

A SERVICE OF WORSHIP ON THE LORD'S DAY

July 20, 2014 at 8:30 am and 10:00am

Sixth Sunday After Pentecost

We Gather Around God's Word

Prelude

Robert Grube, Jr. Organist

***Call to Worship**

Gail Clauer and Betsy Koehler

Leader: O Holy One, who know us and sustains us, we come to worship you with gratitude and praise.

People: Before we move or think or speak, you know our actions and our words.

Leader: You are before us and behind us, for you surround us with your love.

People: You are closer to us than our every breath, and we cannot hide from you.

All: We sing songs of praise for the wonderful mystery of our lives and all creation.

***Hymn of Gathering #473 "For the Beauty of the Earth"**

Dix

Prayer of Adoration and Confession (unison)

O God, you know us better than we know ourselves. You know our deepest secrets and our greatest weaknesses. We have not counted the cost of walking into the unknown future as disciples of your son Jesus. Forgive us for not trusting in you, and empower us to be all you have created us to be, as we seek to be the body of Christ in the world. Her now our personal confessions as we lift them up silently to you now... In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

Congregational Response

Iverson

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me;

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Assurance of God's Love and Forgiveness

Rev. Liz Alexander

***We Give Glory to God (holding hands)**

Gloria Patri

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.

Announcements

Rev. Liz Alexander

Please fill out the Friendship Pad completely and legibly, pass it along and return it to its starting point. Be sure the page is dated.

Children's Message/A Time for Children

Mary Beckhusen

Child care for infants to 5 year olds will be held in the Nursery on the first floor across from Thomson Youth Center.

We Proclaim God's Word

Prayer for Illumination (unison)

Gail Clauer and Betsy Koehler

Guide us, O God our creator, by your Word and Spirit, that in your light, we may see light; in your truth find freedom; and in your will, discover your peace; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen

Hymn of Illumination #324 "Open My Eyes That I May See"

Open My Eyes

Scripture: Psalm 139 (O.T. pg. 710)

Romans 8:37-39 (N.T. pg. 192)

Rev. Liz Alexander

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Message: "Known By God"

We Respond to God's Word

Hymn of Response #467 "How Great Thou Art"

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We Worship With Our Offerings

Offertory

Robert Grube, Jr. Organist

***Doxology**

Old Hundredth

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

Rev. Liz Alexander

**Hymn of Sending*

TRUSTING IN THE PROMISES OF GOD
What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine 837
Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

1 What a fel-low-ship, what a joy di-vine, lean-ing on the ev-er-
 2 O how sweet to walk in this pil-grim way, lean-ing on the ev-er-
 3 What have I to dread, what have I to fear, lean-ing on the ev-er-
 last-ing arms; what a bless-ed-ness, what a peace is mine,
 last-ing arms; O how bright the path grows from day to day,
 last-ing arms? I have bless-ed peace with my Lord so near,
 Refrain
 lean-ing on the ev-er-last-ing arms. Lean-ing, Lean-ing on Je-sus,
 lean-ing, lean-ing on Je-sus, safe and se-cure from all a-larms; lean-ing on
 ing, lean-ing, lean-ing on the ev-er-last-ing arms.
 Je-sus, lean-ing on Je-sus,

The composer of the tune (and creator of the refrain) asked the author of the stanzas to write a hymn based on the latter part of Deuteronomy 33:27 (as worded in the King James Version): "Underneath are the everlasting arms." Their joint effort has proved very popular.

TEXT: Elisha A. Hoffman, 1887
MUSIC: Anthony J. Showalter, 1887
SHOWALTER 10.9.10.9 with refrain

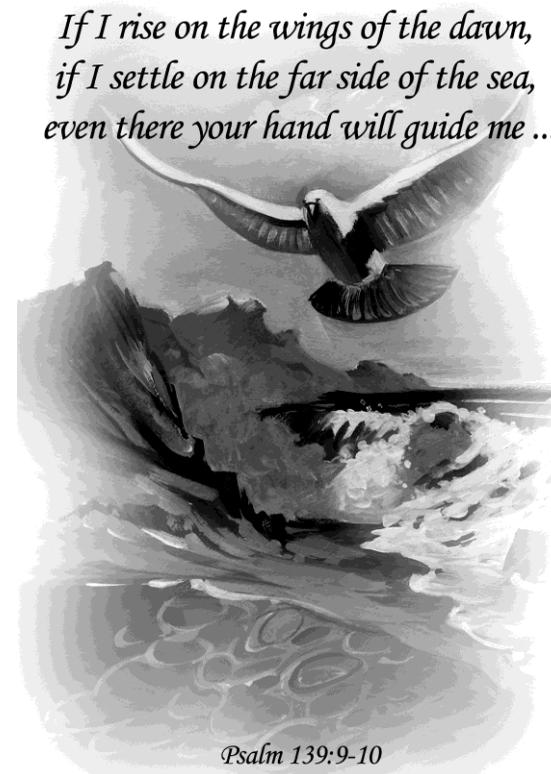
Benediction
Postlude

**Go In Peace to Love and Serve the Lord!
Christ Changing Lives**

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*If I rise on the wings of the dawn,
if I settle on the far side of the sea,
even there your hand will guide me ...*



Psalm 139:9-10

Pastor and Head of Staff – Rev. John Christian Kile
Associate Pastor – Rev. Liz Alexander
Director of Christian Education – Mary E. Beckhusen, C.C.E.
Music Director – Alison R. Nead
Assistant Music Director – Elsa G. Hahn
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WORSHIP BAGS for children may be found in a basket at the entrance to the sanctuary. Please return the worship bags following the worship service.

FLOWER INFORMATION – For several years, Ellie of Cranford Florist has very faithfully created and delivered two bouquets to the church each week for worship on Sunday. She considers it a privilege to provide this service. She has with great regret sent notification that because of increased expenses, the cost of providing flowers each week will be fifty dollars beginning September 1st.

SUMMER MUSICIANS NEEDED – for August 10 and August 24. Contact Alison Nead at music@firstprescranford.org to volunteer. Please consider sharing your talents during worship at 8:30 and 10am.

PRAY FIRST – On Wednesday mornings at 10am, all are invited to join the staff and others in the Chapel for a half hour of silent prayer for the congregation and our ongoing ministry. If you cannot be present, you can join your prayers with ours wherever you are at that time.

HELP WANTED: The Vacation Bible School team is looking for **one** adult volunteer to be the tribe assistant for the week. The program will be held here at FPCC from Monday, July 28, 2014 through Friday, August 1, 2014 from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. The week promises to be fun and faith-filled. If you are available, please contact Mary Beckhusen at 908-276-8440 or Donna Graziano at 908-276-3274.

What's Happening at First Presbyterian Church this Week?

Sunday, July 20th

8:30 am	Worship	Chapel
9:30 am	Fellowship Time	Patio
10:00 am	Worship	Chapel
7:00 pm	Grief Support Group	Mettam Lounge

Wednesday, July 23rd

6:30 am	Men's Prayer Breakfast	Rustic Mill Diner
10:00 pm	Pray First	Chapel
11:30am	Phyllis Snyder Memorial Service	Chapel

Friday, July 25th

9:30am	Knitting For Needs	TBD
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Sunday, July 27th

8:30 am	Worship	Chapel
9:30 am	Fellowship Time	Patio
10:00 am	Worship	Chapel
7:00 pm	Grief Support Group	Mettam Lounge



Back-To-School Shopping That Supports 1st Pres!

We're in the middle of summer, but as every parent knows, back-to-school time is coming soon—and those school supply lists need must be filled! You can help support First Pres. Church by shopping for pencils, books and picture day outfits with Scrip gift cards. The back-to-school order form provides a great list of school supply and apparel retailers from Staples (notebooks and more) to LL Bean (for those great backpacks). Each gift card purchased through First Pres' helps support our ministries.

Order forms can be dropped in the collection plate on Sunday, or at the church office during the week. **First Pres. will place this special Back-To-School order on Aug. 16.** (Cards will be back the following Sunday for pickup.)

Thank you for supporting First Presbyterian Church!

If you have questions, please contact Christine Esposito, Scrip coordinator, 908-276-4099 or cesposito@rodmanmedia.com.

Eli Howard shares win at Cranford Race

Congratulations go to Eli Howard (son of Matt and Phyllis Howard) for "winning" the July 4 Firecracker Four Mile Run in Cranford, and for sharing that win with another runner! In the first tie for 1st place in the Run's 35-year history, both runners ran the race in 21 minutes and nine seconds, and, at Eli's suggestion, raised clasped hands in mutual triumph as they crossed the finish line. Photo of the victory is on the bulletin board across from the library.

Please save Box tops and Labels for Education for the Menaul School in New Mexico.

They sell the labels and purchase equipment for their school. On the last card received from the school we were told that they earned \$8000 for this purpose. Please give the labels to Mamie Parker or put them in the basket on the table in the Narthex. During the summer the basket will be on the table by the Chapel. Your contributions will be appreciated!

Some of the products that contain this label are:

General Mills cereal, Progresso or Cambells Soup, Pepperidge Farm bread and cookies, Arnold Bread products and Land-o-Lakes butter. There are many other products just look for the Labels for Education logo on the top and elsewhere on the box.