

Welcome to Worship at First Presbyterian Church

Please join us for fellowship and refreshments

in the courtyard following the service.

(✦ Latecomers may be seated.)

AN ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

9th Sunday after Pentecost

August 10, 2014 10:00 A.M.

THE APPROACH

PRELUDE

“Jesus shall reign”

Cherwien

Organist, Dr. Gaylord French

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

Lillian Conley

After the wind, the earthquake, the fire,
let us hear what the Lord will speak.
Jesus says: Take heart, it is I; do not fear.
Rejoice, the Kingdom of God is near!

HYMN #416 (Hymnal)*

“Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation”

Westminster Abbey

CALL TO CONFESSION

Too often when life threatens us, we trust the world to save us, finding it easy to believe the empty promises of seduction and doubt. But our God offers us forgiveness and healing, if we will but trust and follow. Let us begin, by confessing our sins together:

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)*

It seems too easy to get into the boat and set sail on our journey, God of Promises. But when the winds of change begin to blow, we want to turn around and head back to the past’s safe harbor. When sin’s waves crash over the side, we try to wrap ourselves in the cloak of pride thinking we will not get wet. When Jesus calls to us to get out and follow in faith, we look around, hoping he is not speaking to us. Swamped by our fears, and sinking in doubt, we long for someone to help us – so save us, Holy One, save us! Stretch out your hand, so we might be lifted from our despair to hope, from our worries to trust, from our foolishness to faithful living. Then, we will dare to follow Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON*

In confessing that Christ is Lord, we let go of the past, and turn to God’s future. We step out of our fears, and walk into the light and life offered by our God.

In trusting Christ’s resurrection, we trust all of God’s promises, letting the Spirit work in and through us, healing and making us whole. Thanks be to God, we are forgiven! Amen.

HYMN #577 (Hymnal)*
THE PEACE* ✚

“Gloria Patri”

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE ✚

Rev. Suzanne Schafer-Coates

SCRIPTURE

Genesis 37: 1-4, 12-28

Bob Kane
Pew Bible pg. 34

ANTHEM

“With a Voice of Singing”

Martin Shaw
Summer Chorale

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 14: 22-33

Pew Bible pg. 16

SERMON

“Caught in a Storm”

Rev. Schafer-Coates

THE RESPONSE

HYMN # 84 (Hymnal)*

“In the Cross of Christ I Glory”

Rathbun

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

“If you but trust in God to Guide You”

Manz
Organist, Dr. French

Hymn #593 (Hymnal)*

“Doxology”

Prayer of Dedication*

Ms. Conley

HYMN # 377 (Hymnal)* *“Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore”* **Pescador De Hombres**

BENEDICTION*

POSTLUDE*

Immortal, Invisible

Carlson
Organist, Dr. French

***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).

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 in loving memory of Joe and Maryminta Konrad by Walter, Austin, Ed, Debbie and Ben Konrad.

Coffee Hour is hosted by Caren and Stan Anuszewski.

Greeters are Earl Davison and Heidi Knowlton.

Head Usher is Karen Moser.

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; Will Ellsworth; Bill Keller; Scott Kerr; Lori Kleppe and family due to the death of her father; Claire Maselli; Pastor Lou Mitchell; Kathy Mitchell; Cheryl Richardson; Elsie Sutton; Doris Wiegartner and Ann Zimmerman.

Family and Friends of Church Members for whom prayers are asked: Vicki Bain's mother, Joan Stiles; Judy Barbour's son, David; Rosellyn Cassidy's father, Jim Savasta; Jean Dunham's son, Jay; Arlene Duran's daughter, Catherine Lepp; Dina Ellsworth's cousin, Aaron Briggs; Paul & Janet Furchak's friend, Lori Sigley; Gail Geijer's son, Dan; Wayne & Cyndi Girardet's son and Karen & Andy Moutenot's son-in-law, Benjamin Girardet; friends of the congregation, Robert & Patricia Grasso's, friend Michelle Martin; Barbara Hannon's daughter, Cynthia Wood; Mark Hughes' grandmother, Olga Zelder; Karen Moutenot's sister, Patricia Obanion; Leah Moy's mother, Helen Wagner; Jean Randazzo's daughter, Susan; Fran Stewart's father, Eugene Feeney; Gretchen Stults' granddaughter, Jodi Mallette & family; and Margo & Larry Wegner's son, Devin.

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: William Keller, Jr. on August 17. **Happy Birthday!**

CPNS

CPNS will be closed for the next few weeks, but it's not quite time for vacation. We are all getting ready for a new school year. There are so many details that need to be taken care of, including a review and revision of our curriculum. The NJ Department of Education has revised their Preschool Teaching and Learning Standards to incorporate changes relating to the common core standards. It also includes a new section "Approaches to Learning" that we will be adding to our curriculum. CPNS wants to ensure we are providing the most developmentally appropriate program, and a strong foundation for each child to build academic success upon.

We are currently accepting registrations for the school year 2014-2015, including a variety of enrichment programs. Please let your friends and neighbors know about our school and encourage them to contact us. We would be happy to show them our school and tell them about all the wonderful learning opportunities that we have each and every day. You can find the registration forms on our website, www.cranburypres.org or call Janice at 609 655-8663 for the details.

MEADOW LAKES

Bible Study, led by Suzanne Schafer-Coates, will be held at Meadow Lakes on Tuesday afternoons through August 26, from 2:30-3:30 p.m., in the Meeting Room. We will be using another in the series presented by the Rev. Dr. Ray Vander Laan, (which includes wonderful teaching videos filmed on location at eight biblically significant sites), this series is called Life and Ministry of the Messiah. Following the 20 minute video, we will discuss the Biblical story highlighted and how it touches our lives. Everyone is welcome to attend!

MISSION, SERVICE & GRANTS

Snippets from the Year Book of Prayer: The Medical Benevolence Foundation (MBF) believes that training nurses is one of the best ways to build effective, sustainable health care in developing countries. But its work involves more than just medical training. Proclaiming the gospel is an integral part of the ministry which works with and through international partnership churches--including PC(USA). Christian principles of compassion, integrity, and grace are foundational

elements in the training program. The goal is to graduate skilled nurses who will serve in Christ's name in hospitals and clinics throughout the country. MBF supports nursing schools in Malawi, Haiti, Kenya, and the Democratic Republic of the Congo. What wonderful opportunities each student will have to touch directly countless lives with the gospel.

Skeet's Pantry Wish List: (CEREAL, PASTA and PASTA SAUCE) The June and July Skeet's Pantry Days have been VERY large – 93 families in June and 87 families in July. There doesn't seem to be a summer drop-off in hungry families – that's for sure! We expect our next Pantry Day on August 15 will be equally large, and that means we need your help more than ever so that we can keep putting a dent in hunger in our local community. As always, please leave your food donations in the wheelbarrow on Sunday mornings, or in the front hall of the Parish House.

While we've always helped feed families with children, our Pantry also serves a particularly large number of seniors, many of whom live in nearby senior citizen housing in Cranbury and East Windsor. Recently, we also registered a few new seniors who had been homeless veterans. They are now living in Middlesex County in a former church building which has been turned into apartments for homeless vets. Folks like these often seem invisible in the midst of bustling, busy communities – but they are more grateful than we can describe for the food Skeet's Pantry is able to give them each month. So, on their behalf, we thank all of our church donors who make Skeet's Pantry possible.

STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE

Counting Teams: 8/10 (Team #2) – 8/17 (Team #3)

Budget Update (Year-to-Date to 8/3/14)		
	Week Ended 8/3	YTD to 8/3
Offerings	\$5,789	\$293,715
Expenses	\$10,040	\$259,090
Net Income/(Loss)	(\$4,251)	\$34,625

WORSHIP

All Lay Readers - please be advised that the calendar for August through December 2014 is now available in Fellowship Hall. If you would like to be a Lay Reader, please sign up. New Readers are very welcome!!!

Flower Openings available on Sundays, August 17 and August 24. If you are interested, please contact Diane Smith at d1stargazer@verizon.net or (609)890-0822.

CALENDAR (August 10, 2014 – August 17, 2014)

Sunday 10	9:15a-9:45a Summer Pickup Choir 10:00a Worship followed by refreshments 11:00a Meadow Lakes Worship Service 4p-5p Cranbury Scout Band Practice
Monday 11	7:30p Congregational Life Committee Meeting-Lib. 7:30p Brass Choir 8:00p Al-Anon-McK Rm Sanctuary Roof Replacement Continues
Tuesday 12	9:00a Bulletin Material Due 9:30a Staff Mtg.-Church Office 1:00p Outreach Committee Meeting- Lib. 2:30p-3:30p Bible Study – Meadow Lakes Meeting Rm 7:30p Youth Ministry Committee Meeting-Church Office 7:30p Stewardship & Finance-Church Office 7:30p AA – McK Rm
Wednesday 13	9:00a Session Material Due 9:00a Skeet's Food Pantry Packing
Thursday 14	7:30p P&A Meeting-church office (upstairs)
Friday 15	Church Office Closed 8:00a-11:00a Skeet's Food Pantry Distribution 8:00p-9:00p AA (Promises 12 Steps)McK Room
Saturday 16	
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