family; Arlene Duran's daughter, Catherine Lepp; Ken and Dina Ellsworth's son, Will; 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; Kathy Mitchell's friends, the Tracy LaMana family, and Doug and Jean Lovejoy; Beatrice Mabutho's sister, Phyllis and brother-in-law Joseph, family member, Harriet George and friend, Allarv Hollis Lewis; Leah Moy's friends, Irene and Marty Goldberg; Cranbury Librarian, Jan Murphy's husband, Rian; 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!

~ CHRISTIAN EDUCATION ~

Adult Education: We will complete our current series of Bible studies with Dr. Gretchen Hull next Sunday with the book of "Jude." We have all gained new insights into our

faith from our journey from "Obadiah" the first week through "III John" last week. Now we look forward to learning more from "Jude." Join the group in Room 1 at 9:15 a.m. Everyone is welcome—each week is a new experience.

~ CPNS ~

November gives us another opportunity to reflect on everything we are thankful for. God has given us so many wonderful blessings here at CPNS. We are thankful to have a safe, warm building that we can go to school in. We are thankful for our parents, board members and our many volunteers that help us in so many ways. We are thankful for our teachers who love and care for our children every day, and we are thankful for our children those very special blessings, who make us, smile and warm our hearts.

Our CPNS Thanksgiving Programs will be on Monday, November 25 at 10:45 a.m. and on Tuesday, November 26 at 10:45 a.m. and 2:15 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Please join our Pilgrims and Native American Indians as we celebrate Thanksgiving together and give thanks for our many blessings. We will be singing some songs and sharing a special feast with everyone. We hope that you will be able to join us during one or all three of our programs.

Registration for the school year 2014-2015 will begin in January. Please let your friends and neighbors know about our school and encourage them to contact us. It's never too late to join our CPNS family. If you are not currently a CPNS student or are attending kindergarten for a half day program, you are also welcome to participate in any of the enrichment classes that fit into your schedule. Many of our CPNS students are already registered, but if you haven't registered your child or want to add more enrichment classes, we still have openings, it's not too late. We also have a few openings in our regular classes as well. Details can be found on our website, www.cranburypres.org or please call Janice at 609 655-8663.

~~ MISSION, SERVICE & GRANTS ~~

Mission of the Month: NAMI Mercer

Mental illness is helped by treatment to lead to recovery and productive lives. Sometimes that involves inpatient treatment in a hospital setting. Trenton Psychiatric Hospital (TPH) serves some five counties, including Middlesex and Mercer. During the Christmas holidays, the Auxiliary of TPH wraps and gives each resident of the hospital a bag containing several gifts; a game, a toiletry, perhaps a purse or wallet, something to wear such as a t-shirt and always socks. Help these folks have a brighter Christmas by making donations of these items or give a cash donation to the Auxiliary of TPH instead of gifts, with "Christmas" noted. Please be generous as many of those who are there have no one else who remembers them at this special holiday.

Christmas is but one day a year, Bingo and birthdays happen every week. The items they could use are: grooming and cosmetic supplies, playing cards, jig-saw puzzles, jewelry, and greeting cards as well as, books, current magazines about 4 months old, appropriate 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 small luggage.

We are asking for donations to be placed in the box in Fellowship Hall for the Trenton Psychiatric Hospital Auxiliary. There will be a listing of items they can use taped to the box. Call Pat Demers at 609 395-0314 or email her at patdemers@aol.com for more information. Please be generous. Many of these folks have no one else who helps them but this small band of auxiliary workers.

Snippets from The Year Book of Prayer: ENGAGE is a Presbyterian Mission Agency resource which a church in Charlotte, North Carolina began using with this as background the church became engaged in new service opportunities. Partnering with another church they organized "Impact Charlotte". More than 800 volunteers worked together on 50 service projects. A one-stop shop offering clothing and free haircuts and shaves proved popular. "One of the homeless men was disappointed because he could not find a coat, but coats were the first thing to go. One of our volunteers gave him the coat off his back. One little girl, who lives in the city shelter and came to the shop with damaged hair and was so excited about her new bouncy haircut that she didn't want to leave. The pastor has said that "ENGAGE has given us new language to describe why we do what we do. We are connecting people to God and each other".

Skeet's Food Pantry is looking for small new gifts (for all ages) to be given out on December 13 with their monthly food distribution. Thank you.

~~ SENIOR FELLOWSHIP ~~

Special Thanks...Connie Bauder, coordinator of Senior Fellowship would like to give thanks to the following members who make it possible for the Senior Fellowship mission of this church to flourish. Please give your thanks to them for doing God's work, Bill Bauder, Nancy and Dennis Chonko, Joan Fraser, Heidi Knowlton, Jean Randazzo, Audrey Smith and Larry White. Please keep these people in your prayers and join with me in giving them thanks for their service.

Upcoming Event

Senior Fellowship will celebrate Christmas with the Annual Christmas Luncheon on Tuesday, December 10 at 12(noon) in Fellowship Hall. Join us for a full luncheon, singing some of the old favorite Christmas songs and entertainment by the students of CPNS.

Starting on November 15, we will be calling our calling list of regular participants. If you are not one of the people that we call each month and you would like to attend, you must call the church office at 609-395-0897 to preregister for this program before November 29.

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL - FROM SENIOR FELLOWSHIP. Many thanks to all the volunteers who make it possible for us to carry out this mission and especially to have this Christmas program.

~~ STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE ~~

Counting Teams: 11/24 (Team #1) - 12/1 (Team #2)

Please note: If you haven't returned your 2014 pledge card and/or your time and talent sheets it isn't too late! Just drop them off in the church office or in the offering plate.

~~ WORSHIP ~~

Would you like to help usher one of the 3 beautiful services for this year's holiday season?

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES, DECEMBER 24, 2013

5:00 p.m. – Children's Service

8:00 p.m. – Family Service

11:00 p.m. – Communion Candlelight Service

The sign-up sheet is available in the Narthex or contact Caren Anuszewski, Ushers Guild Coordinator, at (609)587-8883 or ccrabbe91@optimum.net.

~~ CALENDAR ~~

November 24, 2013 – December 1, 2013

Sunday 24	(Christ the King) 9:15a Christian Education for all ages (Classrooms/Lib./FH/McKnight Rm) 10:30a Worship followed by coffee hour 11:00a Meadow Lakes Worship Service 1:00p Sr. High Trip – returns – (VAN) 1:00p CPNS Thanksgiving Day Program set-up-FH 4p–5p Cranbury Scout Band Practice 6:00p-7:30p Jr. High Youth Group-McK Rm 6:15p Boys Scouts (GC)-FH/KIT 7:00p-8:00p Community Thanksgiving Worship Service @ St. Anthony of Padua (Hightstown) 7:30p-9p Cranbury Men's Bible Study at the Inn
Monday 25	9:00a Bulletin Material Due 10:45a CPNS Thanksgiving Day Program–FH/Kit 7:30p Brass Choir 8:00p Al-Anon-McK Rm
Tuesday 26	10:45a CPNS Thanksgiving Day Program–FH/Kit 9:30a Staff Mtg.-Church Office 2:15p CPNS Thanksgiving Day Program–FH/Kit 7:30p Deacons - FH 7:30p AA – McKnight Room 7:30p Presbytery Meeting - Yardville
Wednesday 27	CPNS Closed Church Office (9:00a to 12:00p) 7p-10p Cranbury Camera Club Mtg. - FH 7:30p Bell Choir
Thursday 28	(Thanksgiving Day) CPNS/Church Office Closed
Friday 29	CPNS/ Church Office Closed 8:00p-9:00p AA (Promises 12 Steps)McK Room
Saturday 30	
Sunday 1	(1st Sunday of Advent) 9:15a Celebration Sunday (Advent) 9:15a Christian Education for all ages (Classrooms/Library/McKnight Rm) 10:30a Worship with Communion followed by the Congregational Meeting to Elect Church Officers 11:00a Meadow Lakes Worship Service 4p–5p Cranbury Scout Band Practice 7:30p-9p Cranbury Men's Bible Study at the Inn