

Welcome to Worship at First Presbyterian Church

(✠ Latecomers may be seated.)

AN ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

9th Sunday after Pentecost

August 6, 2017 10:00 A.M.

THE APPROACH

PRELUDE

Voluntary in E minor

John Stanley

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

Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

God’s steadfast love endures forever.

The Lord gives food in due season;

God satisfies the desire of every living thing.

Let us worship God.

HYMN #144 (Hymnal)*

“Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!”

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 Lou

SCRIPTURE

Genesis 32: 22-31

Caroline Koi
Pew Bible pg. 30

ANTHEM	<i>“In memory of the Savior’s Love”</i>	Austin C. Lovelace Summer Chorale
SCRIPTURE	Genesis 33: 1-17	Pew Bible pgs. 30-31
SERMON	“The Face of God”	Dr. Louis Mitchell

THE RESPONSE

THE GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory	<i>Kyrie (God the Father Everlasting)</i>	J.S. Bach Organ
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Hymn #593 (Hymnal)*	<i>“Doxology”</i>
Prayer of Dedication*	

HYMN #520 (Hymnal)* *“Here, O Our Lord, We See You Face to Face”* Morecambe
with melody of #326

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 aisle 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. Gluten free bread is available. Those unable to come forward will be served in their seats.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

HYMN #302 (Hymnal)* *"I Danced in the Morning"*

BENEDICTION*

POSTLUDE* *Fugue in Tone V* **Johann Pachelbel**
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.

Communion Servers are Vicki Bain, Matt Rhodes, Margo Wegner, 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: Austin Applegate; Bill Chermak; Pat Demers; Robert Dyke; Gordon Fraser; Paul Furchak; Tyler Katsoff; Beatrice Mabutho; Charlie Patterson; Russ Richardson; Gloria Jean Ryba; Marge Scott; Wilma Shimer; Audrey Smith; Diane Smith; Larry 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; Phyllis Dyke’s cousin, Carol; Joan & Gordon Fraser’s son, Iain; Gail Geijer’s son, Dan; Fritz & Mary Jane Hager’s daughter-in-law, Liz; Barbara Hannon’s brother-in-law, Michael; Alex Pendjurin’s friend, Paige; Leigh Perry’s cousin, Ruby; Ron Perry’s father, Dan; CPNS Teacher, Noël Kinney’s son, JP; Beatrice Mabutho’s sister, Phyllis, brother-in-law Joe & niece, Diana; CPNS Parent, Karolina; Sharon Ramkishun’s niece, Kaitlyn; Rev. Suzanne Schafer-Coates’ friend, KerriSu, & friends, the

Traversier family due to the loss of their mother; Loida Wilson's mother, Loli, & friends, the Pollack family; 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!

Birthdays of Distinction: Arthur Danser on July 30, and, Sally Giovanos on August 11. **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 **Monday, 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 next lesson is: "Love the Sinner, Hate the Sin". I look forward to you joining us. It will be fun!

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 is closed for the summer. Behind the scenes there are many things happening. Some of our rooms are being painted, floors are being done, and our teachers continue to participate in professional development opportunities. We are also revising our parent and personnel handbooks to meet the updated Office of Licensing regulations and incorporate the GROW NJ Kids requirements to continue to provide a high quality Christian preschool program. It is so

important to make the changes needed to continue to meet the needs of our community, families, and children.

We will also take time to rest, relax, rejuvenate, and refresh ourselves before we begin a new school year. We hope you have the opportunity to take some time for yourself as well. Enjoy the slower pace of the summer and remember to "Just Breathe".

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.

MISSIONS, SERVICE & GRANTS

Remember that Skeet's Pantry keeps distributing food throughout the summer months, too. Please consider donating:

SOUP, TUNA FISH, PEANUT BUTTER, GRAPE JELLY,
PASTA, PASTA SAUCE, CANNED BEANS or CANNED FRUIT

Here's hoping you have a great summer, and be assured that your generosity will make the summer better for many, many families in our community.

STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE

Counting Teams: 8/6 (Team #2) – 8/13 (Team #3)

	Week Ended 7/30/17
Weekly Offering	\$5,844
YTD Offerings	\$253,303
YTD Expenses	\$293,290
YTD Net Income/(Loss)	(\$39,987)
YTD Per Capita: \$4,146 (19% of \$21,636)	

THANK YOU

Dear Church Family:

Words cannot convey our heartfelt appreciation for your prayers, visits, cards and calls. God's blessings have truly been bountiful and with his continued grace and your prayers we're certain everything will be back to normal soon. Again, thank you and may God bless each of you abundantly.

~Arthur and Gloria-Jean Ryba

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 August 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

August 6, 2017

10:00a Worship with Communion
11:00a Meadow Lakes Communion
Worship

August 7, 2017

Floor Refinishing (FH)
9:00a Bulletin Material Due
1:00p Martha's Circle (D.
Wiegartner's house)
7:00p Bible Study (Lib)
8:00p Al-Anon (McK Rm)

August 8, 2017

Floor Refinishing (FH)
9:30a Staff Mtg
3:30p Meadow Lakes Bible Study
(Mtg Rm)
7:30p AA (McK Rm)
7:30p Stewardship & Finance Cmte
Mtg (Church Office)

August 9, 2017

Floor Refinishing (FH)
9:00a Session Material Due
3:30p Meadow Lakes Ministry Mtg-
ML Mtg. Rm

August 10, 2017

Floor Refinishing (FH)
9:00a Bulletin Assembly (Church
Office)
7:00p P&A Cmte Mtg (Church Office
upstairs)

August 11, 2017

Floor Refinishing (FH)
Church Office Closed

August 12, 2017

August 13, 2017

10:00a Worship with VBS highlights
followed by refreshments
11:00a Meadow Lakes Worship
Service