

**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**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter/One Great Hour of Sharing**  
**April 27, 2014 10:30 A.M.**

**THE APPROACH**

PRELUDE    *“Lord, We Praise Thee, Bless Thee, and Adore Thee”*                      **H. Scheidemann**  
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    *Shout to the North*  
Cherub Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP    Brett Butler  
Jesus stands among us, saying: Peace be with you.  
**Blessed is Christ, our Lord and our God.**  
Jesus stands among us, saying: Receive the Holy Spirit.  
**Blessed is Christ, our Lord and our God.**

HYMN #113 (Hymnal)\*                      *“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!”*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)\*  
**Living God, we confess that we look for the living among the dead. We want to receive forgiveness, but we are not ready to forgive. We want to see Jesus’ wounds, but we ignore the woundedness of others. Forgive us; give us new life! Embrace us in Christ’s body so that we may embody for the world the life that death cannot destroy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON\*  
HYMN #579 (Hymnal)\*                      *“Gloria Patri”*  
THE PEACE\* ✚

**PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE ✚                      OGHS                      Daune Arsnow

SCRIPTURE Revelation 6: 1-8 Gretchen Stults  
Pew Bible pgs. 248-249

ANTHEM *Forgiveness* Matthew West  
Young Worship Choir

SCRIPTURE Revelation 1: 4a-5a, 17-19 & 21: 1-4 Pew Bible pgs. 245 & 259

SERMON “Rewriting the Future” Dr. Louis Mitchell

### THE RESPONSE

HYMN #111 (Hymnal)\* “*Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing!*”

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH Dr. Mitchell

L: Lord, in your mercy,

P: **hear our prayer.**

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.**

OFFERING AND ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

Offertory “*Let the praise go ‘round*” Wm. Boyce, arr. Hal Hopson  
The Chorale

Hymn #592 (Hymnal)\* “*Doxology*”  
Prayer of Dedication\* Mr. Butler

HYMN #106 (Hymnal)\* “*Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks*”

RESPONSE\* *Choral Amen*  
The Chorale

BENEDICTION\*

POSTLUDE\* *Basse et Dessus de Trompette* Jean-François Dandrieu  
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.

**The Flowers** in the chancel today are given by his wife and family to celebrate the life of Edgar Lawson.

**Coffee Hour** is hosted by Gail Geijer.

**Greeters** are Earl Davison and Andy Kremann.

**Head Ushers** are Ken Ellsworth and Ginny Swanagan.

### 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; Jean Dvorak; Will Ellsworth; Bill Keller; Scott Kerr; Claire Maselli; Lindsey Warne; and Doris Wiegartner.

**Family and Friends of Church Members for whom prayers are asked:** Alan and Barbara Balcomb’s friend Sandra Cable; Vicki Bain’s mother, Joan Stiles & brother, Ralph Stiles; Judy Barbour’s son, David; Rosellyn Cassidy’s father, Jim Savasta; Judy Duke’s mother, Ruth Biesecker; Jean Dunham’s son, Jay & family; Arlene Duran’s daughter, Catherine Lepp; Robert Dyke’s customer’s husband, Larry Fiehro; Paul & Janet Furchak’s friend, Elyse Volk; Gail Geijer’s son, Dan; Wayne & Cyndi Girardet’s son and Karen & Andy Moutenot’s son-in-law, Benjamin Girardet; Joanne Hughes’ parents, Cornelius & Bella Tanis; Mark Hughes’ grandmother, Olga Zelder & great uncle, Peter Ewaskiw; Linda Ill’s mother, Carol Scarpone; Mary Lou Kerr’s friend, Dragana Mladenovic; Carolyn Lee’s husband, John; Karen Moutenot’s sister, Patricia Obanion; Leah Moy’s mother, Helen Wagner; Jean Randazzo’s daughter, Susan; friend of the church, Luke Sickie; Fran Stewart’s father, Eugene Feeney; Gretchen Stults’ granddaughter, Jodi Mallette & family; and Vicki Waciega’s friend, Gary Ragone.

**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:** Anne Taylor on April 28.  
**Happy Birthday!**

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**Further details and sign-up sheets for our events can be found on our website at [www.cranburypres.org](http://www.cranburypres.org) and forms can be found in the Narthex. If you do not receive our weekly newsletter, please contact the church office so you can be added to the email listing.**

### BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

- We want to invite everyone to our **Spring Workday**, on **Saturday, May 3** beginning at 9:00 a.m. There is a long list of items we would like to complete this spring. The list includes outside and inside clean up and some repairs and maintenance items. No special skills are required. We hope to see you there.

### CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

- Thanks to Gaylord French as he concluded his **Lenten Study** this morning.
- Join Spencer Bruno on **May 4 at 9:15 a.m. in Room 1** as he will continue his series on Parables.
- **Annual Adult Retreat (May 2 – May 3)** at the Fellowship Deaconry in Liberty Corner. Sign-up during coffee hour. For questions, contact Dorothy Klotzbecher at 732-521-2026
- **Vacation Bible School** will be on July 28 through August 1. We will explore the wonders of God’s creation at the Workshop of Wonders. To learn more visit [www.cokesburyvbs/cranburypres](http://www.cokesburyvbs/cranburypres).

### CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

- **Annual Women’s Tea** will be on **Sunday, May 4** from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Invite your friends, neighbors, moms and relatives to join in an afternoon of women’s fellowship and fun. All women are welcome and there is no charge! **Reservations must be made by April 27.** Forms can be found on our website or in the Narthex. Please call Ann Riemann at (609)799-8526 or email her at [riemann22@comcast.net](mailto:riemann22@comcast.net) with any questions.

### CPNS

- We are so glad the warmer weather is finally here. We look forward to working in our CPNS garden. Thank you, Rosellyn Cassidy and our CPNS children for taking such good care of it for all of us. Our CPNS garden gives children the developmentally appropriate opportunities to become deeply involved and engaged in the natural world. Young children are sensory learners, and gardening calls to all their senses. They develop confidence as well as conquering fears as they encounter new creatures in their explorations, examine

them, hold them in their hands, and return them to their homes. Please stop by any time and visit our garden.

- We are currently accepting registrations for the school year 2014-2015. We are also registering for our pre-summer and summer programs. Children that are going into our 3-year-old class through children going into 1st grade are welcome to participate. You could find the registration forms on our website, [www.cranburypres.org](http://www.cranburypres.org) or call Janice at 609 655-8663 for the details.

### MISSION, SERVICE & GRANTS

- **Snippets from the Year Book of Prayer:** As a memorial gift a church in Magnolia, Arkansas furnished the funds to build a new church in Nkom, Cameroon. Magnolia church members had BBQs, saved allowances, and did without other things to raise the needed funds. The Nkom congregation chose a site, cleared and excavated it by hand, laid the concrete, performed masonry and carpentry work with simple hand tools, dug sand and gravel from a nearby river. Two years after the project was begun, members of both congregations, church officials from both the Presbyterian Church in Cameroon and the PC(USA) gathered to dedicate the new church to the glory of God.
- **Bread for the World:** We are all against hunger for others as well as ourselves. This year, BREAD FOR THE WORLD is urging reforms which will enable more food to be purchased closer to where the need is rather than shipped slowly overseas from the United States. Be sure to join us at the BFW table in the Fellowship Hall on **May 18** to sign the pre-written letters urging our NJ Senators and a Representative to support the BFW suggested reforms for US Aid.
- **Mission of The Month:** We actively support the **Better Beginnings Day Care center**, located in Hightstown and the **South County Day Care Center**, located in Helmetta. These day care centers are not for profit agencies that provide year round affordable day care for children 2½ years old and up.
- **Better Beginnings Day Care Center Gala:** Please join us at the **47<sup>th</sup> Annual Shining Star Gala** on **Saturday, May 3** to benefit **Better Beginnings Day Care Center** in Hightstown. Tickets are \$75 per person. Visit our website for further details or contact Anne or Ken Gordon.

### NEW MEMBER CLASS

- **Looking for a Church Home?** Join Pastor Lou and members of the Session on May 4 at 9:15 a.m. in the library and on May 11 at 9:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall for the Spring New Member Class. Please contact the church office at 609-395-0897 to join the class or for additional information.

### OTHER NEWS

- **Organ Recital:** Join Dr. Gaylord French on **TODAY, April 27 at 4:00 p.m.** in the Sanctuary for an organ

recital. Enjoy music by Bach, Mendelssohn, Held and Cherwien.

### SENIOR FELLOWSHIP

- **Senior Exercise Schedule:** April 28, May 1, May 5, May 8, May 12, May 15, May 19, May 22, (**NO CLASS on May 26**), and May 29

### STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE

- **Counting Teams:** 4/27 (Team #3) – 5/4 (Team #4)
- If you are interested in participating as a canvasser for this year's Stewardship Campaign, please contact Ken Gordon.

### WORSHIP

- **Flower Openings** on Sunday, May 18, June 1 and June 29. If you are interested, please contact Diane Smith at [dlstargazer@verizon.net](mailto:dlstargazer@verizon.net) or call (609)890-0822.

### CALENDAR (April 27, 2014 – May 4, 2014)

<b>Sunday 27</b>	<b>(One Great Hour of Sharing)</b> Women's Retreat at Camp Johnsonburg-VAN 9:15a New Member Class - Library 9:15a Christian Ed for all ages(CRs/FH/McK Rm) 10:30a Worship followed by coffee hour 11:00a Meadow Lakes Worship Service 4:00p Organ Recital (G. French)-Sanctuary 4p-5p Cranbury Scout Band Practice 6:00p-7:30p Jr. High Youth Group-McK Rm 6:15p Boy Scouts (GC) – FH/KIT 7:30p-8:30p Cranbury Men's Bible
<b>Monday 28</b>	10:00a Senior Exercise 7:30p Brass Choir 7:30p CPNS Board Meeting – Library 8:00p Al-Anon-McK Rm
<b>Tuesday 29</b>	<b>9:00a Bulletin Material Due</b> 9:30a Staff Mtg.-Church Office 2:30p-3:30p Bible Study "Faith Lessons"– Meadow Lakes Mtg Rm 7:30p AA – McKnight Room
<b>Wed. 30</b>	7:30p Bell Choir
<b>Thurs. 1</b>	10:00a Senior Exercise 7:00p Worship Meeting—Lib. 7:30p B&G Meeting-Lib. 7:30p The Chorale - Sanctuary
<b>Friday 2</b>	Annual Adult Retreat at the Fellowship Deaconry, Liberty Corner, NJ ( <b>VAN</b> ) 8:00p-9:00p AA (Promises 12 Steps)McK Rm
<b>Saturday 3</b>	9:00a B&G Workday 10a Set up for Annual Women's Tea – FH/Kit Youth Group Picnic after workday–Village Park Annual Adult Retreat at the Fellowship Deaconry, Liberty Corner, NJ ( <b>VAN</b> )
<b>Sunday 4</b>	9:15a New Member Class - Lib 9:15a Christian Ed for all ages (CRs/FH/McK Rm) 10:30a Worship w/Communion followed by coffee hour

11:00a Meadow Lakes Worship Service w/Communion 2:00p-4:00p Annual Women's Tea-FH/Kit 4p-5p Cranbury Scout Band Practice 4p-9p Boy Scouts Award Dinner (GC)-FH/Kit 7:30p-8:30p Cranbury Men's Bible Study
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