

Collingswood Presbyterian Church



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COLLINGSWOOD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
September 1, 2013
22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Silent Prayer

*Child of God: with the anxious heart of a parent waiting at midnight,
you long for us to come home, your arms aching to hold us.
When all others have turned away from us,
you throw open the gates of the kingdom,
inviting us in to share at the Table of hope prepared just for us.
Amen.*

Hymn Sing

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

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



Call to Worship

Leader: We have gathered here this morning to worship God.

People: **We have come seeking comfort, inspiration, community, and insight.**

Leader: We have come to open ourselves to the power of God.

People: **We have come to offer up the seasons and the turnings in our lives, and to ask God's help in our learning and in our growing.**

All: **Glory be to god, Creator, Christ, and Holy Spirit, who loves, saves, and renews us. Amen.**

***Hymn - "Let Every Christian Pray" PH #130**

***Prayer of Confession**

ALL: **God of truth, how difficult it is for us to be truthful before you. We want to hide our anxieties and fears, our resentments and self-centeredness. Cut through our evasions by the truth of your word, and help us to be honest.**

God of mercy, your hopes for us are greater than our own, yet our failures do not surprise you. Forgive us, we pray even for the sin we cannot see or find it painful to confess.

God of love, accept us as we are, so that we may accept ourselves. Teach us to affirm what is good in our lives and to put behind us what is unworthy, that by your grace we may live in confidence and joy, in the manner of Jesus our Christ. Amen.

Silence is kept.

***Words of Assurance**

Leader: Christ has come to bind up our wounds, to make us whole and set us free to proclaim the coming reign of God. Friends, believe the Good News:

People: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

***Response - "O How He Loves You and Me" STF #2108**

**O how he loves you and me! O how he loves you and me!
He gave his life. What more could he give?**

**O how he loves you; O how he loves me;
O how he loves you and me!**

**Jesus to Calv'ry did go; his love for sinners to show.
What he did there brought hope from despair.**

**O how he loves you; O how he loves me;
O how he loves you and me!**

***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 will remain in service with parents.)

Musical Offering - "Amazing Love" piano solo

Psalm 88 (responsive)

**Leader: O Lord, God of my salvation, when, at night, I cry
out in your presence, let my prayer come before
you; incline your ear to my cry.**

**People: For my soul is full of troubles, and my life draws
near to Sheol.**

**Leader: I am counted among those who go down to the Pit;
I am like those who have no help,**

**People: like those forsaken among the dead, like the slain
that lie in the grave, like those whom you
remember no more, for they are cut off from your
hand.**

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Leader: You have put me in the depths of the Pit, in the regions dark and deep.

People: **Your wrath lies heavy upon me, and you overwhelm me with all your waves.**

Leader: You have caused my companions to shun me; you have made me a thing of horror to them. I am shut in so that I cannot escape; my eye grows dim through sorrow.

People: **Every day I call on you, O Lord; I spread out my hands to you. Do you work wonders for the dead? Do the shades rise up to praise you?**

Leader: Is your steadfast love declared in the grave, or your faithfulness in Abaddon? Are your wonders known in the darkness, or your saving help in the land of forgetfulness?

People: **But I, O Lord, cry out to you; in the morning my prayer comes before you. O Lord, why do you cast me off? Why do you hide your face from me?**

Leader: Wretched and close to death from my youth up, I suffer your terrors; I am desperate.

People: **Your wrath has swept over me; your dread assaults destroy me. They surround me like a flood all day long; from all sides they close in on me. You have caused friend and neighbor to shun me; my companions are in darkness.**

***Hymn - "Come and Find the Quiet Center" STF #2128**

Gospel Lesson: Luke 22:39-44 (p.961)

Sermon: *"Windows of Christ - Praying Like Jesus"*

The Rev. Wendy Boer

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

***Affirmation of Faith - Apostles' Creed**

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.

Offering

Our God has been very generous with us, forgiving us again and again, and providing us with resources beyond our own need. We are cautioned to keep our lives free from the love of money and to be content with what we have. God will not fail or forsake us as we divide our portion with others. Let us give, with thanks.

Musical Offering - "Invention" - J.S. Bach

***Doxology - PH#592**

*"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**

Prayers of the People

Leader: The Lord be with you

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray.

Prayers of Praise, Thanksgiving, and Intercession...

**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 *"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"* PH #403

*Benediction

*Musical Response

*Postlude



*Please join us in the Dining Room
for coffee and fellowship time.*

Sunday, September 1, 2013

Welcome!

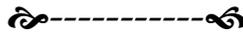
If you are a visitor, please sign the Fellowship Book in the narthex so we know you are here!

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: Keith Haines

Deacon of the Day: Lorrie Heuser

Greeter: Jane Trent

Ushers: Lois Noyes, Flo Stringer, Martha Jane Caldwell Bates, Dennis Kolecki.

Fellowship Team: Louanna Sills

Flowers: the flowers today are given to the Glory of God.

Sunday School: Sunday School will resume in September.

Nursery: *We DO NOT have a volunteer nursery worker today.* We have an air conditioned area for your child. If you are a parent of a nursery aged child please sign up in the Narthex or with Gretchen Kolecki, Director of Christian Education, to volunteer for the nursery this summer

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT CPC THIS WEEK?

Sun., 9/1	10:00 am - Worship 11:15 Fellowship Time in Dining Room
Mon., 9/2	Labor Day - OFFICE CLOSED
Tues., 9/3	11:00 am - MLK Planning Meeting - Pastor's Office
Wed., 9/4	11:00 am - Staff Meeting
Sun., 9/8	10:00 am - Worship 11:15 Fellowship Time in Dining Room
Mon., 9/9	7:00 pm - Session Meeting
Tue., 9/10	7:00 pm - Deacon's Meeting

WEEKLY COMMUNITY USE

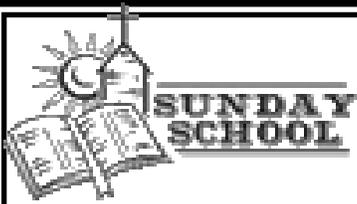
Spring of Life Church:

Sunday - 1:00-5:00 pm

Wed. & Fri. - 8:00 - 9:30 pm - Jr. Rm.

Welcome!

The Rev. Wendy B. Boer will celebrate the 40th anniversary of her ordination this year and she has been a member of our presbytery that entire time. She currently serves on the Presbytery staff as part-time Consultant for Congregational Life. She is also a part-time Chaplain at Virtua Memorial Hospital in Mt. Holly. She has previously served as pastor of 3 of our churches (2 of them simultaneously) and as the missionary at the Echelon Mall Ministry. She and her husband, Rick, live in Mt. Laurel. They have two married daughters, one in Seattle, WA, and the other in Providence, RI. Their son recently graduated from college. In her spare time, she grows orchids and reads mysteries. Lately they have travelled several times to Seattle to visit their year old granddaughter.



There will be NO Sunday School in August. New this coming fall will be a “pre readers” Sunday School Class for children aged 3 - Kindergarten. The other classes will be 1st & 2nd Grade and then 3rd -5th grade.

RALLY DAY SEPTEMBER 15



If you are interested in helping with the Sunday School Program, Please See Gretchen Kolecki, Director of Christian Education.

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

 *Collingswood Presbyterian Church Sunday School.*

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There will be NO Youth Group Meetings until September 15, 6:30 - 8:00 pm.

If you have a family member in the Youth Group, please join our Facebook page:

 *Collingswood Presbyterian Church Youth Group.*

# DATES TO REMEMBER

**Sunday, September 15 is Rally Day . . .**



**Wednesday, September 18 . . .**



**Handbell rehearsals begin.**

**Intermediate Youth - 5:30-6:15; Advanced Youth - 6:15-7:30  
Adult Memorial Choir - 7:30 - 8:30**

**Adult ringers are needed in the Memorial Bell Choir.  
Contact Marjorie Miller at [marmiller@snip.net](mailto:marmiller@snip.net) to find out more  
about the adult handbell program.**

**Sunday, October 6 is the CROP Walk . . .**



**American  
Red Cross**

*Together, we can save a life*

**Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup>. More details next Sunday.**

# Session Highlights

- ◆ Community celebration of the 50th anniversary of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther Kings, Jr.'s "I Have a Dream" speech. The event will be held on October 20, at 6:30 pm.
- ◆ Task Force to be assembled for non-profit funds generation for the church.
- ◆ Lounge Renovations are ongoing. Plumbing and electrical work are pending. We hope to dedicate the room in October
- ◆ Collingwood Cooperative Preschool will be using the church on Thursday mornings. Contact Melissa Corso for additional information.
- ◆ Coffee House to be hosted on October 12, use Calvin Hall for event. A partnership with Haddon Heights and Audubon Presbyterian Churches.
- ◆ Voted to accept new member Jennifer Giordano. New members will be received on Sunday, Sept. 29.
- ◆ Regretfully we accepted the resignation of Mark Standing from the Session.
- ◆ Approved the use of our building for the IHOC Homeless Hospitality Program - April 20 - May 4



*Interfaith Homeless Outreach Council*

*Annual Dinner*

*“A Taste of Hope”*



*Saturday, October 12, 2013*

*6:30 PM – 9:30 PM*

*The Catholic Church of St. Mary*

*2001 Springdale Rd., Cherry Hill, NJ*

*Entertainment Provided by:*

*Mainstage Performing Arts*

*Appetizers - Dinner – Desserts*

*\$25 per person*

*\$20 per person table of eight*

*For tickets call 856-261-3464 or e-mail IHOC @ [ihocasemar@aol.com](mailto:ihocasemar@aol.com)*



**PLEASE NOTE. . . . .**

**We cleared out all the names on the Prayer List under the section “Pray for Health and Wellness” and are starting over new for Sept. You will need to fill out a new Prayer Sheet for anyone that you want listed under the Health and Wellness section.**

**Thank you!**

∞ KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS... ∞

**Birthdays:** June Lattimore, Martha Jane Caldwell-Bates, Nadine Vogel, Linda Herzog, Timothy Brown, Ray Perry, Mark Eife

**Anniversaries:** Lois & Sydney Noyes

**Seminarians:** Chris McNabb, Buzzy LeCluyse and Richard Ayler

**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

CPC Military personnel -- Mark McCaulley and Jennifer Riippa

Kyle Stoy-- who is teaching ESL in Seoul, South Korea

**Those in Care Facilities or at home**

Elizabeth Baggett

Elsie Hak

Robert Johnson

Evelyn Plunkett

Dorothy Varnum

Jean Waitz

Raymond Perry

Harry Binder

**Pray for Health and Wellness**

Ray Burns

Michael Burns

Sal Ferraro

Carol Rowand

Joan Klacik

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

Bethany Presbyterian Church of Bridgeton

Our PCUSA mission in England

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!

# **Collingswood Presbyterian Church**

## **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.