

A SERVICE OF WORSHIP ON THE LORD'S DAY

MUSICIAN APPRECIATION SUNDAY

June 13, 2021 at 10am

Third Sunday After Pentecost

We Gather Around God's Word

***Please stand and sing if masked.**

WELCOME

Rev. Leigh Gillis

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rosemary Schultz

PRELUDE *"Come Christians, Join to Sing" - Sondra Tucker*
 Robert Grube, Jr., Organist

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Mackenzie Cruz

Leader: God is like the gentle shepherd,

People: Leading us beyond our wants, into paths of love.

Leader: Leading us beyond our fears,

People: Leading us to a place of rest eternal in the heavens,

Leader: Where we sing the music of God's love.

People: God restores our strength to walk through the days ahead.

All: Let us worship God!

***HYMN #563 "Lift Every Voice and Sing"**

CALL TO CONFESSION

Mackenzie Cruz

As we come to this time of prayer, we trust in the Lord, for our God is the God of mercy and steadfast love. Let us bow and confess our sin together...

PRAYER OF CONFESSION & ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Rev. Leigh Gillis

***GIVE GLORY TO GOD**

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.

ANTHEM

"Music, You Are A Friend To Me"

Alison Nead, Soloist and Choir

We Proclaim God's Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Mackenzie Cruz

Loving God, by your Spirit, may we recognize you in your Word for us this day. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

GOSPEL LESSON: John 15:12-17

Mackenzie Cruz

***HYMN #358 "Help Us Accept Each Other"**

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Psalm 150

Rev. Leigh Gillis

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

MEDITATION: ARE YOU BREATHING?

Rev. Leigh Gillis

We Respond to God's Word

ANTHEM

"Be Still, My Soul" arr. Eithun

Jubilee Bells I, Elsa G. Hahn, Directing

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Leigh Gillis

ANTHEM

"Gentle Praises" arr. Eithun

Jubilee Bells II, Elsa G. Hahn, Directing

RECOGNITIONS

Elsa G. Hahn

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH FROM THE CONFESSION OF 1967**

9.50 The church responds to the message of reconciliation in praise and prayer. In that response, it commits itself afresh to its mission, experiences a deepening of faith and obedience, and bears open testimony to the gospel. Adoration of God is acknowledgment of the Creator by the creation. Confession of sin is admission of human guilt before God and of their need for his forgiveness. Thanksgiving is rejoicing in God's goodness to all and in giving for the needs of others. Petitions and intercessions are addressed to God for the continuation of divine goodness, the healing of human ills, and their deliverance from every form of oppression. The arts, especially music and architecture, contribute to the praise and prayer of a Christian congregation when they help humans to look beyond themselves to God and to the world which is the object of his love. For this we give thanks.

***HYMN "Canticle of the Turning"** (lyrics in bulletin)

WE WORSHIP WITH OUR OFFERINGS

CALL FOR OFFERING

Rev. Leigh Gillis

OFFERTORY *“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee” - Hal Hopson*
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. Leigh Gillis

*BENEDICTION

Rev. Leigh Gillis

*CLOSING HYMN #264 *“When In Our Music, God is Glorified”*

POSTLUDE

“March on the Old Hundredth” (Doxology) Brenda Portman
Robert Grube, Jr., Organist

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Children’s Message with Daniel Velez and Teddy
Posted at 9:15am before Sunday School

The Ministers of the First Presbyterian Church of Cranford

The Entire Congregation of FPCC

Pastor – Rev. Leigh B. Gillis

Director of Children, Youth and Families - Daniel Velez-Acevedo

Music Director– Elsa G. Hahn

Organist – Robert Grube, Jr.

Office Administrator – Carol Thee

Sunday Worship Action Team

Thank you to these people who make remote worship possible.

Pastor Leigh, Bob Grube, Elsa Hahn, Laura Simone,
Kris and Colin Farley, Sarah Cassidy, Terry Schultz,
Rob Berns, Janice Grevious, Rosemary Schultz,
Tina Hechevarria, Phyllis Dunlop, Larry Imboden

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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.*



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Prayers of the Church Family

Pray for those in the FPCC Family facing health challenges.

Pray for the Mission Study Team.

Pray for loved ones and friends of the FPCC Family.

Prayers for *those in leadership of our nation and for peace in our country. Prayers for healthcare and essential workers.* Prayers for the people of Nicaragua, for those who feel forgotten, unloved, overwhelmed. We pray for people seeking asylum. We pray that as a nation, we respond to all people in need in a way that Christ would affirm. We pray for the youth of FPCC, the adults who are in their lives, for those serving in the military, for married couples facing turmoil.

Emergency and immediate prayer support is available for friends and family of the Church! To add someone, contact Linda Thorn at lindathorn427@gmail.com, or at 908 358 8127.

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*Our Prayers of Condolence for  
the Desmond Stochel family  
on the passing of Martha's father,  
Rev. M. Sargent Desmond  
and all who have lost a loved one.*

**PASTORAL CARE** – For Pastoral Care needs and concerns, contact

Pastor Leigh Gillis who can be reached at 908-432-3959

[pastorleigh@firstprescranford.org](mailto:pastorleigh@firstprescranford.org).

**FLOWERS** – The flowers today are given anonymously in honor of Bob and Jean.

**MISSION STUDY TEAM** - Our MST is complete! The Mission Study Team which will use your survey replies, as well as its own research, to craft the Mission Study Report (MSR) for the congregation has been formed.

Members are: **Carol Berns, Sara Cassidy, Mike Dyrek, Paul Gish, Jim Hamilton, and Kate Ryan.** Please support them with your prayers as they undertake this important work for FPCC.

**FORTUNE COOKIES** – Yes, really fortune cookies! They are just plain fun. If you receive them and would like to donate them to the Soup Kitchen, there is a basket in the Narthex to receive them. The Mission Team thinks they would add a bit of unexpected fun for our guests at their Sunday Picnics in Elizabeth.

**CONGRATULATIONS TROOP 80 EAGLE SCOUTS!**

PLEASE JOIN US AS WE  
RECOGNIZE TROOP 80'S  
NEWEST EAGLE SCOUTS

**ANTHONY BOTTINO  
WILL KENNEDY  
PATRICK O'SHEA  
JOHN SCHEURER  
MICHAEL SCHEURER  
LIAM USINOWICZ  
SHANE WALESKI**

JUNE 7 @ 7:30 P.M.  
ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL  
100 ALDEN STREET

EVENT WILL BE  
LIVESTREAMED ON  
TROOP 80'S FACEBOOK PAGE

## Canticle of the Turning

1 My soul cries out with a joyful shout  
that the God of my heart is great,  
and my spirit sings of the wondrous things  
that you bring to the ones who wait.  
You fixed your sight on your servant's plight,  
and my weakness you did not spurn,  
so from east to west shall my name be blest.  
Could the world be about to turn?

### Refrain

My heart shall sing of the day you bring.  
Let the fires of your justice burn.  
Wipe away all tears, for the dawn draws near,  
and the world is about to turn.

2 Though I am small, my God, my all,  
you work great things in me,  
and your mercy will last from the depths of the past  
to the end of the age to be.

Your very name puts the proud to shame,  
and to those who would for you yearn,  
you will show your might, put the strong to flight,  
for the world is about to turn. Refrain

3 From the halls of pow'r to the fortress tow'r,  
not a stone will be left on stone.  
Let the king beware for your justice tears  
ev'ry tyrant from his throne.

The hungry poor shall weep no more,  
for the food they can never earn;  
there are tables spread, ev'ry mouth be fed,  
for the world is about to turn. Refrain

4 Though the nations rage from age to age,  
we remember who holds us fast:  
God's mercy must deliver us  
from the conqueror's crushing grasp.  
This saving word that our forebears heard  
is the promise which holds us bound,  
till the spear and rod can be crushed by God,  
who is turning the world around. Refrain



When did we See you?  
Matthew 25: 31-46

PRESBYTERIAN YOUTH TRIENNium 2022  
July 24-27 • Indianapolis, IN

*Lord,  
When Did We See You?*

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A gathering for High School age youth,  
youth leaders and young adults in the  
Presbyterian Church (USA) and the  
Cumberland Presbyterian Churches.

Fee: \$515 Youth / \$535 Adults

## LET'S HAVE A HYMN SING!

Write down some of your favorite hymns and drop this in the offering plate or send it to the office. To make it interesting, include WHY you like them so much. Later this summer we will be having a Hymn Sing for worship which will feature as many of your choices as we can fit in. Thanks for your requests!

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Name _____

Hymn(s) _____

Why it is special _____
