

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

Baptism of the Lord

January 12, 2014 10:30 A.M.

THE APPROACH

PRELUDE

Sonata No. 1

Johann Gottlieb Naumann
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

“Rejoice in the Lord, O Ye Just”

Donovan Klotzbeacher
The Chorale

CALL TO WORSHIP

Youth Class

The voice of the Lord is over the waters;

the God of glory thunders.

And the voice from heaven said:

This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.

HYMN #210 (Hymnal)*

“Our God, Our Help in Ages Past”

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)*

Brett Butler

God of glory, we confess that we have not sought your face. We adore the high and mighty and ignore your humble servant. We act with prejudice and partiality and fail to share your love for all. Forgive us; give us grace. Pour out the power of your Spirit and renew us in our calling: to show the wonder of your love in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON*

HYMN #579 (Hymnal)*

“Gloria Patri”

THE PEACE* ✦

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE ✦

Pastor Brett

COMMISSIONING OF CRANBURY PRESBYTERIAN NURSERY SCHOOL BOARD

Samantha Andrews, Chris Cenci, Jessica Corriveau, Kelly Flannery, Kristen Hackett, Mike Kasper Danny Kinney (Finance Consultant), Lori Kleppe (Local School Advisor), Janice Parker (Director), Leigh Perry, Patria Sullivan and Leslie Vandenberg

We are called by God to be the church of Jesus Christ, a sign in the world today of what God intends for all humankind.

(All) The great ends of the church are the proclamation of the gospel for the salvation of humankind; the shelter, nurture, and spiritual fellowship of the children of God; the maintenance of divine worship; the preservation of the truth; the promotion of social righteousness; and the exhibition of the Kingdom of Heaven to the world.

The call of Christ is to willing, dedicated discipleship. Our discipleship is a manifestation of the new life we enter through baptism. Discipleship is a gift and a commitment, an offering and a responsibility. Brothers and sisters, God has called you to particular service as members of the Board of the Cranbury Presbyterian Nursery School. Show your purpose by answering these questions.

Who is your Lord and Savior?

Jesus Christ is my Lord and Savior.

Will you be Christ's faithful disciple, obeying his Word and showing his love?

I will, with God's help.

Do you welcome the responsibility of this service because you are determined to follow the Lord Jesus, to love neighbors, and to work for the reconciling of the world?

I do.

Will you serve the people with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love, relying on God's mercy and rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit?

I will, with God's help.

Do we, members of the First Presbyterian Church, confirm the call of God to our brothers and sisters to this role in the service of Jesus Christ?

We do.

Will we support and encourage them in this ministry?

We will.

COMMISSIONING, CHARGE AND BLESSING

Faithful God, in baptism you claimed us, and by your Holy Spirit you are working in our lives, empowering us to live a life worthy of our calling. We thank you for leading these

HYMN #368 (Hymnal)*

“I’ve Got Peace Like a River”

RESPONSE*

Choral Amen

Donovan Klotzbeacher
Organ

BENEDICTION*

POSTLUDE*

Festival Postlude

Domenico Zipoli
Organ

***ALL WHO ARE ABLE MAY STAND**

The Annual Meeting of the Congregation

will take place immediately following the morning worship service
on Sunday, January 26, 2014 in the Fellowship Hall followed by our “Winter Picnic”.

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.

Coffee Hour today is hosted by CPNS in honor of the CPNS Board.

Greeters are Jack Britton and Earl Davison.

Head Ushers are Stan and Helen Dickerson.

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; Sue Britton; Liz Callaway; Rose Eller; Craig Gilbert; Bill Keller; Claire Maselli; Russ Richardson; Art Ryba; Mark Sasso; and Agnes Winchell.

Family and Friends of Church Members for whom prayers are asked: Vicki Bain's mother, Joan Stiles; Betty Borgeson's brother-in-law, Bill McInnis; Rosellyn Cassidy's father, Jim Savasta; Barbara Danser's mother, Evelyn Walton; 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; 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; Leah Moy's friends, Irene and Marty Goldberg; Karen Moutenot's sister, Patricia Obanion; Fran Stewart's father, Eugene Feeney; Gretchen Stults' granddaughter, Jodi Mallette and family; CPNS staff member, Theresa Vaccaro's sister, Charlene and family; and Cathy Vogen's husband, Mike.

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!

ADULT EDUCATION

Please join Brett Butler for a program entitled *The Contagious Depiction of War and Violence in Young Adult Fiction: How Can the Gospel Message of Love and Peace be Realized in a Culture that Craves Blood?* This program begins at 9:15 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. in Room 1.

CPNS

This week on Wednesday and Thursday if you are in the building you might see many of us in our pajamas, and might smell pancakes cooking, as we enjoy PJ/Pancake day

at CPNS. If you would like to join us for pancakes, you are always welcome, but please wear your pajamas.

Registration for the school year 2014-2015 will begin this month. Our currently enrolled students will be able to register beginning on Monday, January 13, 2014. Church members and siblings can begin to register on January 21. The general public can register any time after February 1. 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. Our winter/spring session of enrichment classes begins in February. 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

Snippets from The Year Book of Prayer: Frontera de Cristo's (FDC) binational internship ministry provides young adults from Mexico and the United States an opportunity to live in community and serve with the ministry of FDC in Agua Prieta/Douglas. Interns serve with the Mission Education Ministry, helping to build relationships and understanding between people from both sides of the border and facilitating biblical and theological reflection on border experiences and our call to a life of discipleship. One pastor reflects on her internship experience: "Frontera de Cristo's ministry shaped the trajectory of my life, opening my eyes to the borders that divide every town and place, and helped me understand my own call to ministry, advocacy, mission, and organizing for stronger and more just communities.

Mission Trip to Belize - Informational Meeting

Date: Tuesday, January 14, 2014

Time: 7:30 PM

Where: Room 1

The church is in the process of planning a mission trip to Belize for 7 days either the 2nd or 3rd week of August, 2014. The trip is open to anyone who would like to participate in helping people less fortunate. This is a hands-on mission experience. We will be doing building projects, children's ministry and whatever else God has called us to do. We will be working in the mountains of Belize with other churches that are established in the community.

The approximate cost which includes air fare, ground transportation, accommodations and food will be around \$1,700.00. Each individual will have an opportunity to raise funds for their trip. Information about this will be provided during this meeting. If you are interested in finding more information regarding our partners in this mission please look at their website at www.thirstmissions.org.

If you are unable to attend this meeting, but are interested in traveling to Belize next summer please contact George Conley at 609 577-7201.

Mission Dinner Fundraiser: (Formerly Guatemala Dinner): Our mission dinner is quickly approaching. Don't miss the wonderful opportunity for church fellowship, entertainment and a delicious meal. There are a limited number of tickets being sold, so buy them today.

We will be serving dinner on Friday, January 31 and on Saturday, February 1 beginning at 7:00 p.m. with open seating beginning at 6:30 p.m. As you dine on Friday, you

will be serenaded by piano music by Francine Hannay and on Saturday the Cranbury String Quartet and Piano by Don Klotzbeacher.

The cost of the meal will be \$50.00 per person (remember this is a fundraiser). You may want to attend both evenings to experience the variety of entertainment being offered. We will be selling only a limited number of tickets, so plan on buying your ticket early. They are on sale now and will be available during coffee hour (see Lil or George Conley) or call the church office.

We are offering a filet mignon, grilled salmon, or stuffed chicken, as your main entrees along with all the trimmings and a delicious desert to top it off with.

Checks can be made payable to The First Presbyterian Church (tax deductible) memo: Mission dinner. Any amount above the \$50.00 fee will be greatly appreciated.

Please save this date, we are counting on you for our success in this project.

George Conley, Mission Committee
(609) 395-0897

OUTREACH

Looking for a Church Home? The New Member class began this morning. If you are interested, please join Pastor Lou and members of the Session next week **January 19 and January 26 for the NEW MEMBER CLASS**.

This is your opportunity to learn what it means to be a member of First Presbyterian. We are a congregation which offers members of all ages opportunities to join in fellowship and expand their faith experiences.

The class will begin at 9:15 a.m. on January 19 in the library and will begin at 9:00 a.m. on January 26 in Fellowship Hall. Please contact the church office at 609-395-0897 to join the class or for additional information.

SENIOR FELLOWSHIP

Senior Exercise Schedule

January 13, January 16,
January 20 (NO CLASS), January 23,
January 27 and January 30

UPCOMING EVENT: Senior Fellowship will meet in Fellowship Hall on Tuesday, January 21 at noon to watch the movie, "Lincoln". Bring a brown bag lunch to eat before the movie starts. We will stop the 2 1/2 hour movie half way through to take a break and have fresh popcorn. Bring a cushion to put on your chair if you wish. If you are not on our call list and would like to participate, please pre-register with the church office (609-395-0897) by Friday, January 17. Please leave your phone number in case we have to cancel this program due to bad weather. Beverages and dessert will be provided.

"Lincoln", was nominated for best picture last year. It was directed by Steven Spielberg and stars academy award nominated stars: Daniel Day-Lewis and Sally Field. This drama focuses on the 16th President's tumultuous final 4 months in office as this visionary leader pursues a course of action to end the Civil War, unite the country and abolish slavery. It shows a man of moral courage and fierce determination. Please join us for nice way to spend a winter day in a warm and friendly place. If you are over age 55 and have never attended Senior Fellowship events this would be a nice time to start attending.

STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE

Counting Teams: 1/12 (Team #4) - 1/19 (Team #1)

The Stewardship Committee wishes to thank everyone for their participation in the 2014 Stewardship Campaign. **Your 2014 Pledge Envelopes may be picked up in Fellowship Hall.**

WORSHIP

January is Open for Flowers: Flowers are needed for Sunday, January 19 and 26. Please contact Diane Smith at 609-890-0822 or email her at D1Stargazer@verizon.net.

USHERS: 2014 Ushering packets are available for pick-up in the Narthex.

CALENDAR

January 12, 2014 – January 19, 2014

Sunday 12	(Baptism of the Lord) 9:15a New Members Class - Lib 9:15a Christian Education for all ages (Classrooms/FH/McKnight Rm) 10:30a Worship with CPNS Board Commissioning followed by coffee hour 11:00a Meadow Lakes Worship Service 4p–5p Cranbury Scout Band Practice 1p-3:30p 4 th /5 th Grade Sunday School Families Ice Skating-Mercer County Park 7:30p-9p Cranbury Men's Bible Study at the Inn
Monday 13	10:00a Senior Exercise 7:30p Brass Choir 7:30p Congregational Life Meeting-Library 8:00p Al-Anon-McK Rm
Tuesday 14	9:00a Bulletin Material Due 9:30a Staff Mtg.-Church Office 7:00p Belize Informational Mtg–Library 7:30p Youth Ministry Committee Meeting-Church Office 7:30p Stewardship & Finance-Church Office 7:30p MS&G Meeting-FH 7:30p AA – McKnight Room
Wednesday 15	9:00a Session Material Due All Day CPNS PJ/Pancake Day - Kitchen 9:00a Skeet's Food Pantry Packing 3:30p Meadow Lakes Ministry Committee @ ML Meeting Room 6p-8p Sr. High Youth Group-McK Rm 6:30p-7:30p Girl Scout Troop Mtg–Rm #10 7:30p – 9:30p Mercer Area District 7:30p Bell Choir
Thursday 16	All Day CPNS PJ/Pancake Day - Kitchen 10:00a Senior Exercise 4:15p-4:45p Cherub Choir -Sanctuary 4:45p-5:30p Children's Worship Choir-Sanctuary 7:30p The Chorale - Sanctuary
Friday 17	8:30-11:00a Skeet's Food Pantry Distribution 9:00a Bulletin Assembly-Church Office 7p-9p set-up for the Pinewood Derby-FH 8p-9p AA (Promises 12 Steps)McK Room
Saturday 18	8:00p – 2:00p – Pinewood Derby - FH
Sunday 19	9:15a New Members Class - Lib 9:15a Christian Education for all ages (Classrooms/FH/McKnight Rm) 10:30a Worship followed by coffee hour 11:00a Meadow Lakes Worship Service 11:45 Library Committee – Library 4p–5p Cranbury Scout Band Practice 6:15p Boy Scouts (GC) – FH/KIT 6:30p Youth Group going to MLK Service 6p-7:30p Jr. High Youth Group-McK Rm 7:00p Martin Luther King, Jr. Interfaith Worship Service at Mt. Olivet 7:30p-9p Cranbury Men's Bible Study at the Inn

Please Join Us!!!

for the First Presbyterian Church of Cranbury's

“Winter Picnic”

January 26, 2014

Fellowship Hall

Immediately following the Annual Meeting



Hot Dogs

Baked Beans

Slide Show

Fun with your fellow Congregants



Sponsored by your Congregational Life Committee

