

***Welcome to Worship at First Presbyterian Church***

*Please join us for fellowship and refreshments  
in the courtyard following the service.  
(✦ Latecomers may be seated.)*

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**AN ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD**

**12<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

**August 7, 2016 10:00 A.M.**

**THE APPROACH**

PRELUDE

*Pièces d'Orgue*

**Francois D'Agincour**  
**(1684-1758)**  
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

*“They that trust in the Lord shall be as Mt. Zion”*

*(Ps. 125:1)*

**Donovan Klotzbeacher**  
Summer Chorale

CALL TO WORSHIP

Faith is the assurance of things hoped for,  
**the conviction of things not seen.**  
Happy are those who trust in the Lord,  
**whose hope is in God’s steadfast love.**

HYMN #288 (Hymnal)\*

*“I Sing the Mighty Power of God”*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)\*

**Faithful and loving God, we confess that we have not lived in faith and love. We offer you great pageants of piety and ignore your call to do what is right. We busy ourselves with idle pleasures and fail to prepare for your coming realm. Forgive us, God of grace. Give us the gift of faith, so that we might set our hope on the better things you have promised; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON\*

HYMN #577 (Hymnal)\*

THE PEACE\* ✨

*“Gloria Patri”*

### PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE ✨

SCRIPTURE

Romans 8: 28-39

Gretchen Stults  
Pew Bible pgs. 158-159

ANTHEM

*Song of Remembrance*  
*(“Do this in remembrance of me”)*

**Tom Fettke**  
Summer Chorale

SCRIPTURE

II Corinthians 4: 17 & selected verses

Pew Bible pg. 181

SERMON

Louis J. Mitchell, Th.D.

### THE RESPONSE

THE GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

*Dialogue*

**F. D'Agincour**  
Organ

Hymn #593 (Hymnal)\*

*“Doxology”*

Prayer of Dedication\*

HYMN #293 (Hymnal)\*

*“This Is My Father’s World ”*

### THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

Psalm 23

**The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His name’s sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: And I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.**

## 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

Please come forward by the side aisles. 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 #147 (Hymnal)\*

*“Blessing and Honor”*

RESPONSE\*

*Choral Amen  
(O Quanta Qualia)*

**Donovan Klotzbeacher**  
Summer Chorale

BENEDICTION\*

POSTLUDE\*

*Basse de Cromome*

**F. D'Agincour**  
Organ

**\*ALL WHO ARE ABLE MAY STAND**

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## 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 presented on the bread and cup trays which are served to those who do not come forward.

**Communion Servers** are Bea Davison, Earl Davison, Chris Welch and Renee Welch.

**Head Ushers** are Caren Anuszewski and Heidi Knowlton.

**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; Lil Conley; Robert Dyke; Judson Hagerty; Tyler Katsoff; Pete Keve; Lucille Kirkenir; Russ Richardson; Marge Scott; John & Carol Sprout; Barbara Wahlers; Margo Wegner; and Ina Zimmer.

**Meadow Lakes members with special needs:** Joe Kelly and Betty Smith.

**Family and Friends of Church Members for whom prayers are asked:** David Anderson's father, Robert; Jo D. Andrews granddaughter, Jenna; Daune Arsnow's friend, Linda; Betty Borgeson's sister, Martha; Jean Dunham's sister, Pat; Joan & Gordon Fraser's son, Iain; Gaylord French's wife, Molly; Gail Geijer's son, Dan; Fritz & Mary Jane Hager's daughter-in-law, Liz; Mark Hughes' grandmother, Olga; Mark & Joanne Hughes' friend, Anna and family; Ed Luffey's mother, Ruth; Beatrice Mabutho's sister, Phyllis; Pat Scott's niece, Brenda; and friend of the congregation, Bonnie Beckford Wagman.

**We pray for all people** who are in need in our wider community and please remember family and friends in our nation's service. Members of our church family are encouraged to make prayer requests for relatives serving in our armed services, most especially those serving in harm's way.

**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:** Sally Giovanos on August 11. **Happy Birthday!**

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION and YOUTH MINISTRY

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**Bible Study on the Gospel of John,** led by the Rev. Suzanne Schafer-Coates, Parish Associate and Pastor of the Meadow Lakes Congregation, will be held in the church Library on Monday nights at 7:00 p.m., and will be repeated on Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m. in the Meeting Room at Meadow Lakes, for the next four weeks. All are welcome!

**Mark your calendars!** Middle Schoolers and High Schoolers are most welcome to all events (except the TASK service opportunity, there is a 13 year old age requirement at TASK).

- **Pool Party - Wednesday, August 24 (Waciega family's house in Plainsboro)** - Details and permission slips will show up in your inbox sometime in August. (Rain date August 25)
- **Youth Serve @ TASK – Thursday, September 1:** Leave from the church at 2:15 p.m. and return around 5:30 p.m. Serve a meal alongside Pastor Hannah at

TASK (Trenton Area Soup Kitchen). Must be 13 years or older to serve. Details and permission slips to come in August.

## CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

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**Pictorial Directory:** Anyone who was not photographed for the new directory and would like to submit a photo, please do so at your earliest convenience by contacting Ed Luffey at [eluffey@gmail.com](mailto:eluffey@gmail.com) or (609)619-3064.

## CPNS

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We have been busy preparing for the new school year and recently participated in a professional development opportunity reviewing Creative Curriculum from Teaching Strategies. Our teachers will also be attending additional professional development opportunities so we can all be prepared to implement this curriculum more fully in September. We previously used Creative Curriculum as a resource to our own curriculum which we will continue to use as our guiding principles and philosophy. In addition to the curriculum professional development we have been participating in a variety of professional development opportunities offered by GROW NJ Kids and meeting with the technical specialists as we work toward preparing for our quality ratings.

We continue to register children for the Cranbury Presbyterian Nursery School 2016-2017 school year. The registration forms can be found on our website. Enrichment program details are also available on our website. Please tell your friends and neighbors about our Christian preschool.

## MISSION, SERVICE & GRANTS

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**Summer at SKEET'S PANTRY:** Yes, we provide food to over 80 families each month on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Fridays of summer months, too. And thanks to your kindness, we are doing well with this important mission of our church ... BUT PLEASE DON'T FORGET US during the summer. We always depend on your generous gifts of food and funds. The food we need continues to be the basic staples of most family meals:

**Pasta** – any and all types; **Pasta Sauce** – what's pasta without the sauce; **Peanut Butter and Jelly** – one of our favorite staples; **Tuna Fish** – packed with protein; **Cereal** – Large nutritious family-size boxes are ideal; **Soup** – all types of canned soup are welcome

We also provide a "Miscellaneous" table at each pantry session, enabling our families to select food items which may be unique but something those families really enjoy, or perhaps have a special need for. So we are glad to accept your "miscellaneous" food donations, too – but please be sure the expiration dates are current. THANKS and Have a Wonderful Summer!

## STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE

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**Counting Teams:** 8/7 (Team #2) – 8/14 (Team #3)

**PLEDGES:** Please remember to keep pledges current during the summer.  
Thank you!

	<b>Week Ended 7/31/16</b>
Weekly Offering	\$6,093
YTD Offerings	\$266,868
YTD Expenses	\$266,182
YTD Net Income/(Loss)	\$686
YTD Per Capita: \$4,137 (19% of \$21,780)	

## OUR WEEKLY CALENDAR

<p><b>August 7, 2016</b></p> <p>10:00a Worship w/Communion followed by refreshments 11:00a Meadow Lakes Communion Worship Service 4p–5p Cranbury Scout Band Practice–upstairs CRs</p>	<p><b>August 8, 2016</b></p> <p><u>9:00a Bulletin Material Due</u> 7:00p Bible Study–Library 7:30p Congregational Life Mtg-FH 8:00p Al-Anon-McK Rm</p>
<p><b>August 9, 2016</b></p> <p>9:30a Staff Mtg.-Church Office 1:00p Outreach Cmte Mtg. - Lib. 7:30p Stewardship &amp; Finance-Church Office 7:30p AA – McKnight Room</p>	<p><b>August 10, 2016</b></p> <p><u>9:00a Session Material Due</u> 11:00a ML Bible Study @ ML 5:30p-7:00p flute practice - Sanctuary</p>
<p><b>August 11, 2016</b></p> <p>9:00a Bulletin Assembly-Church Office 7:30p P&amp;A Mtg-church office (upstairs)</p>	<p><b>August 12, 2016</b></p> <p><u>Church Office Closed</u></p>
<p><b>August 13, 2016</b></p>	<p><b>August 14, 2016</b></p> <p>10:00a Worship followed by refreshments 11:00a Meadow Lakes Worship Service 4p–5p Cranbury Scout Band Practice–upstairs CRs</p>