

*The
Collingswood Presbyterian Church*

"A Friendly Church Where Jesus Christ Is Lord"



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October 19, 2008

COLLINGSWOOD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

October 19, 2008

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

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.

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 a pink sheet and hand it to the Pastor. Please mail a prayer card from the narthex to your loved one.

WE WORSHIP GOD

Centering Music

Silent Prayer

Call to Worship

Leader: I will sing to the Lord, for he has triumphed gloriously!

People: The Lord is my strength and my might and he has become my salvation.

Leader: Who is like you, O Lord, majestic in holiness?

People: In your steadfast love you let the people whom you redeemed and guided them by your strength to your holy abode

Leader: So be with us, O Lord, and fill us with your grace.

*Hymn: "O Worship the King, All Glorious Above" #476 PH

*Prayer of Confession

Leader: The poet Chris Freebairn has written:

“If only I could meet a friend
who at a glance sees through me,
who without frown or threat,
comes unconditionally to me.
No more forced laughter,
no more pretence or hiding,
no telling but half the truth
or anxiously confiding.
Then I’d give a great sigh,
of monumental release.
I could let go of all conceit
and find myself at peace.
If such a friend could find me
I’d leave the past behind me.”

We have such a friend in Christ Jesus, the divine friend of sinners.
Let us confess our sin before the Almighty God. Let us pray:

**All: Loving Lord, we are flawed creatures who need a Healer,
foolish and lost children we need a Savior.**

**We trust ourselves to your penetrating glance,
we relax our anxieties and discard our excuses.**

**We are what we are, and there is not or word on our tongue
or a thought in our mind, but you know it all together.**

Have mercy on us, all-seeing Lord.

Have mercy on us, all-saving Lord.

Have mercy on us all-conquering Lord.

**As we breath out all that is stagnant, infected and shameful,
we breathe in your Holy Breath until it flushes
through every part of our body, mind and soul.**

For your name’s sake. Amen!

*Words of Forgiveness

Leader: "If such a friend could find me
I'd leave the past behind me."

People of God, for us there is no more "if". If has been
replaced with God's overwhelming "Yes!"

People: We are found and recovered by the grace of Christ Jesus.
We lift up our hearts with peace and joy, for we no longer
have anything to be ashamed of. We are a totally
forgiven people! Thanks be to God!

*Congregational Response: (Sing response through twice)

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah

Hallelujah, Hallelujah!

*The Peace of Christ

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you,

People: and also with you.

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Children's Sermon

(The children are dismissed to Sunday School.)

Anthem: "*Air for Brother James*"

Old Scottish Air

Chancel Choir

Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 40:27-31

Epistle Lesson: Romans 8:33-36

*Hymn "*In Unity We Lift Our Song*" (Verses 1, 2, 4) #2221 SFT

Gospel: John 8:31-38

Sermon: "Spiritual Gifts of Black Folks"

The Rev. Dr. James Reese

Affirmation of Faith:

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Offering

*Lord, I love the house in which you dwell,
and the place where your glory abides.*

Psalm 26:8

Musical Meditation

*Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication (unison)

Thank you, O Lord for a church that is faithful and reaches out to those on the edge of our world and brings them to the center of faith. We give these gifts to further the peace, unity and purity of our beloved Church. In Christ's name we pray and serve. Amen

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.

Hymn "*I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me*" #369

GO IN GOD'S NAME

*Benediction

*Organ Response



**Those who are able, please stand.*



Go Forward and Serve!

Be a part of God's work through CPC!



Please come downstairs for lunch and a lecture by Dr. Fred Heuser, "The Role of Presbyterians in Civil Rights." Fred is an elder in our church and is the Director of the Presbyterian Historical Society.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, October 19, 2008

Welcome to the fellowship of Jesus Christ!

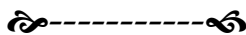
*☞ If you are a visitor, please sign the Fellowship Book ☞
in the narthex so we know you are here!*

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.



Thanks this morning to:

Liturgist: Fred Heuser

Opening and Closing Building: Melissa & Tom Wolfe

Greeters/Ushers: Deacons

The flowers today are given by Betsy Schadt in memory of her parents Ken and Pat Schadt.

Celebrating Presbyterian Involvement in Church and Society

We are honored to have Dr. James Reese speak to our church this Sunday. Before Jim retired, he served as the Director of Racial Ethnic Ministry Unit of the General Assembly and prior to that he served as the Director of Administrative Services for the GA. Jim began his ministry as a pastor in Alabama and Tennessee. After retirement in 1993, he served two presbyteries as Interim Executive Presbyter, worked for the Presbyterian Foundation and National Council of Churches as the Director of Racial Inclusiveness and Justice. Still serving the church, Dr. Reese is presently working as an interpreter for the Presbyterian Foundation and the Presbyterian Historical Society. Jim and his wife, Neola, live in Cherry Hill, where Neola is an elder at Trinity Presbyterian Church.



JOIN CHRIST'S MISSION AROUND THE WORLD!

REMINDER: GIFTS THAT KEEPS ON GIVING

You can support Fair Trade in Peru and help Dionisia Ramos-Huaman's women's artisan cooperative by purchasing textile items handmade by Emady. There are pictures of these items with prices and purple order forms in the Narthex. Their crafts (including handbags, totes, coin purses, eyeglass holders, napkins and placemats, and children's items like bibs and backpacks) are hand painted and unique. (You can also look at the items on the Partners for Just Trade website at <http://www.partnersforjusttrade.org/ht/d/Store/producttype/EMADY/pid/178>).

If you would like to support Joining Hands Against Hunger- Peru, place orders with Joanie Balderstone, Rebecca McIntire, or Peggy Haines. Peggy will place one order from CPC in time for Christmas giving. Sharing Dionisia's story reminds us that we are rich in many ways. Here is a way for us to give a gift that keeps on giving. **Deadline for ordering from emady is Sun., October 26th.**

Library News!

Check out Ann Weems's *Putting the Amazing Back in Grace*, a collection of poetry exploring faith. Weems writes: "I went back to my childhood to think about how I had learned about faith... It was about receiving grace. Perhaps the Church can go back, go back in memory and relive the learning of our faith, and then go forward in gratitude for the grace that is ours."



Remember: Sign out books and tapes ANY TIME THE CHURCH IS OPEN. Use the print lists of our holdings or access our CPC Library catalog through the CPC website at <http://collingswoodpres.com/> or directly through <http://www.librarything.com/catalog/collingswoodpc>.

UPCOMING EVENTS AND NEWS

October 26th will be our “**Remember the Saints**” worship service. We will begin our service at 10:30 am in the upgraded Memorial Garden and dedicate the engraved bricks recently completed. If you have friends or family that are grieving, we encourage everyone to attend so you may speak the name of your loved one during the service.



Circle One (Women’s Circle) will meet on Tuesday, October 28, from 9:30-11:30am Refreshments will be served, and Pastor Kate will conduct a brief Bible Study. Plan to attend!

Interested in knowing more about **Presbyterianism**? If you are new to our church, check out the “We are Presbyterians” video and FAQ’s of Faith on the web site or in the Library. A class for those who want to know more about our church will be held on **Thursday October 30**. Interested in joining our church? Talk to the pastor to set up a visit. The next new member brunch will be **November 16** after church. Sign up.

NEXT COFFEEHOUSE: Save Sat., Nov. 1st. Join us to sing show tunes!

Please pick up your financial statements in the Hallway mailboxes by the lounge. Thank You!

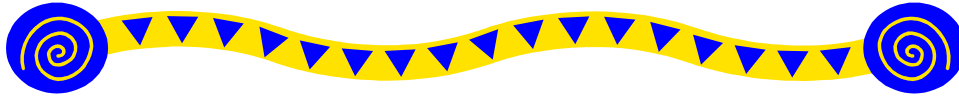
Trinity Community Concert Series

Trinity Presbyterian Church
499 Route 70 East
Cherry Hill, NJ 08034
(856) 428-2050



The Trinity Sanctuary Choir will present “Great Hymns of Faith” a sacred concert featuring beloved hymns of the faith.
Sunday, October 19th, 2008 - 7:00 p.m.

The Trinity Sanctuary Choir and the Manhattan School of Music Outreach will present Handel’s “Messiah” on
Sunday, December 14, 2008 - 7:00 p.m.



YOUTH NEWS

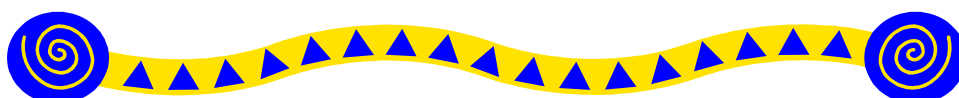
- ◆ The next Confirmation Class will be Wednesday night October 29 from 7-8pm. Meet in the Meeting room upstairs with Pastor Kate. Pick up your Worship Reflection Sheets in the narthex and drop off finished ones outside Pastors office.

- ◆ Do you know that Jennifer Giordano is going to Cuba?

- ◆ Yes, she is going to a Women's conference with Pastor Kate in early December to teach our partners in Cuba about our Rotation Workshop Christian Education program. She also needs your help to collect small travel soaps and lotions for gifts for the women and youth of the Cardenas church.



- ◆ Senior High Youth Group (Grades 8 - 12) needs your help. Please donate wrapped candy or fun Halloween items to use in our Boo Bags by October 26. The group will meet at 7:00 to fill and distribute bags in our neighborhood. Youth are to bring friends and wrapped candy or Halloween items. See you there!



PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Birthdays: Barbara Bockmann, Melissa Wilson, and Christian Naab.

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

Our country, the upcoming presidential election, and our leaders
Our troops in Iraq and Afghanistan and around the world
CPC Military personnel -- Mark McCaulley, Stephanie Nalls
Jessica Lowden-- in Monrovia, Liberia

Shut-ins

Mabel Cordier
Patricia Moler
Rosemary Sammons

Robert Johnson
George Nicholson
Pat Schuehler

Dorothy Lawnicki
Barbara Perry
Alma Lattimore

Pray for Health and Wellness*

Chuck Christy
Cheryl Jean Gordan
Philip Lagakos
Bill Sharp
Tony Tumminia
Barbara Perry

Alex Fell
Ralph Gunther
Richard Marks
Rick Stubbins
Rev. Fred Westermeier
Rev. Lynne Manilla

Sarah Ginter
Max Gureki
Susan Moler
Catherine Tumminia
Brandon Brauns

Our Partners in Mission

First Presbyterian Church of Moorestown
Our PCUSA mission in Liberia
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 Pastor Kate at home 218-1976. 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.



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(meets second Monday, 7:00 p.m.)

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