

***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.*

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**AN ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD**

**Transfiguration of the Lord**

**March 3, 2019 10:30 A.M.**

**THE APPROACH**

PRELUDE

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

*“Extol the Lord our God”*  
*(Ps. 99:9)*

**Donovan Klotzbeacher**  
The Chorale

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Hannah Lovaglio

We gather together to worship God.

**We gather because we have seen:**

the bush was aflame,

**and yet it was not consumed.**

There were just five small loaves,

**and yet there was bread leftover.**

We gather because we have heard God’s voice in mighty thunder,

**and in sighs too deep for words.**

God called Jesus “Beloved” on a mountaintop,

**and God has called our names.**

We have seen. We have heard.

**God is here. Let us worship God together!**

HYMN #12 (Hymnal)\* *“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)\*

Rev. Marie Branigan

**Your reign is marked by justice and peace; you are on the side of those who are oppressed. Our lives are marked by comfort and avoidance; we choose what is fair instead of what is just. You seek transformation and compassion in this world, yet we are content to wait for the promise of heaven. Forgive our failings, Lord, and convict us by your spirit. Move us beyond our shallow faith to know the depth of your life among us. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE AND FORGIVENESS\*

HYMN #581 (Hymnal)\*

*"Gloria Patri"*

THE PEACE\*

Rev. Lovaglio

### **PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE ✨

Pastor Hannah

SCRIPTURE

Exodus 34:29-35

Caroline Koi  
Pew Bible pg. 81

ANTHEM

*Celtic Laud*

**Craig Courtney**  
The Chorale

SCRIPTURE

Luke 9:28-36

Pew Bible pgs. 69-70

SERMON

"Peaks and Valleys"

Rev. Branigan

HYMN #190 (Hymnal)\*

*"Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory"*

### **THE RESPONSE**

THE GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

Hymn #606 (Hymnal)\*

*"Doxology"*

Prayer of Dedication\*

Rev. Lovaglio

HYMN #525 (Hymnal)\*

*"Let Us Break Bread Together"*

## 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 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. At the front, take a piece of bread and dip the bread in the cup before eating. Those unable to come forward will be served in their seats.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

HYMN #450 (Hymnal)\*                      *“Be Thou My Vision”*

RESPONSE\*                                      *Chorale Amen*

The Chorale

BENEDICTION\*

POSTLUDE\*                                      *Toccata in F*

**Johann Pachelbel**  
Organ

**\*ALL WHO ARE ABLE MAY STAND**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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**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 Pastor 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 in a separate container at each communion station.

**Communion Servers** are Margie and George Conley and Brenda and John Kirkenir.

**Coffee hour** is hosted by the Interim Pastor Nominating Committee.

**Head Usher** is George Arsnow.

**Greeter** is Jack Britton/Heidi Knowlton.

### **PRAYER REQUESTS**

**Church members with special prayer concerns:** Bill Chermak; Bob Demers; Rose Eller; Carol Fisher; Dani Franke; Joan Fraser; Paul Furchak; David Geijer; Sally Giovanos; Judson Hagerty; Scott Kerr; Justin Keve; Cassandra Khazem; Lucille Kirkenir; Beatrice Mabutho; Charles Patterson, Jr.; Charles Patterson, Sr.; Marie Perrine; Russ & Cheryl Richardson; Ken Rossman; Wilma Shimer; Diane Smith; Rae Ellen Smith; Hennie Sushereba; and Doris Wiegartner.

**Family and Friends of Church Members for whom prayers are asked:** Linda Campbell’s friend, Christine; Barbara Connors’ mother, Ann; Helen Dickerson’s mother, Martha & brother, Clifford; Gail Geijer’s son, Dan & sister, Jane; Mark Hughes’ father, John; Eileen Keve’s extended family, Arthur & Paula; Carol Kientz’s cousin, Steve; Dorothy Klotzbeacher’s ex-husband, Rev. John Maltby & son-in-law, Bob; Karen Lovaglio’s friend, Antwon; Anita McManus’ sister, Nancy; Karen Moser’s friend, Andrew; Art Ryba’s sister-in-law, Patricia; Loida Wilson’s cousin, Charo & friend, Kathleen; Agnes Winchell’s sister, Aniko; and Walter Wright’s daughter, Mary Alice.

**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 Daune Arsnow at [deersnow@verizon.net](mailto:deersnow@verizon.net). 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:** Kay Gartner on March 7. **Happy Birthday!**

## **CHOIR NEWS**

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**Ringers Wanted:** If you want to join the Bell Choir or find out more information, please contact George Andrews at (212)222-8264 or email him at [george@andrewsmusic.com](mailto:george@andrewsmusic.com). Youth are welcome!

## **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION & YOUTH MINISTRY**

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**Study Luke this Lent!** Join us for a Lenten Bible Study on Mondays at 1:30 p.m. in the Library (March 11, 18, 25, April 1, 8, 15). We will be using *Lent for Everyone: Luke, Year C* by N.T. Wright. If you would like to buy the book and follow along with daily devotions, you can find it online or call the church office to request a copy for \$10. This book offers daily devotions you can do at home, and we will study particular passages together on Mondays.

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

## **God's Loving Kindness Endures Forever**

Join us for  
Children & Youth Sunday  
March 10, 2019  
Kicking off a Lent spent in kindness

Psalm 136, Colossians 3:12-17, Ephesians 4:31-32

**Save the Date! Vacation Bible School (VBS):** Join us on June 24 through June 28 for VBS – To Mars & Beyond! You can register at <https://tmab.cokesburyvbs.com/FirstPresCranbury>.

**Youth Group (Sundays):** Middle School Youth Group meets tonight from 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m., followed by High School Youth Group from 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

**Book Club!** Join us for our next book club meeting on **Monday, March 25** at 7:30 p.m. in Room 1. We will be reading *Killers of the Flower Moon: The Osage Murders and the Birth of the FBI* by David Grann. Pastor Hannah Lovaglio will be our discussion leader.

## **CPNS**

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The children of the Cranbury Presbyterian Nursery School will be participating in our church Lenten Challenge of "Kindness". Our teachers will be sharing lessons about kindness and will talk about what the children can do to be kind. As the children perform an act of kindness, the teachers or parents will help write the child's act of kindness on a post-it note. These post-it notes will be added to the kindness posters that read "Spread Kindness Like Confetti" that will be found in the hallways of CPNS. This initiative is a great way to show, share, and teach our children that kindness is all around us. It could be as simple as opening a door, tying a shoe, or saying a prayer for someone. We could go on forever with all the little blessings in life that bring us joy and show the kindness in our hearts to each other. Please join us to foster kindness each day and help us decorate the halls of CPNS.

The registration for the 2019-2020 school year has begun. Please let your friends and neighbors know about CPNS. We want everyone to take advantage of giving their children a developmentally appropriate academic, Christian preschool experience.

## **DEACONS**

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The church has a long standing tradition of delivering meals to our members in need including those suffering from illness or celebrating the joyous birth of a child. We need your help keeping this promise. Consider preparing an extra meal to help our fellow members. Meals can be dropped off at the church office. Please label the dish with your name, date, food description and heating instructions. Thank you, Caring Cuisine Deacons!

## **MISSIONS, SERVICE & GRANTS**

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**TASK stands for Trenton Area Soup Kitchen** and it is truly an amazing, positive place! Our church family and friends have been serving meals at TASK for over 30 years! We are truly partners in caring for Trenton's neediest residents. One day each month (the first Thursday from 2:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.), we serve the evening meal to about 150 patrons. Anyone who is over the age of 13 is welcome to join us, just let the church office know you

want to serve. In addition, we deliver donations of clothing, books, magazines, large size food and cleaning products, bagged lunches, hygiene products and wrapped plastic utensils. Donations may be placed in the TASK closet in the “mailbox room” across from Fellowship Hall. By serving meals and donating to TASK you are helping God transform the lives of patrons and perhaps your own! How beautiful is that? Here is the link for TASK: [www.trentonsoupkitchen.org](http://www.trentonsoupkitchen.org).

## **OTHER NEWS**

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**Cross Pendant:** The beautiful cross which hangs in our Sanctuary is now available for the first time as a pendant. The original cross was designed in the 1950s by Hugh Logan, one of our parishioners, and then carved and gilded in the Vatican.

The pendant is an exact molded replica of this cross, and measures 1 1/4” long, and is available in any metal of your choosing. It is only available by custom order directly by you from the Jewelry Design Gallery, which is located inside ShopRite on Rte. 130 in Hightstown where any of the salespersons can help you with your order, or by calling them at (609)371-1800. It will take 2-3 weeks to create your piece. The price for a silver cross is \$59, plus tax, and in gold the price is \$350, plus tax. You can also customize the finish to be shiny or antiqued. When you call, just identify yourself as a member of the Cranbury Presbyterian Church, as this cross is only available to us. If you have any questions, need help, or would like to see the pendant, see or call Joan Smith at (609) 655-1905, or email at [joankeenesmith@gmail.com](mailto:joankeenesmith@gmail.com).

## **OUTREACH**

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**Lenten Challenge:** This Lent, we invite you to commit to **40 Acts of Kindness**.

I arrived in Rutgers for graduate study in 1986. It was a new place to me when I just came from Taiwan a few days prior. One day, I needed to go to the graduate school office, but found myself lost in a big campus like Rutgers. I was somewhere in the College Avenue campus, looking around,

not sure which direction to turn. There was a gentleman that noticed me kindly asking if I needed any help. I told him I was trying to find the graduate school office. Instead of just giving me the direction, he graciously walked me to the building. I was so relieved, and was also very touched. When I thought about the kindness for the Lenten Challenge, this experience surfaced to my memory after 30 some years. I hope we all can make the similar impact to other people, and making the world a little bit kinder. ~~KY Huang

**Dinner for Eight:** What better time than now, to gather, with our church family for an evening of fellowship and good food. Please join us for Dinner for Eight. We are looking for guests and hosts or hostesses for this semi-annual event. Sign up today at a table located in Fellowship Hall. If you have any questions, please call Carol Fisher at (609)655-5153.

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## **"Moo"vie Night & Ice Cream Sundaes**



**JOIN US ON  
MARCH 8  
AT 7:00 P.M. IN  
FELLOWSHIP HALL**

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**We will be watching  
"Remember the Titans",  
starring Denzel Washington,  
Will Patton and Donald Faison.  
Bring your family and friends  
to enjoy a night of fun and  
fellowship!**

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**Church Name Badges -- Available Soon!!** The Outreach Committee invites you to sign-up to purchase a magnetic name badge to wear to church services, meetings and events. You may have seen members of the Outreach Committee wearing their name badges. Sign-up at coffee hour with any Committee member or email Audrey Smith at [aud123abc@aol.com](mailto:aud123abc@aol.com) to place your order. Please be sure to give us the spelling of your name the way you want it to appear on your name badge. The badges cost Outreach \$7 each – any contribution you might wish to make would be great!

## **SENIOR FELLOWSHIP**

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**Upcoming Event:** Senior Fellowship is a social group open to all members of the community and congregation over age 55. Our program for **Tuesday, March 12** at 12 noon will be a show by Bob Conrad who is a magician and ventriloquist. Before the program, we will socialize while eating our sandwiches that we bring from home. Beverages and dessert will be provided. A few people attended Bob's Performance at Cranbury Seniors last year and they thought he was wonderful.

If you are not on our list of people that we call each month and you would like to attend this program please preregister by calling the church office at (609)395-0897 by 3:00 p.m. on Friday, March 8. We meet once a month in Fellowship Hall. If you are interested in our other programs or would like to be added to our call list please call the number above and someone will call you.

We also run senior exercise classes in Fellowship Hall at 10:00 a.m. on Mondays with instructor Judith and Thursdays with instructor Helen. If you are interested in joining either of these exercise classes you must be over age 55 and reside in Cranbury Township or a member of the congregation. Please call (609)395-0897 and leave your contact information and the church office will have the instructor call you.

**Sr. Exercise Schedule:** March 4, March 7, March 11, March 14, March 18, March 21, March 25 and March 28

## **SMALL GROUPS**

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**Prayer Shawl Group:** Join us in Room 1 on **March 14 and March 28** at 11:00 a.m. Knit or crochet along with us. We need to prepare an inventory of shawls so they are ready whenever needed by one of our Pastors or one of the Deacons. We'd love to welcome you into our group. While we knit together, we enjoy our fellowship time together – so will you!

## **STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE**

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**Pledge Envelopes:** Your 2019 pledge envelopes are available to pick up in Room 1.

Counting Teams: 3/3 (Team #4) – 3/10 (Team #1) – 3/17 (Team #2)

<b>Month Ended 1/31/19</b>	
YTD Offerings	\$31,649
YTD Expenses	\$25,540
YTD Net Income/ <b>(Loss)</b>	\$6,109
YTD Per Capita	\$1,852 (5% of \$25,960)

## **WORSHIP**

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**We need volunteers to Usher!** If you have questions or would like to usher, please contact Heidi Knowlton at (609)480-9176 or email her at [cabotk@comcast.net](mailto:cabotk@comcast.net). There is also a sign-up sheet on the Congregational Life bulletin board in Fellowship Hall.

**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)799-1724 or email her at [cabotk@comcast.net](mailto:cabotk@comcast.net).

**Lay Readers:** The Lay Reader schedule for January through June 2019 is posted in Fellowship Hall. We are looking for, and would welcome, any new Readers to our group. Any questions please contact Joan Fraser.

## **OUR WEEKLY CALENDAR**

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### **March 3 (Transfiguration of the Lord)**

9:15a Sunday School

10:30a Worship with Communion followed by coffee hour

5:00p-6:30p Middle School Yth Grp (All Areas)

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

### **March 4**

10:00a Senior Exercise (FH)

1:30p Martha's Circle (Lib)

7:00p B&G Mtg (Lib)

7:30p Brass Choir

8:00p Al-Anon (McK Rm)

### **March 5**

9:00a Bulletin Material Due

9:30a Staff Mtg

3:30p Children's Choir

7:00p CE and Youth Mtg (Lib)

7:30p AA (FH/Kit)

7:30p MS&G Mtg (church office)

### **March 6 (Ash Wednesday)**

8:00a-3:00p CPNS Professional Development Day (FH/Kit/Lib)

7:30p Ash Wednesday Service

### **March 7**

10:00a Senior Exercise (FH)

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

6:45p Worship Cmte Mtg (Lib)

7:30p The Chorale

### **March 8**

9:00a Bulletin Assembly

6:30p "Moo"vie Night (FH)

## **March 9**

### **March 10 (1st Sunday in Lent/Children & Youth Sunday/Daylight saving time begins)**

9:00a Children & Youth Sunday Practice (Sanctuary)

10:30a Children & Youth Worship Service followed by coffee hour

3:30p Boy Scout Mtg (FH)

4p-5p Webelos Mtg (McK Rm)