

UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Jesus was
recognized
by them
when he Broke
the Bread.



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WELCOME

Welcome! You have come to hear the Word of God, and you shall hear it read and preached. But we hope that by hearing it, you will also meet the Word of God, the Living Word, Jesus, our Master and Savior. And we pray that you will leave our church equipped to serve him more faithfully and effectively.

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

May 4, 2014

PRELUDE "Jesus Is all the World to Me" arr. Broughton

PRAYER HYMN "Open My Eyes That I May See" 324

*Open my eyes, that I may see
Glimpses of truth Thou hast for me;
Place in my hands the wonderful key
That shall unclasp and set me free.
Silently now I wait for Thee,
Ready, my God, Thy will to see;
Open my eyes, illumine me,
Spirit divine!*

WE COME TO WORSHIP GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Lift your voices to God.

People: We call on the One who promises to hear us.

Leader: In life, in death, in every moment, God deals graciously with us.

People: We rejoice in the One who saves us.

Leader: We will break the Bread of life in thanksgiving to God.

People: We will lift up the Cup of salvation, drinking deeply from it.

*HYMN "Celebrate with Joy and Singing" 107

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We cut you to the heart, Loving God, with the silly choices we make. We had hoped our lives would reflect your presence, but those around us can see how empty we are. We had hoped our words might bring healing, but they end up hurting those we love the most. We had hoped to find Jesus, but cannot see him in all those you send to us.

Oh, how foolish we are to think we can go on without your mercy, Lord God.

Through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, you judge us impartially from the depths of your heart, so we may be born anew by your grace, to continue the journey into your future. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER
ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GIVE GLORY TO GOD

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“Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing!” v. 4

*Thy name we bless, O risen Lord,
And sing today with one accord
The life laid down, the life restored:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

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Psalm 116:12-19

- 12 What shall I return to the LORD
for all his bounty to me?
13 I will lift up the cup of salvation
and call on the name of the LORD,
14 I will pay my vows to the LORD
in the presence of all his people.
15 Precious in the sight of the LORD
is the death of his faithful ones.
16 O LORD, I am your servant;
I am your servant, the child of your serving girl.
You have loosed my bonds.
17 I will offer to you a thanksgiving sacrifice
and call on the name of the LORD.
18 I will pay my vows to the LORD
in the presence of all his people,
19 in the courts of the house of the LORD,
in your midst, O Jerusalem.
Praise the LORD!

TIME WITH CHILDREN

“Welcome”

Rev. Jean Pinto

ANTHEM

“I’ll Walk With God”
Bob Clendening, soloist

N. Brodzsky

13 Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, 14 and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. 15 While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, 16 but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. 17 And he said to them, “What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?” They stood still, looking sad. 18 Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, “Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?” 19 He asked them, “What things?” They replied, “The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, 20 and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. 21 But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. 22 Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, 23 and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. 24 Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him.” 25 Then he said to them, “Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! 26 Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?” 27 Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

28 As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. 29 But they urged him strongly, saying, “Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.” So he went in to stay with them. 30 When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. 31 Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. 32 They said to each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?” 33 That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. 34 They were saying, “The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!” 35 Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

SERMON

“Jesus, the Stranger, Guest, and Host”

Rev. Jean Pinto

MOMENT FOR QUIET REFLECTION

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH—The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

WE PRESENT TO GOD OUR GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

“Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face”

F. Atkinson

*WE GIVE PRAISE AND THANKS TO GOD

(tune # 455)

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below;
Alleluia, Alleluia. Praise Him above ye heav'nly host; Praise Father Son and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

*PRAYER TO DEDICATE OUR GIFTS

God of abundance, how can we thank you enough for all you share with us? As we practice our giving, enlarge our hearts, that our hands and feet may follow to do your work. In all that we do, may we give thanks, sharing your gifts with all in need. Amen.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

*COMMUNION HYMN

“Come, Risen Lord”

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Joys and concerns may be written on the pew cards and given to the ushers during this hymn. They will be shared during the prayers of the people, unless you mark them confidential.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PRAYER

**People: Holy, holy, holy are you, God our listener.
All creation is made new by your Word.
Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is the Bread of heaven who opens our eyes.
Hosanna in the highest!**

PRAYER

**People: Christ died, suffering those things for us;
Christ was raised by God, walking side by side;
Christ will come, and our eyes will be opened so we can recognize him.**

PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

*Hear our prayer, O Lord, Hear our prayer, O Lord
Incline Thine ear to us, And grant us Thy peace.*

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE ACT OF COMMUNION

THE BREAD (Please hold the bread until all are served)

THE CUP (Please hold the cup until all are served)

COMMUNION PRAYER

Most holy Lord, we came to your table hungry for hope and healing. Thank you for coming to us through this bread and wine, strengthening us in body, mind and spirit to do your will in the world. As we go forth from your table, make us, who are many, one with you. Draw our hearts and minds into such continual communion with you and with one another that we may be living signs of your love in the world. Amen.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

*HYMN

“Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise”

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WE RECEIVE GOD'S BLESSING

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

**Go in peace, go in love, finding joy in each other.
Go in peace, go in love, in Christ we're sister and brother.
Led by His Spirit, there's strength each day,
Light for the way together.
Go in peace, go in love, may God be with you forever.**

Edelweiss

POSTLUDE

“Rise, Go Joyfully into Life”

Smith

*Those who are able may stand.

The flowers today are given by Tom Kelley in memory of his father, Richard T. Kelley.

Greeters and Ushers: Soam Chhedi and Lydia Patterson

Liturgist: Karl Peterson

UPCOMING EVENTS May 4th – May 11th

Sunday—May 4th:

**9:30 am E3 Communion Worship
9:30 am Adult Bible Study
10:15 am Coffee Hour
11:00 am Traditional Communion Worship
5:00 pm Confirmation Class
6:00 pm Youth Group**

Monday—May 5th:

7:00 pm Member Care Committee

Tuesday—May 6th:

**10:00 am UPW Circle Meeting
7:00 pm Education Committee**

Wednesday—May 7th:

**6:00 pm Memorial & Endowment Committee
7:00 pm Stewardship Ministry Team-Finances**

Thursday—May 8th:

7:30 pm Choir

Saturday—May 10th:

9:00 am Youth Car Wash

Sunday—May 11th:

**9:30 am E3 Worship
9:30 am Adult Bible Study
11:00 am Traditional Worship
5:00 pm Confirmation Class**

There are large print bulletins available. Please see an usher if you need this service.

The Youth Group will have its annual car wash on Saturday May 10th, 9am to 1pm. Free car wash (Donations gladly accepted).

The **Adult Sunday School** hopes to see you on Sunday mornings at 9:30.

Topic	Dates	Teacher
First Corinthians, One In Christ	Mar 2 - May 18	
	May 4, 11, 18	Tony Nami

On Sunday, April 27 and May 4th, the Outreach Ministry Team will be collecting donations to obtain ShopRite gift cards for Womanspace as a special gift for Mother's Day. We want to honor the Moms who are living in a difficult situation on their special day. Thank you for your support.

The UPW will hold their monthly meeting on Tuesday, May 6th at 10:00 am in the Bertolet Lounge. We will begin our meeting with coffee and fellowship followed by our Bible study. This month we will be studying about Rachel and Leah from the book, "Women of the Bible". After the Bible study, we will have our business meeting. At the end of our meeting, those who want to will be having lunch together at a local restaurant. All women are welcome to join us for our meeting and lunch.

The Survivors Senior Group will meet in the church parking lot on Wed., May 14, 2014 at 9:30 a.m. to carpool to the Shrewsbury Presbyterian Church, Shrewsbury, NJ. We will be given a tour of this historical church. Following our tour we will enjoy lunch at Moose's Tavern in Tinton Falls, NJ. Please contact Rita Peterson 259-7256 or email ritapete@optonline.net for more info. All seniors of the church and their friends are welcome.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Healing of Jean Pinto's mother, Vinny Benefield (fell and broke her back again; is in intense pain); Bob Armstrong (heart attack); Evelyn Martinez (starting chemo); Terry Fouse (recovering at home); Rev. Lester Guilfoyle (open heart surgery last week); Beverly Tabor (lupus); Thomas Tabor (heart); Peggy Ayres (ear problems); Marti Marchetti; Jean Shapiro (hospitalized); Glenn Steel (recovering from open heart surgery; Melissa; Maria; and Jennie Efav (heart problems).

Comfort for the bereaved family of Jane Korosec; and for the family of Theresa Ruston.

Prayers for those getting biopsies and tests this week; for Nancy; Ed; Sue; LuAnn; Tom; and Ruth. Also prayers that David Geijer's mom's stress tests go well, and that his job review goes well with a raise. Grandparents to be Ron & Ann Castor ask for prayers for the safe delivery of Jackson Plummer any day.

Thanksgiving for the birth of baby Ethan; and for Michelle's move to Yardville on May 30th.

Our Mission Statement

We are called by Jesus Christ and empowered by the Holy Spirit to celebrate and share the love of God with grace and joy. Gracefully and joyfully we seek to share our gifts in the community

through:

[Open Doors](#)

[Diverse Worship](#)

[Innovative Education](#)

[Creative Mission](#)

Dynamic Service

CHURCH STAFF

Ministers: All the members of the Congregation

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Organist: Michael Mraz

Choir Director: Marilyn Machmer

Church Secretary: Betty Reinert

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Evening: Gail Fouse (585-3248); Joyce Vaughn (888-1187)

OUR CONGREGATION IN MISSION

Because of your stewardship commitment, the United Presbyterian Church is supporting the ministries of:

- ❖ The Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) through Monmouth Presbytery; the Synod of the Northeast, and the General Assembly.
- ❖ Mobile Meals of Hamilton Township
- ❖ Princeton Theological Seminary Scholarship Fund
- ❖ Trenton Area Habitat for Humanity
- ❖ Trenton Area Rescue Mission
- ❖ Presbyterian Camp at Johnsonburg
- ❖ Trenton Area Soup Kitchen
- ❖ Pierson Memorial Food Bank
- ❖ Womanspace
- ❖ Homefront

❖ Trenton Area Campus Ministries