# UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



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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

October 13, 2013

PRELUDE "Where E'er You Walk"		G. F. Handel	
PRAYER HYMN	"Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart" Spirit of God, descend upon my heart;	326	

Wean it from earth, through all its pulses move; Stoop to my weakness, mighty as Thou art, And make me love Thee as I ought to love.

#### WE COME TO WORSHIP GOD

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Whether we live in an apartment or a house; if we reside in the suburbs or the city: People: God tells us to pray for the places where we live. Leader: Whether we are exiles or prisoners for the gospel; if we are young, old, insider, outcast: People: God says, 'when you search for me, you will find me.' Leader: Whether we have been wandering and lost; or if we have lived in the same place all our lives: People: God says, 'I will gather you from all your places and bring you home.'

\*HYMN

"Gather Us In"

Sing the Faith 2236

CALL TO CONFESSION

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God beyond borders, we know that on our way to worship, we may not have noticed the exiles in our neighborhoods. We admit how easy it is for us to wander down the streets of temptation, pausing at the corner of easy choices. We fall silent in the presence of those who speak words of anger and hate. We tolerate a culture that suspects all who are different from us.

Have mercy on us, O God, for surely you take the side of justice. Open our hearts to

all the wonders you are performing in our lives. You give us a variety of cultures, that our lives might be blessed. You send us friends out of places we least expect, that our community might be enriched. You call us to be generous with our blessings, so others might be graced with the gift of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

#### \*GIVE GLORY TO GOD

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 GOD "Glory Be to the Father"
 Glory be to the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, World without end. Amen.
 As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, World without end. Amen.
 Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen.
 Amen, Amen, Amen.

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

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Psalm 66:1-12

- 1 Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth;
- 2 sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise.
- 3 Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!

Because of your great power, your enemies cringe before you.

- 4 All the earth worships you; they sing praises to you, sing praises to your name." Selah
- 5 Come and see what God has done: he is awesome in his deeds among mortals.
- 6 He turned the sea into dry land; they passed through the river on foot. There we rejoiced in him,
- who rules by his might forever,
  whose eyes keep watch on the nations—
  let the rebellious not exalt themselves.
  Selah
- 8 Bless our God, O peoples,

let the sound of his praise be heard, 9 who has kept us among the living, and has not let our feet slip. 10 For you, O God, have tested us; you have tried us as silver is tried. 11 You brought us into the net; you laid burdens on our backs; 12 you let people ride over our heads; we went through fire and through water; yet you have brought us out to a spacious place. "Tools of the Trade" Rev. Jean Pinto A TIME WITH CHILDREN "Give Thanks" ANTHEM H. Smith NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Pg. 1038 II Timothy 2:8-15

8 Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David—that is my gospel, 9 for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. 10 Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. 11 The saying is sure:

If we have died with him, we will also live with him;

12 if we endure, we will also reign with him;

if we deny him, he will also deny us;

13 if we are faithless, he remains faithful for he cannot deny himself.

14 Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening.15 Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

SERMON	"The Gospel License"	Rev. Jean Pinto
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### MOMENT FOR QUIET REFLECTION

\*HYMN "Come, Thou Almighty King" 139 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

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

OFFERTORY

"Softly and Tenderly"

arr. Stockton

(tune # 455)

**\*WE GIVE PRAISE AND THANKS TO GOD** 

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!

#### **\*PRAYER TO DEDICATE OUR GIFTS**

God, we recognize together that you are worthy – worthy of our worship, our love, our lives. We also recognize that you are worthy of our best gifts, and so we give today with hearts overflowing with gratitude. It is a joy to give back to you, to honor you with our money, to bless you with that with which you have blessed us. Take these gifts and use them to bring great glory to your name. For you and you alone do we give these gifts today. Amen.

*HYMN	"Blessing and Honor"	147
*WE RECEIVE GOD'S	BLESSING	
POSTLUDE	"Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus"	arr. Hughes
*Those who are able ma	y stand.	

The flowers today are given by Peggy Ayres in memory of parents, James and Peg Salt.

Greeters and Ushers: Pat and Helen DeLorenzo

Liturgist: Rosemary Bateham

UPCOMING EVENTS October 13 <sup>th</sup> – October 20 <sup>th</sup>				
Sunday—October 13 <sup>th</sup> :	9:30 am E3 Worship			
	9:45 am Adult Sunday School			
	11:00 am Traditional Worship			
	6:00 pm Youth Group			
Monday—October 14 <sup>th</sup> :	7:00 pm Outreach Ministry Team			
Tuesday—October 15 <sup>th</sup> :	7:00 pm Session			
Thursday—October 17 <sup>th</sup> :	7:30 pm Choir - Cantata Rehearsal			
Saturday—October 19 <sup>th</sup> :	9:00 am UPMen's Breakfast @ Golden Dawn Diner			
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There are large print bulletins available. Please see an usher if you need this service.

The **Adult Sunday School** fall schedule has an exciting array of topics for you to choose from. If you are looking for Bible based study and reflection, please come at 9:30 for coffee and donuts. The lesson runs from 9:45 to 10:45.

Торіс	Dates	Teacher
Keeping the Sabbath, Sabbath as	Sept 29 – Oct 13	Curly Rentner &
Resistance		Tony Nami
Sabbath Practices	Oct 20	Jean Pinto
Books of Numbers and Leviticus	Oct 27 & Nov 3	Jean Malloy
Gospel According to John	Nov 10 – Dec 22	Peggy Ayres

UNITED PRESBYTERIAN MEN, OCTOBER 19, 2013 BREAKFAST MEETING The UPM Group will have a Breakfast Meeting at the GOLDEN DAWN DINER, WHITEHORSE/MERCERVILLE RD, HAMILTON TWP. SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 A.M. 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. A sign-up sheet is in the Narthex and must be completed by TODAY. If you have any questions, contact Jim Dixon at 609-298-3398 or e-mail jdixonsr@comcast.net.

The Women's Book Club will meet Tuesday, October 29<sup>th</sup> (the last Tuesday of the month) in the Bertolet Lounge at 7:00 pm to discuss MRS. LINCOLN'S DRESSMAKER by Jennifer Chiaverini. The novel is an historical fiction based on the extraordinary friendship between Mary Todd Lincoln and her seamstress, Elizabeth Keckley, who won her freedom by the skill of her needle. We invite all women of the church and their friends who enjoy reading and fellowship to join us. Our November selection is: SAVING CEE CEE HONEYCUTT by Beth Hoffman.

Member Care is requesting volunteers to pick up a very delightful young man who is visiting our church. His name is David Geijer and he lives at 417 Yardville-Allentown Road just minutes from the church. If you are able to do this please call the church office to let Betty know that you will help. The office number is 609-585-5770; call Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday between 9am-3pm. This is an important ministry and is a good way to show compassion and Christ like behavior to those who need us. Thank You. Kathy Thewes

A new Christmas cantata was recently purchased using memorial funds in memory of Jennibelle Marion. The new cantata will be presented during 11 a.m. worship on Sunday, December 15th and is titled "A Night for Rejoicing." Rehearsals for the cantata are underway, 7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary. There will be one Saturday dress rehearsal, on Dec. 7th from 10 a.m. to noon, also in the sanctuary. If interested in singing with the choir, please notify choir director Marilyn Machmer so that a cantata book and listening CD will be set aside for you.



Our mission spotlight for the month of October is the Trenton Rescue Mission. All mission monies received this month will go to support the Rescue Mission.

## PRAYER REQUESTS

Healing for Angela (breast cancer); John (hospitalized); Bryan (pneumonia); Emily Armstrong (surgery for cancer on eyelid); Dolores Yili (recovering from cancer surgery); Jim Meisner (heart attack); Tom & Sue Lanning; Carol & Al D'Amico; John Williams; and Bill Carpenter. Comfort for the Gale and Kocis family on the loss of Dick Gale; comfort for the family of Steve Kurtz; and for Len upon the death of his mother. Prayers for Ann in hospice and for Colleen for strength to help Ann. Also prayers for healing of depression for a friend of Carolyn Lacrosse. Thanksgiving for Cyndy's successful breast lumpectomy.

## **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: <u>Open Doors</u> <u>Diverse Worship</u> <u>Innovative Education</u> <u>Creative Mission</u> <u>Dynamic Service</u>

## INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

You are invited to make a commitment to follow Jesus Christ as Lord of Life, or to renew your commitment as a Christian Disciple. Please speak to the pastor who will talk and pray with you. If you are looking for a church home we invite you to join this family of faith and service. This is a caring congregation, open to all. Please let us know how we can serve you.

## CHURCH STAFF

Ministers: All the members of the Congregation Pastor: Rev. Jean B. Pinto (737-8011) jeanbpinto@comcast.net Pastors Emeriti: Rev. Terry E. Fouse and Rev. John H. Milne Organist: Michael Mraz Choir Director: Marilyn Machmer Church Secretary: Betty Reinert Prayer Chain: Daytime: Carol Heberling (298-2594); Betty Reinert (585-5770) 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