

RECOGNITION OF 50 YEAR MEMBERS

Friends and members, today we offer our thanks for the lives of those who have spent most of their years worshipping God in this church. We pray for their continued health, for the blessings and favor of God upon them and their families and for the ministry they have shared as a part of this congregation.

Presentation of 50 Year Members

Today we recognize you for the years of ministry and service you have given to the members and friends of The First Presbyterian Church. We give thanks to god for the many lives you have touched, both friend and stranger, and for your continued Journey in Faith as members of The First Presbyterian Church. With you we remember the commitments we made to serve God in this local congregation of The First Presbyterian Church.

Members of the household of God, I commend these persons to you for your continued love and care, may you continue to do all within your power to increase their faith, confirm their hope, and perfect them in love, as together we recommit ourselves to the service of Jesus Christ.

We give thanks for all God has given us as members together in the body of Christ and in this congregation of The First Presbyterian Church. With you, we renew our covenant to faithfully participate in the ministries of the church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts and our service that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

And now may the God of all Grace, who has called us to eternal glory in Christ, establish you and strengthen you by the power of the Holy Spirit that you may live in grace and peace. **AMEN.**

SCRIPTURE	Romans 1: 1-7	Lil Conley Pew Bible pg. 152
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ANTHEM	<i>"All People that on Earth do Dwell"</i>	Thomas Tallis (1515-1585) The Chorale
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SCRIPTURE	Romans 1: 16-17	Pew Bible pg.152
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SERMON	"No Vacation from Vocation"	Dr. Louis Mitchell
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THE RESPONSE

HYMN #343 (Hymnal)* *“Called as Partners in Christ’s Service”*

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

Prelude on St. Columba

Healey Willan
Organ

Hymn #592 (Hymnal)*

“Doxology”

Prayer of Dedication*

Mr. Butler

HYMN #457 (Hymnal)* *“I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art”*

RESPONSE*

Choral Amen

The Chorale

BENEDICTION*

POSTLUDE*

Air

Dom Andrew Moore
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. 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 Helen Dickerson, Carol Edelson and Jean Randazzo.

Greeters are Earl Davison and Anne Gordon.

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; Will Ellsworth; Bill Keller; Scott Kerr; Claire Maselli; Karen Moser; 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; Roselynn 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!

Birthday of Distinction: Lucille Kirkenir on Nov. 1. **Happy Birthday!**

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

TASK/Family Fun Day for 1st through 6th Graders from 2:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. today, October 26. We will be making bag lunches for TASK and painting a brand new mural for the Church!!

Please Help: Sunday School is collecting Altoids mint tins for an art project. Please drop off your mint tins in the church office. Thank you!

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.

CHOIR NEWS

Bell Ringing Subs needed! The Bell Choir is in need of substitute ringers. If anyone would like to try their skill at ringing, please email Pat Bohrs at pbohrs@verizon.net. The

only background needed is to know your note values for counting. As a substitute, you are not needed every Wednesday evening for bell choir practice.

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 4:30 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. If you have any questions, please contact Jo D. at joand23@earthlink.net.

CPNS

This week will be an exciting week at CPNS; it's Halloween! We will be having our Halloween parades on Thursday and Friday at 9:15 a.m. and 12:45 p.m. on both days in Fellowship Hall. The Senior Fellowship program will be watching our parade on Thursday, October 30 after their lunch as part of their Halloween celebration. We are so happy to have the extra special audience. We hope that we could put a smile on their faces and a little extra joy in their hearts.

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.

MISSION, SERVICE & GRANTS

Snippets from the Year Book of Prayer: This story sounds like fun! A Taiwanese couple has lived in the United States for many years, but they grew up in a Presbyterian Church in Taiwan. They live in NC near Duke University, the University of NC and NC State University. Every Thursday evening, this couple's home is packed with Taiwanese graduate students for a home-cooked Taiwanese meal and conversation in Taiwanese or Mandarin. After relaxing, eating and laughing together, they divide into small groups to study the Bible. Many present are not Christians, but in this home they see love incarnate in prepared meals and in the life of a loving, hospitable couple who open their home each week because they want to share the love of Christ that has captivated their hearts.

Skeet's Pantry News and Needs: Everyone involved in the work of Skeet's Pantry is so grateful for the response of our congregation and our community over the past few months – and especially during September, and early October when our shelves were literally cleaned out. Food and financial aid were donated by individuals, organizations like the Cranbury Golden Agers and the Cranbury Senior Citizens, and businesses including ConAgra, Charmed by Claire and United Stationers. We also know the Cranbury police and Sr. Citizens are continuing to collect food for us, and our congregation is continuing to pick up something for the Pantry whenever they go food shopping. Your generosity is beyond compare!

Now comes the difficult news, Skeet's Pantry is going to continue to need this same level of support for the foreseeable future, due to a severe decrease in the amount

and type of food which Mercer Street Friends food program can provide at cost or free to pantries such as ours.

We ask all who are able to keep our Pantry in your thoughts whenever you go food shopping. If you can pick up just one or two items for us each time you shop, it's amazing just how much that kind of help adds up. We saw it happen this month, and it enabled us to serve the largest number of pantry patrons in our experience – 104 families at our October 17 food distribution! We had to limit the amount of food we could give to just one bag – but it was a full bag, and we were able to supplement it with a wide variety of fresh produce and miscellaneous foods.

Between now and our Christmas Food Pantry distribution on December 12, we are asking especially for donations of:

Peanut Butter, Jelly, Pasta and/or Rice, Tuna Fish, Canned Fruit, Pasta Sauce, Detergent (32 loads or larger), other protein foods such as Canned Beef Stew and hearty soups

Flyers about the **Medical Mission Trips** to Haiti (January 31 – February 7) and the Dominican Republic (March 7 – March 14) are posted on the Mission, Service and Grants bulletin board in the hallway across from Fellowship Hall.

OUTREACH

Looking for a Church Home? Join Pastor Lou and members of the Session on November 9, November 16 and November 23 for the **New Member Class**.

This is your opportunity to learn what it means to be a member of our church. We are a congregation which offers members of all age's opportunities to join in fellowship and expand their faith experiences.

The class will begin at 9:15 a.m. on November 9 and November 16 in the library and will begin at 9:00 a.m. on November 23 with breakfast in Fellowship Hall. Please contact the church office at 609/395-0897 to join the class or for additional information.

OTHER NEWS

Please Help: One of our long-time Skeet's Pantry clients had her house burn down and is currently staying with friends. She has two young children ages 4 and 8 months old. She would like help with clothing, diapers and wipes for her children. The clothing sizes needed is boys 5T to 6T and 6-9 for her 8 month old daughter. Diaper size 4 is needed but not Huggies due to skin sensitivity to that brand. Donations can be left at the church office. Thank you!

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 FELLOWSHIP

Senior Exercise Schedule: October 27, October 30, November 3, November 6, November 10, November 13, November 17, November 20, **No Classes on November 24 and November 27**

Senior Fellowship Event: Senior Fellowship will have a Halloween Party on Thursday, October 30 at 11:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Bring a brown bag lunch. Beverages and dessert will be provided. After lunch, we will be joined by the children of CPNS. The children will sing for us and parade around the room in their costumes. Of course there will be candy!

If you are not on our calling list and wish to attend, please RSVP to the church office by Monday, October 27 by calling 609-395-0897. Please note, that we have changed the date to October 30 from the date previously listed on our yearly calendar.

STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE

Counting Teams: 10/26 (Team #1) – 11/2 (Team #2)

Budget Update (Year-to-Date to 10/19/14)		
	Week Ended 10/19	YTD to 10/19
Offerings	\$5,492	\$367,844
Expenses	\$6,692	\$341,060
Net Income/(Loss)	(\$1,200)	\$26,784

WORSHIP

Ushers Guild: The church has recently received two new beautiful artificial flower arrangements for the Sunday services. One for the Fall/Winter season and one for the Spring/Summer season. The arrangements are located in the 'bell choir' room behind the sanctuary (left hand door).

In the event that a fresh flower arrangement has not been donated for the Sunday service, please use one of the artificial arrangements (season dependent). As is customary, the arrangement should be placed in the following locations:

- Non-communion Sunday - On a pedestal behind the communion table
- Communion Sunday - On a pedestal below the main pulpit (in front of the small left side railing)

OUR WEEKLY CALENDAR

October 26, 2014 (Reformation)

- 9:15a Christian Education for all ages (CRs/Lib./FH/McK Rm/Rm 1)
 10:30a Worship with 50+ Year Member Recognition followed by coffee hour
 11:00a Meadow Lakes Worship Service
 2p-4:30p TASK/Family Fun Day
 4p-5p Cranbury Scout Band Practice
 6p-7:30p Sr. High Youth Group-FH
 8p-9p Cranbury Men's Bible Study at the Inn

October 27, 2014

- 10:00a Senior Exercise
 7:00p Nominating Committee – Church Office
 7:30p Brass Choir
 8:00p Al-Anon-McK Rm

October 28, 2014

- 9:00a Bulletin Material Due
 9:30a Staff Mtg.-Church Office
 7:30p Deacons - FH
 7:30p AA – McK Rm

October 29, 2014

- 7:30p Bell Choir

October 30, 2014

- 9:15a CPNS Costume Parades-FH
 10:00a Senior Exercise
 11a Sr. Fellowship set-up – FH/Kit/VAN
 11:30a-3p Sr. Fellowship Halloween Party-FH/Kit
 12:45p CPNS Costume Parades-FH
 4:30p Children's Choir - Sanctuary
 7:30p The Chorale – Sanctuary

October 31, 2014

- 9:15a CPNS Costume Parades-FH
 12:45p CPNS Costume Parades-FH
 5:30p Outreach: Halloween Candy – FH steps
 8p-9p AA (Promises 12 Steps)McK Room

November 1, 2014 (All Saints' Day)

- 9:00a B&G Workday

Nov. 2, 2014 (All Saints'/Daylight Saving Time Ends)

- 9:15a Christian Education for all ages (CRs/Lib./FH/McK Rm/Rm 1)
 10:30a Worship w/Communion followed by coffee hour
 11:00a Meadow Lakes Worship Service with Communion
 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

**Thanks Be to God for 50+ Years of Membership
at the First Presbyterian Church of Cranbury, NJ**

We celebrate these men and women who have been members of our church family for over Fifty Years. This is a wonderful achievement and a testimony to the grace of God who strengthens our faith and life for the sake of Christ's church.

1927	Judson Hagerty	1955	Charles N. Patterson Dorothy Patterson
1932	Stanley Stults	1958	Peg Hagerty
1936	Marjorie Bloom	1959	Diane Cox Candice Silverman Richard Zimmer
1937	Rose Eller	1960	H. Craig Gilbert Bev Gilbert Sally Giovanos Wilma Shimer Diane Smith Thomas Weidner
1942	Arthur Danser	1962	John Bloom William Chermak Faith Cox Katherine Davison Gladys Frisch Donald Patterson Margery Scott Jim Taylor
1944	Janet Schlegel	1963	Mary Ann Swartz
1947	S. Warren Tantum	1964	Henrietta Sushereba
1948	Lillian Conley Monty Hagerty		
1949	Harvey Davison		
1951	Patricia Bohrs Helen Davies Jane Huff Susan Walcott		
1952	Barbara Danser		
1953	Betty Jane Petterson Pat Scott		
1954	Richard Craig		

*"I was glad when they said unto me,
'Let us go to the house of the Lord!'" (Psalm 122:1)*

THANKSGIVING FOOD BASKETS

Yes, it is that time of year again. The time to rake leaves and the time to look through your pantry and search for canned goods and other goodies for the Annual Thanksgiving Food Basket Drive. Your Deacons could be filling as much as 150 holiday baskets this year for families in need in our area, and we need your help to make 2014 a wonderful Thanksgiving for all.

Items needed are:

frozen turkeys; canned vegetables; canned fruits; soups; cranberry sauce; cereal; pasta/sauce; crackers; rice; boxed potatoes; stuffing; cookies; pancake mix/syrup; cake/muffin mixes; olives; peanut butter; jam; jello/pudding; canned nuts; granola bars; copy paper boxes (for packing the baskets)

Please bring your donations to the Fellowship Hall. Just inside the front door there will be a large box labeled "Thanksgiving Baskets." You can also bring items to church on Sunday and put them in the green wheelbarrow by the church door or weekdays at the church office. If you have an extra frozen turkey, please give it to a Deacon to put in the freezer. **Food collection will run through November 19.**

Donations are also accepted to be used to purchase turkeys, fresh fruit and vegetables. Checks should be made out to the Board of Deacons earmarked "Thanksgiving Baskets" which can be placed in the collection baskets during worship. Thank you very much in advance!

