

Welcome to Worship at First Presbyterian Church

(✠ Latecomers may be seated.)

AN ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Father's Day

June 18, 2017 10:00 A.M.

THE APPROACH

PRELUDE

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Johann Pachelbel

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.)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Hannah Lovaglio

Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

God's steadfast love endures forever.

The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few.

The Lord sends us out into the harvest.

Let us worship God.

HYMN #464 (Hymnal)* *“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)*

God our redeemer, we confess that we remain captivated by sin. We fail in our love for you, forgetting your gracious acts. We fail in our love for one another, forsaking our neighbors in need. Forgive us, God of grace. Let us be no longer bound by sin, but released, restored, set free to worship and serve you in freedom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON*

HYMN #577 (Hymnal)*

“Gloria Patri”

THE PEACE* ✠

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE ✠

Pastor Hannah

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Maxwell Vincent Thiel
son of Michael E. Thiel and Sarah E. Trent
born on October 21, 2016

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

QUESTIONS TO THE PARENTS

Do you intend your child to be Christ's faithful disciple, to obey his Word and show his love? **I do.**

QUESTION TO THE CONGREGATION:*

Dorothy Klotzbeacher
Our Lord Jesus Christ ordered us to teach those who are baptized. As people of this particular church, we will not be able to fulfill this promise to Maxwell since he does not live in our midst. Instead, our promising must be on behalf of the whole church of Jesus Christ. Does the church of Jesus Christ promise to tell Maxwell the good news of the gospel, to help him know all that Christ commands, and to strengthen his family ties with the household of God?

Congregation: We do.

PROFESSION OF FAITH*

The Apostles' Creed (Blue Hymnal, pg. 14)
I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and 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. 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.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER:

THE BAPTISM & WELCOME INTO THE HOUSEHOLD OF GOD

SCRIPTURE

Genesis 18: 1-15

Pat Demers
Pew Bible pg. 14

ANTHEM

"Lord, I want to be a Christian"

Patsy Ford Simms
The Chorale

SCRIPTURE

Genesis 21: 1-7

Pew Bible pgs. 16-17

SERMON

“Impossible Laughter”

Dr. Louis Mitchell

THE RESPONSE

HYMN #293 (Hymnal)*

“This Is My Father’s World”

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Dr. Mitchell

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 GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

Idyll

Donovan Klotzbeacher
Organ

Hymn #593 (Hymnal)*

“Doxology”

Prayer of Dedication*

Rev. Lovaglio

HYMN #368 (Hymnal)*

“I’ve Got Peace Like a River”

BENEDICTION*

POSTLUDE*

Fuga del 9º tono

Giovanni Gabrieli
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”.

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.

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.

Hearing devices are available for your convenience in the narthex.

The Flowers in the chancel today are given in loving memory of Richard McKenrick by Arthur and Gloria Jean (McKenrick) Ryba.

Head Ushers are Brian and Gina Moore.

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: Austin Applegate; Bill Chermak; Robert Dyke; Paul Furchak; Tyler Katsoff; Beatrice Mabutho; Russ Richardson; Marge Scott; Wilma Shimer; Audrey Smith; Diane Smith; Margo Wegner; Don Winchell and Ina Zimmer.

Meadow Lakes members with special needs: Dot Burns, Wil Cassel, Susan Gillim, Joe Kelly, Fred Mold and Beverly Robertson.

Family and Friends of Church Members for whom prayers are asked: David Anderson’s father, Robert; Caren Anuszewski & Carlene Reyes’ cousin, Danny; Betty Borgeson’s sister, Martha; Nancy Chonko’s mother, Shirley; Helen Dickerson’s brother, Clifford; Jean Dunham’s neighbor, Peter & family; Joan & Gordon Fraser’s son, Iain; Gail Geijer’s son, Dan; Patricia Grasso’s mother, Eileen & friend, Barbara; Fritz & Mary Jane Hager’s daughter-in-law, Liz; Judson & Monty Hagerty’s friend, Eleanor; Barbara Hannon’s brother-in-law, Michael; Dorothy Klotzbeacher’s sons, David & Danny; Alex Pendjurin’s friend, Paige; Linda Protinick’s mother, Jane; CPNS Teacher, Noël Kinney’s son, JP; Beatrice Mabutho’s sister, Phyllis, brother-in-law Joe & niece, Diana; Dorothy & Charles Patterson’s son, Charlie, Jr.; Sharon Ramkishun’s niece, Kaitlyn; Bev Reddan’s mother, Marie; Art & Gloria-Jean Ryba’s friend, Tony; Pat Scott’s niece, Brenda; Dale & Joan Smith’s sisters-in-law, Beverly & Alva; Nancy Stewart’s friend,

Joan; Loida Wilson's mother, Loli; Walter & Barbara Wright's daughter, Maire and friend of the congregation, Ruthie Yu's daughter, Christine.

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!

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION and YOUTH MINISTRY

TRENTON THUNDER – Join our church family for an evening of baseball on Friday, July 7 at 7:00 p.m. It's superhero night (to get you ready for superhero VBS)! You can wear your favorite Superhero costume. Fill out the order form on page 10 of this bulletin to get your tickets. We can caravan from the church parking lot at 5:30 p.m. or meet us at the ballpark.



VBS 2017 HERO CENTRAL – Discover Your Strength in God!
*Look for the VBS Giving Tree in the Fellowship Hall,
full of the supplies we need for this year's VBS!*

Please mark your calendars to join us from **July 24 through July 28** from **9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.** for an amazing Vacation Bible School (VBS) experience! Cokesbury's Hero Central VBS will take kids on awesome adventures alongside some of their favorite Bible heroes to discover the qualities that make us truly heroic in God. VBS Hero Central has epic music, spectacular science, crafty crafts, heroic recreation, and fantastic Bible stories to help children discover their strength in God! VBS Hero Central is designed to introduce a child to a deeper relationship with God through Jesus Christ.

Registration is available now through mid-July 2017 by going online to <http://2017.cokesburyvbs.com/firstprescranbury>. We are ramped up with excitement for VBS 2017!! Pastor Hannah and Cassandra Khazem are heading up a team of volunteers to make VBS Hero Central come to life!! If you are interested in being a teacher, assistant teacher, youth helper, or a leader for decorations, advertising, snacks, registration, crafts, etc., please contact Pastor Hannah at firstpreshannah@comcast.net or Cassandra Khazem at ckhazem@gmail.com.



THE GIVING WALL

Support our Youth Group Committed Fund

The Youth Group has created a giving wall to support our summer youth mission trip and beyond! We invite you to check out the giving wall - which is now in the Narthex! Take an envelope off the green board and return it to the church office with the amount of money indicated by the number on the envelope (or more) – every donation counts, from \$1 - \$150! In each envelope, you'll find a letter about our summer mission trip and a picture of a mission trip participant to pray for while we're away. **Thank you for your generous support!**

SUMMER BIBLE STUDY: Join Rev. Suzanne Schafer-Coates (our Parish Associate and Meadow Lakes Minister) in the church library at 7:00 p.m. on Mondays, July 10, 17, 24, 31 and August 7. The study is one of Adam Hamilton's. It's not a Bible Study, as such, although it is based on the Bible, and uses Biblical texts as we wrestle with the topics of the study. The study is called: "HALF TRUTHS, God Helps Those Who Help Themselves and Other Things the Bible Doesn't Say."

The lessons are:

- 1) Everything Happens for a Reason
- 2) God Helps Those Who Help Themselves
- 3) God Won't Give You More Than You Can Handle
- 4) God Said It, I Believe It, That Settles It, and
- 5) Love the Sinner, Hate the Sin.

I look forward to you joining us. It will be fun!

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

Keep the Coffee Hour going during the Summer

We need people to sign-up for Summer Coffee Hour. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Heidi Knowlton at (609)799-1724 or cabotk@comcast.net.

CPNS

Our teachers have been busy last week cleaning and participating in professional development opportunities, as well as our year end meeting. Several classrooms are ready for painting and any summer projects that are needed. Even though our teachers are done for the 2016-2017 school year there is much to do to get ready for September and I'm sure our teachers will be spending some of their summer at CPNS.

Our CPNS Pre-Summer program has begun and our Summer program will begin on Monday, July 10 for two weeks. We are so excited to share adventures filled with music, literacy, art, science, and math. Four of our CPNS teachers; Theresa Vaccaro, Linda Protinick, Helen Lazzaro and Felicia Halligan will have the opportunity to share developmentally appropriate academics during our time together with the children.

We have a few openings left in our classes beginning in September. Also our enrichment program offerings for September have been announced. All registration forms can be found on our website. Feel free to call Janice at 609 655-8663 or e-mail her at 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

JUNE is CEREAL MONTH for SKEET'S PANTRY!

Yes, our pantry always needs a variety of food each month, but Cereal is in really short supply this month and our families are always eager for it – especially the families with children. So we ask all our very kind donors to consider giving one or more family size boxes of cereal this month.

And, of course, if you'd like to donate other sorts of food as well, here's our list of all-time favorites:

Peanut Butter, Grape Jelly,
Pasta (All Varieties), Pasta Sauce,
Canned Tuna Fish, Canned Soup,
Canned Fruit, Canned Beans (All Varieties)

THANK YOU VERY MUCH for your generosity – our pantry is truly blessed to have so many friends!

OTHER NEWS

The Cranbury United Methodist Church is hosting a series of presentations in June and September by the Alzheimer's Association. On June 30, *Effective Ways to Detect and Connect* will be presented from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. RSVP by June 29 at (800) 272-3900 or Sharon.Jarnette@alz.org.

STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE

Counting Teams: 6/18 (Team #3) – 6/25 (Team #4)

	Week Ended 6/11/17
Weekly Offering	\$5,978
YTD Offerings	\$213,712
YTD Expenses	\$232,546
YTD Net Income/(Loss)	(\$18,834)
YTD Per Capita: \$4,050 (19% of \$21,636)	

WORSHIP

Ushers Needed

Volunteer and be part of the Worship Service. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Heidi Knowlton at (609)799-1724 or cabotk@comcast.net.

We are looking for **Lay Readers** for July to December 2017. We welcome new readers to join our team, and would be happy to see your name for one or two Sundays on the sign-up sheet which may be found on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall. Thank you!

OUR WEEKLY CALENDAR

June 18, 2017 Father's Day

10:00a Worship followed by refreshments

11:00a Meadow Lakes Worship Service

11:45a Library Committee (Lib.)

June 19, 2017

FH Painting

Church Office Hours begin-9:00a to 2:00p

9:00a Bulletin Material Due

9:00a CPNS Pre-Summer Program

8:00p Al-Anon (McK Rm)

June 20, 2017

FH Painting

9:00a CPNS Pre-Summer Program

9:30a Staff Mtg

7:30p AA (McK Rm)

7:30p Session Mtg (Lib.)

June 21, 2017

FH Painting

9:00a CPNS Pre-Summer Program

9:00a Middle School Youth Group Mission Trip – youth rm (NYC)

June 22, 2017

FH Painting

Middle School Youth Group Mission Trip (NYC)

8:30a Sr. Breakfast Club at the Cranbury Inn

9:00a Bulletin Assembly (Church Office)

9:00a CPNS Pre-Summer Program

June 23, 2017

FH Painting

Church Office Closed

4:00p Middle School Youth Group Mission Trip Returns (NYC)

9:00a CPNS Pre-Summer Program

June 24, 2017

June 25, 2017

10:00a Worship and Recognition of New Members followed by refreshments

11:00a Meadow Lakes Worship Service



**Batter Up and Join your church family
for a Trenton Thunder baseball game
on Friday, July 7 at 7:00 p.m. and
support our Youth Group.**

Everyone is invited!

**It's SUPERHERO night at the
ballpark - go dressed as your favorite
superhero!**

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ **STATE:** _____ **ZIP:** _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

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

Total Tickets: _____ **X \$12.00 = \$** _____

**For more information, please contact Pastor Hannah at
firstpreshannah@comcast.net or call 609-395-0897.**

**Return ticket request and payment to the church office by
Wednesday, JUNE 28!**