

First Presbyterian Church



Cranbury, NJ 08512

Welcome to Worship

10:30 a.m.

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Church Office Hours

Monday and Tuesday | Remote
Wednesday and Thursday | 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Friday | Closed

Artwork by Ms. Virginia Swanagan

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AN ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

14th Sunday after Pentecost
August 29, 2021 10:30 A.M.

PRELUDE *Sonata II* Arcangelo Corelli
Organ

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS Pastor Joanne

INTROIT *“O praise the Lord, All Ye Nations”* Donovan Klotzbeacher
(Ps. 117:1-2) Summer Chorale

CALL TO WORSHIP Joan Fraser

Leader: Jesus Christ is our light, our vision and our sight.

People: Our Lord is the way we are called to see life.

Leader: Until God’s kingdom comes, there will be darkness; but Christ’s victory is light for all his people.

People: We have come to worship to receive that light for ourselves, that we might be filled with the light of Christ.

Leader: Let us worship the true light, Jesus Christ our Lord.

OPENING PRAYER Pastor Hannah

We are welcomed into your presence this day by your gracious hospitality, O God. Grant that we will lay aside our cares and anxieties to concentrate our thoughts on you alone. Open us to the teaching and guidance for living which we receive, that we will be strengthened to walk with you and follow wherever you lead us. Through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior. Amen.

HYMN #32* *“I Sing the Mighty Power of God”*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)*

You tell us, O Lord, who may abide in your presence, who may dwell on your holy hill: those who walk blamelessly, and do what is right, and who speak the truth from their heart. And yet, O Lord, we do not walk blamelessly. So often we stumble on the path of faith. The truth makes us nervous, and we pretend not to know what is right. Have mercy, O God. Convict us by your wisdom, cleanse us by your grace, challenge us by your presence, and, by your forgiveness, free us to try again. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GOD’S GRACE & FORGIVENESS*

GLORIA PATRI* Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen, amen.

THE PEACE*

SCRIPTURE James 1:17-27 Joan Fraser

ANTHEM “Come thou fount of every blessing” Early American, arr. Thoburn
Summer Chorale

SERMON “Mirror, Mirror” Pastor Joanne

HYMN #189* “O Wondrous Sight, O Vision Fair”

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD’S PRAYER (In 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.

OFFERTORY INVITATION & PRAYER Pastor Hannah

DOXOLOGY* Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

HYMN #300* “We Are One in the Spirit”
(They’ll Know We Are Christians by Our Love)

BENEDICTION*

POSTLUDE* Postlude on “Italian Hymn” Edward Broughton
Organ

***ALL WHO ARE ABLE MAY STAND**

A Word of Gratitude

Being able to celebrate Sunday’s online worship service during Tropical Storm Henri was such a blessing! Staff members and Committee members offered music, coordination, recording, and posting for our Worship Service. Our lay liturgist graciously stepped up to read through the opening prayer and to acknowledge our patience and flexibility in ‘winging it’. This is a perfect demonstration of the teamwork in which church families come together to meet the most pressing needs! With appreciation and prayers, Pastor Joanne

“Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows” (or like tropical storms). James 1:17