# Collingswood Presbyterian Church



## September 6, 2015

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## COLLINGSWOOD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

September 6, 2015 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### **ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME**

#### **Silent Prayer**

A new season of changing weather, school and work, O Lord. Prepare my heart mind and soul to hear your timeless truths that will hold me fast as life changes around me. Amen

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

**Centering Music -** "Lord, Prepare Me" GTG #701 tune - Sanctuary

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true. With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.

(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 gather in the presence of God:

People: who knows us when we wake up and when we go to

sleep, and in all the moments in between.

Leader: We gather in the house of God:

People: who has created a family for us: here, as well as in

Baghdad, in Belfast, and in Nairobi.

Leader: We gather to be the people of God:

People: who appeals to us to follow in love, in faith, in service.

\*Hymn - "Called as Partners in Christ's Service" GTG #761

tune - Beecher

## \*Prayer of Confession

Leader: Our sins are not to be hidden from God. Rather, we bring them into the Light and lay them on the Table, trusting in the One who shaped us for goodness and will transform our brokenness into wholeness. Please join me as we pray, saying,

All: Searching God: we are so attached to our possessions, we have trouble sharing them. We are so connected to our pleasures that we cannot feel the pain of those around us. We are so stuck on ourselves, we cannot sense our souls slipping away into the shadows. Most merciful God: loosen us from the grip of the world, so we may feel your healing touch. Sever us from our sin, so your Spirit might bind us to you. Reshape us, redeem us, renew us, so we may take up our crosses and follow our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Silence is kept

#### \*Words of Assurance

Leader: The God who calls us is the God who created us; the God

who formed us is the God who forgives us. This is the

good news - we are God's new creation.

People: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be

to God. Amen

\*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

**Special Music -** "Down By the Riverside" and "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot" traditional with Meegan Hussain and Fred Heuser

**Old Testament Lesson -** Deuteronomy 5:1-22 (pages 161-162)

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

**Gospel Beatitudes:** Matthew 5:1-12 (page 880)

**Sermon:** "Calm Before the Storm"

The Rev. Dr. Katherine G. Killebrew

#### **RESPONSE TO THE WORD**

\*Affirmation of Faith - Nicene Creed (unison)

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, True God from True God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate by the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated on the right hand of the Father. He will come again with glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the Giver of Life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. 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.

**Prayer of Dedication** 

**Musical Meditation** 

The Lord's Supper

Invitation

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you **People: And also with you** Leader: Lift up your hearts

**People:** We lift them up to the Lord Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Leader: It is truly right and our greatest joy...

And join their unending hymn singing, GTG #552

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might Heaven and Earth are full of your glory

Hosanna in the highest

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest!

Leader: Blessed are you, O Lord Most high...

(Prayers of intercession, petition and the Lord's Prayer)

The Words of Institution

#### The Distribution of the Elements

(People are invited come forward to receive the bread and the cup and return by the side aisles.)

## **Prayer after communion** (unison)

We thank you Lord for nourishing us at this table of love and grace. May this bread and cup sustain us for the work we are called to do. Whether school work, church service, career, home or family care, give us the strength to serve as if we were serving You, Lord. Amen

#### **GO IN GOD'S NAME**

\*Hymn - "Come, Labor On" GTG #719 tune - Ora Labora

\*Benediction

\*Congregational Response "Amen"

**Postlude** 



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

## A Prayer for Labor day

God of the rough-worn hands, as we honor workers this day, let us not forget those whose work is without honor: those homemakers who watch over children and homes but are not recognized as workers because they are not paid; those who are forced out of jobs by corporate changes, those forced into early retirement, those who are denied employment because of their age; those who live far from home, struggling to save a bit of money to sent to their loved ones; those who must work illegally in order to survive; those who lose jobs because employers use undocumented labor.

Christ of the aching back, you worked the rough wood, you walked the long and dusty roads, you know the bitter thirst of the poor.
Let our thirst become a passion for justice.
Help us to work toward transformation of economic policies that allow only a few nations to hoard the world's wealth, policies that pay women as only half a person or less, policies that do not recognize the worth of labor exactly without pay

Spirit of creative power, move among us this day.

Heal the wounds we carry because of jobs we hate but must do, jobs we want but cannot have.

Heal all those who labor to survive.

Renew in us our sense of vocation.

Help us discern your Presence in even the lowliest tasks we face.

Amen

(Chalice Worship, Colbert Cartwright & O.I. Harrison, eds, Chalice Press, 1997)

## Sunday, September 6, 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.



Worship Leader: Jane Trent

**Deacon of the Day**: Louanna Sills

Greeters/Ushers: Louanna Sills, Andrew & Jack Kolecki

**Communion Servers:** Jeff Hirt, Jane Trent **Flowers:** Given by Melissa & Danny Bianco

In memory of Melissa's Dad, Galen, on his birthday.

**Sunday School**: No children's activities. Sunday School will resume in September.

**Nursery** is for children aged birth to 3 years old. Children and parents can play in the air conditioned meeting room (next to the nursery).

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



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 September 13, 20, 27

#### Victory Garden

We need people to take produce from our Church garden and take to the Collingswood Food Pantry. If you have abundant produce from your home gardens and wish to share, please leave on the table in the narthex. PLEASE HELP PICK TODAY AFTER CHURCH~

## WHAT'S HAPPENING AT CPC THIS WEEK?

Sun., 9/6 10:30 am - Worship

11:30 am - Fellowship Time - Lounge

Mon., 9/7 Office Closed - Happy Labor Day!!!

Wed., 9/9 7:00 pm - Finance Committee

Thurs., 9/10 11:00 am - Staff Meeting

Sun., 9/13 10:30 am - Worship - Communion

11:30 am - Fellowship Time - Lounge

**RALLY DAY** 

## 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.

#### **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 Chris Keeley, Custodian 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

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

Committees of Session	Chair
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 first Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.)

Tom Wolfe, Moderator Susan Wilson, Vice-Moderator

Karen Mazak, Secretary Martha Jane Caldwell Bates, Treasurer

Class of 2015	Class of 2016	Class of 2017
Louanna Sills	Tom Wolfe Susan Wilson	
Martha Caldwell-Bates	Jean Harle	Dalton Aversa
Karen Mazak	Richard Herzog	

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Birthdays: Linda Herzog, Timothy Brown, Mark Eife, Louanna Sills

**Anniversaries**: Martha Jane & Fred Bates

**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 Minns

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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 Paul Young Charles Dunlevy

Paul Beatty Juliana Minyon

# 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 at Pitman, Pitman, NJ

Our PCUSA mission in Argentina

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.

## **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.



## **Updates:**

# How Can You Help?

- Please keep praying that we pass all the State inspections.
- Pray for our director Keemia Pizzutillo and the team coordinating through the CE Committee of Session.
- Donate any art supplies, goldfish crackers, or graham crackers for snacks.
- **Please** spread the news about our preschool to your neighbors, friends and family. YOUR recommendation is our best advertisement.