

Welcome to Worship at The First Presbyterian Church
*Please join us for fellowship and refreshments at “Coffee Hour” outside
in the Courtyard immediately following the service.*

AN ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Christmas in July

July 28, 2019 10:00 A.M.

THE APPROACH

PRELUDE

Noel

Louis Claude D’aquin
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.)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Lovaglio

It’s Christmas in July,
Glory to God in the highest!
It’s Christmas in July,
And on earth, peace to all!
It’s Christmas in July,
Let us worship God!

HYMN #133 (Hymnal)*

“O Come All Ye Faithful”

CALL TO CONFESSION*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)*

Gracious God, you were born into the world as a gift of love. But half the year is gone, and we have forgotten the extravagance of this gift. Forgive us for our vacation mindsets, which tune out to your cry for justice. Forgive our summer schedules, which carve out peace for us but not for all. Open us to hear your story once again, that even in July, we would be Christmas Christians. Amen.

SILENT MEDITATION*

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE AND FORGIVENESS*

HYMN #582 (Hymnal)*

"Gloria Patri"

THE PEACE*

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Hannah

HYMN #113 (Hymnal)*

"Angels We Have Heard on High"

SCRIPTURE

Luke 2:1-7

Pat Demers
Pew Bible pg. 58

ANTHEM

Carol of the Bells

Ukrainian Carol
Summer Chorale

SCRIPTURE

Luke 2:8-20

Pew Bible pg. 58

SERMON

"Happy Half Birthday, Jesus!"

Rev. Hannah Lovaglio

THE RESPONSE

HYMN #115 (Hymnal)*

"Away in a Manger"

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Rev. Branigan

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

“A Virgin Pure”

Nicolas Lebégue
Organ

Hymn #606 (Hymnal)*

“Doxology”

Prayer of Dedication*

HYMN #134 (Hymnal)*

“Joy to the World”

BENEDICTION*

POSTLUDE*

Magnificat

Jean Francois D’andrieu
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 one of our 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”.

Children are welcome in worship! Worship materials for children 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. Children are also invited to come forward for the children’s message, and nursery care is available throughout the service. Find the way to worship that works best for your family!

Hearing devices are available for your convenience in the Narthex.

Large print bulletins and hymnals are available in the Narthex.

Coffee hour is hosted by Carol Edelson and KY Huang.

Head Usher is Heidi Knowlton.

Greeters are Jack Britton and Heidi Knowlton.

Bulletin Cover designed and drawn by Phoebe Kong.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Church members with special prayer concerns: Betty Borgeson; Bill Chermak; Bob Demers; David Geijer; Sally Giovanos; Judson Hagerty; Scott Kerr; Flo Kremann; Margaret Lawson; Beatrice Mabutho; Charlie Patterson, Jr.; Ken Rossman; Wilma Shimer; Hennie Sushereba; and Walter & Barb Wright.

Family and Friends of Church Members for whom prayers are asked: Jo D. Andrews' friend, Pamela; Maria Blomgren's brother, Robert; Harry & Pat Bohrs' friend, Randy; Pat & Bob Demer's nephew, Paul; Helen Dickerson's mother, Martha & brother, Clifford; Jean Dunham's brother-in-law, Chuck & daughter-in-law, Tiffany; Arlene & Dennis Duran's daughters, Catherine & Jennifer; Gail Geijer's son, Dan & sister, Jane; Mark Hughes' father, John; the Khazem family's friend, Jess; Dorothy Klotzbeacher's ex-husband, Rev. Maltby & son-in-law, Bob; John Ryba & Sharon Marshall's niece, McKenna; Janice Parker's nephew, Matt; Joanne Petto's friend, Estelle; Bev Reddan's mother, Marie; Joan Smith's brother, Jim; Vicki Waciega's friend, Amy; Larry & Margo Wegner's niece, Hannah; Janet Wheeler's friend, Grace; Loida Wilson's mother, Loli, and friend, Mike; Agnes Winchell's sister, Aniko; and Walter & Barb Wright's daughter, Marie 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. 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 fill out and 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!

Birthdays of Distinction: Arthur Danser on July 30, and, Gladys Frisch on July 31. **Happy Birthday!**

CPNS

A note from Janice Parker...

Many of you know that I have been the Director of CPNS since 1999 and a teacher and assistant teacher at CPNS since 1994. I have had an amazing time these past 25 years and can't thank you all enough for the support over the years. I have been blessed and honored to have had the opportunity to be the director of CPNS, thank you all for that.

I wanted to let you know that I have accepted a position as an assistant professor at The College of New Jersey beginning in August. My last day at CPNS will be August 23. My plan is to continue to make The First Presbyterian Church of Cranbury my church home and continue my relationship with all of you as my church family.

The new Director of CPNS will be introduced during our Worship Service on August 4. I hope you will all be able to attend church that day and have the opportunity to meet her and her family.

MISSIONS, SERVICE & GRANTS

No Summertime-Off for Skeet's: Our Skeet's Pantry patrons need food assistance 12 months a year, so Skeet's is still busy throughout these summer months. Thanks to your incredible generosity, we were able to help 70 families, including 237 adults and children in June. Those families were pretty evenly divided between young ones with children, and older singles & couples.

Now for our **JULY WISH LIST:**

Pancake Mix; Pancake Syrup; Peanut Butter; Pasta Sauce;
Soup; Canned Beans; and Canned Fruit

As always, please be sure the dates for "Use By" are still current on cans or jars.
Thanks so much!

SMALL GROUPS

Read with us this Summer – Our Book Group will be reading Lisa See’s *Snow Flower and the Secret Fan* as well as *The Island of Sea Women* this summer, both to be discussed at book group on Monday, September 23 (7:30 – 9:00p.m.). Join us!

STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE

Counting Teams: 7/28 (Team #1) – 8/4 (Team #2)

Month Ended 6/30/19

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| YTD Offerings | \$182,104 |
| YTD Expenses | \$200,949 |
| YTD Net Income/(Loss) | (\$18,845) |
| YTD Per Capita | \$3,668 (14% of \$25,960) |

WORSHIP

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. 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.

Lay Readers: The Lay Reader schedule from now through December 2019 is posted in Fellowship Hall. We are looking for, and would welcome, any new Readers to join our team. Any questions please contact Joan Fraser.

The Children’s Choir would like to thank their benevolent friends in the congregation for the gifts that may soon bring new children’s choir robes.

OUR WEEKLY CALENDAR

July 28 (Christmas in July)

10:00a Worship followed by refreshments

July 29

9:00a Bulletin Material Due

6:30p B&G Picnic @ the Kirkenir's home

8:00p Al-Anon (McK Rm)

July 30

9:30a Staff Meeting

7:30p AA (McK Rm)

July 31

7:30p Transition Team Mtg (Lib)

August 1

8:30a Bulletin Assembly

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

August 2

Church Office Closed

August 3

August 4

10:00a Worship w/Communion followed by refreshments