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

2nd Sunday of Easter/OGHS April 3, 2016 10:30 A.M.

THE APPROACH

PRELUDE

"The Church's One Foundation"

Aurelia Bell Choir

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

"Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty" Joachim Neander (1680)

The Chorale

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Hannah Lovaglio

Jesus Christ appeared to the disciples.

We have grace and peace from God who was and is and is to come.

The disciples received the Holy Spirit.

We have grace and peace from God who was and is and is to come.

The Lord God is the Alpha and the Omega.

We have grace and peace from God who was and is and is to come.

Let us worship God.

HYMN #113 (Hymnal)*

"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)*

God of everlasting life, we confess that we continue in the ways of death. You offer us your forgiveness, yet we refuse to forgive others. You show us signs of resurrection, yet still we fail to believe. Forgive us, God of grace. Fill us with your Holy Spirit and send us out in mission to proclaim your reconciling love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON* HYMN #579 (Hymnal)*

"Gloria Patri"

THE PEACE* ❖

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

CHIDREN'S MESSAGE Pastor Hannah

SCRIPTURE I Corinthians 15: 12-20 Maggie Hughes

Pew Bible pg. 176

ANTHEM "Thanks Be To Thee" G. F. Handel

Flutist, Leah Moy and Bell Choir

SCRIPTURE John 20: 19-31 Pew Bible pg. 115

SERMON "Easter Faith" Dr. Louis Mitchell

THE RESPONSE

THE GIVING OF OUR OFFERINGS AND OGHS OFFERINGS

Offertory "King Jesus is Arisen" Don Besig

The Chorale

Hymn #592 (Hymnal)* "Doxology"

Prayer of Dedication* Rev. Lovaglio

HYMN #267 (Hymnal)* "All Things Bright and Beautiful"

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Minister: The Lord be with you. **People:** And also with you. 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 "Our Father..."

(Unison – The Chorale/Congregation)

Albert Hay Malotte,
arr. Donovan Klotzbeacher

THE COMMUNION OF GOD'S PEOPLE

We will eat the bread individually when served. We will hold the cup until all have been served and then partake together. All baptized Christians, whatever your denomination or tradition, are invited to share with us in this holy sacrament.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

HYMN #302 (Hymnal)* "I Danced in the Morning"

RESPONSE* "God Be With You Til We Meet Again" W.G. Tomer

Bell Choir

BENEDICTION*

POSTLUDE* Duo sur la Trompette Jean-François Dandrieu
Organ

*ALL WHO ARE ABLE MAY STAND

announcements



All Church Breakfast

Please join us in Fellowship Hall

Sunday, April 10, 2016

Sunday School and Teachers 8:45 a.m. All others 9:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

Pancakes, Quiche, Sausages, Coffee and Orange Juice

Sponsored by: The Congregational Life Committee

<u>Visitors!</u> 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".

<u>Childcare is provided during worship</u>. 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.

<u>Hearing devices</u> are available for your convenience in the narthex. The ushers can assist you.

<u>Communion Servers</u> are Bea Davison, Earl Davison, Pat Demers, Gail Geijer, Cassandra Khazem, Carlene Reyes, Kirstie Venanzi and Renee Welch.

Coffee Hour is hosted by Ann Riemann and Vicki Waciega.

Flowers are given by the Swanagan family in memory of Don Swanagan.

<u>Head Ushers</u> are Caren Anuszewski and Heidi Knowlton.

Greeter is Jack Britton/Heidi Knowlton.

<u>Prayer Chain</u> 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

<u>Church members with special needs</u>: Bill Chermak; Robert Dyke; Will Ellsworth; Walter "Pete" Keve; Russ Richardson; Marge Scott; John & Carol Sprout; 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; Joan & Gordon Fraser's son, Iain; Gaylord French's wife, Molly; Gail Geijer's son, Dan; Mark Hughes' grandmother, Olga; Rob Irving's daughter, Emma; Mary Lou Kerr's cousin, Helen; Andy Kremann's brother, Timothy; Sharon Ramkishun's niece, Kaitlyn; Pat Scott's niece, Brenda; 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.

<u>Prayer Requests in the Bulletin</u>: 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 "<u>Pipeline to Session</u>" cards found in the pews if you have any questions/concerns for the Session. This is a great way to give "kudos" as well!

<u>Birthdays of Distinction</u>: Elsie Sutton on April 4, Peg Hagerty on April 9 and Lola Madsen on April 10. **Happy Birthday!**

CXRISTIAN EDUCATION and YOUTX MINISTRY

Save The Date - April 29 - 30 for the <u>29th Annual Adult Retreat</u> at the Fellowship Deaconry in Liberty Corner, NJ. Come and enjoy a time of spiritual enrichment with our leader and Parish Associate, Rev. Suzanne Schafer-Coates. The church van will once again be available for those who would prefer to go as a group. Look for a sign-up table at coffee hour.

Youth Group Schedule

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



VBS 2016 Living Waters for the World: Please mark your calendars to join us from July 25 to July 29 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. for an unforgettable Vacation Bible School (VBS) experience! Living Waters for the World is designed to enable children to understand the importance of access to clean water for health, and to make them aware of the way in which this access (or lack of access!) affects the lives of children in other countries. It also teaches the value of water in our own lives

and encourages conservative use. Children will also learn how "Jesus Christ is Living Water for our Bodies and our Souls".

Each day of this five-day VBS includes an opening time which focuses on a different country, a Bible story, a mission story, activities and crafts, recreation and snacks, music, reflection and a closing time.

Registration forms will be available starting in April 2016 through mid-July 2016. We are already getting ramped up with excitement for VBS 2016!! Pastor Hannah and Cassandra Khazem are heading up a team of volunteers to make VBS Living Waters for the World come to life! If you interested in being a teacher, assistant teacher, youth helper, or a leader for decorations, advertising, snacks, registration, crafts, etc... - Please contact Pastor Hannah Lovaglio at firstpreshannah@comcast.net or Cassandra Khazem at ckhazem@gmail.com.

CPNS



We hope you had a wonderful Easter! CPNS will be returning from our Easter vacation on Monday, April 4. If you were on break from school this past week as well I hope you enjoyed the time off and had the opportunity for some relaxing family time.

The 2016-2017 registration process for the Cranbury Presbyterian Nursery School has begun. We are also registering for our presummer and summer programs. The registration forms can be

found on our website. Please tell your friends and neighbors about our Christian preschool.

SAVE THE DATE - Saturday, April 23, 2016

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

mission, service & grants

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

On April 24, we shall be having a **BREAD FOR THE WORLD OFFERING OF LETTERS** in which we hope you will participate. We shall be informing our Congressional Representative and Senators that we want our government to play a major role in helping to end hunger in the US and around the world by 2030. Specifically, we shall urge Congress to support at least \$230 million for international maternal and child nutrition programs in the Department of State foreign operations appropriations bill's global health account. Keep your eyes on church bulletins and emailed newsletter in the upcoming weeks to learn why this action is needed.

OUTRERCX

Dinner for Eight: Please join us for an evening of fellowship and good food. We are looking for host/hostess and guests for this semi-annual event. A sign-up sheet is in Fellowship Hall waiting for your name. If you have any questions, please call Carol Fisher (609)655-5153 or Ann Mooney (609)448-0207.

senior fellowskip

Senior Exercise Schedule

April 4, April 7, April 11, April 14, April 18, April 21, April 25 and April 28

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Counting Teams: 4/3 (Team #4) -4/10 (Team #1)

	Week Ended 3/27/16
Weekly Offering	\$12,437
YTD Offerings	\$142,950
YTD Expenses	\$99,002
YTD Net Income/(Loss)	\$43,948
YTD Per Capita: \$3,290 (15% 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.

otxer news

Don't miss the Women's Retreat at Johnsonburg on April 15-17, 2016! A weekend of study, worship, fellowship and rest individually and in groups, looking at Secrets of the Vine: Abundant Living (John 15:1-5). The retreat will be led by Rev. Janice Moore Caputo who is CEO and founder of Truepower Inc, specializing in executive coaching and leadership development. All women, ages 18 and older are welcome. For more information about Rev. Janice Moore Caputo, the retreat and to register go to http://www.campjburg.org/event/womens-retreat/

Princeton Seminary's Annual Used Book Sale which supports seminary libraries in developing nations and provides Princeton Seminary students with scholarship funds for travel courses. The sale takes place on *Thursday*, *April 14 through Saturday*, *April 16 in* the Seminary's Whiteley Gymnasium, 36 Hibben Road (corner of Hibben and Stockton Street/Route 206) in Princeton. On April 14 and April 15, the sale will take place from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. with an entrance fee of \$7. Box day will be on April 16 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. It's \$10 per box (buy a box and put all of the books you can fit into it)

Book Donations accepted April 4 through 9. Theology, history, philosophy, science, and global studies books are most appreciated and needed, but we will gladly accept all books. Donations can only be accepted during these specified dates and times which are April 4 through April 8 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. as well as April 9 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. For more information about the book sale, or to schedule a drop-off at the Whiteley Gym, contact annualbooksale@ptsem.edu

The <u>Women's Club of Cranbury</u> 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

The <u>Woman's Club of Cranbury's</u> commitment to further education for a woman is offering a \$2,000 scholarship for a woman who is pursuing post-secondary education after having experienced a time away from attending school. This award is based on financial need as well as the applicant being able to define her goal in seeking further education. We are looking forward to having applicants that will value our commitment to further education. Any woman interested in applying for this scholarship can use the application found on the Cranbury Woman's Club website http://www.womansclubofcranbury.org.

The completed application should be mailed by April 30, 2016 to The Woman's Club of Cranbury, Attn: Woman's Scholarship Committee, PO Box 94, Cranbury, NJ 08512.

OUR WEEKLY CALENDAR

April 3, 2016 (One Great Hour of Sharing)

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

8:45a Confirmation Class-Church Office

10:30a Worship w/Communion followed by coffee hour

11:00a Meadow Lakes Worship Communion Service

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

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

6:30p-8p Boy Scouts – McK Rm (GC)

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

April 4, 2016

10:00a Senior Exercise

1:30p Martha's Circle – Lib.

7:30p Brass Choir

8:00p Al-Anon-McK Rm

April 5, 2016

9:00a Bulletin Material Due

9:30a Staff Mtg.-Church Office

1:00p Outreach Cmte Mtg- Lib.

4:15p Children's Choir-Sanctuary

7:00p Christian Ed/Youth Ministry Meeting-Lib.

7:30p MS&G Mtg-FH

7:30p AA – McKnight Room

April 6, 2016

5:00p-10:00p Women's Club Mtg. - FH 7:30p Bell Choir

April 7, 2016

10:00a Senior Exercise 2:30p-5:30p TASK (VAN) 7:00p Worship Mtg—Lib. 7:30p B&G Mtg-Lib. 7:30p The Chorale - Sanctuary

April 8, 2016

9:00a Bulletin Assembly-Church Office

April 9, 2016

April 10, 2016

8:45a Sunday School Pancake Breakfast - FH 9:00a Annual Pancake Breakfast-FH 9:15a Sunday School (CRs/FH/McK Rm/Rm 1) 8:45a Confirmation Class—Church Office 10:30a Worship followed by coffee hour 11:00a Meadow Lakes Worship Service 4p—5p Cranbury Scout Band Practice—upstairs CRs