

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE ✨

Pastor Hannah

RECOGNITION OF NEW MEMBERS

Dr. Mitchell

The Session has received the following people into church membership: Caroline Koi, Kate Pagano and Stephen Pagano. They are here to declare their faith, and to be joined with us in the service of Jesus Christ.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

L: Who is your Lord and Savior?

NM: Jesus Christ is my Lord and Savior.

L: Do you trust in him?

NM: I do.

L: Do you intend to be his disciple, to obey his Word and show his love?

NM: I do.

CONFESSION OF FAITH - The Apostles Creed*

L: Do you believe in God, the Father almighty?

P: I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

L: Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

P: I believe 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.

L: Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

P: 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.

QUESTION (to the new members)

L: Will you be a faithful member of this congregation, giving of yourself in every way, and will you seek the fellowship of the church wherever you may be?

NM: I will.

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise. [The Minister continues.]

God is praised for the history of faithfulness shown to God's people. The congregation then joins the celestial choirs and all the faithful of every time and place to sing:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The prayer continues with thanksgiving for the life and work of Jesus Christ. The Words of Institution are recalled. The elements are set apart for their sacred use, and we offer ourselves to God's service. Then, this response:

Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.**

The presence of the Holy Spirit is sought, as well as God's blessing on our lives. The prayer concludes with a Trinitarian doxology.

THE LORD'S PRAYER
(Unison – The Chorale/Congregation)

“Our Father...”

**Albert Hay Malotte,
arr. Donovan Klotzbeacher**

THE COMMUNION OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Please come forward by the *center aisle*. At the front, take a piece of bread and dip the bread in the cup before eating. Those unable to come forward will be served in their seats.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

HYMN #280 (Hymnal)*

“Amazing Grace”

RESPONSE*

Choral Amen

The Chorale

BENEDICTION*

POSTLUDE*

Fuge 2 in A Minor **Franz Xaver Murschhauser**

Organ

***ALL WHO ARE ABLE MAY STAND**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Visitors! We hope you will find a warm welcome here. We invite you to consider membership in our church family. Please speak to our Greeter or Pastors after worship for more information; or if you would like to be contacted, 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 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.

Communion Servers are Val Cier, Carol Edelson, Joan Fraser, Ginny Swanagan and Renee Welch.

Flowers are given in loving memory of Jean F. and Charles A. Kientz & Douglas S. Kientz by Carol Kientz.

Coffee Hour is hosted by Beatrice Mabutho and Jean Randazzo.

Head Usher is George Arsnow.

Greeter is Jack Britton/Heidi Knowlton.

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: Rosellyn Cassidy & family due to the loss of her father; Bill Chermak; Robert Dyke; Will Ellsworth; Bob & Carol Kane; Walter “Pete” Keve; Andy Moutenot & family due to the loss of his wife, Karen; Matt Rhodes; Russ Richardson; Marge Scott; Barbara Wahlers; and Ina Zimmer.

Family and Friends of Church Members for whom prayers are asked: David Anderson’s father, Robert; Betty Borgeson’s sister, Martha; Helen Dickerson’s mother; Gaylord French’s wife, Molly; Gail Geijer’s son, Dan; Mark Hughes’ grandmother, Olga; Rob Irving’s daughter, Emma; Noël & Danny Kinney’s son, JP; Andy Kremann’s brother, Timothy; Dale & Joan Smith’s sister-in-law, Beverly; Mary Speer’s brother, Ralph; Gretchen Stults’ granddaughter, Jodi & family; and Agnes Winchell’s sister, Aniko.

We pray for all 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: Wilma Shimer on March 12 and Jean Nostrand on March 13. **Happy Birthday!**

CPNS

We had a wonderful and exciting past week celebrating "Read Across America" and Dr. Seuss' birthday. What a great way to celebrate the joy of reading. The early childhood years are the most important period of time for a child's literacy development. Learning to read and write is critical to a child's success in school and later in life. At CPNS, we are committed to helping young children become literate, and we also want to foster their motivation to read and write for enjoyment, information, and communication. Research tells us that when children are babies, and as they continue to develop, it is important for parents and teachers to provide the experiences and support every child needs for their academic success. Remember you could never read too much, especially to a child.

The 2016-2017 registration process for the Cranbury Presbyterian Nursery School has begun. Please tell your friends and neighbors about our Christian preschool.

SAVE THE DATE – Saturday, April 23, 2016

CPNS's First Ever Gala Event Celebrating Mrs. K (Dorothy Klotzbeacher) for over 30 years of love and nurturing at the Cranbury Presbyterian Nursery School!

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION and YOUTH MINISTRY

Youth Group:

Middle Schoolers 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. High Schoolers 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

DEACONS

Did you know??? That you can serve on a committee of our church without being an Elder or a Deacon? Committees include: Buildings & Grounds, Christian Education, Youth Ministry, Congregational Life, Meadow Lakes Ministry Committee, Missions, Service and Grants, Outreach, Personnel & Administration, Stewardship & Finance, and Worship.

If you are interested in serving on one of these committees, please speak to one of the Pastors or call the church office.

In our Caring Ministries, we Deacons send many cards. If you have any Birthday Cards or Get Well Cards, or pretty cards without a message, that you can spare, please bring them to the church office for the Deacons. Thanks!

MISSION, SERVICE & GRANTS

Save the Date! On Saturday, April 9, Better Beginnings will have its Shining Star Gala to benefit the child development center; a non-profit agency. For details and tickets, contact Loida Wilson at loidawilson@comcast.net.

SKEET'S PANTRY GETS READY FOR EASTER: Doesn't seem possible, but our next Skeet's Food Pantry Day is Friday, March 18 which will be our Easter food distribution. So we're stocking up on all our favorite food staples again, and asking for your help with:

**PANCAKE SYRUP ♦ TUNA FISH ♦ CANNED BEANS
CANNED FRUIT ♦ PASTA**

Our congregation and community friends of Skeet's Pantry have continued to be magnificent! Your donations of food and funds are making it possible for a lot of local folks and families to smile just a bit more when meal time rolls around – so we THANK YOU from the bottom of our hearts.

A big round of applause, too, goes to all of our volunteers. The work they do behind the scenes as well as on Pantry Days are really amazing. This is truly an “all-church” mission – maybe even an “all community” mission, given the help we also get from people and groups from Cranbury, Plainsboro, Jamesburg and more. So here’s to all of you – give yourselves a great big pat on the back!!!

SCHOLARSHIPS

The Women's Club of Cranbury will be awarding two \$2,000 scholarships to Cranbury Township students who will be entering their first year of post-secondary education. The student should demonstrate a commitment to community involvement.

The application can be obtained through school Guidance Offices, the Women's Club website at cranburywomensclub.org and the Cranbury Public Library.

The completed application must be submitted on or before April 30, 2016 to the following address:

The Women's Club of Cranbury
PO Box 94
Cranbury, NJ 08512

SENIOR FELLOWSHIP

Senior Exercise Schedule: March 7, March 10, March 14, March 17, March 21, March 24, March 28 (NO CLASS), and March 31

STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE

Counting Teams: 3/6 (Team #4) – 3/13 (Team #1)

	Week Ended 2/28/16
Weekly Offering	\$4,400
YTD Offerings	\$111,374
YTD Expenses	\$55,808
YTD Net Income/(Loss)	\$55,566
YTD Per Capita: \$2,597 (12% of \$21,780)	

Per Capita: Supporting our denomination is an important part of any congregation that is part of the Presbyterian Church (USA). This denomination support is used to pay for services and resources offered by Presbytery, the Synod and the General Assembly for use by our congregation or any other congregation that is part of PC (USA). Since the denomination support paid from our operating budget is only a

portion of the total assessment for our Church, Session is asking for your help in supporting our ministry by covering the cost of per capita. The amount of this assessment is **\$36 per active member**. The *per capita* is paid for by all active members, including youth who have been confirmed.

WORSHIP

Usher Needed: We are in need of 1 Usher to fill the remaining empty spot on one of our 2016 Ushering Teams. Please contact Heidi Knowlton at cabotk@comcast.net if you're interested.

OUR WEEKLY CALENDAR

March 6, 2016 (4th Sunday in Lent)

9:15a Sunday School (CRs/Lib./FH/McK Rm/Rm 1)

9:15a Confirmation Class Parent Meeting – Church Office

10:30a Worship w/Communion & New Member Recognition followed by coffee hour

11:00a Meadow Lakes Communion Worship Service

4p–5p Cranbury Scout Band Practice–upstairs CRs

5:30p-6:30p Middle Schoolers-FH

6:30p-8p High School Youth Group-FH/youth Rm

March 7, 2016

10:00a Senior Exercise

1:30p Martha's Circle – Lib.

7:30p Brass Choir

8:00p Al-Anon-McK Rm

March 8, 2016

9:00a Bulletin Material Due

9:30a Staff Mtg.-Church Office

1:00p Outreach Cmte Mtg- Lib.

4:15p Children's Choir-Sanctuary

7:30p Stewardship & Finance-Church Office

7:30p AA – McKnight Room

March 9, 2016

9:00a Session Material Due

7:30p Boy Scout District Mtg. – McK Rm

7:30p Bell Choir

March 10, 2016

10:00a Senior Exercise
7:00p Worship Mtg—Lib.
7:30p P&A Mtg-church office (upstairs)
7:30p B&G Mtg. – Lib.
7:30p The Chorale - Sanctuary

March 11, 2016

9:00a Bulletin Assembly-Church Office
Sr. High Johnsonburg Trip - VAN

March 12, 2016

Sr. High Johnsonburg Trip - VAN

March 13, 2016 (5th Sunday in Lent/Daylight Savings Time begins)

9:15a Sunday School (CRs/Lib./FH/McK Rm/Rm 1)
10:30a Worship followed by coffee hour
11:00a Meadow Lakes Worship Service
Sr. High Johnsonburg Trip - VAN
4p–5p Cranbury Scout Band Practice—upstairs CRs
5:30p-6:30p Middle Schoolers-FH