

# *Collingswood Presbyterian Church*



*September 27, 2015*

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**COLLINGSWOOD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
**SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY**  
***September 27, 2015***  
***26th Sunday in Ordinary Time***

**ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME**

**Silent Prayer**

*Bless to us, Christ of Peace,  
the path which people walk  
seeking to follow you:  
worn smooth by the feet of pilgrims,  
yet still rocky in places;  
the destination unknown to many,  
yet the way to life and hope.*

**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 - "O How He Loves You and Me" Chancel Choir**

**Minute for Mission**

*(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: We have walked with you, O God, from many parts of the world to this time and place.

**People:** And we will walk with you, O God, into the world to serve all people.

Leader: We leave behind our old securities; we leave behind our reliance on worldly goods.

**People:** And we will walk with you, O God, into the world to live with all people.

Leader: We leave behind all which holds us back; we leave behind all which keeps us from following you.

**People:** And we will walk with you, O God, into the world to work with all people.

Leader: We leave behind the fears which bind us; we leave behind the hurts which damage us.

**People:** And we will walk with you, O God, into the peace you offer to all people.

## **\*Prayer of Confession**

**Leader:** Sometimes our words and actions show how we are salt for the world. But then come those moments when we lose our flavor and our way. Let us confess our sins to our God, so we might be restored and forgiven.

**ALL:** Called to be your people, Living God - why do we find it so hard to answer? You ask us to speak out against injustice, and we whisper because we are afraid someone might hear us. You ask us to see the pain and poverty around us, but we close our eyes. You tell us that everyone, and each one, is created in your image, yet we persist in noticing the differences between us and others.

**Forgive us, God of the Past and Creator of the Future. May we be the ones who go out into the world, bearing your gifts of peace, of hope, of healing, of joy to every one who is broken, even as we have been made whole through the gift of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.**

*silence is kept.*

**\*Assurance of Pardon**

**Leader:** Touched by the healing hands of our Lord, filled with the grace of our God, led by the compassion of the Holy Spirit, our hearts are opened and we discover we are forgiven and at peace with God.

**People:** Those who are created to love the unlovable; those who are created to bear grace; those who are created to embrace all people: we receive our forgiveness, giving thanks to our God. Amen.

**\*Response - "The Family Prayer Song" STF #2188**

**Come and fill our homes with your presence;  
you alone are worthy of our reverence**

**Refrain**

**As for me and my house,  
we will serve the Lord.  
As for me and my house,  
we will serve the Lord.  
As for me and my house,  
we will serve the Lord.  
We will serve the Lord.**

**Lord we vow to live holy,  
bowing our knees to you only.**

**Refrain**

## \*Sharing of the Peace

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

## PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

### Children's Sermon

**Anthem** - "*Hosanna*" by Brooke Fraser sung by Joe Russell & Will Powell

**Old Testament Lesson** - Esther 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22 (pages 441 & 443)

**Psalm 124** - (responsive)

Leader: If it had not been the LORD who was on our side—let Israel now say—

People: **if it had not been the LORD who was on our side, when our enemies attacked us,**

Leader: then they would have swallowed us up alive, when their anger was kindled against us;

People: **then the flood would have swept us away, the torrent would have gone over us;**

Leader: then over us would have gone the raging waters.

People: **Blessed be the LORD, who has not given us as prey to their teeth.**

Leader: We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowlers; the snare is broken, and we have escaped.

People: **Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth.**

**\*Hymn** - "*I Love to Tell the Story*" GTG#462

tune - Hankey

**Gospel Lesson** - Mark 9:38-50 (page 920)

**Sermon:** "Who me? An Evangelist?"

Rev. Dr. Katherine Killebrew

## RESPONSE TO THE WORD

### \*Affirmation of Faith - Brief Statement of Faith of the PCUSA

- Leader: We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life.
- People:** **The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church.**
- Leader: The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church.
- People:** **In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.**
- Leader: In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, Come, Lord Jesus!
- People:** **With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

### Offering

*"We who burn incense to the idols of our common life  
are called instead to offer sacrifices of self and the fruit  
of our labor on the altar of the one true God. Give thanks to  
God whose steadfast love endures forever. Give practical  
expression of your gratitude to the One who satisfies your  
hunger and thirst every day"*

## **Musical Meditation - "Jesus Draw Me Close" STF #2149 Chancel Choir**

### **\*Doxology #606**

*"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**

**Preparation for Prayer - "Cares Chorus"**      Chancel Choir

### **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** - “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God” GTG #275

tune - Ein Feste Burg

\***Benediction**

\***Choral Response**

\***Postlude**



*Please join us in the lounge for  
and fellowship time.*

**Sunday, September 27, 2015**

*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 AIDS BACK TO THE  
DEACON OF THE DAY.**

## *Thank You* *for your service!*

**Worship Leaders:** Karen & Kelly Schuehler

**Deacon of the Day:** Louanna Sills

**Greeter/Ushers:** Lorrie Heuser

**Flowers:** Given to the Glory of God by the Congregation



This week in Sunday School we will be talking about Gideon and him helping the Isrealites. Please ask your child what they learned in Sunday School. Please see Mrs. Kolecki if you would like to help. You can sign up to help outside the Christian Education Director's office.

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



Youth Group is tonight 6:30pm-8pm. There is no seminarian this year so please see Mrs. Kolecki about signing up to help with Youth Group and to bring snack. Triennium applications will be available. Please see Dennis Kolecki for one of the forms.

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!**



## The Presbytery of West Jersey

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September 18, 2015

His Holiness Pope Francis  
c/o The Archdiocese of Philadelphia  
222 North 17th Street  
Philadelphia, PA 19103

Grace and Peace to you Most Holy Father on the occasion of your visit to Philadelphia. The 10,000 Presbyterians on the New Jersey side of the Delaware River extend our warmest welcome to our brother in Christ. We rejoice in your presence among us and pray your trip will bring joy and bear fruit. We celebrate the many pronouncements on climate change, ministry, your compassion for humanity and our ecumenical discussions.

We wish we could be with you in person but please know our hearts and prayers are with you.

In Christ,

Rev. Dr. Deborah G. Brinchiali  
Executive Presbyter

Rev. Wendy Boer  
Stated Clerk

Rev. Donald Painter  
Moderator

## GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Hosted by Heartland Hospice

**Where**  
**Heartland Hospice**  
190 N. Evergreen Ave.  
Suite 122  
Woodbury, NJ 08096

**When**  
Friday, October 2, 2015  
Friday, October 9, 2015  
Friday, October 26, 2015  
Friday, October 23, 2015

If you are interested in attending or have any questions,  
please contact  
**Rachel McCoy**  
**Bereavement Coordinator**



## GROW GROUPS!!!

We join together with Audubon Presbyterian church and Haddon Heights to discuss the book -

“We make the Road by Walking” by Brian McLaren.

Pick up the book through Amazon or speak to Pastor Kate for a free copy!

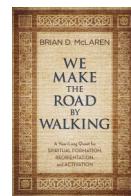
Locations:

Sunday 9am Colls Presbyterian Lounge

Monday evening 6:30 at Haddon Heights

Presbyterian on Green Street

Tuesday afternoon 2pm at Logan Memorial in Audubon.



Join Pastor Kates web blog to read and discuss!

<https://pastorkate.wordpress.com/>

## **Want To Know More About Colls Pres? Interested in joining the Church?**

Come to an inquirers meeting on Wednesday, September 30th at 7:30 in the Lounge.

Pastor Kate will be offering First Communion instruction on Wednesday, September 30th at 6:30 pm for children and youth 3rd grade and above.



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 October 4, 18

Confirmation Class kids and parents orientation meeting on:

Thursday, October 1st  
7:00 pm in the Lounge

Bell Choir rehearsal for Wednesday, September 30th has been cancelled.

Marjorie Miller's brother-in-law Charles Dunlevy passed away on Wednesday, September 23rd in St. Louis. Marjorie and Doris are flying to St. Louis and will return on Saturday, October 3rd.

# **WHAT'S HAPPENING AT CPC THIS WEEK**

Sun., 9/27	9:00 am - Choir Practice 9:00 am - Book Group 10:30 am - Worship 11:30 am - Fellowship Time - Lounge 6:30 pm - Youth Group
Wed., 9/30	6:30 pm - 1st Communion Class - Lounge 7:30 pm - New Member Class - Lounge
Thurs., 10/1	11:00 am - Staff Meeting 7:00 pm - Confirmation Orientation
Sun., 10/4	9:00 am - Choir Practice 9:00 am - Book Group 10:30 am - Worship 11:30 am - Fellowship Time - Lounge 6:30 pm - Youth Group

## **WEEKLY COMMUNITY USE**

Girl Scouts Troop 30113  
6:15 - 7:30 pm  
1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month

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.

# Session Highlights

- \* Great attendance at church and the pancake breakfast on Sunday. 19 children and 12 youth attended church and Sunday school.
- ◆ The new Kaleidoscope Kids preschool opened on Sept. 9 after receiving state approval. Current enrollment is 17. Calls are coming in from prospective students, so we are hopeful for increased enrollment. Please tell your friends!
- ◆ The Personnel Committee will be working to find a new custodian to replace Sunday custodian Chris Keeley
- ◆ The Finance Committee is planning the fall stewardship campaign.
- \* The Property Committee will continue to address property needs of the new preschool in order to meet state regulations.
- \* Session approved a resolution allowing use of a portion of the church endowed funds, including the Chase Fund, for operating expenses. It will do additional work to follow legal requirements so that the church can access all of its funds as needed, and it will be in communication with the Presbytery as needed.
- \* The Session asks that members please keep their pledges up to date to help the church meet its financial obligations.

## **CHURCH STAFF AND OFFICERS - 2015**

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

### **THE SESSION**

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

William Ostrem, Clerk of Session  
Candace Lowden, President, Board of Trustees  
Barbara Bockmann, Financial Secretary & Treasurer

<b>Class of 2015</b>	<b>Class of 2016</b>	<b>Class of 2017</b>
Mike Amato	Jennifer Giordano	Candace Lowden
William Ostrem	Jeff Hirt	Carol Longmire
	Karen Schuehler	

<b>Committees of Session</b>	<b>Chair</b>
Christian Education	Karen Schuehler, Carol Longmire
Finance and Stewardship	Jeff Hirt
Mission and Outreach	Moderator, Deacons
Memorial	Candace Lowden
Personnel	Jennifer Giordano
Nominating	Candace Lowden
Property	Mike Amato, William Ostrem
Worship and Arts	Moderator

### **BOARD OF DEACONS**

(Meets fourth

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

Tom Wolfe, Moderator                   Susan Wilson, Vice-Moderator  
Karen Mazak, Secretary                 Martha Jane Caldwell Bates, Treasurer

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Louanna Sills	Tom Wolfe	Susan Wilson
Martha Caldwell-Bates	Jean Harle	Dalton Aversa
Karen Mazak	Richard Herzog	

## ❖ KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS ❖

**Birthdays:** Eleanor Kelley, Lillian Smentek, Bill Giordano, Bill Goulburn, Liam Berkelbach, Olivia Gardiner, Michele Perrin

**Anniversaries:** Jamie & Stephen McNamara

**Seminarians:** Chris McNabb and Noha Khoury

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

Our country, our president, and our leaders

Military personnel - Jennifer Riippa

Jessica Lowden - working in Ghana

### Those at home or in care facilities

Elizabeth Baggett

Harry Binder

Robert Johnson

Dorothy Varnum

Eleanor Kelley

### Pray for Health and Wellness

Ray Burns

Sam Jang Do-Soon

Bob Lowden

Carol Rowand

Jay Sills

Cass Burns

Carolyn Moffett

Bob Whenna

Rachel Minnick

Art Moffett

Marion Mills

Paul Ziegler

Sal Ferraro

Jean Fink

Jane Heinle

Cindy Kielbania

Diane Blakesley

Lori Hunter

Ruth Hanson

Donald Sharp

Diane Gebert

Chris Johnson Ziegler

Juliana Minyon

Becky Rule

Paul Beatty

*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

First Presbyterian Church of Salem, Salem, NJ

Our PCUSA mission in Austria

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.**



*"There are people in the world so hungry, that God cannot appear to them except in the form of bread." Mahatma Gandhi*

**We HAVE made a difference:**

1.4 billion people in developing countries live in extreme poverty – on less than \$1.25 a day – down from 1.9 billion in 1981.

**But there's still more to do:**

In the U.S., the official child poverty rate increased 18 percent over the past decade, and 14.5 percent of households now struggle to put food on the table. More than one in four children is at risk of hunger.

**Collingswood Crop Walk  
Sunday, October 11th 12:00 - 3:00**

Join other churches as we walk to raise money and awareness for hunger. one fourth of our proceeds to Collingswood Food Pantry