

# *Collingswood Presbyterian Church*



*November 20, 2011*

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**COLLINGSWOOD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
**SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY**  
**November 20, 2011**  
**Christ the King/Reign of Christ**

**ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME**

Silent Prayer

Empty of any support or refreshment from within,  
completely alienated, Human Frailty said to the Spirit:

*If you want me to do this work,  
Give me the strength to do it.  
I will not shrink from anything,  
But to do this work well, love is needed.*

~ Catherine of Genoa 1447-1510

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*We welcome you in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ! Please sign the guest book in the narthex so we can send you a welcome packet.*

Minute for Mission

Gathering of Prayer Concerns and Joys

*Please raise your hand to share your joys or concerns to be included in the prayers of the people this day. You may also write your concern on the pink sheets and hand to the Pastor. Please mail a prayer card from the narthex to your loved one.*

Centering Music

*(Please stand for items marked with an asterisk.)*



## Call to Worship

Leader: We dwell in a land God has loaned to us.  
Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth.

**People: We come with gladness to worship God.  
We enter God's presence with joyous song.**

Leader: The first fruits of our labor belong to God.  
Rejoice in the privilege of sharing God's bounty.

**People: God has made us, and we belong to God.  
We are the sheep of God's pasture.**

Leader: The God of peace greets us in this time of worship.  
Enter with thanksgiving and heartfelt praise.

**People: We thank God for steadfast love to sustain us.  
We praise God for faithfulness to all generations.**

**\*Hymn - "We Gather Together" # 559 PH**

## **\*Prayer of Confession**

Leader: What does the Lord require of us  
but to do justice  
and to love kindness  
and to walk humbly with our God?

Trusting in the mercy of God, let us tell the truth.

**People: Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent  
and turn to you.**

**We humbly confess our sins and asks your mercy.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart,**

**Nor have we loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

**We have not done justice, loved kindness,**

**Or walked humbly with you, our God.**

**Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving kindness,**

**In your great compassion,**

**Cleanse us from sin.**

### **\*Words of Assurance**

Leader: There is no greater love than this: that God so loved the World that he gave...

**People: God gave us new life and hope.**

Leader: God gave us his son, Jesus Christ

**People: God gave us forgiveness and new life.**

Leader: God gave. God gave. God gave.

**People: And so, in thankfulness, we give our heart to God.  
Amen.**

### **\*Congregational Response - "Kyrie" #573 PH**

*Choir: Lord, have mercy*

***People: Lord, have mercy.***

*Choir: Christ, have mercy.*

***People: Christ, have mercy.***

*Choir: Lord, have mercy.*

***People: Lord, have mercy***

### **\*Sharing of the Peace**

Leader: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**People: And also with you.**

## **PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD**

### Children's Sermon

*(Children Pre-K through 7th Grade may leave for Sunday School.)*

Anthem - "We Thank You, Lord"

by Joseph M. Martin

Chancel Choir

Old Testament Lesson: Deuteronomy 8:7-18 (p. 164)

\*Hymn #560 PH *"We Plow the Fields and Scatter"*

Scripture Lesson: Psalm 118:24 (p. 554)

Sermon: *"Attitude of Gratitude"*

The Rev. Dr. Bruce Main, UrbanPromise

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

\*Affirmation of Faith

Leader: We are God's people. We are created to love God, others and ourselves.

**People: We are called to be good stewards of the gifts given to us. God has given us the responsibility to care for all of creation.**

Leader: We believe that God created the heavens and the earth, the water, air, the earth and all that inhabits this beautiful world.

**People: We give thanks to God for these amazing gifts of creation.**

Leader: We believe God has created humanity to live in community, making God's love manifest in our loving, caring and serving one another.

**People: All of humanity is loved by God. God does not give up hope and stands by the Divine covenant to never forsake us. God has not given up on any of us!**

Leader: God made love real in the life death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, who was both God and human. He taught and healed, challenged and comforted those who experienced him in the flesh. With his crucifixion and resurrection we too can experience a deep relationship with Jesus Christ and know salvation.

**People:** We are truly thankful for this amazing gift.  
We believe we are to care and share this gift of salvation with the world. We are the ones who show this great love to the world.

**Leader:** We know love because God first loved us. As the Spirit works in our lives, always pulling us back into relationship and making connections with God.

**People:** Through the community of Christ known as the Church, we find hope and solace, courage and confidence, and a place to be strengthened to share that good news to the world.

**ALL:** Thanks be to God for these amazing gifts!

## Offering

*“May there be prayers of thanks, offered for all to hear that, in our joyous gratitude the world may know God is near.”*

~ Lavon Baylor

Offertory *“Thanksgiving Medley”* Arr. Christine Anderson  
Steven Wilson, Handbells; Stacy Lagakos, piano

\*Hymn #438 *“We Give Thee but Thine Own”* (v. 1)

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Prayers of the People

**Leader:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** **And also with you.**

**Leader:** Let us pray.

Prayers of thanksgiving, intercession, petition, and the Lord’s Prayer.

## GO IN GOD'S NAME

\*Hymn #2129 STF *"I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"*

\*Commission and Benediction

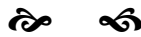
Leader: May Thanksgiving be more than a special day;  
May it be a way of life.

**People: We have been enriched in every way for great  
generosity and thanksgiving to God**

Leader: The God who has answered our prayers asks for our  
help in answering the prayers of others.

**People: We will not forget the source of our good life or think  
we can keep it by hoarding it.**

\*Choral Response



*Go Forward and Serve!*

Be a part of God's work through CPC!

*After the service, please join us in the lounge  
for a time of coffee and fellowship.*



*PRAYER FOR  
THANKSGIVING  
(Adapted from Sue Ellen Herne,  
Mohawk, 20th Century)*



*Thank you, Creator of the universe,  
for the people gathered around us today.  
We give thanks for the things of the earth  
that give us the means of life.*

*Thank you for the plants and animals that we use as food and medicine.*

*Thank you for the natural world,  
in which we find the means to be clothed and housed.*

*Thank you, Lord, for the ability to use these gifts of Creation.*

*Help us to see our place among these gifts,  
not to squander them or think of them as means for selfish gain.*

*May we respect the life of all you have made.*

*May our spirits be strengthened by using only what we need,  
and may we use our strength to help those who need us. Amen.*

**Sunday, November 20, 2011**

***Welcome to the fellowship of Jesus Christ!***

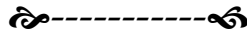
❧ *If you are a visitor, please sign the Fellowship Book in the narthex so we know you are here!* ❧

*Large print bulletins and hymnals are available for your convenience.*

*If you have difficulty hearing, personal amplifiers are available in the narthex.*

*Parents, please pick up a worship activity bag for your children.*

*Please return the bags to the narthex after the service.*



***Thank You*** ❧ *for your service!*

**Reader:** Ryan Appleby, Seminarian

**Deacon of the Day:** Linda Young

**Fellowship Hour Hosts:** Jane Trent, Shanna Morascini, Linda Young

**Flowers:** The flowers today are given by Peggy and Keith Haines in honor of Muriel Haines' birthday tomorrow.

### ***Church Activities This Week***

Today 11/20 9:00 a.m. - Adult Bible Study  
10:00 a.m. - Children's Choir Practice  
10:30 a.m. - Worship & Sunday School  
11:30 a.m. - Fellowship Time  
6:30 - 8 p.m. - Youth Group/Sr. High Meeting

Mon. 11/21 7:00 p.m. - Confirmation Class

Wed. 11/23 11:30 a.m. - Adult Bible Study - Acts

Thurs. 11/24



Sat. 11/26 8:30 a.m. - Men's Breakfast

## Announcements

**Curious About CPC?** - We will be forming a new member class soon. If you are interested in possibly becoming a member or would just like to know more about our church, please sign up in the narthex.



**Good Food & Fellowship!**- The next Men's Breakfast will take place Saturday, 11/26 at 8:30 a.m. at the Crystal Lake Diner on Cuthbert Blvd. Join us!

**Memorial Garden Bricks** - Would you like to order an engraved memorial brick for a loved one? We are gathering the next order and hope your loved one will be included. Order forms are available in the Narthex by the Memorial Book. See Karen Mazak with any questions.

**New Addresses:** Elsie Hak and Alex Constantine have new addresses. Drop them a note or card to let them know you are thinking of them during the upcoming holiday season.

Alex Constantine, SBI #466836E  
Mountainview Youth  
Correctional Facility  
31 Petticoat Lane  
Annandale, NJ 08801

Elsie Hak  
CareOne at Evesham  
874 Route 70 East, Room 215  
Marlton, NJ 08053  
Phone: 988-2234

### *Ongoing Community Activities at CPC*

Every Tues. & Wed. 9:30 - 11 a.m. - Toddler Playgroup - Nursery

1st and 3rd Tues. 5 - 8 p.m. - Girl Scouts - Dining Room

4th Tues. 7 - 9 p.m. - Creative Needlework Guild - Dining Room

Last Tues. 6:30 - 9 p.m. - Adoption Support Group - Lounge/Youth Room

1st & 3rd Wed. 6 - 7 p.m. - Girl Scout Troop #30113 - Dining Room

1st & 3rd Thurs. @ 5 p.m. - Brownie Troop #30514 - Jr. Dept.

Every other Fri. @ 7 p.m. - Wolf Pack #163 - Dining Room/Gym

# The Christmas Pageant is Coming!!!

## December 18, 2011

**Sun. 12/4 & 12/11** - Rehearsal during Sunday School.

**Thurs, 12/15 @ 6:00 p.m.** - Dress rehearsal and church decorating.



**Sun. 12/18** - Pageant Day! Please be here by 10 a.m. so we can get everyone into their costumes.

We have already begun practicing the songs for the pageant during Sunday School time. Please try to have your kids here on Sundays so they can be ready for the big day!

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The **Christmas Luncheon** will be after church on 12/18. We will provide the ham and meatballs. We need you to bring side dishes, desserts and drinks. Please sign up using the form in the back of the bulletin so we know how many are coming and what you are bringing.

## ADULT EDUCATION



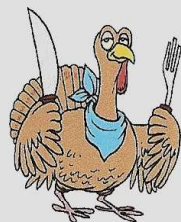
**One Year Journey** - This program is a great way to work our way through the Bible together. We will be discussing the passages and their meaning to us at the **Sunday morning Bible Study at 9:00 am** in the lounge.

Study guides are available. You can also read interpretive material about the One Year Journey through the Bible in Pastor Kate's blog found on our churches web site at [www.collingswoodpres.com](http://www.collingswoodpres.com)?

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**Wednesday Morning Bible Study - 11:30 a.m.** - How did the early church begin? Join us in a study on the Book of the Acts of the Apostles. Materials for study will be available from Pastor Kate.

# CPC YOUTH GROUP CALENDAR NOV/DEC



## November

6<sup>th</sup> YG

13<sup>th</sup> YG (Johnsonburg deposits  
and paperwork due)

20<sup>th</sup> YG

27<sup>th</sup> No YG (Thanksgiving Sunday)  
(Johnsonburg total amt due)



## December

2-4<sup>th</sup> Johnsonburg Jr. High Retreat

4<sup>th</sup> – No YG (Johnsonburg)

11<sup>th</sup> – YG

18<sup>th</sup> – YG Christmas Party

25<sup>th</sup> – No YG (Christmas)



**Calling All Senior Highs!** - We want to hear from you about your interests for fellowship. Meet with our seminarian Ryan Appleby on tonight, **November 20 at 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.**

### **"One Year Journey" - Bible Readings for Week Eight:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Sun. 11/20 - Numbers 34-36    | <input type="checkbox"/> Thurs. 11/24 - Deuteronomy 8-11 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mon. 11/21 - Deuteronomy 1-2  | <input type="checkbox"/> Fri. 11/25 - Deuteronomy 12-15  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tues. 11/22 - Deuteronomy 3-4 | <input type="checkbox"/> Sat. 11/26 - Deuteronomy 16-19  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wed. 11/23 - Deuteronomy 5-7  |  |



The elders and other committee leaders were very pleased with the response to our re-visioning luncheon. There were 8 tables actively discussing, suggesting and scoring directions for the future. (Lunch was very tasty too!) The elders will be reviewing the results in January to revitalize our mission and programs.

Step-up your pledge Sunday was also very encouraging but we still are missing more than a few pledge forms. If you can't find your form, there are extra copies on the narthex (foyer) table. Please place them in the offering plate during worship or mail them to the church office c/o treasurer. These positive results show that next year CAN be a great year! Thank you for praying, participating and pledging your support to our church family.

### **Nominating Committee:**

This church is so blessed to have the dedicated and supportive membership that we do! We are concluding a successful Stewardship Campaign, and despite continuing hardships for many of us, you continue to pledge as much as you can. But there are other ways we can give, not just financially but also we can give our time and talents toward the future of Collingswood Presbyterian Church.

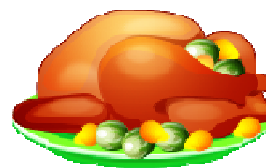
Linda & Rich Herzog and Abby Murray are serving as your Nominating Committee this year, and it is time to prayerfully consider your place in the future of our church. Perhaps as we have undergone the Revisioning process in the past few weeks you have recognized an opportunity to serve our church, our community and God by being a part of our leadership.

We have a place for 3 Deacons and 3 Session members (Elders) starting in early 2012. We are also looking for a member of our Senior High youth to be a Youth Deacon. Please prayerfully consider your role in the future of our church; the direction you'd like to see us go in, the activities and programs you want to see in place, and how we can continue to grow in spirit and fellowship with each other in this service. Any member of the Committee would be happy to answer any questions you may have.

# Deacons' Corner

## Donate a Turkey

The holiday is coming fast, and many area families are still in need of a complete Thanksgiving dinner. The Deacon's will be collecting fresh or frozen turkeys that will be taken to New Visions in Camden for distribution to it's neighbors in need. If you would like to donate a turkey, please call Martha Jane @ 856-559-0154.



## Mitten and Hat and Coat Tree!

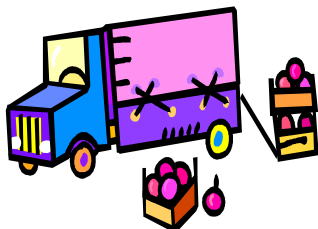


The Deacon's will be collecting hats, scarves and mittens that will be donated to the homeless in Camden. Help us warm as many people as possible during this upcoming winter season by donating as many items as you are able. Please hang your donations on the tree in the Narthex. Our tree will be up through the end of December. This year there will also be envelopes hanging on the tree for those who would like to make a monetary donation. Simply take an envelope, place your cash or check inside, and put it in the offering plate (NOT back on the tree.)

You can also help the homeless on the streets of Camden stay warm this winter by donating a gently used or new coat. The Deacon's coat drive will be now through the end of December. Please place coats on the pew (behind the table) in the Narthex. Any questions, call Martha Jane @ 856-559-0154. On behalf of all the bodies you will warm...THANK YOU!



## Mobile Food Pantry



The Food Bank of South Jersey's Hope Mobile is a mobile food pantry that reaches out to families and individuals living at or below poverty level. Every 2nd Saturday of the month the Hope Mobile drops off food at Whitman Park in Camden for distribution. If you're interested in volunteering, please call Martha Jane for additional details @ 856-559-0154.



# Trinity Community Concert Series 2011-2012 Season

## *A SEASON OF SONG*

### Sunday, November 20, 2011

The Trinity Adult Choir along with the Adult Choir  
of Saint Paul's Lutheran Church, Glenside present:

Requiem by John Rutter

Accompanied by Chamber Orchestra and Organ

7:00 PM in the Sanctuary

### Sunday, January 15, 2012

Suzanne DuPlantis, mezzo soprano and Kevin Delaney, tenor

In Joint Recital

4:00 PM in the Sanctuary

### Sunday, May 6, 2012

*Lyric Fest presents:*

*"Once Upon A Time".....A Family Concert*

*Kings and queens, princes and princesses, witches and bird men-the perfect introduction  
to Opera for all ages! Lyric Fest presents three mini-version operas, semi staged:*

*The Magic Flute, The Barber of Seville and Hansel and Gretel.*

3:00 PM in the Sanctuary

## **CHURCH STAFF AND OFFICERS - 2011**

The Rev. Dr. Katherine G. Killebrew, Pastor (856-218-1976)  
 Stacy Lagakos, Director of Music                      Marion Wertz, Church Secretary  
 Mark Wheeler, Christian Ed. Director              Anthony Pilarchik, Sexton  
 Maryann Kelly, Bookkeeper

### **THE SESSION**

(Meets second Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m.)

Linda Herzog, Clerk of Session  
 Bob Marks, Commissioner to Presbytery  
 Barbara Bockmann, Financial Secretary

<b><u>Class of 2012</u></b>	<b><u>Class of 2013</u></b>	<b><u>Class of 2014</u></b>
Linda Herzog	Kelly Higgs	Robert Marks
	Lorraine Brown	Mark Standring
	Anna Lee Bachtell	Shanna Morascini

### **Committees of Session**

### **Chair**

Christian Education	Keith Haines
Finance and Stewardship	Bob Marks
Membership & Church Life	Lorraine Brown
Memorial	Karen Mazak
Mission	Anna Lee Bachtell
Personnel	Kelly Higgs
Nominating	Linda Herzog
Property and Buildings	Mark Standring
Worship and Arts	Shanna Morascini

### **BOARD OF DEACONS**

(Meets first Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.)

Lorrie Heuser, Moderator

<b><u>Class of 2012</u></b>	<b><u>Class of 2013</u></b>	<b><u>Class of 2014</u></b>
Martha Jane Caldwell-Bates	Abigail Murray	Carol Fulton
Lorrie Heuser	Linda Young	Janette Flores
Jane Trent		
Annjakira Flores (1 year)		

☞ KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS... ☞

**Birthdays:** Muriel Haines, Nick Lesso, and Emily Willis.

**Anniversaries:** Melissa & Gus Corso (2004)

**Those who serve in government, our military personnel, & those who work in other countries:**

Our country, our president, and our leaders.  
Our troops in Iraq and Afghanistan and around the world.  
CPC Military personnel -- Mark McCaulley  
Jessica Lowden, currently working in Monrovia, Liberia

**Those in Care Facilities**

Mabel Cordier	Robert Johnson	June Hart
	Elizabeth Baggett	

**Pray for Health and Wellness**

Beumont Family	Ruth & Harry Binder	Flor D'Castanel
Chuck Christy	Paul Dorety	Charlie Dunlevy
Peter Fagan	Jack Fagan	Rich Forster
Carol Fulton	Rachel Ginter	Sarah Ginter
Frank Griffin	Max Gureki	Brooke Hankins
Susan Kwiatkowski	Mildred Letts	June Marsh
Barbara Miner	Patti Moler	John Pellini
Grace & Mel Sharp	Mary Troyano	Sam Jang Do-Soon
Lisa	Friend of Perro/Forgach Family	

**Our Partners in Mission**

Iglesia Presbiteriana Hispana Bet-el, Vineland  
Our PCUSA mission in New Zealand  
Juan G. Hall Presbyterian Church, Cardenas, Cuba  
Njikob Presbyterian Church, Cameroon

If you are going into the hospital or would like a pastoral visit, please call or have a family member call the church office or one of the deacons or elders.

If you don't call, we are going to assume you don't want a visit!

Please remember to fill out a new pink form  
with each update for the prayer list.



# Christmas Poinsettias



Poinsettias will decorate our sanctuary from December 18th through December 26th. If you would like to order a plant in memory or in honor of a loved one, please fill in the slip below and place it – along with your check – in the offering plate or mail it to be received in the church office **by December 11th**. Make your check payable to “Collingswood Presbyterian Church – Flowers.”

If you like, you may pick up your plant after our Christmas Eve service on December 24th at 7:00 p.m. The Deacons will distribute any plants remaining to shut-ins.

The cost is \$15 each (7 inch pot – 6+ blooms). Poinsettias are available in your choice of color with red, pink, or white blooms.



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## Poinsettia orders due by December 11th:

I would like to order the following poinsettias at \$15 each:

How many? \_\_\_\_\_ Red

\_\_\_\_\_ Pink

\_\_\_\_\_ White



Total # of plants \_\_\_\_\_ Total enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

The bulletin insert should read:

Given by \_\_\_\_\_

In memory of

In honor of \_\_\_\_\_

In memory of

In honor of \_\_\_\_\_

# Christmas Luncheon

Sunday, December 18

Following Worship and the Pageant



*Mark your calendars for a special time to celebrate Christmas together. The Christmas Pageant will be presented during worship on December 18th, then we'll fellowship together over lunch.*

*Please make your reservations early! Fill out and submit the form below by December 11th so we can plan our meal. Questions? Contact Lorraine Brown at [lorraine.brown@comcast.net](mailto:lorraine.brown@comcast.net) or 609-617-3272.*

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*(Fill out and place this form in the offering plate by 12/11)*

*Family name* \_\_\_\_\_

*Phone* \_\_\_\_\_

*Email* \_\_\_\_\_

*Total number attending* \_\_\_\_\_

*We will bring\* (circle one, please):*

*Casserole*

*Side Dish*

*Dessert*

*Drinks*

*(\*Lorraine Brown will contact you with specific menu choices. Sliced Ham and Meatball Sandwiches will be provided.)*