

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.
(✚ Latecomers may be seated.)

AN ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD
13th Sunday after Pentecost
September 11, 2011 10:00 A.M.

THE APPROACH

PRELUDE *“Amazing Grace”* adapted by W. Barnes
“Just A Closer Walk” arr. Luther Henderson
Brass Choir

INTROIT *“Extol the Lord Our God”* Donovan Klotzbeacher
(Ps. 99: 9) The Chorale

CALL TO WORSHIP The Rev. Rosanna Anderson
God is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.
God does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities.
For as the heavens are high above the earth,
So great is God’s steadfast love toward those who revere God

HYMN #293 (Hymnal)* *“This Is My Father’s World”*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)*
“Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.” So we pray, O God; yet we confess our lives show forth little mercy. We pass judgment on people who think and live differently than do we. Suspicion, jealousy, and quarrels infect our relationships, and keep us from building communities where everyone feels welcome and known. Merciful God, again we ask your forgiveness. Teach us and guide us to extend to others what we have received so abundantly from you: gracious acceptance, saving help, and love that will bind us together. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON*
HYMN #577 (Hymnal)* *“Gloria Patri”*
THE PEACE* ✚

WELCOME AND RITUAL OF FELLOWSHIP (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.)

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE ✚		Peter Miller
SCRIPTURE	Romans 12: 9-21	Joan Fraser Pew Bible pg. 162
ANTHEM	“Golden Gospel Greats”	arr. Sharon Rogers Bell Choir
SCRIPTURE	Galatians 1:1-5	Pew Bible pg. 187
SERMON	“One Day in Time”	Dr. Louis Mitchell

THE RESPONSE

THE GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory	“In memory of the Savior’s love”	Austin C. Lovelace The Chorale
Hymn #593 (Hymnal)*	“Doxology”	
Prayer of Dedication*		The Rev. Joanne Petto
HYMN #306 (Hymnal)*	“Fairest Lord Jesus”	

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:

According to His commandment:

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory.**

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 a side aisle. At the front, take a piece of bread and dip the bread in the cup before eating. Those unable to come forward and those who wish gluten free bread will be served in their seats.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

HYMN #391 (Hymnal)* *“Take My Life”*

BENEDICTION*

RESPONSE* *“Almighty Father, Hear Our Prayer”* **Mendelssohn
Bell Choir**

POSTLUDE* *Allegro Maestoso* **Flor Peeters
Organ**

***ALL WHO ARE ABLE MAY STAND**

We give thanks to God for the birth of
Savannah Jo Comiski
on **August 26, 2011**
daughter of **Elizabeth and Michael Comiski**
granddaughter of **Dr. Louis and Kathryn Mitchell**

“See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are.” I John 3:1

~~ YOUTH MINISTRY ~~

September Activities for Youth Group

- 9/17 (Sat.) **Youth Group Great Adventure Day & Steven Curtis Chapman Concert!**
 This is a fun opportunity for youth and families. Parents, we need your help to make this happen! Tickets cost \$29.50 and cover admission to the park and concert. You have the option of buying a meal voucher for \$13. **RSVP by email to Tom Senko at ts0629@verizon.net.** Turn in your signed permission form and check made payable to Cranbury Presbyterian Church as soon as possible, but no later than Friday, September 2. We will meet in the church parking lot at 11:00 a.m. and return at 7:00 p.m.
- 9/25 5:30-7 p.m. **Youth Group** in Fellowship Hall - We will launch our new series, "Does the Bible Really Say That!?" Musicians, please bring your guitars!

~~ CALENDAR ~~

September 11, 2011 - September 18, 2011

Sunday 11	(Homecoming Sunday) 10:00a Worship followed by the Homecoming Picnic
Monday 12	CPNS 1 st Day of School 10:00a Senior Exercise 1:30p Martha's Circle - Lib. 7:00p Music Directors Meeting - Library 7:30p Congregational Life Meeting-Library 7:30p Brass Choir 8:00p Al-Anon-McK Rm
Tuesday 13	9:00a Bulletin Material Due 11:00a Staff Mtg.-Church Office 7:30p MS&G Meeting-Lib. 7:30p Youth Ministry Committee Meeting-Church Office 7:30p Stewardship & Finance-Church Office 7:30p AA - McKnight Room
Wednesday 14	9:00a Skeet's Food Pantry Packing 7:30p Bell Choir
Thursday 15	9:00 Session Material Due 10:00a Senior Exercise 6:30p-7:30p Cub Scouts-McK Rm (KE) 7:30p The Chorale - Choir Room 7:30p B&G Meeting-Lib.
Friday 16	8:30-11:00a Skeet's Food Pantry Distribution 9:00a Bulletin Assembly-Church Office 7:30p AA - McKnight Room
Saturday 17	11:00a-7:00p Youth Group Trip & Concert (Great Adventure)
Sunday 18	9:15a 1st Day of Christian Education for all ages (Classrooms/Lib./FH/McKnight Rm) 10:30a Worship followed by the coffee hour 4:00p-5:00p Cranbury Scout Band Practice-upstairs classroom 5:30p-7:00p Youth Group-FH/Kit No Cranbury Men's Bible Study

Visitors! We hope you will find a warm welcome here. We invite you to consider membership in our church family. Please speak to one of the greeters or pastors after worship for more information.

Childcare is provided during worship. Children from birth to age 2 may be taken to the infant room, and children age 3 through Kindergarten are welcome in the toddler room. Laurie Davis is the Nursery Coordinator (MusicMomNJ@comcast.net).

Our congregation is very happy to have children participate in worship with their family as part of our church family! "Worship bags" containing quiet faith activities are available in the narthex for children to enjoy during worship.

Hearing devices are now available for your convenience in the narthex. The ushers can assist you.

Gluten free bread is now available at all communion services. During our Intinction services, it will be presented on the bread and cup trays which are served to those who do not come forward. At our regular communion service, it will be in a small cup or area in the center of the bread trays which are passed throughout the aisles.

We thank those who are serving today in these ways:

The Communion Servers are Stan Dickerson, Bev Gilbert and Marie Perrine.

The Flowers in the chancel today are given by Mr. & Mrs. Russell Sutton and family in memory of Russell's parents, Mr. & Mrs. George Sutton and Elsie Sutton's parents, Mr. & Mrs. Henry Fryer.

Head Ushers are Stan & Helen Dickerson.

PRAYER CHAIN

If you have a prayer request, or 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 contact the church office at 395-0897.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Church members with special needs: Marge Bloom; Martha Davis; John Henzler; Helen Myer; Walter Ornberg; Russ Richardson; Anna Wahler; Mildred Watts; Mary Speer; Ina Zimmer and Dorothy Swec.

Family and Friends of Church Members for whom prayers are asked: Vicki Bain's mother, Joan Stiles; Linda Campbell's friend, Barbara Wasylyk; Barbara Danser's mother, Evelyn Walton; Gail Geijers'son, Dan and neighbor, Kathy Roman; Barbara Hannon's cousins, Frank and Thelma Gilbert and friend, Ruth Nunez; Jane Huff's grandson, James Huff-Miller; Joanne Hughes' parents, Cornelius and Bella Tanis; Linda Ill's mother, Carol Scarpone; Carolyn Lee's husband, John; and Arthur and Gloria-Jean Ryba's brother-in-law, Arthur Sanford.

We pray for all the people who are in need in our wider community and please remember family and friends in our nation's service.

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!

Birthdays of Distinction: Helen Davies on September 6 and Betty Borgeson on September 18. **Happy Birthday!**

~~ ADULT EDUCATION ~~

Please join us visiting the **Philadelphia Museum of Art** to view the exhibit "**Rembrandt and the Faces of Jesus**" on **Friday, October 28, 2011**. We will depart the church parking lot at **9:15 a.m.** and will depart the museum after lunch, or if you prefer, at 3:00 p.m.

This trip is open to the first 24 people who sign up. The cost is \$24.00 which includes your transportation in the church van or private vehicles, entrance to the museum, and special exhibit ticket. Please mail your check made out to Anne Gordon, 127 North Main Street, Cranbury, NJ 08512. Call with questions: 609-409-7885.

Also, on **Thursday, October 27 at 8:30 a.m.** at the Senior Breakfast at the Cranbury Inn there will be an insightful discussion about Rembrandt, his art, aging and spirituality conducted by Pastor Rosanna Anderson and Anne Gordon. Call Walter Wright or Stan Dickerson to reserve your spot at the breakfast.

~~ CHOIRS ~~

Feel free to exit the Church by the Bell Choir side and view the wonderful Bell storage cabinet that was constructed by Stan Dickerson this summer. He did a masterful job. Many thanks also go to Gaylord French, head of the Worship Committee, who saw the project through. Because of their efforts, the Bell Choir will not have to climb steps carrying their bells, music folders, risers and hymn books while holding their robe hems in order to perform in Church. Thanks guys!

THE CHORALE: Last week marked the beginning of the Fall rehearsals for The Chorale. We meet at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday evenings in the sanctuary. Repertoire ranges from ancient to modern. The Chorale provides anthems as well as liturgical support for all worship services.

We welcome new members. If you have had previous choral-singing experience, please feel free to *just show up* for Thursday rehearsals. If you are uncertain about your vocal abilities or have other concerns, please contact Mr. Klotzbecher by email (dklotzbecher@aol.com), or speak with him following church on Sunday.

~~ CHRISTIAN EDUCATION ~~

Calling All Teachers and Adults who study the Bible! Is God leading you to share your gifts in Sunday school? We have many opportunities to teach and share faith with students of all ages! Speak with our Superintendent Peter Miller, Education Committee chair Doris Wiegartner or Pastor Rosanna if you want to know more about our openings.

~~ CONGREGATIONAL LIFE ~~

CRANBURY COFFEE HOUSES

As many of you might know a small group of people having been running a coffee house at our church for the last 2 years. As we start our 3rd year, we are looking for additional helpers, for small jobs at the coffee house.

This year we have proposed 5 shows each on the 2nd Friday in the months of Oct, Dec., Feb., April, and June. In order for us to continue this fund raiser/community outreach

program we are looking for some additional volunteers to help out at one of the events. A sign-up sheet is posted on the coffee house bulletin board across from the kitchen. The first job requires you to be at the church before and after the show for set-up (4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.) and clean up (9:30 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.). Another job is in the kitchen, serving coffee, hot dogs, cakes, pies, danish, your help for this job would be from 7:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. The last job we need volunteers for is to sell tickets and collect money at the door. This is usually from 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Instructions on all of these jobs could be provided ahead of time or the night of. There is usually someone there to give some instructions.

Please contact George Conley at (609)577-7201 with any questions or if you would like to sign up for one of these responsibilities. We hope that we'll have plenty of volunteers so we could continue this community outreach event and provide additional funding for the Deacon's Benevolent Fund and Skeet's Pantry.

Yours in Christ, George Conley

~~ CPNS ~~

As we begin a new school year, we look forward to meeting new friends and seeing our old friends as well. Our 2½ year-old classes have a shortened session this week to help our youngest children transition successfully. We are all looking forward to a wonderful school year together. Don't forget to stop by and visit at any time.

If you are not enrolled yet, there are still a few openings. 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 best and strongest foundation for their child's academic success.

~~ MISSION, SERVICE & GRANTS ~~

SNIPPETS FROM THE YEAR BOOK OF PRAYER As we are probably aware, Switzerland and specifically Geneva was the birthplace of the worldwide Presbyterian and Reformed movement. Here, thanks to John Calvin, were outlined the reformed faith and the structure of Presbyterian polity that shapes the life and ministry of more than 80 million Reformed people worldwide. One of the great legacies of Calvin's revolution in Geneva was his commitment to ecumenism. Ever since Presbyterians have been leaders in ecumenism, making Geneva the nerve center for the ecumenical movement and the worldwide church.

~~ SENIOR FELLOWSHIP ~~

SENIOR EXERCISE

September 12, September 15, September 19, September 22, September 26, September 29

~~ STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE ~~

Counting Teams: 9/11 (Team #3) - 9/18 (Team #4)

~~ WORSHIP ~~

Reminder: Our Fall/Winter Worship schedule begins *Sunday, September 18 at 10:30 a.m.*