

Welcome to Worship at The First Presbyterian Church

*Please join us for fellowship and refreshments in the
Courtyard immediately following the service.*

AN ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Father's Day

June 17, 2018 10:00 A.M.

THE APPROACH

PRELUDE

Folk Tune

**Percy Whitlock
Organ**

INTROIT

"Make a joyful noise unto the Lord

**Donovan Klotzbecher
Summer Chorale**

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 kingdom of God is like a tiny mustard seed;

it grows into a great plant with many branches.

Let us worship God.

HYMN #619 (Hymnal)* *"Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven"*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)*

Holy, triune God, we confess that we have not lived for your glory. We judge by outward appearances, but you see what is in our hearts. We look down on small things, but you know how they will grow. Forgive us, God of grace. Teach us to live by faith, trusting in the vision of your word and the promise of a new creation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON*

HYMN #582 (Hymnal)*

"Gloria Patri"

THE PEACE*

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Lou

SCRIPTURE

Luke 15: 11-24

Elise Root
Pew Bible pgs. 78-79

ANTHEM

"O for a closer walk with God"

Scottish Psalter
Arr. C.V. Stanford
Summer Chorale

SCRIPTURE

Luke 15: 25-32

Pew Bible pg. 79

SERMON

"Father"

Dr. Louis Mitchell

THE RESPONSE

HYMN #771 (Hymnal)*

"What Is the World Like"

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

"Auf meinen lieben Gott"

Johann Nicolaus Hanff
Organ

Hymn #606 (Hymnal)*

"Doxology"

Prayer of Dedication*

HYMN #370 (Hymnal)*

"This Is My Father's World"

RESPONSE*

*Choral Amen
(Terra Beata)*

Summer Chorale

BENEDICTION*

POSTLUDE*

Fanfare on "Llanfair"

Donovan Klotzbeacher
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.

Hearing devices are available for your convenience in the Narthex.

Head Ushers are Brian and Gina Moore.

Greeter is Jack Britton/Heidi Knowlton.

The Flowers today are given by Arthur and Gloria-Jean (McKenrick) Ryba in loving memory of her brother, Richard L. McKenrick.

Coffee Hour today is hosted by George Andrews, Ruth Jost and KY Huang.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Church members with special prayer concerns: Ian Anuszewski; Bill Chermak; Rose Eller; Paul Furchak; Judson Hagerty; Lucille Kirkenir; Beatrice Mabutho; Karen Moser; Marie Perrine; Russ & Cheryl Richardson; Rev. Suzanne Schafer-Coates; Wilma Shimer; Diane Smith; and Ina Zimmer.

Family and Friends of Church Members for whom prayers are asked: CPNS family, baby Nicholas & family; Pat Demers’ husband, Bob; Gail Geijer’s sister, Jane; David Geijer’s friend, Kristen; Fritz & Mary Jane Hager’s daughter-in-law, Liz; Dorothy Klotzbeacher’s ex-husband, Rev. John Maltby, daughter, Nancy, son-in-law, Bob & daughter-in-law, Debbie; Flo Kremann’s son, Ronnie; Leah Moy’s cousin, Sharon; Leigh Perry’s uncle, Jeffrey; Arthur & Gloria-Jean Ryba’s sister-in-law, Patricia & sister-in-law, Linda and family; 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!

CHOIR NEWS

The “*Summer Chorale*” provides an opportunity to practice and perform simple anthems with the adult choir. If you are interested, meet with other singers each Sunday at 9:15 a.m. in the Choir Room.

To the Congregation from Pat Bohrs...

Thank you to the congregation and those who prepared the luncheon in my honor this past Sunday. It was much appreciated. I was especially taken by the presentation of the beautiful Celtic Cross. It is something that I will treasure always. I wish to thank Jo D. and the Children’s Choir for their special musical presentation and bouquets. Last but not least, I enjoyed reading the many original letters in the retirement book of memories.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION & YOUTH MINISTRY

Vacation Bible School: We’re going on the ride of a lifetime with God this Summer on the **Rolling River Rampage!** Join us for Vacation Bible School July 30 through August 3, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Details and registration online at: www.cokesburyvbs.com/FirstPresCranbury.

Volunteer with VBS! We need teachers, assistants, and volunteers galore in order to make VBS successful. Check out the giving trees by the front door to the Fellowship Hall for supplies to donate, or email Pastor Hannah (firstpreshannah@comcast.net) to sign up to volunteer. Qualified volunteers include anyone who loves God, enjoys children, and appreciates community (that’s you!). Drop off donated items in the Fellowship Hall in the basket by the giving trees. Thank you!

CPNS

We received our star rating from GROW NJ Kids, which is New Jersey's quality initiative program. We continue to participate in this program and work on improving our quality to provide our children with the strongest foundation for their academic success. We want to make sure we stay current with all that early childhood profession has to offer our teachers, our families, and our children.

We began our summer program last week. If you are still looking for a summer program for your preschooler, we still have a few spots left for this week. 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 e-mail her at CPNSchool@comcast.net for more information. Please remember 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

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

Attention Teens and Young Adults: We will be going to Trenton Area Soup Kitchen (TASK) on Thursday, July 5 and Thursday, August 2 and we welcome your help serving a meal. The church van departs at 2:30 p.m. from the church parking lot and returns by 5:45 p.m. This is a great opportunity to see and experience the good work that TASK does in Trenton. Please let Pastor Hannah or I know if you can join us.

June and July at Skeet's - U-Pick-It: Skeet's Pantry continues to provide our monthly food distribution to 80+ families throughout the summer, but we've found it necessary to purchase more food over the past several months – due both to less food available from the Mercer Street Friends organization, and fewer food donations from our local friends and congregation members. The kinds of foods we put in every family's pair of grocery bags each month are listed below, and we invite you to pick from these items if you are planning to donate to our food pantry.

As always, please be sure the expiration date on grocery items hasn't gone past. If you would prefer to give a money donation to our pantry, that is also very welcome and we truly appreciate your generosity. You can make a check payable to the First Presbyterian Church of Cranbury, and then put "Skeet's Pantry" on the memo line of the check.

Our Monthly Food Items Include:

Peanut Butter, Grape Jelly, Pasta, Pasta Sauce, Canned Soups, Canned Vegetables, Canned Fruit, Cereal (preferably "family size"), Canned Beans, Pancake Mix and Pancake Syrup

And if you would like to volunteer some time to help at Skeet's Pantry, please just give us a call – either via the church office or contact Jane Huff or Helen Dickerson. Thank you!!

SENIOR BREAKFAST CLUB

Please join us for Senior Breakfast Club on Thursday, June 28 at 8:30 a.m. at The Cranbury Inn. This month, we will enjoy music from the 1940s by Karl Dentino. Mr. Dentino presents a one man act that is quite excellent.

The Senior Breakfast Club is open to all who wish to hear these events at our Thursday, once-a-month breakfast at 8:30 a.m. at the Cranbury Inn. If you wish to attend, and have not done so before, please notify the church office at (609)395-0897 so that we can contact you. We need to notify the Cranbury Inn with the number of guests that will attend. The cost of breakfast is \$6 payable at the Inn. For information, contact Walter Wright at (609)655-6864.

STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE

Counting Teams: 6/17 (Team #3) – 6/24 (Team #4)

	Month Ended 5/31/18
YTD Offerings	\$202,166
YTD Expenses	\$206,739
YTD Net Income/(Loss)	(\$4,573)
YTD Per Capita	\$3,571 (16% of \$21,978)

WORSHIP

Glory to God Hymnals: We are still accepting donations for our Sanctuary of the new Glory to God Hymnals. We have 50 regular print hymnals available for \$20 each. This is a good gift for Father's Day. Donation envelopes can be found in the Narthex. Please leave the envelope in the offering plate or drop it off at the church office.

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: Sign-up for July-December: There is a new sign-up sheet in the Fellowship Hall, please choose your dates, new readers are welcome.

Summer Worship Hours began today at 10:00 a.m. and will continue through September 2.

Summer Church Office Hours begin tomorrow, June 18. Monday through Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and CLOSED Friday through September 3.

OUR WEEKLY CALENDAR

June 17, 2018 (Father's Day)

10:00a **Worship** followed by refreshments

11:45a Library Committee (Lib)

June 18, 2018

9:00a to 2:00p Church Office hours

9:00a Bulletin Material Due

9a-11:30a CPNS Summer Program

7:00p Brass Choir

8:00p Al-Anon (McK Rm)

June 19, 2018

9a-11:30a CPNS Summer Program

9:30a Staff Mtg

7:30p AA (McK Rm)

7:30p Session Mtg (Lib)

June 20, 2018

9a-11:30a CPNS Summer Program

June 21, 2018

9a-11:30a CPNS Summer Program

9:00a Bulletin Assembly (Church Office)

June 22, 2018

Church Office Closed

9a-11:30a CPNS Summer Program

June 23, 2018

June 24, 2018

10:00a Worship followed by refreshments

6:00p Mission Trip Mtg (Yth Rm)