

Welcome to all who gather here today.

We hope the service enables you to worship God meaningfully.

In your pew are:

✦ Visitor cards - *Welcome!*

✦ A pew envelope for an offering

✦ Joys and Concerns cards for submitting prayer requests
(all to be placed in the offering plate)

* = *Please stand as you are able or remain upright in spirit*

PH = Presbyterian Hymnal; Congregational responses in bold type.

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

TOLLING THE HOUR

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GREETINGS

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PIANO PRELUDE

He Leadeth Me

Arr. Lowden

CALL TO WORSHIP

Whether calm or anxious,

we can give thanks.

In times of joy and in times of grief,

we can give thanks.

Because the God of Love dwells in our midst,

it is right to give God our thanks and praise.

*HYMN

Wherever I May Wander

PH 294

WE CONFESS OUR SINS

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord, you know who we are, and you know everything we have done. We flee opportunities to be gracious and compassionate. We stay put in our comfort zones, ignoring your call to venture out in love. We thirst for things that will never satisfy us, and we commit ourselves to things that will never last. Still, you offer us the gift of life in abundance. Still, you offer us the gift of eternal life. Forgive us, O Lord, that we may grow into the love, peace, and joy that you desire for us. Amen.

Silent Prayer

DECLARATION OF PARDON

SUNG RESPONSE

PH 145, Refrain

“Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!”

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING: Isaiah 40:21-29 (Pew Bible p. 668 in the Old Testament)

Psalms 147

We Sing to You, Lord, for You Are Good



The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of the song, with lyrics 'We sing to you, Lord, for you are good;'. The second staff contains the melody for the second line, with lyrics 'it is right to praise you.'.

SECOND READING: Mark 1:35-38 (Pew Bible p. 35 in the New Testament)

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON

“Sneaky Jesus”

Rev. William Stell

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

***HYMN**

O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go

PH 384

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (*The Apostles Creed*)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ, God's 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.

***THE GLORIA PATRI**

PH 579

THE OFFERING

THE OFFERING IN MUSIC Didn't My Lord Deliver Daniel Trad. Arr. Emerson

***THE DOXOLOGY**

PH 592

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

INVITATION

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

From the “Mission Yearbook for Prayer and Study”: Presbyterian Council for Chaplains and Military Personnel, Washington, D.C.; Presbyterian Foundation; Immigration; Westminster Presbyterian Church Staff; #MeToo; South Sudanese Refugee Camps; Endemic Sexual Harassment in Hollywood.

Joys: Mae Hamilton joyfully announced that she had been baptized 90 years ago in our sanctuary; Marlene Lyszczak celebrating the first birthday of a great grandchild; Jane Erickson was happy to spend the morning with her grandson while he was performing his acolyte duties.

Concerns: Prayers for Terry Fouse’s brother, Ron, and his loved ones; Anne asked for prayers for those involved in a car accident in Bordentown; prayers of continued healing for John Robertshaw; prayers of healing for Kevin, the uncle of Jodi Hawryluk’s friend, Bridget; prayers of strength and comfort for the loved ones of Peter Lamb; prayers of healing for Judie Martin’s niece, Katie; prayers of comfort for the family of Diane Sloan, the mother-in-law of Linda Dunn Miller’s son

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QR Code for online giving

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please remember to pick up your end of the year giving statements from the back counter in church.

Adult Sunday School starts at 9:15 am each Sunday in February! Join Pastor William and others for discussions of current events in light of our faith!

Free Devotional! 30 Days with the Belhar Confession: A handful of years ago, the PC(USA) added the Belhar Confession to our denomination's Book of Confessions. Written in South Africa during Apartheid, this statement of faith discusses reconciliation and justice from a theological, spiritual perspective. This 30-day devotional walks you through the confession with brief reflections and meaningful prayers for each day. **Pick up a copy for free on the back table!**

Wanted: Current addresses for all college students. Deacons are planning to send care packages to them for Valentine's Day. Please be sure our church office has up to date addresses. If you can donate some home baked goodies to include in those packages, please sign up on chart found on the back counter and bring goodies to church on Sunday, February 11th.

The Wanderers will be enjoying lunch together on **Thursday, February 8th at 12:00 pm** at the Town and Country Diner.

St. Mary's Food Pantry Current Needs: canned chicken; Ramen noodles; granola bars; canned fruit cocktail. Please place items in the basket in the rear of the church. Thank you for your continued support and generosity. To learn more, go to: ***Facebook.com/St.MarysFoodPantry.***

Rev. Stell's office hours are Wednesdays and Thursdays from 10 am to 1 pm. In addition, he hosts "office hours" at Starbucks on Dunns Mill Road from 8:00 am to 10:00 am on Fridays. You may also make an appointment with him on other days. To reach him, please email him at PastorWilliam@bordentownpresbyterian.org or call him at (609) 316-7165.

CALENDAR

THIS WEEK

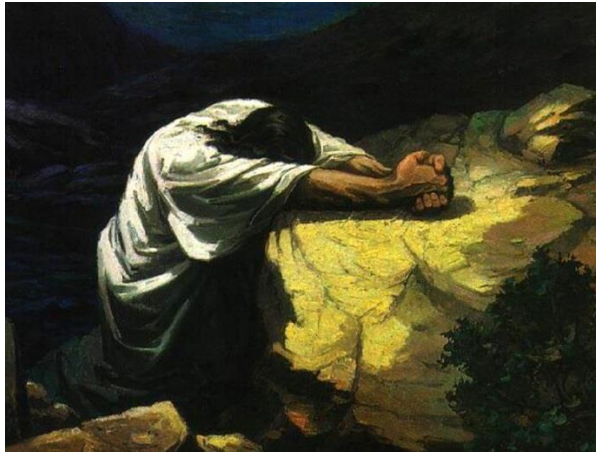
Sun 2/4	Children's Chime Choir	8:55 am
	Church School.....	9:15 am
	Adult Sunday School	9:15 am
	Worship and Communion	10:30 am
	Deacons' Meeting	following Worship
	Yoga Church	5:00-6:00 pm
	Youth Group.....	6:00 pm
Mon 2/5	Women's Bible Study	7:00 pm
	Women's AA	7:30 pm
Thurs 2/8	Percussion Ensemble.....	6:00 pm
	Choir	7:00 pm
	AA	7:30 pm
	Handbells.....	8:15 pm
Fri 2/9	Annual Art Show	6:00 – 9:00 pm
Sat 2/10	Art Show (12-3 pm) and Piano Concert (7 pm)	See Insert for details and times

NEXT WEEK

Sun 2/11	Children's Chime Choir	8:55 am
	Church School.....	9:15 am
	Adult Sunday School.....	9:15 am
	Worship.....	10:30 am
	Art Show	12:00 – 3:00 pm
	Yoga Church.....	5:00-6:00 pm
	Youth Group	6:00 pm
Mon 2/12	Women's Bible Study	7:00 pm
	Women's AA	7:30 pm
Thurs 2/15	Men's Breakfast	8:00 am
	Percussion Ensemble	6:00 pm
	Choir	7:00 pm
	AA	7:30 pm
Sun 2/18	Children's Chime Choir	8:55 am
	Church School	9:15 am
	Worship.....	10:30 am
	Yoga Church	5:00-6:00 pm
	Youth Group.....	6:00 pm

First Presbyterian Church

*Worship on the Lord's Day
February 4, 2018, 10:30 am*



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