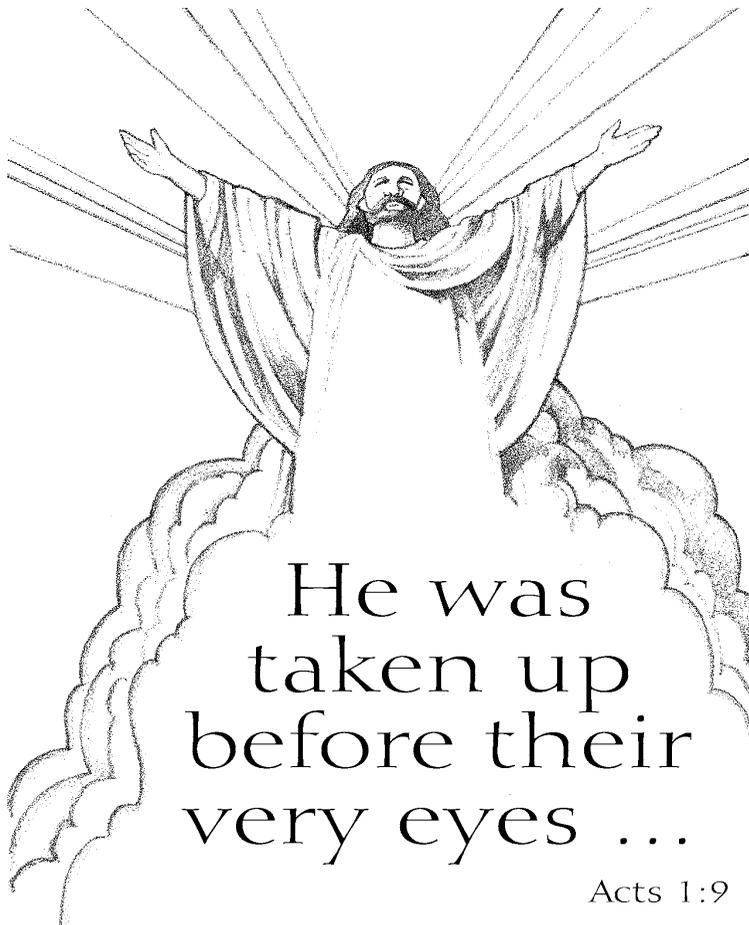


UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



He was
taken up
before their
very eyes ...

Acts 1:9

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June 1, 2014

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

June 1, 2014

PRELUDE "Jesus Loves Me" arr. Paxton

PRAYER HYMN "Crown Him with Many Crowns" 151

*Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon His Throne;
Hark, how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own!
Awake, my soul, and sing of Him who died for thee,
And hail Him as thy matchless King through all eternity.*

WE COME TO WORSHIP GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: At the presence of God, we rejoice:

People: glorifying the One who is Parent of all orphans.

Leader: In the presence of Jesus Christ, we listen:

People: to the Voice who calls us to serve others humbly.

Leader: Through the presence of the Holy Spirit, we speak:

**People: making God's love known to the world-forsaken
in our midst.**

All: Let us worship God!

*HYMN "A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing" 141
(Sing to Tune of Hymn # 408)

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of glory: we are so busy watching the skies for signs of your presence that we forget to look around to see those we can serve in your name. We are so intent on finding just the right way to tell someone off, that we forget the words of reconciliation you have taught to us. We are so convinced we can figure out your schedule that we forget to open ourselves to the presence of your Spirit within us.

Mighty source of our lives, forgive us for all the harmful things that we have done to

others. Fill us with the wisdom to resist evil in our lives and strengthen us in that faith which is given to us through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. 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

Pg. 500-501

Psalms 68:4-6, 32-35

- 4 Sing to God, sing praises to his name;
lift up a song to him who rides upon the clouds—
his name is the LORD—
be exultant before him.
- 5 Father of orphans and protector of widows
is God in his holy habitation.
- 6 God gives the desolate a home to live in;
he leads out the prisoners to prosperity,
but the rebellious live in a parched land.
- 32 Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth;
sing praises to the Lord,
- 33 O rider in the heavens, the ancient heavens;
listen, he sends out his voice, his mighty voice.
- 34 Ascribe power to God,
whose majesty is over Israel;
and whose power is in the skies.
- 35 Awesome is God in his sanctuary,
the God of Israel;
he gives power and strength to his people.

Blessed be God!

TIME WITH CHILDREN

“Look Up!”

Rev. Jean Pinto

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Fairest Lord Jesus”
Marilyn Machmer, piano

arr. T. Smith

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Pg. 947

Acts 1:6-14

6 So when they had come together, they asked him, “Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?” 7 He replied, “It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. 8 But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” 9 When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. 10 While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. 11 They said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

12 Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day’s journey away. 13 When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. 14 All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

SERMON

“Waiting for God”

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

“Our Gracious Lord”

Sewell

*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

You have blessed us with every good gift, generous God. Our hearts overflow with joy and love for the privilege of walking with you and being called your own. Receive these gifts, we pray, as our faithful and grateful response to your gifts of grace and mercy in our lives. Amen.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

*COMMUNION HYMN

“We Come as Guests Invited”

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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 of all grace.

All creation sings loud songs to you.

Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is the One who will come again.

Hosanna in the highest!

PRAYER

**People: Christ died, that we would know that sin is death;
he was raised, so we would know that new life is;
he will come again, in the same way he went into heaven.**

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

Lord, we are grateful for the gracious invitation to your table. No other meal sates our hunger, quenches our thirst and fills our hearts the way your banquet does. Fill us with your Spirit and empower us to share the good news of the gospel through our words and actions so those who don't know you will learn that you are the bread of life and the living water. We look forward to the day your kingdom is fulfilled so no one suffers from hunger or thirst. Amen.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

*HYMN

“Blessing and Honor”

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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

“Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart”

arr. Smith

*Those who are able may stand.

The silk flower arrangement is a gift from the Pack Family.

Greeters and Ushers: Lydia Patterson and Rosemarie Wales

Liturgist: Rick Pinto

UPCOMING EVENTS May June 1st — June 8th

Sunday—June 1st:	9:30 am E3 Worship 10:15 am Coffee Hour 11:00 am Traditional Worship 6:00 pm Youth Group
Monday—June 2nd:	7:00 pm Member Care Committee
Tuesday—June 3rd:	12:00 Noon UPW Spring Event 7:00 pm Education Committee
Wednesday—June 4th:	7:00 pm Stewardship Ministry Team-Finances
Thursday—June 5th:	10:00 am TASK
Sunday—June 8th:	9:30 am E3 Worship 11:00 am Traditional Worship Youth Group End of Year Party

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

The Survivors Senior Group will be celebrating their 10th anniversary of outings, fun, great food & fellowship for the past 10 years. We invite all members to join us for a luncheon at Villa Marie Restaurant, (Quakerbridge Shoppes), 3800 Quakerbridge Road and Youngs Road, Hamilton on June 11, 2014 at 12:00 p.m. The cost is \$23.00 per person (tax & gratitude included) which includes house salad, 2 pastas, choice of 5 entrees, dessert and soda, coffee/tea. 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 celebration of 10 wonderful years together. This will be our last meeting until September 2014.

Take Me Out to the Ball Game: Our church has scheduled an outing to see the Trenton Thunder play on Friday, **July 11th**, game time is **7:05 p.m.** The Thunder will be playing the Akron Rubber Ducks (a Cleveland Indians farm team). We will be attending on an evening where there will be a giveaway; the first 2,000 age 14 and over to arrive at the ball park that

evening will receive a Hidecki Matsui bobble-head doll. Cost of a ticket will be \$8.00, to sign up please see Tony Nami. We are forming a choir to sing "God Bless America" during the 7th inning stretch. If interested in singing "God Bless America", please see Marilyn Machmer; brief rehearsals will be held after worship on June 22nd, June 29th, and July 6th.

REGISTER NOW FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL. On Saturday, June 28, 2014 from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. children 3 and up are invited to become "Agents of Truth." We will be sleuths searching the Bible for truth as we uncover God's plans for our lives and the world hidden all around us! We will find the truth of God in music, arts and crafts, games, and science experiments. Lunch and snacks will be provided. Registration forms are available in the church office, or if you prefer, call 585-5770 and we will be happy to e-mail the form to you.

Our mission focus for the month of June is Mobile Meals of Hamilton Township, Inc. Organized in 1975, they deliver hot, nutritious meals to Hamilton residents whose physical, mental or social conditions require a home-delivered meal service. The objective of Mobile Meals of Hamilton Township, Inc. is to aid in providing adequate nutrition for the elderly and handicapped. All mission contributions received in the month of June will go to support the work being done by Mobile Meals of Hamilton Township. Please give generously.

The United Presbyterian Women have a few copies left for sale of Margaret Archibald's poem book, "Reflections." They are \$10.00. If you are interested in purchasing one, please contact the church office at: 609-585-5770.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Healing of Betty Lou Dolci (hospitalized for heart catheterization and stents); Jean Principato (cancer); Renata Pawalowski; Linda Ramos (home from the hospital); Michael Geller (eye problems); Gordon Johnson (hospitalized for pneumonia and possible heart attack); Dan Pyle (hospitalized for tumor on the pancreas); George Zervos (heart attack); Paul Delozer (cancer treatments); Melissa; Maria; Glenn; and John. Comfort for the bereaved family of Tammy Cook's father; and for the family and friends of Benjamin Melendez, Jr.

Prayers of thanksgiving for those who have served their country, especially those who gave their lives; also thanksgiving that Rev. Lester Guilfoyle will be going home.

Prayers for blessing and guidance for all new parents.

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](#)

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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