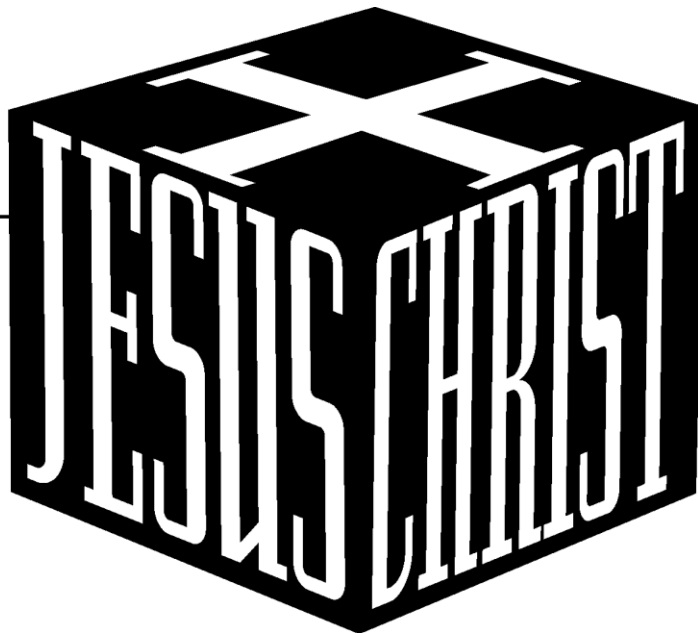


UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



**himself as the
cornerstone ...**

Ephesians 2:20

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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 11, 2014

PRELUDE

“God Bless Our Homes”

Hughes

PRAYER HYMN

“Make Us One”

Sing the Faith 2224

*Make us one, Lord, make us one;
Holy Spirit, make us one.
Let our love flow so the world will know
We are one in you.*

WE COME TO WORSHIP GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP

Lois Dixon

Leader: In Christ, we have access to a new community.

**People: Those who were far off have been brought near
by the blood of Christ.**

Leader: Because Christ has broken down the dividing walls,
we are one.

People: Christ is our peace.

Leader: Through Christ, we have access to God by the Spirit.

**People: Therefore, we are no longer strangers,
but citizens and part of God's family.**

Leader: Together, let us rejoice!

People: Let us worship God!

*HYMN

“Sacred the Body”

Sing the Faith 2228

CALL TO CONFESSION

Rosemary Bateham

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, universal architect, you created the church to be a community, a family with many members, working in unity under the control of its head, Jesus Christ. Forgive us if we have treated other persons as if they did not matter. Forgive us for discriminating against others and giving some persons higher recognition, while rejecting others from

your community, from the family. We have held back, not sharing our resources and gifts with those whom we consider different. Forgive us, we pray, through Jesus Christ, who receives all persons and has made us citizens and also members of God’s family, in whose name we pray. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Sisters and brothers, let us work for the good of all and for those in the family of faith. Believe the good news of the Gospel.

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

*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

Peggy Ayres

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

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Deuteronomy 10:17-21

17 For the LORD your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, the great God, mighty and awesome, who is not partial and takes no bribe, 18 who executes justice for the orphan and the widow, and who loves the strangers, providing them food and clothing. 19 You shall also love the stranger, for you were strangers in the land of Egypt. 20 You shall fear the LORD your God; him alone you shall worship; to him you shall hold fast, and by his name you shall swear. 21 He is your praise; he is your God, who has done for you these great and awesome things that your own eyes have seen.

A TIME WITH CHILDREN

“Once You Were Far Off”

Rev. Jean Pinto

ANTHEM

“How Great Thou Art”
Women of the Church

Led by Marietta Burnett

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Pg. 1018

Ephesians 2:11-22

11 So then, remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called “the uncircumcision” by those who are called “the circumcision”—a physical

circumcision made in the flesh by human hands— 12 remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. 13 But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. 14 For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. 15 He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, 16 and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. 17 So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; 18 for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. 19 So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, 20 built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. 21 In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; 22 in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

SERMON

“Knocking Down Walls”

Rev. Jean Pinto

MOMENT FOR QUIET REFLECTION

*HYMN

“Called as Partners in Christ’s Service”

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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.

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

Benita Rommel

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

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

WE PRESENT TO GOD OUR GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

Nancy McHugh

OFFERTORY

“Blessed Be the Tie that Binds”

arr. Ritter

*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

O God, because we have been given so much, help us to give more. Because we are loved so much, give us the strength to love more. Because we are accepted as we are, give us the grace to accept others without judgment or prejudice. We give ourselves and our gifts with grateful hearts. Amen.

*HYMN

“They’ll Know We Are Christians by Our Love”

Sing the Faith 2223

WE RECEIVE GOD’S BLESSING

Lynn Lasser

Leader: The alien who resides with you shall be to you as the citizen among you; you shall love “the alien as yourself.” As we leave this place, we are no longer strangers or aliens, but we are all citizens and members of the household of God. Let us go forth, then, to serve with joy. And now, may the peace and love of God and of Jesus Christ be with all sisters and brothers, and may grace be with all who have an undying love for Jesus Christ.

All: Amen.

POSTLUDE

“Sing a New Song”

Broughton

*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: Rita Peterson and Ruth Sletvold

UPCOMING EVENTS May 11th – May 18th

Sunday—May 11th:

9:30 am E3 Worship

9:30 am Adult Bible Study

	11:00 am Traditional Worship
	5:00 pm Confirmation Class
Monday—May 12th:	7:00 pm Outreach Ministry Team
Wednesday—May 14th:	9:30 am Survivors
	6:00 pm Worship Ministry Team
Thursday—May 15th:	7:30 pm Choir
Saturday—May 17th:	9:00 am UPMen’s Breakfast @ Arena Diner
	9:00 am Garden Party
Sunday—May 18th:	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 **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 11, 18	Tony Nami

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. The original church burned in 1800 and the corner stone for the present building was laid in 1812. The corporate seal of the church’s charter, proclaiming “Religious Liberty” is the oldest of any American Presbyterian Church. We will be given a tour of this historical church and following our tour we will enjoy lunch at Moose’s Tavern in Tinton Falls, NJ. If you plan to attend please make your reservation with Rita Peterson 259-7256 or email ritapete@optonline.net. All seniors of the church and their friends are welcome to join the Survivors for a great tour, lunch and wonderful fellowship.

UNITED PRESBYTERIAN MEN
MAY 17, 2014 BREAKFAST MEETING

The UPM Group will have a Breakfast Meeting on May 17th at 9:00AM, at the **ARENA DRIVE DINER HAMILTON TOWNSHIP**. This will be a **DUTCH TREAT EVENT**. Come join us for the fellowship and spiritual up-lifting as we continue to share ways of socializing and serving our church. Notify Tom Zeyack or Curly Rentner by Sunday, May 11, 2014. If you have any questions, contact Tom at 609-838-1256 or Curly at 609-259-7785.

You are Invited to a Garden Party!

The Outreach Ministry Team invites you to join them in a spring weeding and planting party on May 17, 2014 from 9 a.m. until noon. We will spruce up the grounds of the church, plant flowers in the beds and vegetables in our Trenton Area Soup Kitchen box gardens. All the vegetables we grow are donated to TASK, so that our neighbors in need have an opportunity to get fresh-from-the-garden produce. Come enjoy a day out with your friends from church doing a good turn together for our community.

THE WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB will meet on Tues., May 27th (last Tues. of the month) at 7:00 pm in the Bertolet Lounge. We will be discussing MY NAME IS MARY SUTTER by Robin Oliveira. It is an enthralling historical novel about a young woman's struggle to become a doctor during the Civil War. All women of the church and their friends who enjoy good books and fellowship are encouraged to join us! Our June selection is: THE LONGEST RIDE by Nicholas Sparks.



A Mouth-Watering Meal for a Worthy Cause

Come enjoy a delicious pulled pork dinner on **Saturday, May 31 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.** in Fellowship Hall and support the work of the church at the same time! In a festive Hawaiian setting serenaded by singers accompanied by ukuleles, you will get your fill of pulled pork and lots of sides and beverages, complete with pineapple upside down cake for dessert. Tickets for the Hawaiian Luau are \$10 for adults, \$5 for children 4-12; and free for children 3 and under. All proceeds will go to support the work of the church.

From the Ewing Presbyterian Church:

Dear Rev. Pinto and the people of the United Presbyterian Church of Yardville,

We give thanks to God for the generosity of the saints of United Presbyterian Church. On behalf of the people of the Ewing Presbyterian Church, I am writing to thank you for your generous support of the families that were impacted by the explosion in the South Fork community. Your gifts became a part of an incredible response to the needs of both the people who were forced to leave their homes temporarily and for those who will not be able to return until their homes have been rebuilt.

The \$1,250.00 of Walmart, Target, Shop-Rite, and Home Depot gift cards that your congregation contributed will be distributed to those most impacted by the explosion through

Ewing Township's emergency response officials, and through the Deacons of this church. Thank you for joining with our congregation in the response to this tragic emergency. Grace and Peace,
Rev. Paul Rhebergen

Our mission focus for the month of May is the Trenton Area Campus Ministry. All of the contributions received for mission this month will go to support the work being done by the Trenton Area Campus Ministry. Please give generously.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Healing of Casey Ashe (chemo); Vinny Benefield (broken back); Bill Porter (Hamilton Continuing Care for rehab); Jean Shapiro (Greenwood House for rehab); Shirley Errickson (hospitalized for intestinal surgery); and Gloria Lechowicz (hospitalized from a fall). Prayers for Frank (awaiting heart test results); and for Rita Ranke and her family. Thanksgiving that Kathy Thewes' cousin, Rev. Lester Guildoyle is doing well after open heart surgery.

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](#)
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[Creative Mission](#)
[Dynamic Service](#)

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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
- ❖ Pearson Memorial Food Bank
- ❖ Womanspace
- ❖ Homefront
- ❖ Trenton Area Campus Ministries