

UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

He is

God

not of the dead,

but of the living

Luke 20:38

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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

November 10, 2013

PRELUDE "Simple Gifts" arr. Birchwood

PRAYER HYMN "Lord of the Living" 529

*Lord of the living, in Your name assembled
We join to thank You for the life remembered.
O God, have mercy, to Your children giving Hope in believing.*

WE COME TO WORSHIP GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The God who is greater than we will ever understand,

People: is humbled to become one of us.

Leader: The God who is more loving than our hearts dare imagine,

People: gives us more grace than we ever realize.

Leader: The God who is wiser than we will ever know,

People: teaches us all we need to become God's children.

All: Let us worship our great, loving, wise God!

*HYMN "All Creatures of Our God and King" 455

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We are so easily confused by what the world tells us, Watching God, that we forget the stories of faith we heard as children. We are so fearful of tomorrow, we are not aware of your Spirit with us today. We are so busy wondering 'what if?' or 'suppose?' - we cannot hear the promises you whisper to us.

So once again, Gracious God, have mercy on us. You know our hearts so well - touch them with your grace. You see our deepest fears - heal them with your peace. You hear our secret longings - speak to them of your hope. This we pray in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GIVE GLORY TO GOD

“Glory Be to the Father”

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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

Pgs. 544-545

Psalm 145:1-5, 17-19, 21

- 1 I will extol you, my God and King,
and bless your name forever and ever.
- 2 Every day I will bless you,
and praise your name forever and ever.
- 3 Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised;
his greatness is unsearchable.
- 4 One generation shall laud your works to another,
and shall declare your mighty acts.
- 5 On the glorious splendor of your majesty,
and on your wondrous works, I will meditate.

- 17 The LORD is just in all his ways,
and kind in all his doings.
- 18 The LORD is near to all who call on him,
to all who call on him in truth.
- 19 He fulfills the desire of all who fear him;
he also hears their cry, and saves them.

- 21 My mouth will speak the praise of the LORD,
and all flesh will bless his holy name forever and ever.

A TIME WITH CHILDREN

“A Trick Question”

Rev. Jean Pinto

ANTHEM

“There Is a Redeemer”

Green

27 Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to him 28 and asked him a question, “Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man’s brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. 29 Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; 30 then the second 31 and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. 32 Finally the woman also died. 33 In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her.”

34 Jesus said to them, “Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; 35 but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. 36 Indeed they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. 37 And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. 38 Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive.”

SERMON

“A Marriage (Not) Made in Heaven”

Rev. Jean Pinto

MOMENT FOR QUIET REFLECTION

*HYMN

“Be Thou My Vision”

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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

How blessed is God!

And what a blessing God is to us and to the world!

Long before God laid the earth's foundations,

the Lord chose us to belong to him.

We are chosen to be made whole and holy by God's love.

God adopted us, making us part of the divine family.

Adopting us was part of God's plan and will.

It also brought God great delight!

Not only are we God's children,

Greeters and Ushers: Jean Malloy and Soam Chhedhi

Liturgist: Lynn Lasser

UPCOMING EVENTS November 10th – November 17th

Sunday—November 10th: 9:30 am E3 Worship
9:45 am Adult Sunday School
11:00 am Traditional Worship

Monday—November 11th: 7:00 pm Outreach Ministry Team

Tuesday—November 12th: 7:00 pm Worship Ministry Team

Wednesday—November 13th: 10:15 am Survivors
7:00 pm Renovation Committee Meeting

Thursday—November 14th: 7:30 pm Choir - Cantata Rehearsal

Saturday—November 16th: 9:00 am UPMen’s Breakfast @ Wisdom Diner

Sunday—November 10th: 9:30 am E3 Worship
9:45 am Adult Sunday School
11:00 am Traditional Worship
6:00 pm Youth Group

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.

Topic	Dates	Teacher
Gospel According to John	Nov 10 – Dec 22	Peggy Ayres

The Survivors Senior Group will be meeting in the church parking lot on Wed., Nov. 13th at 10:15 a.m. to carpool to TCNJ in Ewing, NJ (The College of New Jersey) for a tour of the Sarnoff Collection, an exhibit of more than 80 artifacts, letters, photographs, advertisements and other items named after David Sarnoff, Chairman of RCA and founder of NBC. Innovations That Changed The World, will trace the history of telecommunications from the invention of the first radio to the early days of the information age. After the tour we will lunch at Rosa’s in Yardville on So. Broad St. Please make your reservation with Rita Peterson 259-7256 or email ritapete@optonline.net. All seniors of the church and their friends are welcomed to join the Survivors for a great tour, lunch and wonderful fellowship.

The UPMen’s Group will have a breakfast meeting at the Wisdom Diner, Route 206, Bordentown on Saturday, November 16th at 9:00 am. This will be a Dutch Treat Event. Come

join us for the fellowship and spiritual uplifting 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 questions, contact Jim Dixon at 609-298-3398 or e-mail: jdixonsr@comcast.net.

The Women's Book Club will meet on Tues., Nov.26th (the last Tues. of the month) at 7:00 pm in the Bertolet Lounge. We will be discussing SAVING CEE CEE HONEYCUTT by Beth Hoffman. The story tells about Cee Cee's life after the death of her mental ill mother in Ohio. Cee Cee is rescued by her southern born great aunt and starts a new life in Savannah, GA. The 12 yr. old finds a new kind of family filled with love. All women of the church and their friends who enjoy reading and good fellowship are encouraged to join us. No meeting in Dec. Jan. selection: JUNE BUG by Chris Fabry.

Hamilton Ecumenical Fellowship Thanksgiving

Hamilton Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service will be held beginning at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 27 at Grace-St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 3715 E. State St. Extension, Hamilton, NJ 08619. **Come join us for a joyful service of thanks and praise!**

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 585-5770 to let Betty know that you will help. This ministry 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.

Again this year, the Stewardship Ministry Team-Finance is offering gift cards for the holidays. You will find a list of available gift cards on the table in the Narthex. Complete your order form and turn it into the office with your check. See Betty Reinert with any questions or call her at 609-585-5770. **DEADLINE FOR THE NEXT ORDER: NOVEMBER 17TH. FINAL ORDER DEADLINE: DECEMBER 8TH.**

The Survivors are collecting new hats, gloves, scarves and sweatshirts (with hoods) for Trenton Area Soup Kitchen (TASK). A box will be provided for these items in the narthex. The deadline will be Sun., Dec. 1st. so that we can deliver them to TASK early in December. We thank the congregation for their generosity in the past and are grateful for all you do to help so many in need at TASK.

BE A TURKEY DONOR - Habitat for Humanity of Trenton still needs 200 turkeys for the 350 Thanksgiving baskets we distribute to qualified area residents. Please provide a \$25.00 ShopRite, Acme, or Sam's Club gift card, or go on line to the HFH of Trenton website www.habitatta.org to donate through Pay Pal. We would like the donations by Nov. 16th.

Our Mission Spotlight for November is the Pearson United Methodist Church Food Pantry. All mission donations received during this month will go to support the Food Pantry.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Healing for Ron (surgery); Gina Efaw (leg); Bob and Jennie Efaw (heart problems and chemo); Ron (surgery for cancer of the esophagus); Bryan; Angela (breast cancer); Cyndy (breast cancer); Melissa (liver and colon cancer); Rich Mayer (St. Lawrence Rehab following a stroke); and John Mulhern (continued healing).

Concern about Don and Amoreena who are looking for a new church to pastor.

Praise for 28 men who came to Kenosis Retreat at Garden Street correctional Facility.

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](#)

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

