

**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.)

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**AN ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD**

**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent**

**March 5, 2017 10:30 A.M.**

**THE APPROACH**

PRELUDE

*“All Things Bright and Beautiful”*

**17<sup>th</sup> Century,  
English Melody  
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

*“Come Unto Me”*

*(Matthew 11: 28-30)*

**arr. by Take Six**

**transcribed for the children**

**by George Andrews**

*Come unto me, all ye that labour... And I will give you rest.*

*Take my yoke upon you and learn of me for I am meek and lowly in heart.*

*And ye shall find rest unto your souls, rest unto your souls, rest unto your souls.*

*It's easy. For my burden is light, is light.*

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Dr. Mitchell

The Lord is merciful and gracious,

**slow to anger and abounding in love.**

Tested by the devil in the wilderness, Jesus said:

**You shall worship the Lord your God alone.**

Let us worship God.

HYMN #302 (Hymnal)\*

*“I Danced in the Morning”*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)\*

**God of great mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you. You provide our daily bread; still we hunger for other things. You give your word to guide us; still we surrender to temptation. Forgive us, God of grace. Create a clean heart within us, teach us your holy way, and restore the joy of salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON\*

HYMN\*

582

Glory to God,  
Whose Goodness Shines on Me

Capo 3: (G) (D) (G) (D) (G) (D) (Em) (D)  
 B<sup>b</sup> F B<sup>b</sup> F B<sup>b</sup> F Gm F

1 Glo - ry to God, whose good - ness shines on me,  
 2 World with - out end, 7 with - out end. A - men.

and to the Son, whose grace has par - doned me,  
 World with - out end, 7 with - out end. A - men.

and to the Spir - it, whose love has set me free.  
 World with - out end, 7 with - out end. A - men.

As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now and ev - er shall be. A - men.

THE PEACE\* ✨

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE ✨

Pastor Hannah

SCRIPTURE

Genesis 2: 15-17; 3: 1-7

Dina Ellsworth  
Pew Bible pgs. 2-3

ANTHEM

*"Elijah Rock"*

**Traditional Spiritual**  
arr. by George Andrews

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 4: 1-11

Pew Bible pg. 3

SERMON

“It is tempting...”

Rev. Hannah Lovaglio

### **THE RESPONSE**

HYMN #81 (Hymnal)\* *“Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days”*

COMMISSIONING OF THE CRANBURY PRESBYTERIAN NURSERY SCHOOL BOARD: **Samantha Andrews, Chris Cenci, Jessica Corriveau, Matt Curran, Dina Ellsworth, Candice Gluck, Lori Kleppe (Learning Consultant), Nicole Mingullion, Dr. Louis Mitchell (Pastor), Janice Parker (Director), Patria Sullivan (Moderator), Kristen Taylor, and Janet Wheeler (Business Administrator).**

We are called by God to be the church of Jesus Christ, a sign in the world today of what God intends for all humankind.

**(All) The great ends of the church are the proclamation of the gospel for the salvation of humankind; the shelter, nurture, and spiritual fellowship of the children of God; the maintenance of divine worship; the preservation of the truth; the promotion of social righteousness; and the exhibition of the Kingdom of Heaven to the world.**

The call of Christ is to willing, dedicated discipleship. Our discipleship is a manifestation of the new life we enter through baptism. Discipleship is a gift and a commitment, an offering and a responsibility. Brothers and sisters, God has called you to particular service as members of the Board of the Cranbury Presbyterian Nursery School. Show your purpose by answering these questions.

Who is your Lord and Savior?

**Jesus Christ is my Lord and Savior.**

Will you be Christ’s faithful disciple, obeying his Word and showing his love?

**I will, with God’s help.**

Do you welcome the responsibility of this service because you are determined to follow the Lord Jesus, to love neighbors, and to work for the reconciling of the world?

**I do.**

Will you serve the people with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love, relying on God’s mercy and rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit?

**I will, with God’s help.**

Do we, members of the First Presbyterian Church, confirm the call of God to our brothers and sisters to this role in the service of Jesus Christ?

**We do.**

Will we support and encourage them in this ministry?

**We will.**

### COMMISSIONING, CHARGE AND BLESSING

Faithful God, in baptism you claimed us, and by your Holy Spirit you are working in our lives, empowering us to live a life worthy of our calling. We thank you for leading these brothers and sisters to this time and place. Establish them in your truth, and guide them by your Holy Spirit, that in your service they may grow in faith, hope and love and be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

Friends, you are commissioned to service as members of the Board of the Cranbury Presbyterian Nursery School. Whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God through him. May the God of peace make you holy in every way, and keep your whole being: spirit, soul, and body, free from every fault at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

### CLOSING PRAYER

**Almighty God, in Jesus Christ you called disciples and, by the Holy Spirit, made them one church to serve you. Let your Spirit rule your church, so that we may be joined in love and service to Jesus Christ, who, having gone before us, is coming to meet us in the promise of your eternal Kingdom. Amen.**

### THE GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory	<i>“Lenten Bells”</i>	arr. Barbara Kinyon
	<i>(Beneath the Cross of Jesus – Go to Dark Gethsemane)</i>	Bell Choir
Hymn #592 (Hymnal)*	<i>“Doxology”</i>	
Prayer of Dedication*		

## **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

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 #85 (Hymnal)\*

*“What Wondrous Love Is This”*

RESPONSE\*

*Amen*

**Southern Melody**  
Bell Choir

BENEDICTION\*

POSTLUDE\*

*Llanfair*

**Donovan Klotzbeacher**  
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.

**Worship Bags, Children’s Bulletins & Coloring Pages!** All three are available in the narthex, and are offered with the hope that children who want to will be able to worship alongside the whole church family.

**Hearing devices** are available for your convenience in the narthex.

**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 Joan Fraser, Monty Hagerty, KY Huang and Cassandra Khazem.

**Coffee Hour** today is hosted by the CPNS Teachers in honor of our CPNS Board Members.

**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; Paul Furchak; Cyndi Girardet; Tyler Katsoff; Pete Keve; Beatrice Mabutho; Evan Pease; Joanne Petto; Russ Richardson; Marge Scott; Wilma Shimer; Audrey Smith; Margo Wegner and Ina Zimmer.

**Meadow Lakes members with special needs:** Joe Kelly and Beverly Robertson.

**Family and Friends of Church Members for whom prayers are asked:** David Anderson's father, Robert; Betty Borgeson's sister, Martha; Nancy Chonko's mother, Shirley; Linda Ferguson's friend, Rose; Joan & Gordon Fraser's son, Iain; Gail Geijer's son, Dan; Patricia Grasso's mother, Eileen; Fritz and Mary Jane Hager's daughter-in-law, Liz; Barbara Hannon's brother-in-law, Michael; Dorothy Klotzbeacher's sons, David and Danny; friend of the congregation, Alex Pendjurin's friend, Paige; CPNS Teacher, Noël Kinney's son, JP; Beatrice Mabutho's sister, Phyllis; Sharon Ramkishun's niece, Kaitlyn; Pat Scott's niece Brenda; Mary Szczepanik's nephew, Kevin; Roger Suttmeier's friend, Shonna; Loida Wilson's mother, Loli; and Walter & Barbara Wright's daughter, Maire.

**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:** Wilma Shimer on March 12. **Happy Birthday!**

## **CXOIR NEWS**

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The Brass Choir is in need of a piano player for their two Spring concerts. It would be a great experience for anyone with very few rehearsals needed. Please contact Pat Bohrs if you are interested at [pbohrs@verizon.net](mailto:pbohrs@verizon.net).

## **CXISTIAN EDUCATION and YOUTH MINISTRY**

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**Lent in the Library:** “Every gift from God reveals God's love, but no gift reveals God's love more than the gift of the cross.” Join us for a Lenten Bible Study from Max Lucado's *He Chose the Nails* (quoted above), on Sunday mornings in the Library which began today and will meet again on **March 12, 19, 26 and April 2, from 9:15 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.**, led by our Pastors.

**Book Club!** The Christian Ed committee is starting a book club. The first meeting will be Wednesday, March 15 at 7:00 p.m., hosted by Vicki Waciega. We're reading *Love that Boy* by Ron Fournier, a book that both Pastor Hannah and Sunday School Superintendent, Daune Arsnow, agree every adult should read—no matter if you're a parent or not. It offers a lesson on acceptance, love and our nation's history.

## **Join us for Sunday School each Sunday morning!**

9:15 - 9:30 a.m. Gathering Time in Fellowship Hall for ages 2 - 8th grade

9:30 - 10:15 a.m. Sunday School for ages 2 - 8th grade, check the Sunday School Bulletin Board for classes and classrooms

9:15 - 10:15 a.m. High School Sunday School in the church library (Rm 1 during Lent)

## **YOUTH GROUP**

Middle School (Sundays, 5:30p - 6:30p)    High School (Sundays, 6:30p - 8p)

### **March Merchandise!**



The Youth Group is selling FPC Cranbury t-shirts! Place your orders during coffee hour today and March 12, \$25 for short sleeve or \$30 for long sleeve. We'll have samples of all sizes available. All proceeds will benefit the summer youth mission trip.

## **CPNS**

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Our Cranbury Presbyterian Nursery School Board Members were commissioned today. We are blessed with each and every one of them. They share with us their many gifts and talents which we are so grateful for. The CPNS teachers will be hosting coffee in honor of our CPNS board members. It's just a small token of our appreciation for all they do. We hope you will join us to celebrate these extra special individuals.

This week, we celebrated the birthday of Dr. Seuss, which gives us another opportunity to celebrate our love of books. This year for our "Celebration of Books" in addition to our many classroom activities we will have a CPNS book swap. During the month of March, children and their families are encouraged to bring in a "pre-loved" children's book. You are welcome to join us in the celebration. If you are interested, we ask that you leave the book on our CPNS bookshelf under our CPNS panda bulletin board for another family to enjoy. Then you and your child should take the time to browse through the books left by other families and take one home to read! Please feel free to swap books as many times as you would like! We hope you enjoy this opportunity to share the love of books with your children and continue to read to them often.

Registration for the 2017-2018 school year has begun. As you begin to research your options for a preschool for your child, please consider CPNS. Please call Janice Parker at (609)655-8663 or e-mail her at [CPNSchool@comcast.net](mailto:CPNSchool@comcast.net) for more information. Don't forget to tell your friends and neighbors about our developmentally appropriate academic Christian preschool. We don't want anyone to miss the opportunity to give their children the strongest foundation for their child's academic success.

## **MISSION, SERVICE & GRANTS**

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**Skeet's Pantry:** We continue to need your help to stock up our shelves for March. Food especially needed for March:

**Tuna Fish; Soup; Peanut Butter & Jelly; Pasta & Pasta Sauce;  
Cereal; Canned Fruits; and Canned Vegetables**

**Adopt a Johnsonburg Cabin:** On Friday, March 31 a team of workers from our church will be heading up to Camp Johnsonburg ([www.campjburg.org](http://www.campjburg.org)) for the weekend full of good fellowship, hard work and great food. Want to join us? We will return Sunday, April 2 in the afternoon. All you need is the willingness to serve and old work clothes. We will supply the rest. Over the years some cabins have been a bit neglected and need caring hands to bring them back to life...that's where we can help. We have adopted one of these cabins and will begin work on it. In the future, new mattresses will need to be provided. If you want to join our mission team or help in any other way, please contact Stan Dickerson or Anne Gordon.

## **SENIOR FELLOWSHIP**

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**Senior Exercise Schedule:** March 6, March 9, March 13, March 16, March 20, March 23, March 27 and March 30

## **STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE**

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**Counting Teams:** 3/5 (Team #4) – 3/12 (Team #1)

	<b>Week Ended 2/26/17</b>
Weekly Offering	\$6,643
YTD Offerings	\$94,415
YTD Expenses	\$73,738,
YTD Net Income/(Loss)	\$20,677
YTD Per Capita: \$2,126 (10% of \$21,636)	

## **WORSHIP COMMITTEE**

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**Flower Openings Available:** If you are interested in dedicating flowers on Sundays for the Sanctuary, please contact Diane Smith at 609-890-0822.

**Ushers Needed:** Please consider joining an ushering team. You only have to usher three or four times a year. It is good way to meet new people. If you need further information or want to join, please contact Heidi Knowlton at 609-799-1724 or [cabotk@comcast.net](mailto:cabotk@comcast.net). Thank you!!!

## OUR WEEKLY CALENDAR

<p><b>March 5, 2017 (1st Sunday in Lent)</b>            9:15a Sunday School - All areas            9:15a Lenten Bible Study – Lib.            10:30a Worship with Communion and CPNS Board Commissioning followed by coffee hour            11:00a Meadow Lakes Worship Communion Service            5:30p-6:30p Middle School Yth Grp–FH            6:30p–8p High School Yth Grp–Yth Rm</p>	<p><b>March 6, 2017</b>            10:00a Senior Exercise            1:30p Martha’s Circle – Lib.            4:45p-5:30p M. Pease - FH            7:00p Brass Choir            8:00p Al-Anon-McK Rm</p>
<p><b>March 7, 2017</b>  <u>9:00a Bulletin Material Due</u>            9:30a Staff Mtg.-Church Office            1p-3:30p Outreach Cmte Mtg-Lib.            3:30p Lenten Bible Study – Mtg Rm @ Meadow Lakes            4:15p Children’s Choir-Sanctuary            4:45p-5:30p M. Pease - FH            7:00p CE and Youth Mtg-Lib.            7:30p MS&amp;G Mtg-FH            7:30p AA – McKnight Room</p>	<p><b>March 8, 2017</b>            3:30p Meadow Lakes Ministry Cmte Mtg-ML Mtg Rm            7:00p Bell Choir            7:00p Boy Scouts District Mtg – McK Rm</p>
<p><b>March 9, 2017</b>            10:00a Senior Exercise            7:30p P&amp;A Mtg-church office (upstairs)            7:30p B&amp;G Mtg-Lib.            7:30p The Chorale – Sanctuary</p>	<p><b>March 10, 2017</b>            9:00a Bulletin Assembly-Church Office            3p Middle School Lock-In (30 Hour Famine)</p>
<p><b>March 11, 2017</b>            9:00a Middle School Lock-In (30 Hour Famine)</p>	<p><b>March 12, 2017 (2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Lent)/Daylight Savings Time begins)</b>            9:15a Sunday School - All areas            9:15a Lenten Bible Study – Lib.            10:30a Worship w/Installation of Church Officers followed by coffee hour            11:00a Meadow Lakes Worship Service            5:30p-6:30p Middle School Yth Grp–FH            6:30p–8p High School Yth Grp–Yth Rm</p>