

Collingswood Presbyterian Church



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COLLINGSWOOD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
November 16, 2014
33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Silent Prayer

Holy Wisdom, you would not leave us uninformed of God's love for us, so you whisper in our ears of wonders beyond imagination; you remove the blindfolds from our eyes so we may behold the grace flowing all around us; you open our hearts to the family God has given us.

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

Centering Music - "All I Need Is You" by Dan Adler

*(*Please stand for items marked with an asterisk. GTG is the purple "Glory to God" hymnal. STF is the "Sing the Faith" smaller blue hymnal)*

Call to Worship

Leader: This is the Lord's Day, the day of wonder and grace.

People: **This is the day to worship the One who calls us here.**

Leader: This is the Lord's Day, the day we are given joy and peace.

People: **This is the day promised to us, the day of healing and renewal.**

Leader: This is the Lord's Day, and it has come just in time!

People: **This is the day we gather with hope, with faith, with love!**

***Hymn - "Holy God We Praise Your Name" GTG #4**

***Prayer of Confession**

Leader: When we remember all the mistakes we have made, all the careless words we have spoken, all the contempt we have given to those around us, we have trouble looking God in the eye. But God gazes at us with mercy and love, waiting to forgive us, even as we hesitate to speak of the brokenness of our hearts. Join me as we pray, saying,

ALL: **Again we must confess, Master of the Universe, our struggles to be faithful disciples. Entrusted with all your gifts, we become fearful once again of misusing them, missing the chance to be a blessing to others. Invited to dance in the light of your love, we stand against the wall once again, keeping company with our old friend, sin. Called to be emptied for those who struggle in life, we fill ourselves once again, with scorn for the poor choices they make.**

Have mercy, Journeying God, have mercy on us. Once again, open our eyes to your kingdom in our midst, so we might discover that your day of hope and grace has already come in Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

Silence is kept

* Words of Assurance

Leader: This is the good news: God intends for us to find life, to embrace hope, to receive forgiveness through Jesus Christ, our Servant.

People: The end of our journey is not rejection and emptiness, but the fullness of grace and hope in our God. Thanks be to God, we are forgiven. Amen.

*Response *"You are Holy"* Congregation join in the (ECHO)

You are Holy **(You are Holy)** You are Mighty **(You are Mighty)**
You are Worthy **(You are Worthy)** ALL: **Worthy of praise.**

I will follow **(I will follow)** I will listen **(I will listen)**
I will love you **(I will love you)** ALL: **All of my days.**

*Sharing of the Peace

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Children's Sermon

(Children in Pre-K-2nd grade will follow Mrs. Kolecki out and can be picked up in Calvin Hall)

Anthem - "Blow Ye The Trumpet" - Music by Henry Purcell Arrange
Arrangement - Carl Frederickson

Psalm 123:1-4 (responsive)

Leader: To you I lift up my eyes, O you who are enthroned in the heavens!

People: As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their master, as the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress, so our eyes look to the Lord our God, until he has mercy upon us.

Leader: Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy upon us, for we have had more than enough of contempt.

People: Our soul has had more than its fill of the scorn of those who are at ease, of the contempt of the proud.

***Hymn - "God Whose Giving Knows No Ending" - GTG #716**

Gospel Lesson - Matthew 25: 14-30 (p. 904)

Sermon - "Economy of Fear"

Ms. Laura Colee, Haddonfield Presbyterian Church

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

***Affirmation of Faith - Brief Statement of Faith PCUSA**

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.

Offering

"Our inheritance from God evokes our thankfulness, and our gratitude inspires us to share the gifts we have received. Let us bring our tithes and offerings to extend the possibilities for reconciliation and peace."

Musical Meditation - "Organ Instrumental"

Song of Dedication - "Give Thanks With A Grateful Heart" STF #2036

"Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One, give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ his Son.

And now let the weak say, "I am strong"; let the poor say, "I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us."

Give thanks!"

***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.

**All: Our Father, who art in heaven,
Hallowed be Thy name.
Thy kingdom come.
Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil:
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, for ever. Amen.**

GO IN GOD'S NAME

***Hymn - "Come Sing, O Church, In Joy" GTG # 305**

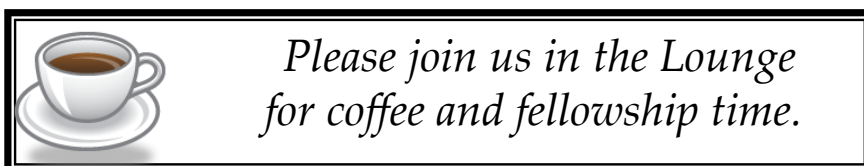
***Benediction**

***Choral Response**

***Postlude**

Go Forward and Serve!

Be a part of God's work through CPC!



Sunday, November 16, 2014

*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.*

**PLEASE BRING THE HEARING AIDES BACK TO THE
DEACON OF THE DAY.**

Welcome!

If you are a visitor, please sign the Fellowship book in the narthex so we know you are here! Please join us for coffee fellowship in the lounge.

Thank You

Worship Leader: Noha Khoury

Deacon of the Day: Tom Wolfe

Greeters: Rich & Peter Herzog

Ushers: Rich Herzog and Martha Jane Caldwell Bates

Flowers: The flowers are given today by Rachel Bendorf

"God Bless All"

Sunday School: Children should follow Mrs. Kolecki out after the Children's Sermon. You may pick your children up in Calvin Hall after the service.

Nursery is down the hallway past the lounge and is for children aged birth to 3 years old. Our nursery workers are Madeline Almand, Brie Lynch, and Natalie Sperlunto. Parents are invited to sign-up in the nursery to come in and do an activity such as a song, read a book, or other activity with the older nursery children.

Sunday School:

Last week in Sunday School we watched a movie about Moses the Prince of Egypt. We learned about Moses' early life. Today in Sunday School we will be continue watching a movie about Moses the Prince of Egypt. This week we will be learning about Moses and then about the Ten Commandments. Next week we will begin learning about advent and the Birth of Jesus.

Please see Gretchen Kolecki, Director of Christian Education to sign up to teach/help with the Sunday School Program. There is also a sign-up sheet outside the Director of Christian Ed.'s door. Dates available are: 11/23,11/30, 12/7& 12/14



Also, if you have a child in Sunday School, please join our Facebook page: Collingswood Presbyterian Church Sunday School.

Youth:

There IS Youth Group tonight. The Youth will be joined by a Mr. Rich Herzog as Dennis Kolecki has a prior engagement. Noha will be leading the group. Bring a friend.

Also, go on to the Collingswood Presbyterian Youth Group Facebook page to see the pictures of our individual reasons why we are here. This week we will decide why we are here as a youth group and what our mission is. Please sign up to bring snack and as a parent helper through the link for SignUp Genius that was emailed to all parents.

Breakfast Club is this morning. Please follow Noha out of service after the Old Testament Reading.

****If you Middle School aged Youth Group member is attending the 12/5-12/7 Johnsonburg Retreat, please your final payment of \$55 in by 11/30.**



If you have not done so already, please join our Youth Group Facebook Page: Collingswood Presbyterian Youth Group. It is a good way to keep in touch and up to date on youth group info and activities. **YOUTH THIS MEANS YOU TOO!**

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT CPC THIS WEEK?

- Sun., 11/16
10:30 am - Worship
11:30 am - Fellowship Time- Lounge
11:45 am - Children's Program Group - Meeting Room
6:30 - 8:00 pm - Youth Group
- Mon., 11/17
7:00 pm - Finance Committee Meeting-Mtg Room
7:30 pm - Finance Committee Meeting-Lounge
- Tues. 11/18
4:00 West Jersey Presbytery (Haddonfield Pres)
- Wed., 11/19
5:30 pm - Intermediate Bell Choir practice
6:15 pm - Advanced Youth Bell Choir
7:00 - 8:00 pm - Confirmation Class
7:30 pm - Adult Bell Choir Practice
- Thurs., 11/20
11:00 am - Staff Meeting
7:00 pm - Choir practice
- Sat., 11/22
8:30 am - Men's Breakfast
- Sun., 11/23
10:30 am - Worship
11:30 am - Fellowship Time - Lounge
6:30 - 8:00 pm - Youth Group
11:45 Christian Education Committee- Meeting Room

WEEKLY COMMUNITY USE

Spring of Life Church:

Sunday - 1:00 - 2:30 pm - Sanctuary (& nursery)
2:30- 5:00 pm Dining room
Wed. & Fri. - 8:00 - 9:30 pm - Jr. Rm.

Toddler Play Group

Tue. & Wed. - 9:30 -11:30 am. - Nursery

Girl Scouts #30514 - Wed. 10/29 - 6:00 - 7:45 pm - Jr. Dept.

"The fragrance always stays in the hand that gives the rose"

Hada Bejar

Nothing is more attractive than sharing with others. No trait will be admired as much as generosity. There is no surer way to gain the respect of friends and neighbors than to show by what we give that we care about others.

We can give many things besides money, shelter, clothing, or food to those in need. We can give the rich person love and understanding that money can't buy. We can sympathize with those who are troubled, even though they appear wealthier than ourselves. We can share experience, strength, and hope with those who are ill or unhappy. We can even share our suffering with others who surer, and hold up a light for them on the road to recovery. What do I have to give today?

Be sure to write on one of the leaves some thing, some time or some person for which you are thankful Hang on the Thanksgiving tree in the narthex. Give thanks!!!

We welcome Laura Colee to our pulpit today. Hailing from the Midwest, she currently serves as the Director of Christian Education at First Presbyterian Church of Haddonfield and as an Adjunct Professor in the Christian Studies Department at Eastern University. In both positions, she brings a love of all things Biblical and Religious Studies. She received an undergraduate degree in History and Religion from Northwestern University and an M.Div. degree from Princeton Theological Seminary. She is also a Candidate for Ordination in the PCUSA. Laura resides in the Kensington neighborhood of Philadelphia.



Please check the flower book in the Narthex and sign up to dedicate the flowers in the church to honor, or in memory of, a loved one.

Flowers are needed for December 14

OUTREACH TO OUR COMMUNITY:

THE DEACONS ARE LOOKING FOR MEMBERS TO ASSIST IN THE BAKING OF TURKEYS (AT YOUR HOME) AND THE ASSEMBLING OF MEALS (AT CHURCH) TO BE DELIVERED TO ELDERLY CITIZENS IN CAMDEN FOR THANKSGIVING. IF YOU CAN HELP PLEASE SEE MARTHA JANE BATES.

WE ALSO HAVE THANKSGIVING BASKETS WITH FOOD TO BE COOKED FOR ANYONE IN NEED THIS SEASON. PLEASE SEE PASTOR KATE IF YOU KNOW OF SOMEONE.

IF YOU ARE LOOKING FOR SOME ALTERNATIVE GIFT IDEAS FOR THIS CHRISTMAS SEE THE TABLE IN THE NARTHEX!
CONSIDER BUYING FAIR TRADE COFFEE FOR GIFTS TOO!!

Save The Date

November 23rd - Bible Sunday

Children in 3rd grade receive Bibles and dedicate hymnals

November 30th

1st Sunday in Advent

December 18th - 6:30 pm

Pageant Practice & Church decorating

December 21st

Christmas Pageant and Luncheon

Session Highlights

The Session met on its regularly scheduled date, Monday November 9, 2014. Pastor Kate began the meeting with the devotional study "Transformation Leaders- Mission and Ministry." We discussed ways our congregation may reach out to the community and welcome visitors in our midst.

- We review the reports of the Pastor and the Deacons minutes. Both Pastor and Deacons are working hard to care for our members - ill and homebound as well as reaching out with cards and flowers. Deacons are making food for shut-ins in Camden for thanksgiving.
- Jeff Hirt, chair of Finance and Stewardship reported that the Pony Express Campaign was well received and we had lots of fun! All the pony express bags made it back to the church and the estimates of giving are being counted now. Please turn yours in if you haven't already. We all need **all** to support the Lord's ministry.
- Mike Amato, chair of Property reported that we are making repairs to the building to insure greater safety for our children. Plans for additional handicapped parking were approved.
- Jennifer Giordano, chair of Congregational Life, reported that plans are in the making for the Christmas luncheon. Helpers are needed to decorate and set up the lunch- December 21.
- Pastor Kate reported for the Worship Music and Arts committee. Plans are in the works for Advent and Christmas worship.
- Christian Education co-chair Karen Schuehler reported that plans are moving forward for a pre school here at CPC next year. Members of session will attend the Collingswood Zoning Board meeting in December to seek Borough approval.
- Lorrie Heuser requested and received permission to upgrade the library in Calvin Hall. Ideas are welcomed!
- We prayed for members of our congregation and our families who are ill and struggling.

❧ KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS ❧

Birthdays: Muriel Haines

Anniversaries: Melissa & Gus Corso

Seminarians: Chris McNabb, Richard Aylor, and Noha Khoury

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

Our country, our president, and our leaders

Our troops in Afghanistan and around the world

Military personnel - Jennifer Riippa

Jessica Lowden - working in Ghana

Those at home or in a care facilities

Elizabeth Baggett

Harry Binder

Robert Johnson

Dorothy Varnum

Frank Griffin

Jean Waitz

Pray for Health and Wellness

Ray Burns

Frank Griffin

Sam Jang Do-Soon

Bob Lowden

Carol Rowand

Jay Sills

Darla Hartman

Rich Smith

Colleen Ellis

Jeffrey Patterson

Bob Whenna

Rachel Minnick

Steven Salmon

Marion Mills

Art Moffett

Kristin Schell

Please pick up a prayer card in the narthex and mail it to these loved ones for whom we pray.

Rev. Debby Brincivalli & Staff of West Jersey Presbytery

Logan Memorial Presbyterian Church in Audubon, New Jersey

Our PCUSA mission in Peru

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.**

CHURCH STAFF AND OFFICERS - 2014

The Rev. Dr. Katherine G. Killebrew, Pastor
 William Powell, Director of Music Gretchen Kolecki, Director of Christian Ed
 Janis Danielewicz, Church Secretary Chris Keeley, Custodian
 Maryann Kelly, Bookkeeper

THE SESSION

(Meets second Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m.)
 Melissa Corso, Clerk of Session
 Candace Lowden, President, Board of Trustees
 Barbara Bockmann, Financial Secretary & Treasurer

Class of 2014	Class of 2015	Class of 2016
Keith Haines	Mike Amato	Jennifer Giordano
Melissa Corso		Jeff Hirt
Candace Lowden		Karen Schuehler

Committees of Session	Chair
Christian Growth	Keith Haines & Karen Schuehler
Finance and Stewardship	Jeff Hirt
Mission and Outreach	Moderator
Congregational Life	Jennifer Giordano
Memorial	Candace Lowden
Personnel	Melissa Corso
Nominating	Candace Lowden
Property	Mike Amato
Worship and Arts	Moderator

BOARD OF DEACONS

(Meets first Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.)
 Lorrie Heuser, Moderator Tom Wolfe, Vice-Moderator
 Karen Mazak, Secretary Martha Jane Caldwell Bates, Treasurer

Class of 2014	Class of 2015	Class of 2016
Lorrie Heuser	Louanna Sills	Tom Wolfe
Jane Trent	Martha Caldwell-Bates	Jean Harle
Erica Werner	Karen Mazak	Richard Herzog

Our Vision Statement (What we want to be)

We seek to become:

- ◆ A church that witnesses to the community and the world by sharing and demonstrating our relationship with Christ.
- ◆ A church that encourages all people to know God's great love revealed in Jesus Christ.
- ◆ A church that faithfully listens for God's will for our lives and our community
- ◆ A community of God that is an open, inviting, caring family of faith where all are embraced, accepted and loved.

Our Mission Statement (How we will accomplish this vision)

The Collingswood Presbyterian Church Congregation, as part of the Christian Church, Presbyterian Church USA, is called to Worship and Serve the Lord by:

- ◆ Constantly seeking renewal through God's Grace and Wisdom.
- ◆ Welcoming and reaching out to all of God's community.
- ◆ Providing for education in Christian and Presbyterian principles
- ◆ Ministering to everyone through community and worldwide mission.
- ◆ Sharing the Christian message as expressed in the Gospel.