

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.

AN ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD
Resurrection of the Lord/Easter
April 1, 2018 10:30 A.M.

THE APPROACH

PRELUDE *Resurrection!* arr. Lloyd Larson
Bell and 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 *“The Easter Bell Carol”* Lloyd Pfautsch
The Bell Choir, Children’s Choir, Youth and Women’s Chorale

CALL TO WORSHIP Rev. Hannah Lovaglio
The Lord is risen! Alleluia!
Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!
This is the good news by which we are saved:
On the third day Jesus rose from the dead.
Let us worship God.

HYMN #123 (Hymnal)* *“Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)*
God of all hope and joy, we confess that we continue to live in fear. You raised Jesus to new life, yet we hold onto former things. You offer salvation to all, yet we fail to share this good news. Forgive us, God of grace. By your Spirit, make us witnesses to the wonder of the empty tomb and the fullness of life you promise; 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

Mark 16: 1-8

Joan Fraser
Pew Bible pgs. 54-55

ANTHEM

“Lives once again our glorious King”

arr. Walter Ehret
The Chorale

SCRIPTURE

I Peter 1: 3-9

Pew Bible pg. 232

SERMON

“A New Creation”

Dr. Louis Mitchell

THE RESPONSE

THE GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

Easter Joy

arr. Michael Helman
Bell and Brass Choirs

Hymn #592 (Hymnal)*

“Doxology”

Prayer of Dedication*

HYMN #469 (Hymnal)*

“Morning Has Broken”

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..."*
(Unison – The Chorale/Congregation)

**Albert Hay Malotte,
arr. Donovan Klotzbeacher**

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

RESPONSE* *Choral Amen*

The Chorale

BENEDICTION*

*ALL WHO ARE ABLE MAY STAND

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Annual Pancake Breakfast!

Please join us in Fellowship Hall on
Sunday, April 8, 2018
beginning at 9:00 a.m.



We will enjoy Pancakes, Quiche, Sausage, Fruit,
Coffee, Tea, Orange Juice and Milk.

Sponsored by: The Congregational Life Committee

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.

Hearing devices are available for your convenience in the Narthex.

Gluten free bread is available and it will be in a small cup or area in the center of the bread trays which are passed throughout the aisles.

Communion Servers are Daune Arsnow, Vicki Bain, Val Cier, Carol Edelson, Gail Geijer, Fritz Hager, KY Huang and Caroline Koi

Flowers today are the beautiful Easter flowers given in memory, in honor and/or as a gift of gratitude by many wonderful people.

Coffee Hour today is hosted by John and Brenda Kirkenir.

Head Ushers are Caren Anuszewski and Heidi Knowlton.

Greeter is Jack Britton/Heidi Knowlton.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Church members with special prayer concerns: Betty Borgeson; Bill Chermak; Robert Dyke; Paul Furchak; David Geijer; Judson Hagerty; Andy Jost and family due to the passing of his mother, Clarissa; Beatrice Mabutho; Karen Moser; Charlie Patterson; Marie Perrine; Russ & Cheryl Richardson; Wilma Shimer; Diane Smith; Don Winchell and Ina Zimmer.

Family and Friends of Church Members for whom prayers are asked:

CPNS family, baby Nicholas & family; Pat Demers' husband, Bob; Helen Dickerson's mother, Martha & brother, Clifford; Linda Ferguson's sister, Patty & daughter-in-law, Kristin; Joan & Gordon Fraser's friend, Joe; Patricia Grasso's mother, Eileen & friends, Barbara, Joanne & Debbie; Fritz & Mary Jane Hager's daughter-in-law, Liz; Dorothy Klotzbeacher's ex-husband, Rev. John Maltby & daughter, Nancy & son-in-law, Bob; Flo Kremann's son, Ronnie; Beatrice Mabutho's sister, Phyllis, brother-in-law, Joe & niece, Diana; Karen Moser's friend, Sue VonChun; and Agnes Winchell's sister, Aniko.

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 Chain: If you have a prayer concern, please call the church office at (609)395-0897 or email Doris Wiegartner at doriswieg@aol.com. 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.

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: Elsie Sutton on April 4. **HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!**

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION & YOUTH MINISTRY

No Sunday School or Youth Group today – Happy Easter & Happy Spring Break!

Our children and youth wish you a Happy Easter and invite you back to Worship the Risen Lord with them on Sunday, April 29, Children & Youth Sunday!

Yardsale Fundraiser! The Youth Group is participating in the town-wide yard sale on Saturday, April 28, and would graciously accept any items you’d like to donate to their cause. So clean out your closets and your basements, and bring donated items (that you think will sell) to the church in April. Please organize drop-offs with Pastor Hannah ahead of time. Proceeds will support their Summer Mission Trips to New York City and Lorain County, Ohio.

Mark your calendars!!! Adult retreat coming up in May: Tired of all the snow, the shoveling and the cold, long, dark days of winter? Then imagine yourself relaxing and enjoying the natural beauty and peaceful surroundings of the Fellowship Deaconry in Liberty Corner, New Jersey while deepening your faith along with others from our church family.

Our upcoming Annual Retreat is just weeks away and will take place this year on May 4 and May 5. We are blessed to have Loida Wilson as our leader. Loida will be leading us in a study on the Gift of Encouragement based on the book *Silver Boxes*. Scripture tells us to ‘...encourage one another and build one another up...’ (1 Thessalonians 5:11) and to ‘...consider how to stir up one another to love and good works...’ (Hebrews 10:24). Join us as we reflect how we as Christians can show love and encouragement to our brothers and sisters. This is sure to be an uplifting weekend!

This year marks the 31st anniversary of the Adult Retreat. For those of you who have never attended but are wondering what it’s like, now is a wonderful time to find out. And for those who have attended in the past, we hope you’ll join us again.

Look for the sign up table in upcoming weeks during coffee hour in Fellowship Hall. Transportation is available on the church van for all who are interested. Barbara Santoro will be our driver. If you have further questions or would like more information, please call Dorothy Klotzbeacher (Mrs. K) at (732)521-2026.

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

Coffee Hour Host(s) NEEDED! Please sign-up in the Fellowship Hall if you are interested. If you have any questions, please contact Fran Stewart at (609)395-7159 or email her at frannymag58@aol.com.

CPNS

Happy Easter! I hope you had an opportunity to see one of our Easter programs. The children were amazing! They always seem to put a smile on our faces and love in our hearts!

CPNS will be closed for our Easter vacation until Monday, April 9. We look forward to seeing you when we return.

Registration for the 2018-2019 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 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.

NEW MEMBERS



**Become
Part of
Our
Church
Family**

Welcome! If you are looking for a church home, we would love for you to be a part of our congregation. Our new member classes will be on April 15, April 22 and April 29 beginning at 9:15 a.m. in the church library. The new member recognition will be on May 6 during the Worship Service. Pastor Lou Mitchell will lead these sessions. This is your

opportunity to learn what it means to be a member of our church. We are a congregation which offers members of all ages opportunities to join in fellowship and grow in their faith. Please call the church office at (609)395-0897 and let us know you want to participate or if you have any questions.

OTHER NEWS

Springtime at Johnsonburg! Come see and experience the natural beauty of this place, set apart by God. Johnsonburg is yours to enjoy!

The **Women's Spring Retreat**, scheduled for April 20-22 promises to be a fun weekend of fellowship with other women with engaged worship, small group discussions, hiking, boating, zip line, delicious meals, massage, campfire, star watching and lots of laughter. Lodges are furnished with new comfy mattresses (Tempur-pedic, no less) and fresh bed linens.

Retreat fee is \$160 per person; private rooms are available for \$180. For more information and to register online visit www.campjburg.org.

Spruce Up Day, scheduled for Saturday, April 28, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., is a fun filled day of service! Put your faith in action, meet new people, and work with others as you assist the camp staff in preparing the facilities for summer. There is a job for every age and ability. Lunch is included. More information about projects and what to bring will be provided when you register at www.campjburg.org.

Contact Anne Gordon for carpooling options at (609) 409-7885 or agordon321@outlook.com.

2018 Summer Camp Brochures are available now from Pastor Hannah or register your child for summer camp on the Johnsonburg website at www.campjburg.org.

OUTREACH COMMITTEE

Lenten Challenge: The Outreach Committee thanks each of you who participated in this challenge. It is our hope that you have made a difference in your recipient's lives and that it has become a life changing habit for you.

Garage Sale (and Town-wide garage sale) - Save the Date! Saturday, April 28 - 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Sell your stuff and keep the profits! Leave leftover treasures to be picked up by the Trenton Rescue Mission. Spend the day or just a few hours at church with friends! You can rent a table for \$20. Registration forms will be available next week and can be returned to the church office. If you have any questions, please contact Ed Kietlinski at (609)468-3879.

SENIOR FELLOWSHIP

Senior Exercise Schedule: (April 2 – NO CLASS), April 5, April 9, April 12, April 16, April 19, April 23, April 26 and April 30

SMALL GROUPS

Prayer Shawl Group (Knitters and Crocheters): Our initial meeting has been rescheduled to **Thursday, April 5 at 10:30 a.m. in Room 1.** Prayer shawls have been made for centuries. They comfort and enfold; wrap and warm; mother and hug; shelter and embrace. Those who knit and those who receive shawls are blessed.

We can enjoy our handiwork and good fellowship while reaching out to those who may be comforted by receiving our shawls.

Don't knit? Don't crochet? Want to learn? We will have instructors there for you! Try it—you'll like it! You don't have to bring anything—we will have needles, etc. for you to use to get started. (Actually, we need a crochet instructor—let me know if you can help that day.) If you have any questions, please call Doris at (609)395-7099.

STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE

Counting Teams: 4/1 (Team #4) – 4/8 (Team #1)

Per Capita Message: Commit yourself to work and live in fellowship with “all persons in every nation.”

Does our congregation want to be involved in mission work throughout the world, sharing the gospel in all parts of the earth? In many place in our world, it is difficult to “do mission” except by working ecumenically with our churches. Your per capita helps to pay for meetings of Presbyterians with people of other churches, allowing us to maintain those ties for mission.

Please consider contributing your per capita of \$37/member!

WORSHIP

Help Wanted: The Worship Committee is actively seeking three persons to work as a team coordinating communion once a month. If you would like to be part of the communion team, please email Pat Bohrs at pbohrs@verizon.net or call the church office at (609)395-0897. **Our heartfelt thanks** to Renee Welch and Chris Welch for their years of service as our communion coordinators! We wish them all the best in their new endeavors!

Lay Readers Needed: We are looking for lay readers for now through June 2018. 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!

Ushers Needed: We have a number of vacancies to fill on our Ushering Guild. All ages are welcome to participate! If you are interested in joining our ushering team, please contact Heidi Knowlton at (609)480-1976 or email her at cabotk@comcast.net.

OUR WEEKLY CALENDAR

April 1, 2018 (Easter Sunday)

7:00a Easter Sunrise Service (Courtyard)

10:30a Easter Worship Service w/Communion followed by coffee hour

April 2, 2018

CPNS Closed

Church Office closed

8:00p Al-Anon (McK Rm)

April 3, 2018

CPNS Closed

Church Office Hours (9a-1p)

9:00a Bulletin Material Due

3:30p Children's Choir

7:30p AA (McK Rm)

7:30p MS&G Mtg (FH)

April 4, 2018

CPNS Closed

Church Office Hours (9a-1p)

12:30p Woman's Club Mtg (FH)

7:00p Bell Choir

April 5, 2018

CPNS Closed

Church Office Hours (9a-1p)

10:00a Senior Exercise

10:30a-12:30p Prayer Shawl Mtg (Rm 1)

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

7p Worship Committee Mtg (Lib)

7:30p B&G Mtg (Lib)

7:30p The Chorale

April 6, 2018

CPNS Closed

Church Office Hours (9a-1p)

9:00a Bulletin Assembly

12p-1:30p Youth Group Garage Sale Sorting (Yth Rm-Downstairs)

April 7, 2018

9:00a-12:00p Presbytery Session Records Review (FH)

April 8, 2018

9:00a Annual Pancake Breakfast (FH/Kit)

9:15a Sunday School

10:30a Worship followed by coffee hour

11:45a-12:15p Youth Band

5p-6:30p Middle School Youth Grp (Yth Rm)

6:30p-8p High School Youth Grp (Yth Rm)