

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
18th Sunday after Pentecost
October 12, 2014 10:30 A.M.

THE APPROACH

PRELUDE *Canzone IV* **Girolamo Frescobaldi (1583-1643)**
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 *“I will remember the works of the Lord”* **Donovan Klotzbeacher**
(Ps. 77: 11-13) The Chorale

CALL TO WORSHIP **Brett Butler**
Go and tell everyone: The feast is ready!
God calls all people to the banquet.
The Lord prepares the table for us, even in the presence of our enemies.
God will swallow up death forever.

HYMN #481 (Hymnal)* *“Praise the Lord, God’s Glories Show”*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)*
Sovereign God, we confess that we are not ready for your holy realm. You are the one who has saved us; but we make false gods for ourselves. You are the one who has called us; but we make excuses and fail to answer. Forgive us, merciful God, so that we may return to your fold and rejoice in your presence; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the Lamb upon the throne. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON*

HYMN #579 (Hymnal)* *“Gloria Patri”*

THE PEACE* ✦

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Colin Jeffrey Brunetti
son of Nick and Tracey Brunetti
born on July 30, 2014

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

QUESTIONS TO THE PARENTS

QUESTION TO THE CONGREGATION*

Deacon Diane Yeager

Our Lord Jesus Christ ordered us to teach those who are baptized. Do we, the people of this church, in the name of the whole Body of Christ, promise to tell Colin the good news of the gospel, to help him to know all that Christ commands, and by our fellowship, to strengthen his family ties with the household of God? If so, please say, "We do."

Congregation: We do.

PROFESSION OF FAITH*

The Apostles' Creed (Blue Hymnal, pg. 14)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

THE BAPTISM & WELCOME INTO THE HOUSEHOLD OF GOD

SCRIPTURE

Ezekiel 2: 8 - 3: 3

Don Winchell
Pew Bible pg. 771

ANTHEM

"Lord, I Trust Thee"

Geo. F. Handel (1685-1759)
The Chorale

SCRIPTURE

Revelation 10: 8-11

Pew Bible pg. 251

SERMON

“Eat These Words!”

Dr. Louis Mitchell

THE RESPONSE

HYMN #329 (Hymnal)*

“Break Thou the Bread of Life”

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Mr. Butler

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.

THE GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

Toccato per l’Elevazione

G. Frescobaldi
Organ

Hymn #592 (Hymnal)*

“Doxology”

Prayer of Dedication*

Mr. Butler

HYMN #335 (Hymnal)*

“Though I May Speak”

RESPONSE*

Choral Amen

The Chorale

BENEDICTION*

POSTLUDE*

Ricercare IX

G. Frescobaldi
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 Kindergarteners are welcome in the toddler room. Linda Protinick is the Nursery Coordinator.

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 available for your convenience in the narthex. The ushers can assist you.

Coffee Hour is hosted by the Personnel and Administration Committee.

Greeters are Earl Davison and Pat Scott.

Head Usher is George Arsnow.

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; Claire Maselli; Karen Moser; Leah Moy and family due to the death of her mother, Helen Wagner; 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; Rosellyn Cassidy's father, Jim Savasta; the Danser's family friend, Lynda Patterson; Jean Dunham's sister, Pat; Arlene Duran's daughter, Catherine Lepp; Gail Geijer's son, Dan; Wayne & Cyndi Girardet's son and Karen & Andy Moutenot's son-in-law, Benjamin Girardet; friend of the church, Patricia Grasso's mother, Eileen Mortimer; Mark Hughes' grandmother, Olga Zelder; Fran Stewart's father, Eugene Feeney; Gretchen Stults' granddaughter, Jodi Mallette & family; and Agnes Winchell's sister, Aniko Bodo.

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!

Birthdays of Distinction: Bev Gilbert and Joan Sasso on October 15 and George Giovanos on October 18. **Happy Birthday!**

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Adult Education: Please join Gretchen Hull on October 19 and October 26 at 9:15 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. in Room 1. She is leading a four-part series entitled; "Psalms: Songs for the Day".

Cranbury Men's Bible Study (Sundays 8:00 p.m.): All men are invited to join us in a relaxed setting at the Cranbury Inn. Please contact Brett Butler at bbutler532@gmail.com for more information.

Save the date! The **Third Grade Bible Blast** is on Friday, October 17 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. The evening will be full of fun activities to acquaint third graders with our church, their classmates, and the Bibles they will receive during worship at 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, October 19.

Highlights include:

- Insider's tour of the church including never-before-seen places
- Bible games
- Snack-time, including important foods of the Bible

Make sure to wear close-toed shoes and pants/jeans since the tour includes the basement and bell tower.

We hope that your third grader can come and join us for an evening of fun, learning and adventure. For further information and a registration form if you haven't received one, please call the church office at 609/395-0897.

CHOIR NEWS

Does your child love to sing? If so, we'd love to invite them to our Children's Choir rehearsals! The Children's Choir meets on Thursday afternoon's beginning at 4:15 p.m. in our sanctuary for rehearsal. They usually sing once a month during our Worship Service. The Children's Choir Director is Jo D. (Jody) Sechler Andrews. Music and children have always been two of her greatest joys in her life and she would like to share her gifts and talents with the children of the Children's Choir. Jo D. wants to teach and share with the children how God speaks through music. The Children's Choir will sing all kinds of music from around the world; one and two part Sacred Anthems, Old Favorite Hymns, Gospel, Folk, and even some of their favorites from the music they all loved at Vacation Bible School.

CPNS

This week at CPNS the children will be going on class trips to Von Thun's in South Brunswick, and Lee's Turkey Farm in East Windsor. We are very fortunate to have such interesting learning opportunities in our own backyard.

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 could find the registration forms on our website, www.cranburypres.org or call Janice at 609 655-8663 for the details.

MEADOW LAKES MINISTRY

On Saturday, October 18, Anne Barstow and Tom Driver will be honored by the Presbyterian Peace Fellowship as the first recipients of an Award which is being named for them:

The Anne Barstow and Tom Driver Award for Excellence in Nonviolent Direct Action in Retirement

The Presbyterian Peace Fellowship recognizes "our" Anne and Tom as inspirational workers for peace and justice, globally and nationally. Anne and Tom will receive this award at an "unGala" at Stony Point Center in New York, following a reception and dinner. In the program following dinner, a keynote address will be given by prize winning journalist and author, Chris Hedges.

David Coates and the Rev. Suzanne Schafer-Coates will represent Meadow Lakes Ministry at this wonderful award ceremony.

MISSION, SERVICE & GRANTS

Skeet's Pantry: We often thought our Skeet's Pantry food shelves were pretty bare in the past, but now we know what "bare" really means – we're EMPTY!! While the number of families coming to our monthly food distribution is growing, we are having great difficulty ordering food from the source we had depended upon, Mercer Street Friends. They are getting less food to share and sell at cost to partners like us, and this past month they even had to cancel a food delivery.

So we're turning to all of our Congregation members and local community friends to ask for all the help you can give us: we need FOOD of all kinds, but especially protein and nutrient-rich food like:

Peanut Butter, Tuna Fish, Soups, Canned Vegetables, Cereal (Family size boxes), Canned Fruit, Fruit Juice, Pasta & Pasta Sauce

Please help us fill up the shelves again in time for our October 17 food distribution...as well as the Deacon's food basket distribution in November. If you are involved with any local groups or organizations and can spread the word to them, too, we would be deeply grateful. THANK YOU!

Snippets from the Year Book of Prayer: Next Thursday is World Food Day. I quote directly from the Presbyterian Book of Prayer. "Today is World Food Day. We live in a world with enough food for all, yet hunger is real for 1 billion fellow human beings and nearly 50 million of them reside in the United States. The good news is that people all over the world are working in new ways to address hunger and create local food economies that can provide healthy food for all. The Presbyterian Hunger Program's World Food Day website can inform us about the work that individuals are doing. Connect your actions to theirs to bring about God's kingdom of healthy food, healthy people, and healthy communities."

Medical Mission Trip Opportunities:

Kingston Presbyterian Church of New Brunswick Presbytery is sponsoring a mission trip to **Haiti** January 31 - February 7. The purpose of the trip is to visit **Friends for Health in Haiti's** new clinic site and assist Dr. Katie Wolf with the following projects: for folks with medical skills, help with patients in the clinic. For others, they will help provide a VBS like experiences for community children. For more information email Sharyl Dixon at pastorsharyldixon@gmail.com.

Trinity Presbyterian Church of Monmouth Presbytery is sponsoring a mission trip to the **Dominican Republic** March 7-14. They are looking for folks over 18 years of age with and without a medical background. Non-medical volunteers are needed to work in the pharmacy, as runners and helpers at the medical stations, in triage, and in crowd control. For more information, email Debbie or Dan Chen at debtchen@comcast.net.

Flyers about these opportunities are posted on the Mission, Service and Grants bulletin board in hallway across from Fellowship Hall.

OTHER NEWS

Lost and Found: If you lost a pink and blue sparkly dental retainer, please call or come to the church office to pick it up.

SENIOR BREAKFAST CLUB

Please join the Senior Breakfast Fellowship on **Thursday, October 23** at 8:30 a.m. at the Cranbury Inn. The Senior Breakfast group will host their monthly meeting with Marcia Pallop to hear about Physical Therapy. She has a physical therapy office in Plainsboro and some of us have been her patients. If you wish to attend, and have not done so before, please notify the church office at (609)395-0897 so that we can contact you. We need to notify the Cranbury Inn with a head count of the guests that wish to attend. For information, contact Walter Wright.

SENIOR FELLOWSHIP

Senior Exercise Schedule: October 13, October 16, October 20, October 23, October 27 and October 30

Senior Fellowship and the Golden Age Neighbors will be hosted by the Deacons on Saturday, October 18 at 12:00 p.m. to a luncheon in the Fellowship Hall. There is no need to bring anything, just come and enjoy the fellowship and food. If you are not on our calling list and you would like to attend the luncheon please pre-register by calling the church office (609-395-0897) by Monday, October 13.

STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE

Counting Teams: 10/12 (Team #3) – 10/19 (Team #4)

Budget Update (Year-to-Date to 10/5/14)		
	Week Ended 10/5	YTD to 10/5
Offerings	\$5,385	\$353,643
Expenses	\$11,293	\$328,712
Net Income/(Loss)	(\$5,908)	\$24,931

OUR WEEKLY CALENDAR

October 12, 2014 (Crop Walk)

9:15a Christian Education for all ages (CRs/Lib./FH/McK Rm/Rm 1)
 10:30a Worship with Baptism followed by coffee hour
 11:00a Meadow Lakes Worship Service
 1:00p Youth (Crop Walk) VAN
 4p-5p Cranbury Scout Band Practice
 8p-9p Cranbury Men's Bible Study at the Inn

October 13, 2014 (Columbus Day)

Church Office Closed

10:00a Senior Exercise
 7:30p Brass Choir
 7:30p Congregational Life Meeting-Lib.
 8:00p Al-Anon-McK Rm

October 14, 2014

9:00a Bulletin Material Due

9:30a Staff Mtg.-Church Office
 7:30p Youth Ministry Committee Meeting-Church Office
 7:30p Stewardship & Finance-Church Office
 7:30p AA - McK Rm

October 15, 2014

9:00a Session Material Due

9:00a Skeet's Food Pantry Packing
 7:30p Bell Choir

October 16, 2014

10:00a Senior Exercise
 4:15p Children's Choir -Sanctuary
 7:30p The Chorale - Sanctuary

October 17, 2014

8a-11a Skeet's Food Pantry Distribution
 5p - 7:30p 3rd Grade Bible Blast – All Areas
 8p-9p AA (Promises 12 Steps)McK Room

October 18, 2014

12:00p Deacons/Golden Agers Luncheon –FH/Kit
 11:00a Sr. Fellowship VAN

October 19, 2014

9:15a Christian Education for all ages (CRs/Lib./FH/McK Rm/Rm 1)
 10:30a Worship with 3rd Graders receiving Bibles followed by coffee hour
 11:00a Meadow Lakes Worship Service
 11:45 Lib. Committee – Lib.
 4p-5p Cranbury Scout Band Practice
 6p – 7:30p Sr. High Youth Group-FH
 6:15p-8p Boy Scouts – McK Rm (GC)
 8p-9p Cranbury Men's Bible Study at the Inn