



## PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE		Pastor Hannah
SCRIPTURE	Luke 24: 44-53	Jessica Curran Pew Bible pg. 91
ANTHEM	<i>Song of Remembrance</i>	<b>Tom Fettke</b> The Chorale
SCRIPTURE	Acts 1: 1-11	Pew Bible pg. 118
SERMON	"You Raise Me Up"	Dr. Louis Mitchell

## THE RESPONSE

### THE GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory	<i>"At the River"</i>	<b>arr. Atteberry</b> Trombone, Roger Suttmeier and Bell Choir
Hymn #592 (Hymnal)*	<i>"Doxology"</i>	
Prayer of Dedication*		Rev. Lovaglio
HYMN #147 (Hymnal)*	<i>"Blessing and Honor"</i>	

## 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 (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 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 #151 (Hymnal)\*      *"Crown Him with Many Crowns"*

RESPONSE*	<i>Choral Amen</i> <i>(Diademata)</i>	<b>Donovan Klotzbeacher</b> The Chorale
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BENEDICTION\*

POSTLUDE*	<i>Canzona</i>	<b>Giovanni Gabrieli</b> Organ
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**\*ALL WHO ARE ABLE MAY STAND**

## Announcements

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**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.

**Gluten free bread** is available and it will be in a small cup or area in the center of the bread trays which are passed throughout the aisles.

**Communion Servers** are Alan Danser, Carol Fisher, Ken Gordon, Rebecca Huselid, Brenda Kirkenir, John Kirkenir, Jean Randazzo and Janet Wheeler.

**Coffee hour** is hosted by the Buildings & Grounds Committee.

**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:** Bill Chermak; Robert Dyke; Will Ellsworth; Paul Furchak; Walter “Pete” Keve; Judson Hagerty; Russ Richardson; Marge Scott; John & Carol Sprout; Ross Trube; Barbara Wahlers; and Ina Zimmer.

**Meadow Lakes members with special needs:** Mary Palmer and Betty Smith.

**Family and Friends of Church Members for whom prayers are asked:** David Anderson’s father, Robert; Daune Arsnow’s uncle, Larry; Alan & Barbara Balcomb’s friend, Pat; Betty Borgeson’s sister, Martha; Joan & Gordon Fraser’s son, Iain; Gaylord French’s wife, Molly; Gail Geijer’s son, Dan; Mark Hughes’ grandmother, Olga; Mary Lou Kerr’s cousin, Helen; Sharon Ramkishun’s niece, Kaitlyn; Pat Scott’s niece, Brenda; Dale & Joan Smith’s sister-in-law, Beverly; Gretchen Stults’ granddaughter, Jodi & family; and Bonnie & Neal Wagman’s grandson, Aiden.

**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:** Ginny Swanagan on May 5 and John Sprout on May 6.  
**Happy Birthday!**

## **BUILDINGS & GROUNDS**

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We want to invite everyone to our **Spring Workday, TODAY** beginning at 12 noon. The B&G Committee will be hosting coffee hour/luncheon to get us energized for fellowship and fun as we tackle some projects around the church. We are very thankful for any and all help in maintaining our church building and property.

## **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION and YOUTH MINISTRY**

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**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 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](mailto:firstpreshannah@comcast.net) or Cassandra Khazem at [ckhazem@gmail.com](mailto:ckhazem@gmail.com).

## **YOUTH GROUP**

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

**TODAY is the last day to order tickets for the Trenton Thunder baseball game scheduled for Saturday, May 14!** Support our youth group by joining us at Arm & Hammer Park. Everyone is invited! (See the back page for the ticket form.)

## **CONGREGATIONAL LIFE**

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**Save the Dates!** We are doing a new **pictorial directory** this year! We will be having photos taken on June 23 and June 24 from 2:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and Saturday, June 25 from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Photos will also be taken at Meadow Lakes from 2:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on June 28.

We will be looking for volunteers to help with this project. If you can help, please fill out the insert and drop it into the offering plate or it can be left in the church office. Online appointments can also be made at <https://www.securedata-trans14.com/ap/firstpresbyterianchurchofcranbury>. You can also find this information on our website along with the price list.

## **DEACONS**

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**SAVE THE DATE! Join us for our Annual Strawberry Festival on Saturday, June 4 from 3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. (rain or shine)**

Enjoy strawberries, cake, ice cream, music, games, face painting, a clown and more!



**Purchase tickets in advance:**

Family Pass up to five people: \$25 and Individual Tickets: \$6

**Tickets at the door:**

Family Pass up to five people: \$28 and Individual Tickets: \$7

Tickets are available during coffee hour, at the church office, CPNS or from any Deacon.

## **CPNS**

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Thank you all so much for everything you did to help celebrate Mrs. K's over 30 years of endless commitment and service to the children of CPNS. We had a wonderful event in honor of Mrs. K. Some of the people that attended said it was one of the most exciting in Cranbury history, others commented on the fact that the event brought the whole community together.

Cori Pisapia our Gala Coordinator said "Dorothy has greeted our students and each of us with enthusiasm and love. She inspires our children to grow, to dream and to let go of our hands, if just for a little while, as they make their first steps into a lifetime of learning and school." The quote by Carl Buechner, "They may forget what you said, but they will never forget how you made them feel" are words that provide an example of why so many people wanted to celebrate and show their appreciation

to have such a special teacher in their lives and the lives of their children. Mrs. K has a gift of making everyone, children and adults, feel special and loved, and she never lets anyone forget just how special and unique they are. Thank you, Mrs. K for all you do and for all you are, we love you!

The 2016-2017 registration process for the Cranbury Presbyterian Nursery School has begun. We are also registering for our pre-summer and summer programs. The registration forms can be found on our website. Please tell your friends and neighbors about our Christian preschool.

## **MISSION, SERVICE & GRANTS**

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Many of you made God smile last Sunday morning when you participated in the **Bread for the World Offering of Letters**. We mailed 141 letters to Washington, DC asking our Senators Booker and Menendez and Representative Watkins to vote at least 200 million dollars for global health, thus helping to ensure that the United States continues to assist vulnerable mothers and children by feeding them nutritionally. Participants are to be congratulated. This Offering is the most successful one we have ever had, with an encouraging increase in the number of letters sent. **Thank you** to Gretchen Stults, Pat Demers, Anne Gordon and others who assisted and signed letters Sunday morning.

**Skeet's Pantry "Top Five"**: It was another great day for Skeet's Pantry during our April distribution – as always, thanks to all of you. Your generosity is absolutely incredible! Now it's time to fill up the shelves again for our May 20 food distribution, and here are the "Top Five" items on our wish list:

- PASTA** - any and all types of spaghetti, linguini, tortellini – you get the idea!
- PEANUT BUTTER** – a major staple for our pantry families
- CEREAL** – Family size boxes of all the good, nourishing kinds
- TUNA FISH** – another great high protein item
- DETERGENT** – The 32oz size is best – no larger sizes, please

As always, you're welcome to drop off donations in the wheelbarrow on Sunday mornings or in the entrance hall of Fellowship Hall. Thanks again!

## **SENIOR FELLOWSHIP**

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**Senior Exercise Schedule:** May 2, May 5, May 9, May 12, May 16, May 19, May 23, May 26, and No Class on May 30.

**Senior Fellowship Event - Concert on May 24 at 12 noon:** Our next program will be on Thursday, May 24 at 12:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. We will have a concert featuring Zack Alexander, an outstanding vocalist who sings in the style of Frank Sinatra. Zack is completing his second year at Hofstra University and is majoring in Radio and Television Production. He is destined to be a sought after entertainer.

This will be a brown bag lunch (please bring your own sandwich). We will provide beverages and dessert with lunch. If you would like to attend this program and you are not on our calling list, we request that you pre-register by Thursday, May 19 by calling the church office at 609-395-0897 and leave your name and phone number in case we have to call to cancel the program due to bad weather or other conditions.

## **STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE**

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Counting Teams: 5/1 (Team #4) – 5/8 (Team #1)

	<b>Week Ended 4/24/16</b>
Weekly Offering	\$9,345
YTD Offerings	\$174,087
YTD Expenses	\$142,450
YTD Net Income/(Loss)	\$31,637
YTD Per Capita: \$3,799 (17% of \$21,780)	

**Per Capita:** 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**

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There are **flower openings** for May 22, June 5, July 3, July 17 and July 31. Please call Diane Smith at 609-890-0822 if you are interested.

## **OUR WEEKLY CALENDAR**

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### **May 1, 2016 (Ascension of the Lord Sunday)**

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/luncheon and **B&G Workday**

11:00a Meadow Lakes Worship Communion Service

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

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

6:30p Pick up band rehearsal - Sanctuary

6:30p-8p Boy Scouts – McK Rm (GC)

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

**May 2, 2016**

10:00a Senior Exercise  
1:30p Martha's Circle – Lib.  
7:30p Brass Choir  
8:00p Al-Anon-McK Rm

**May 3, 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

**May 4, 2016**

7:30p Bell Choir

**May 5, 2016 (Ascension of the Lord)**

10:00a Senior Exercise  
11:00a-2:00p CPNS Teacher Appreciation Lunch – FH/Kit  
7:00p Worship Mtg—Lib.  
7:30p B&G Mtg-Lib.  
7:30p The Chorale - Sanctuary

**May 6, 2016**

9:00a Bulletin Assembly-Church Office  
9:00a-2:00p CPNS Teacher Appreciation Lunch – FH/Kit  
4:30p-10:00p Cranbury Historical Society Potluck Supper and Bi-Annual Mtg - FH

**May 7, 2016****May 8, 2016 (Mother's Day)**

9:15a Sunday School(CRs/Lib/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  
5:30p-6:30p Middle Schoolers-FH  
6:30p Pick up band rehearsal - Sanctuary  
6:30p-8p High School Youth Group-FH/Youth Rm

Come out for a Trenton Thunder baseball game and  
support our YOUTH GROUP!  
Saturday, May 14 at 7:00 p.m.  
Everyone is invited.

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Payment: CASH or CHECK (payable to the First Presbyterian Church)

Total Tickets: \_\_\_\_\_ X \$10.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

For more information, please contact Pastor Hannah at  
[firstpreshannah@comcast.net](mailto:firstpreshannah@comcast.net).

Return ticket request and payment to the church office by  
Sunday, May 1!

