

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

May 26, 2019 at 10:00 am

Sixth Sunday of Easter

We Gather Around God's Word

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

Prelude

*"For the Fallen" by Elgar
Robert Grube, Jr., Organist*

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Chris Kile

***Call to Worship:**

Alex Lehner

Leader: Sing to the Lord, bless His name.

People: Tell of His salvation from day to day.

Leader: Declare His glory among the nations,

People: His marvelous works among all the peoples.

All: For great is the Lord and greatly to be praised. Let us worship God!

**Hymn of Gathering #262 "God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand"*

Prayer of Adoration and Confession

Alex Lehner

Dear God our Creator, we praise you for your love, by which you have made us, through which you have kept us, and in which you would fashion us to be your people. We confess that we have not loved you with all our heart and soul and mind and strength; neither have we loved one another as Christ has loved us.

Forgive us, O Lord. Grant by the mercies of your Spirit, that more and more we may radiate the life of Christ, walk in His ways, and live to His praise. In Jesus' name we pray, and offer our own silent confession...

Congregational Response

Lord, listen to your children praying. Lord, send your Spirit in this place.

Lord, listen to your children praying. Send us love; send us power; send us grace.

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

Alex Lehner

God our helper, by your Holy Spirit, open us so that as the Scriptures and your Word is proclaimed, we may be led into your truth and taught your will, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Scripture Reading: Deuteronomy 15:7-11 (O.T. pg. 215)

Alex Lehner

Baptism of Penelope Rose Fazio

Words of Introduction

Rev. Chris Kile

Presentation

Elder Mark Oricchio

Baptismal Questions for the Parents, Sponsors and Congregation

Rev. Chris Kile and Elder Mark Oricchio

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

Rev. Chris Kile

Childcare for infants to 4 year olds will be held in the Nursery on the first floor across from Thomson Youth Center. Children in Pre-K through 5th grade will be dismissed to the Chapel then go to Thomson Youth Center for United Sunday School.

Special Music

*"God Bless America"
Alison R. Nead, Soloist*

Scripture Reading: 2 Corinthians 8:1-7, 9-11 (N.T pg. 222)

Rev. Chris Kile

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon: "Generosity: Last Full Measure of Devotion"

Rev. Chris Kile

We Respond to God's Word

Hymn of Response #562 "Eternal Father, Strong to Save"

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Rev. Chris Kile

We Worship With Our Offerings

Call For Offering

Alex Lehner

Offertory

Meditation on "America the Beautiful" by Callahan

Robert Grube, Jr., Organist

***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

Rev. Chris Kile

***Hymn of Sending #564 "America, the Beautiful"**

Benediction

Rev. Chris Kile

Postlude

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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Mission Statement

As the body of Christ empowered by the Holy Spirit, we seek to live God's Word and inspire others to embrace Jesus' commandment to love one another as the Lord loves us.

Prayers of the Church 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 especially children and parents separated at the border.

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! Join over 200 people on the First Presbyterian Church Prayer Chain by receiving emails and adding people to your prayer list. To add someone, contact Linda Thorn at lindathorn427@gmail.com, at 908 358 8127, fill out the Prayer Request in the pew or call the office at 908-276-8440.

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TO REACH THE PASTOR – 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 flowers today are given in memory of Hugh B. Dunlop from Phyllis Dunlop and Mike Dyrek.

The basket on the piano is given by the Fazio Family in memory of loved ones no longer with us to share in Penelope's Special Day.

THIS WEEK AT FPCC

Sunday, May 26th Memorial Day Weekend

8:30 am Bible Study

Board Room

10:00 am Worship

Sanctuary

11:15 am Fellowship

Thomson Youth Center

6:30 pm Grief Seminar

PrimeTime Room

Monday, May 27th – Memorial Day

Church Offices Closed

Tuesday, May 28th

7:30 pm Worship and Music

Church Office

Wednesday, May 29th

6:30 am Men's Prayer Breakfast

Rustic Mill Diner

AGAPE Pick-up

Saturday, June 1st

Building and Grounds Day

Sunday, June 2nd

8:30 am Bible Study

Board Room

10:00 am Worship – Teacher Appreciation

Sanctuary

11:00 am Fellowship

Thomson Youth Center

11:00 am Deacons

Board Room

1:00 pm Labyrinth

Bates Hall

6:30 pm Grief Seminar

PrimeTime Room