

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

AN ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

World Communion Sunday

October 1, 2017 10:30 A.M.

THE APPROACH

PRELUDE

“Just A Closer Walk”

Phillips

Bell & Brass Choirs

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

“I to the hills will lift mine eyes”

Donovan Klotzbeacher

The Chorale

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Hannah Lovaglio

Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

God’s steadfast love endures forever.

Let every tongue confess the good news:

Jesus Christ is Lord; glory to God!

Let us worship God.

HYMN #263 (Hymnal)* *“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”*

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 #579 (Hymnal)*

“Gloria Patri”

THE PEACE*

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Pastor Hannah

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 21: 23-27

Pat Demers
Pew Bible pg. 23

ANTHEM

“Heaven Bound”

Iami
Bell and Brass Choirs

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 21: 28-32

Pew Bible pgs. 23-24

SERMON

“Lip Service”

Dr. Louis Mitchell

THE RESPONSE

OFFERING AND PEACEMAKING OFFERING

Offertory

“My Lord what a mourning”

Spiritual, arr. Wm. Dawson
The Chorale

Hymn #592 (Hymnal)*

“Doxology”

Prayer of Dedication*

Jae Hwang

HYMN #434 (Hymnal)* *“Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples”*

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

"Our Father..."

Albert Hay Malotte,

(Unison – The Chorale/Congregation)

arr. Donovan Klotzbecher

THE COMMUNION OF GOD'S PEOPLE

We will eat the bread individually when served. We will hold the cup until all have been served and then partake together. All baptized Christians, whatever your denomination or tradition, are invited to share with us in this holy sacrament.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

HYMN #540 (Hymnal)* *"God Be with You Till We Meet Again"*

RESPONSE*

"Amen"

Traditional

Bell and Brass Choirs

BENEDICTION*

***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 Alan Danser, Gail Geijer, Anne Gordon, Charles Ill, Andrew Jost, Ruth Jost, Jean Randazzo and Arthur Ryba.

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; Judson Hagerty; Dorothy Klotzbeacher; Beatrice Mabutho; Charlie Patterson; Russ & Cheryl Richardson; Gloria-Jean Ryba; Marge Scott; Wilma Shimer; Audrey Smith; Diane Smith; Larry Wegner; Loida Wilson; 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; Helen Dickerson's brother, Clifford; Jean Dunham's niece, Charlene & friend, Eleanor; Phyllis Dyke's cousin, Carol; Rose Eller's sister, Louise; Joan & Gordon Fraser's son, Iain; Gail Geijer's son, Dan & sister, Jane; Fritz & Mary Jane Hager's daughter-in-law, Liz; Barbara Hannon's brother-in-law, Michael; friend of the church, Josina's son, Troy; CPNS Parent, Karolina; Nancy Kietlinski's father, Fred; CPNS Teacher, Noël Kinney's son, JP; Dorothy Klotzbeacher's daughter-in-law, Debbie; Caroline Koi's friend, Phyllis; Beatrice Mabutho's sister, Phyllis, brother-in-law, Joe & niece, Diana; Karen Moser's nephew, Adam; Alex Pendjurin's friend, Paige; Marie Perrine's son, Ross; Leigh Perry's cousin, Ruby; Ron Perry's father, Dan; Sharon Ramkishun's niece, Kaitlyn; Russ & Cheryl Richardson's son, Mark; CPC website designer, Meg & husband, Arnold; Doris Wiegartner's niece, Laurie & family; Loida Wilson's mother, Loli, & friends, the Pollack family; Agnes Winchell's sister, Aniko; 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! Earl Davison on October 4. **Happy Birthday!!**

AROUND TOWN...

Pastor Lou will present a two-part series exploring the 16th century worldview, and the religious, political, intellectual and cultural upheaval brought about by the Protestant Reformation: October 11 – Why? Events leading up to the Reformation; and October 25 – Who? Fleshing out Martin

Luther. Both sessions meet from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Cranbury Public Library.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION & YOUTH MINISTRY

Adult Sunday School Class on the Reformation: This year marks the 500th anniversary of the Reformation, one of the most important movements in the history of Western civilization. To mark this occasion, Pastor Lou, with help from Pastors Hannah and Suzanne, will provide an Adult Sunday School Class on the Reformation for 6 weeks. It continues on 10/8, 10/15, 10/22 and 10/29. We will also celebrate the Reformation during Worship as well, all leading up to October 29, which marks the formal anniversary date!

Sunday School: Children are invited to Gathering Time from 9:15 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. every Sunday morning in the Fellowship Hall, followed by Sunday School from 9:30 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.

Book Club Returns: Join us in **Room 1 from 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.** on Monday, October 23. We will be discussing the book *Wonder* by Raquel J. Palacio. This book is about August (Auggie) Pullman who was born with a facial deformity that prevented him from going to a mainstream school—until now. He's about to start 5th grade at Beecher Prep, and if you've ever been the new kid then you know how hard that can be. The thing is Auggie's just an ordinary kid, with an extraordinary face. But can he convince his new classmates that he's just like them, despite appearances?

The Youth Say “Thank You!” The car wash was successful, and more importantly, fun! The weather was beautiful and the people were kind and the joy of being in community was shared by all. Thank you for prayerfully sending our youth on their summer missions and faithfully supporting them even after their return.

Youth Group Tonight: 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Middle School; 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. High School

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

Coffee Hour Host(s) NEEDED! We need coffee hour host(s) to sign-up. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Heidi Knowlton at (609)799-1724 or cabotk@comcast.net.

CPNS

This week, we begin our enrichment programs. We have many exciting offerings, including Full S.T.E.A.M. Ahead, Power of Play, Book Nook, Alphabet Soup, Let's Pretend, and Sing, Dance and Play. The programs are taught by our CPNS teachers and they are so excited to share their expertise of the subject they are teaching with the children. Check out our website: cranburycpns.org and look for the enrichment brochure with the description of all the programs. We hope you will take advantage of this opportunity.

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.

DEACONS

SQUARE DANCE

Join us on **October 28, 2017** for a fun filled evening of square dancing with Mr. Rich Delgado, professional caller!

Doors open at 6:30 p.m. with square dancing starting promptly at 7:00 p.m. and ending at 8:30 p.m.

Entry donation is \$5 per person. Proceeds directly benefit the Deacons Benevolence Fund.

MISSIONS, SERVICE & GRANTS

Christ is Our Peace! This **Sunday, October 1** during worship we will be collecting and dedicating the **Peace and Global Witness Special Offering**.

Ephesians 2:14-17 teaches us that we are created anew as one body through the cross. We are called to put aside our differences and our hostilities—to love one another and proclaim the peace of Christ to those near and far. Let us join together this World Communion Sunday and do just that!

The Peace and Global Witness special offering goes to help Presbyterians help rebuild war-torn communities and advocate for peace at tables where global leaders meet, such as the United Nations.

Your gifts to the Peace and Global Witness Offering will proclaim the peace of Christ with brothers and sisters amid conflicts, like in the South Sudan and Columbia through peacebuilding ministries of accompaniment, advocacy and education.

Twenty-five percent of this offering stays in our community to be used to support those working to share the dream of peace, and reconciliation closer to home.

This is an exciting opportunity to live out what we believe by giving generously, to this special offering. Checks may be made out to the First Presbyterian Church, with Peace in the memo line. Always know, that Christ is Our Peace! Thank you!

PLEASE NOTE: Due to scheduling conflicts at the Windsor Hightstown Area Ministerium (WHAM) the **CROP Hunger Walk** will not take place this year.

Clothing Drive for The Rescue Mission of Trenton: This is the **last day** of our clothing drive. The collection box is located in the “mailbox room”, next to Skeet’s Pantry. All clothing must be CLEAN and in good condition. Men’s, women’s, and children’s clothing and shoes will be accepted. Thank you for your support! If you have any questions, please contact Anne Gordon.

Skeet’s Pantry:

We continue to welcome the basic foods we put in family bags each month:

**Peanut Butter, Pasta, Cereal, Canned Fruit, Soup, Jelly,
Pasta Sauce, Canned Beans, Tuna Fish**

As always, please be sure to check expiration dates on the food so that nothing is out of date. Once again, we say THANK YOU for your generous support.

Again, Out of Chaos, There is Hope! As loving, caring, open-hearted Presbyterians we can demonstrate our faith, by giving generously to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. We collected just over \$2,000 in our retiring offering on September 17 to help people suffering from the aftermath of Hurricanes Harvey and Irma. Now Hurricane Maria and the devastating earthquake in Mexico have impacted the lives of thousands more people....our neighbors, our friends, our sisters and brothers in Christ. We can be and are the arms, legs and heart of Christ by helping those in need.

Let our goal be \$4,000! Checks should be made out to the First Presbyterian Church, with PDA in the memo line and given to the church today. Live out your faith, give hope today by giving generously. Thank you!

OTHER NEWS

Liturgical Dance Class: We speak and we sing The Lord's Prayer now come and learn how to pray with dance movements. Joan Fraser will begin to teach you her choreography on Saturday, October 7 at 9:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall, and continue on Saturday October 28. Please let her know if you are interested by calling (609)655-3174.

OUTREACH COMMITTEE

The Outreach Committee will host a **PASTA DINNER** on **Friday, October 13**. Please join us from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Tickets can be purchased after Worship during coffee hour. Each ticket is \$5 and children under 5 are free. If you need a ride, please call (609)395-7099 and the church van will pick you up.

Volunteers Needed: The Outreach Committee needs your help for our pasta dinner night. We need helpers for prep work, serving, cleanup, etc... The sign-up sheet is on the Outreach bulletin board in Fellowship Hall (first one on the right). We are also in need of desserts to serve that evening - you can sign-up at the same time! Thank you! Thank You!

The Outreach Committee needs YOU! We are a small group trying to do big things. Consider being a member. The Committee will be meeting on the second Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Library. At present, we are

planning our Pasta Night, the Church Christmas Procession, banners for Christmas and Easter on the church columns, “MOO”vie Night, a trip to Sight and Sound. If you feel that you can help us in our goal of outreach to the community and promoting fellowship among our congregants, come on October 10, call Doris at (609)395-7099, or speak to any committee member for more information. Look forward to your joining us!

Please join us for Lunch or Dinner for Eight! Summer is over and it is time to gather again with old and new friends for talk and fun. We are looking for guests and host(s) or hostess(es) for this semi-annual event. A sign-up sheet is on the **bulletin board at our new location outside of Fellowship Hall** waiting for your name. If you have any questions, please call Carol Fisher at (609)655-5153 or Ann Mooney at (609)655-4283.

SENIOR FELLOWSHIP

Senior Exercise Schedule: October 2, October 5, October 9, October 12, October 16, October 19, October 23, October 26 and October 30

STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE

Counting Teams: 10/1 (Team #2) – 10/8 (Team #3)

	Week Ended 9/24/17
Weekly Offering	\$6,982
YTD Offerings	\$295,835
YTD Expenses	\$366,079
YTD Net Income/(Loss)	(\$70,244)
YTD Per Capita: \$4,146 (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.

Lay Readers Needed: We are looking for Lay Readers for now through 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

October 1, 2017 (World Communion/Peacemaking Offering)

9:15a-10:15a Sunday School
9:15a Adult Series on the Reformation (Lib)
10:30a Worship
11:00a Meadow Lakes Communion Worship
5:00p-6:30p Middle School Youth Group (Yth Rm)
6:30p-8p High School Youth Group (Yth Rm)
6:30p-8p Boy Scouts Troop 52 (FH)

October 2, 2017

10:00a Sr. Exercise
1:30p Martha's Circle (Lib.)
7:00p Brass Choir
8:00p Al-Anon (McK Rm)

October 3, 2017

9:00a Bulletin Material Due
9:30a Staff Mtg
4:15p Children's Choir
7:00p CE and Youth Mtg (Lib.)
7:30p AA (McK Rm)
7:30p MS&G Mtg (FH)

October 4, 2017

7:00p Bell Choir
7:00p Woman's Club Mtg (FH)

October 5, 2017

10:00a Sr. Exercise
2:30p-5:30p TASK - VAN
7:30p B&G Mtg (Lib.)
7:30p The Chorale

October 6, 2017

9:00a Bulletin Assembly (Church Office)

October 7, 2017

9:00a S&F (Church Office)
9:30a Liturgical Dance (FH)

October 8, 2017

9:15a-10:15a Sunday School
9:15a Adult Series on the Reformation (Lib)
10:30a Worship followed by coffee hour
11:00a Meadow Lakes Worship Service
5:00p-6:30p Middle School Youth Group (Yth Rm)
6:30p-8p High School Youth Group (Yth Rm)