

Welcome to Worship at The 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
Mother’s Day/Per Capita Sunday
May 13, 2018 10:30 A.M.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

“Ave Maris Stella”

Jean Titelouze
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.)

INTROIT

“Jesus Loves Me Medley”

arr. by Joel Matthys
Children’s Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP

The Lord is risen! Alleluia!

Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!

The word of God is truth.

Let us be sanctified in the truth.

Let us worship God.

HYMN #324 (Hymnal)* *“Open My Eyes That I May See”*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)*

God of all hope and joy, we confess that we continue to live in fear. You invite us to share in Christ’s ministry, but we ignore the calling of our baptism. You allow us to share in Christ’s own life, but we fail to believe this good news. Forgive us, God of grace. Protect us, for we belong to you. Sanctify us in your truth that our hope and joy may be complete; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON*

HYMN #579 (Hymnal)*
THE PEACE*

“Gloria Patri”

PROCLAIMING

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 1

Mary Speer
Pew Bible pg. 489

ANTHEM

*“Lord, I Want to be a Christian/
I Got Shoes Medley”*

**arr. by Jo D and
George Andrews**
Children’s Choir

SCRIPTURE

1 John 5: 9-13

Pew Bible pg. 241

SERMON

Rev. Hannah Lovaglio

RESPONDING

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Benevolence Fund

Linda Ferguson

HYMN*

“For All the Faithful Women”

from the Glory to God Hymnal #324

Capo 3: (C) (Am7) (F) (G) (C)
 Eb Cm7 Ab Bb Eb

1 For all the faith - ful wom - en who served in
2 We praise your name for Mir - iam, who sang tri -
3 We sing of bus - y Mar - tha, who toiled with
4 Lord, hear our praise of Dor - cas, who served the

(G) (C) (Am7) (Dm) (G)
 B^b E^b Cm7 Fm B^b

days of old, to you shall thanks be giv - en; to
 um - phant - ly while Pha - raoh's vaunt - ed ar - my lay
 pot and pan while Mar - y sat in si - lence to
 sick and poor. Her hands were cups of kind - ness, her

(C) (G7) (C) (Am)
 E^b B^b7 E^b Cm

all, their sto - ry told. They served with strength and
 drowned be - neath the sea; for Ruth, who left her
 hear the word a - gain. We praise the oth - er
 heart an o - pen door. O God, for saints and

(D) (G) (F) (G) (C)
 F B^b A^b B^b E^b

glad - ness in tasks your wis - dom gave. To you their
 home - land and ven - tured forth in faith, who pledged to
 Mar - y, who has - tened to the tomb and found her
 ser - vants, our fer - vent prayer we raise, that, faith - ful

(Am7) (F) (G) (C) (Dm) (G) (C)
 Cm7 A^b B^b E^b Fm B^b E^b

lives bore wit - ness, pro - claimed your power to save.
 serve and wor - ship Na - o - mi's God till death.
 Lord a - ris - en, dis - pel - ling doubt and gloom.
 in your ser - vice, our lives may sing your praise.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

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

First Psalm

Frank Laforge
The Chorale

Hymn #592 (Hymnal)*

"Doxology"

Prayer of Dedication*

HYMN #403 (Hymnal)*

"What A Friend We Have in Jesus"

RESPONSE*

Choral Amen

The Chorale

BENEDICTION*

POSTLUDE*

Cortege

Flor Peeters
Organ

***ALL WHO ARE ABLE MAY STAND**

On June 10, 2018

The First Presbyterian Church of Cranbury, NJ

Invites its Congregation to a Luncheon

Honoring Bell and Brass Choir Director,

Pat Bohrs

For her 50 years of Dedicated Service

and Music Ministry in our church.

The Luncheon will be held in the Fellowship Hall immediately
after Worship.

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.

Hearing devices are available for your convenience in the Narthex.

The Flowers today are in memory of Theodore Sushereba given by his wife, Henrietta Sushereba, daughter, Heidi and husband, Cabot Knowlton, grandchildren, Annie, Betsy, Ted and wife, Erica Thode and great granddaughter, Turner.

Coffee Hour today is hosted by the Stewardship & Finance Committee.

Head Usher is Stan Dickerson.

Greeter is Jack Britton/Heidi Knowlton.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Church members with special prayer concerns: Ian Anuszewski; Betty Borgeson; Bill Chermak; Robert Dyke; Paul Furchak; David Geijer; Judson Hagerty; Beatrice Mabutho; Ann Mooney; Karen Moser; Charlie Patterson; Marie Perrine; Russ & Cheryl Richardson; Wilma Shimer; Diane Smith; Larry White; 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 & step-son, Peter; 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; Arthur & Gloria-Jean Ryba’s sister-in-law, Patricia; Sr. Exercise member, Mary; Doris Wiegartner’s nephew, Steven (Staff Sergeant USAF); 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!

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS

B&G would like to thank the following volunteers who came out to help on workday: Daune and Nicholas Arsnow, George Conley, Ken and Anne Gordon, John Gosline, Fritz Hager, Andy and Ruth Jost, John, Brenda, and Jack Kirkenir, Dorothy Klotzbeacher, Andy and Flo Kremann, Linda Morris, Janice Parker, Ron, Leigh, Mitchell, and June Perry, Carlene and Al Reyes, Dave and Fran Stewart, Vicki Waciega, and Janet and Matt Wheeler. Apologies to anyone who we missed on this list. *"Many Hands Make Light Work"*

We have a bunch of leftover Canna Lilly bulbs leftover from workday that are on a table in Fellowship Hall along with plastic bags - if you would like some, help yourself.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION & YOUTH MINISTRY

Sunday School: Gathering Time from 9:15 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. and Sunday School from 9:30 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

Youth Group: Middle School and High School Youth Groups will not meet tonight.

Book Club: Meets again Monday, May 21 at 7:30 at Samantha Andrew’s house. (the 3rd Monday, to avoid Labor Day). We will be reading *News of the World* by Paulette Jiles (a not very long, fairly upbeat last read).

CPNS

This week, Lieutenant Michael Owens from the Cranbury Police Department will visit the Cranbury Presbyterian Nursery School. He will talk with the children about staying safe. They love to see inside the police car, see the lights, and hear the sirens. We really appreciate the time Lt. Owens spends with the children and the valuable information he shares with them.

We also want to thank all of our families for making teacher appreciation week so special for all of our teachers in so many ways.

If you are looking for a summer program for your preschooler, CPNS will be holding a summer program the weeks of June 11 and June 18. Please call or email for additional information.

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 child(ren) the strongest foundation for their child's academic success.

DEACONS

Our Annual Strawberry Festival sponsored by the Board of Deacons to benefit the Deacons Benevolence Fund will be on Saturday, June 2 from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Enjoy strawberries, cake, ice cream, live music, games, pony ride, petting zoo and bake sale!

Advance tickets can be purchased from a Deacon, during coffee hour, through the church office or at CPNS. The cost of each ticket is \$7.00 for each adult and \$5.00 for each child ages 2-12.

Tickets at the door on June 2 are \$8.00 for each adult ticket and \$6.00 for each child ages 2-12.



Coffee Hour – New Procedure! Anyone who signs up for Coffee Hour will have a Deacon helper if they want a Deacon helper. There are two sign-up lists; the

first is to sign-up to be a Coffee Hour Host. The second is to volunteer to bring a plate of cookies or crackers or the like to help the host. If you have any questions, please contact Fran Stewart at (609)395-7159 or email her at frannymag58@aol.com.

MISSIONS, SERVICE & GRANTS

News from Skeet's Pantry: We are planning for our May food distribution. Here's what we really need the most:

Tuna Fish, Pasta Sauce, Cereal, Peanut Butter, and Jelly

As always, if helping via donation by cash or check is easier for you, we are deeply grateful for those contributions to our food pantry, too. Checks can be made payable to First Presbyterian Church of Cranbury, with "Skeet's Pantry" in the memo section of the check.

If you are thinking about helping as a volunteer at Skeet's Pantry, you might consider letting us put your name on our "On Call" list. That is a new list we're putting together for folks who might be available on a weekday (usually a Wednesday) to receive deliveries of food from Mercer Street Friends and show the delivery people where to put the items. We wouldn't call on you too often for this help, but we'd like to have a few volunteers who might help with this on an as-needed basis. Please talk with Jane Huff if you're interested, or leave your name and contact info with our church office and one of us will get back to you.

OUTREACH

UrbanPromise International's African Gospel Choir will give a community concert next Sunday, May 20 at 3:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Come for music, rhythm and celebration – bring your family, friends and neighbors!

We need your help! In 2017, we hosted a wonderful reception for everyone who attended the *UrbanPromise* International Concert. We had the most delicious cookies. We need your help again. Our Committee is small and cannot do this alone. We need YOU to bake and donate cookies for the reception once again—we have had many new folks who say they are coming – we need to be prepared. Come and enjoy the punch, cookies (yours and others), camaraderie with the Fellows, and the shopping for jewelry, carvings, and other African items.

You can drop off your cookies in the kitchen prior to the concert; if you should want to leave them after worship, please mark the box/bag clearly – UPI Concert –

so they don't get mixed with coffee hour goodies. Thank you all. See you on May 20!!!!

SENIOR FELLOWSHIP

Senior Exercise Schedule: May 14, May 17, May 21, May 24, (NO CLASS-May 28) and May 31

Upcoming Event: Our next program will be Tuesday, May 29, at 12:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. We will have a concert featuring Zack Alexander, an outstanding vocalist who sings in the style of Frank Sinatra. Zack is completing his FOURTH year at Hofstra University and is majoring in Radio and Television Production. Two years ago, he won the National Frank Sinatra singing contest in Hoboken. He is destined to be a sought after entertainer.

This will be a brown bag lunch at noon (please bring your own sandwich). We will provide beverages and dessert. If you are not on our calling list and you would like to attend this program we request that you preregister by Thursday, May 24 at noon by calling the church office at (609)395-0897 and leave your name and phone number in case we have to call to cancel the program due to bad weather or other conditions. Please let us know if you would like to bring a friend. Last year, Zack came and dazzled us for one hour of wonderful songs. We look forward to seeing you there.

Senior Fellowship will attend the **Strawberry Festival** on **Saturday, June 2.** Starting at 4:00 p.m., buy your dessert and look for the tables inside Fellowship Hall, labeled Senior Fellowship, if you would like to eat your delicious pound cake, topped with strawberry ice cream and smothered with fresh strawberries with the company of other local seniors. The brass band will play from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. All proceeds from the festival tickets go to the Deacons Benevolence Fund helping those in need in our local area.

SMALL GROUPS

The **Prayer Shawl Ministry Group** will meet on May 24 (Room 1) at 11:00 a.m.

All knitters, crocheters, all who want to knit/crochet join us for fellowship as we knit/crochet these beautiful shawls.

Perkins Dinner Group: At 5:00 p.m. on the 3rd Monday of the month, 10-15 women from church meet at Perkins for supper. It is a time of friendship, fellowship and food. Each of us chooses her own dinner from the menu and each of

us pays for her own dinner. No need to call - just show up. However, when we get to 15 it is almost too many. So, if you would like to join us, then we would like to have you call to let us know and hopefully we can add you to the list. You can call Pat Scott at (609)395-0757 or email her at tugmate@msn.com.

STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE

Counting Teams: 5/13 (Team #2) – 5/20 (Team #3)

Per Capita Sunday– Today is “Per Capita Sunday” -- a made up day not found on the liturgical calendar -- but we needed something to mark the occasion for you to consider helping our denomination cover many of the costs to enable the Presbyterian Church to be a “connectional” church. While it took us about a nano second to reject the suggestion, coffee at Fellowship time will not cost \$37/cup. Instead, while you enjoy your “free” coffee, please consider making a per capita contribution of \$37. Our goal is to be able to collect and pass on to Presbytery our fair share. Help us satisfy our annual assessment of about \$22,000.

	Month Ended 4/30/18
YTD Offerings	\$154,732
YTD Expenses	\$163,413
YTD Net Income/(Loss)	(\$8,681)
YTD Per Capita	\$3,115 (14% of \$21,978)

WORSHIP

Flowers: If anyone wishes to provide flowers for any given Sunday in memory or in honor of a loved one(s), please contact Heidi Knowlton at (609)480-2000 or email her at cabotk@comcast.net.

Lay Readers Needed: We are looking for lay readers from 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)480-2000 or email her at cabotk@comcast.net.

OUR WEEKLY CALENDAR

May 13, 2018 (Mother's Day/Per Capita Sunday)

9:15a Sunday School
10:30a Worship followed by coffee hour

May 14, 2018

10:00a Senior Exercise
7:00p Brass Choir
7:30p Congregational Life Mtg (Lib)
8:00p Al-Anon (McK Rm)

May 15, 2018

9:00a Bulletin Material Due
9:30a Staff Mtg
10:00a Website Mtg. (Lib)
3:30p Children's Choir
6:00p Confirmand Dinner with Session (FH)
7:30p Session Mtg (Lib)
7:30p AA (McK Rm)

May 16, 2018

5:00p Woman's Club Mtg (FH)
7:00p Bell Choir

May 17, 2018

9:00a Skeet's Food Pantry Packing (FH)
10:00a Senior Exercise
7:30p The Chorale

May 18, 2018

8:00a-10:30a Skeet's Food Pantry Distribution (FH)
9:00a Bulletin Assembly (Church Office)

May 19, 2018

9:30p-1:30p Presbytery Mtg (Sayreville)

May 20, 2018 (Pentecost)

9:15a Sunday School
10:30a Worship w/Confirmation followed by coffee hour
11:45a Library Committee (Lib)
3:00p Urban Promise International Concert (Sanctuary)
5:00p-6:30p Middle School YG (Yth Rm)
6:30p-8p High School YG (Yth Rm)
6:30p-8p Boy Scouts Troop 52 (FH)
7:00p-8:30p Boy Scout Board of Review (Lib/Rm 1)