

A SERVICE OF WORSHIP ON THE LORD'S DAY WITH THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

November 18, 2018 at 10:00 am

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

We Gather Around God's Word

We invite you to please enter quietly during the Prelude and prepare for the service to begin.

Prelude "Now Thank We All Our God" by J. S. Bach
Robert Grube, Jr., Organist

Introit Chancel Choir, Alison R. Nead, Directing

Welcome Rev. Chris Kile
*Call to Worship Kristine and Gwyneth Farley

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, for He is good;

People: For His steadfast love endures forever.

Leader: Let them thank the Lord for His steadfast love,

People: For His wonderful works to humankind.

Everyone: Praise the Lord.

*Song of Gathering #485 "To God Be the Glory"

We Are Called to Confession and Reconciliation Kristine and Gwyneth Farley

God of peace and love, we praise you for all of your creation which you have pronounced "good." We adore you for your perfect will which invites us to follow your ways in freedom. Yet we have chosen instead to follow our own devices, Lord. We have taken the grace you have shown us in Jesus Christ for granted and sought to satisfy our own desires regardless of your laws and statutes or the needs of others. Forgive us Lord. Open our eyes to our sin and renew in us once more the will to follow where Christ leads. For we pray in his name, offering our own silent confession...

Congregational Response

*Hear our prayer, O Lord, hear our prayer, O Lord
Incline thine ear to us and grant us thy peace.*

Assurance of Reconciliation and *Passing of the Peace Rev. Chris Kile

Leader: The Peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

(Everyone is invited to share Christ's Peace with one another.)

*We Give Glory to God (raising hands)

Glory be to the Father

And to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

*As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end, Amen, Amen.*

We Proclaim God's Word

Prayer For Illumination Kristine and Gwyneth Farley

By your Spirit, Lord, as your Word is read and proclaimed, may the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable to you, our rock and our redeemer. Amen.

Old Testament Reading: Psalm 23 (O.T. pg. 617) Kristine and Gwyneth Farley

Special Music "All Things Bright and Beautiful" by McCabe
Caroler Choir, Elsa G. Hahn, Directing

Special Music "Bless This House" by Brahe
Crusader Choir, Elsa G. Hahn, Directing

Baptism

Words of Introduction Rev. Chris Kile

Presentation Elder

Baptismal Questions for the Parents, Sponsors and Congregation

Rev. Chris Kile and Elder

Renunciations and Apostles' Creed Rev. Chris Kile

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

Thanksgiving Over the Water Rev. Chris Kile

Sacrament of Baptism and Laying on of Hands

Welcome (unison)

With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you into Christ's church to share with us in his ministry, for we are all one in Christ.

Children's Message

Child care for infants to 2 1/2 year olds will be held in the Nursery on the first floor across from Thomson Youth Center. Children in Pre-K should go directly to their classroom. Children in grades K through 8 will be dismissed to the Chapel then go to their regular Sunday School rooms which are listed in the bulletin insert.

Rev. Chris Kile

New Testament Reading: Acts 1:1-11 (N.T. pg. 143)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon: "Stories That Shape Us"

Rev. Chris Kile

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We Respond to God's Word

Prayers of the People and **The Lord's Prayer**

We Worship With Our Offerings

Call For Offering on Dedication Sunday

Offertory

*"For the Beauty of the Earth" by Rutter
Chancel Choir, Alison Ruth Nead, Directing*

Paul Gish

***Doxology**

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, Ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen***

*Prayer of Dedication

***Hymn of Sending (Insert) "Come! Live in the Light!"**

Benediction

Postlude

Rev. Chris Kile

Bob Grube

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

The Ministers of the First Presbyterian Church, Cranford NJ:

The Entire Congregation of FPCC

Pastor and Head of Staff – Rev. John Christian Kile

Music Director – Alison R. Nead

Assistant Music Director – Elsa G. Hahn

Organist – Robert Grube, Jr.

Administrative Coordinator – Carol Thee

Sunday School Coordinator – Beth Marshall

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***Stories That
Shape Us***

Mission Statement

As the body of Christ inspired by the Holy Spirit, we seek to be faithful disciples, living our lives as a testimony of Christ's love for all. We welcome diversity and strive to respect and care for all of God's creation. We seek to share God's Word and invite others to live Jesus' commandment to love one another as the Lord first loved us.

Prayers of the Church Family

Pray for those in the FPCC Family facing health challenges and the loss of family members.

Pray for loved ones and friends of the FPCC Family.

We pray for people all over the world who are seeking asylum or a better life for themselves and their families. We pray that as a nation, we respond to all people in need in a way that Christ would affirm. We specifically pray for children and parents separated at the border and for their quick reunification.

We pray for the youth of FPCC and the adults who are in their lives. Prayers for peace, understanding and love for all.

Please ask for God's daily blessing for all in need, for those serving in the military, for married couples facing turmoil, first responders, those in leadership of our nation, and for peace in our country and the world.

Emergency and immediate prayer support is available for friends and family of the Church! Please join over 200 of us on the First Presbyterian Church Prayer Chain. We would love to have you. There are no calls to make; simply receive emails and add them to your prayer list. We are here to help you with this special Spirit-filled ministry. To add someone, contact Linda Thorn at lindathorn427@gmail.com, at 908 358 8127.

If you would like someone added to the prayer list, fill out a Prayer Request form in the pew or call the office at 908-276-8440.



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TO REACH THE PASTORS – Pastor Chris Kile can be reached via cell phone at 215-933-8805 or at jckile@firstprescranford.org. Pastor Chris' office hours are Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9:30am to 2:30pm or by appointment.

TODAY

FLOWERS – The Thanksgiving arrangement was donated by Dreyer Farms and arranged by Judy Bobucky. Thank you to all!

The basket of flowers is given in memory newly baptized child's grandmother, by her daughters and their families.

SUNDAY SCHOOL - Pick-up will continue to be following the service at the classrooms listed below:

Preschool Class	Room 101 (1 st floor of Education building)
Kindergarten-1 st grade	Room 201 (2 nd floor of Education building)
2 nd -3 rd grade	Room 202 (2 nd floor of Education building)
4 th -5 th grade	Room 301 (3 rd floor of Education building)
6 th -8 th grade	Conference room (across from rear of chapel)

LOOKING AHEAD

IT IS TURKEY TIME! If you have a turkey that you do not need, please consider donating it to the Soup Kitchen. These tender birds will be made into Turkey Stew which is a favorite of our guests! To donate, contact Jean Wands, Skip Winter or the Main Office. Thank you and Happy Thanksgiving!



Feeling INSPIRED? Our contemporary music group is looking for new members, If you play an instrument such as bass guitar, keyboards, drums or if you like to sing, please get in touch with Alison Nead at music@firstprescranford.org. The music is awesome and Inspirational to play as well as getting to spend time with a great group of musicians and rock out on occasion. Come and join the band!

MOM'S BIBLE STUDY – All are welcome on Thursdays at 9:15 to 11a.m. in Mettam Lounge. Breakfast and childcare are provided. We are also looking for childcare volunteers. Contact Sabrina Legiec at 732-823-7684 or Ashley Kile 215-869-8325 for details.

SOCK REQUEST - It is that time of year again. Cold weather has arrived and so is our gifting of socks to the guests that we serve in our mission programs. For our Warm Heart Guests and our Soup Kitchen Guests, keeping warm can be very difficult. This year Operation Warm Heart and the Soup Kitchen are collaborating with our annual sock collection. Please consider donating unisex warm socks to these programs. Just put your donation in the Soup Kitchen box by the Main Office. Our guests will be very grateful. Thank you for your kindness! Catherine Feligi and Jean Wands

SAVE THE DATES!

Cranford Interfaith Thanksgiving Service – will be held tomorrow, Monday, November 19th at 7pm at Calvary Tabernacle on Myrtle Street.

Advent Bible Study – The Light Will Shine – It will begin on Sunday, November 25th at 8:30am in the Board Room. Contact Mark Oricchio at moricchio@verizon.net. Join us for a Special Study to help see beyond the hustle and glitter of commercial Christmas to discover new light in traditional texts and seasonal Themes

Christmas Caroling – Sunday, December 2nd. Watch for details!

Service for Healing and Hope – will be held on Sunday, December 9th in the Chapel at 5pm for all who have experienced loss and anyone who would like to pray for hope for the world at this holiday time. All are welcome. Light refreshments will be served following the service.

Annual FPCC All Church Christmas Party! It will be held on Sunday, December 16th from 5pm to 7pm in Bates Hall. Join us for a Pot Luck Meal, caroling, a performance by the Cranford High School Madrigals and the always popular Twelve Days of Christmas!

Journey to Wholeness – The next Grief Seminar will begin January 13th and will be held on Sunday evenings from 6:30pm to 8:30pm in Room 202. Call Patti Williams to register at 908-709-1341.

THIS WEEK AT FPCC

Sunday, November 18th - Dedication Sunday

8:30 am	Bible Explorers	Board Room
10:00 am	Worship	Sanctuary
11:00 am	Fellowship	Thomson Youth Center
11:30 am	Worship Forum	Mettam Lounge
6:00 pm	Youth Fellowship – Middle School	Room 302
6:00 pm	Grief Seminar	Mettam Lounge

Monday, November 19th

7:00 pm	Cranford Interfaith Thanksgiving Service	Calvary Tabernacle
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Tuesday, November 20th

7:30 pm	Session Meeting	Thomson Youth Center
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Wednesday, November 21st

6:30 am	Men's Prayer Breakfast	Rustic Mill Diner
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Thursday, November 22nd - Thanksgiving Day

Church Office will be closed

Friday, November 23rd

Church Office will be closed

Saturday, November 24th

8:00 am	Women's Breakfast Bible Study and Prayer	Thomson Youth Center
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Sunday, November 25th

8:30 am	Bible Explorers Advent Study Begins	Board Room
10:00 am	Worship	Sanctuary
11:15 am	Fellowship	Thomson Youth Center
11:30 am	Worship Forum	Mettam Lounge

*Happy
Thanksgiving!*



Operation Warm Heart

Description of Roles:

- **Breakfast/Dinner Host:** Cooks and serves dinner for 17-23 individuals maximum (14-20 guests and 3 overnight hosts). Will be notified the Friday prior to hosting approximately how many people to cook for. Assembles breakfast bags for guests so that they can eat breakfast on the go.
- **Overnight Host:** Sleeps over at the church. Usually leaves by 7:45 AM. Is always partnered with a church member. We try to get three volunteers but always require two.
- **Nurse:** Gives "drive-by" medical advice (blood pressure, advising, etc). Must have proper credentials.
- **Lawyer:** Gives "drive-by" legal advice (domestic violence, evictions, job loss, SSI, etc). Must have proper credentials.
- **Behavioral Therapist:** Gives "drive-by" therapy advice OR can run a small group-therapy session. Must have proper credentials.
- **Social Butterfly:** Walks around and makes sure guests feel welcomed. Fills in roles as required.
- **Sewing Volunteer:** Performs minor sewing repairs. Feast or famine role. We have a sewing machine and all materials.
- **Hair Stylist:** Cuts hair and beards for guests. Must bring your own equipment, but we do have a chair to use. Must have proper credentials.
- **Fruit/Milk Provider:** Provides a half-gallon of milk (for coffee) and fruit of your choice for guests. Can be dropped off prior to Tuesday hosting.
- **Pop-Up Shop Helper:** Helps run the pop-up clothing shop (acts as a personal shopper for guests, notifies me if guests have certain needs, keeps things tidy).

Roles Still Needed, Separated By Date:

Tuesday, December 4th: One overnight host, One lawyer, One sewing volunteer

Tuesday, December 11th: One overnight host, One lawyer,

Tuesday, December 18th: One nurse, One lawyer

Tuesday, December 25th (still seeing if this date is feasible): One overnight host

Tuesday, January 1st: One overnight host

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1 Come! Live in the light! Shine with the
2 Come! O - pen your heart! Show your
3 Sing! Sing a new song! Sing of that

joy and the love of the Lord! We are called
mer - cy to all those in fear! We are called
great day when all will be one! God will reign,

to be light for the king - dom, to live in the
to be hope for the hope - less so ha - tred and
and we'll walk with each oth - er as sis - ters and

free - dom of the cit - y of God.
vio - lence will be no more.
broth - ers u - nit - ed in love.

Refrain
We are called to act with jus - tice; we are called to
love ten - der - ly; we are called to serve one an -
oth - er, to walk hum - bly with God.

The thematic and musical center of this hymn on the vocation of all believers is found in the refrain, which is based on the well-known challenge of Micah 6:8, "What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?"