

WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

(✦ Latecomers may be seated.)

AN ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

4TH Sunday after Pentecost

July 2, 2017 10:00 A.M.

THE APPROACH

PRELUDE

“Salvation unto us has come”

Anon.
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

The Rev. Hannah Lovaglio

Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

God’s steadfast love endures forever.

Welcome one another in Jesus’ name,

for Christ is truly present among us.

Let us worship God.

HYMN #488 (Hymnal)* *“The God of Abraham Praise”*

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
SCRIPTURE	Hebrews 11: 8-19	Maggie Hughes Pew Bible pgs. 225-226
ANTHEM	<i>"O come, let us sing unto the Lord"</i>	L. Stanley Glarum Summer Chorale
SCRIPTURE	Genesis 22: 1-19	Pew Bible pgs. 17-18
SERMON	"The Test"	Dr. Louis Mitchell

THE RESPONSE

THE GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory	<i>"Come Thou, Almighty King"</i>	Edward Broughton Organ
Hymn #593 (Hymnal)*	<i>"Doxology"</i>	
Prayer of Dedication*		Rev. Lovaglio

HYMN #513 (Hymnal)* *"Let Us Break Bread Together"*

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 center aisles and return to your seat 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 #564 (Hymnal)* *"O Beautiful for Spacious Skies"*

BENEDICTION*

POSTLUDE*

Arrival of the Queen of Sheba
(Solomon)

Geo. F. Handel
Organ

***ALL WHO ARE ABLE MAY STAND**

The Session calls for a Special Meeting of the Congregation to take place on Sunday, July 9 immediately following Worship for the purpose of amending the Terms of Call for the Associate Pastor.

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.

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 Pat Bohrs, Carol Edelson, Ann Mooney and Pat Scott.

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

Meadow Lakes members with special needs: Wil Cassel; Susan Gillim; Joe Kelly; 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; Phyllis Dyke's cousin, Carol; 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; Leigh Perry's cousin, Ruby; 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; Rev. Suzanne Schafer-Coates' friend, KerriSu; Pat Scott's niece, Brenda; Dale & Joan Smith's sisters-in-law, Beverly & Alva; Nancy Stewart's friend, Joan; Loida Wilson's mother, Loli, & friends, the Pollack family; 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!

Birthday of Distinction: Carolyn Lee on July 8. **Happy Birthday!**

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION and YOUTH MINISTRY

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

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.

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!**

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

Volunteers Needed to keep 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

CPNS will be closed until our summer program begins on Monday, July 10. We continue to participate in training opportunities and making revisions to our parent handbook and personal manual that are part of our participation in GROW NJ Kids. We recently completed our renewal of our child care license with the NJ Department of Children and Families, Office of Licensing. This license allows us to provide early care and education at our church.

We are looking for a part time teacher, someone certified in elementary education or early childhood. If you, or if you know someone that would be a great addition to our CPNS staff, please have them contact Janice Parker at (609)655-8663 or email CPNSchool@comcast.net.

We have a few openings left in our classes and enrichment programs beginning in September. All registration forms can be found on our website. Feel free to call Janice at (609)655-8663 or email 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.

OUTREACH

SAVE THE DATE – July 21 at 7:30 p.m. in our air-conditioned Fellowship Hall! **“MOO”vie Night** with make your own ice cream sundaes for the whole family. Watch for movie title to be shown!

STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE

Counting Teams: 7/2 (Team #1) – 7/9 (Team #2)

	Week Ended 6/25/17
Weekly Offering	\$4,289
YTD Offerings	\$222,316
YTD Expenses	\$251,552
YTD Net Income/(Loss)	(\$29,236)
YTD Per Capita: \$4,086 (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

July 2, 2017

10:00a Worship followed by refreshments

11:00a Meadow Lakes Communion Worship

July 3, 2017

Church Office Closed

9:00a Bulletin Material Due

1:00p Martha's Circle (Lib)

8:00p Al-Anon (McK Rm)

July 4, 2017 (Independence Day)

Church Office Closed

7:30p AA (McK Rm)

July 5, 2017

July 6, 2017

9:00a Bulletin Assembly (Church Office)

2:30p-5:30p TASK - VAN

July 7, 2017

Church Office Closed

7:00p-10:00p Trenton Thunder Baseball Game

July 8, 2017

July 9, 2017

10:00a Worship followed by Meeting of the Congregation and refreshments

11:00a VBS Meeting (Lib)

11:00a Meadow Lakes Worship Service