

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

PRELUDE

On Our Way Rejoicing

Haydn/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.

The God who is Love dwells in our midst,

and our souls are nourished when we give thanks.

*HYMN

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

PH 298

WE CONFESS OUR SINS

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Most merciful God, forgive us. We imagine that we can live without you, when you give us our very breath. We seek control over others rather than strive to live in unity. We allow fear to overtake us, even though our lives are in your hands. Draw us back into your steadfast love and shape us into the likeness of your Son, Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. 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: 2 Corinthians 6:4-7 (Pew Bible p. 181 in the New Testament)

Psalm 133

The Lord Anoints and Blesses



The Lord a-noints and bless-es, gives life for-ev-er - more.

SECOND READING: Job 38:1-5 *and other selected verses* (Pew Bible p. 484 in the NT)

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON

“Why Do Bad Things Happen to Good People?”

Rev. William Stell

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

***HYMN**

Be Still, My Soul
(vv. 1-2)

Insert

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *(Excerpt from the PCUSA's "A Declaration of Faith," 1977)*

In Christ, God gave us a glimpse of the new creation that God has already begun and will surely complete. We do not know when the completion will come. In our time, we see only broken and scattered signs that the renewal of all things is under way. We do not yet see the end of cruelty and suffering in the world, the church, or our own lives. But we see Jesus as Lord. As he stands at the center of our history, we are confident he will stand at its end. Jesus will judge all people and nations. Evil will be condemned and rooted out of God's good creation. There will be no more tears or pain. All things will be made new. The fellowship of human beings with God and each other will be perfected. Amen.

***THE GLORIA PATRI**

PH 579

THE OFFERING

THE OFFERING IN MUSIC

Lord You Have Come to the Seashore
Gabarain/trans Suppe/Lockwood
Sung by Marjorie Polunas

***THE DOXOLOGY**

PH 592

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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 forever. Amen.**

GOING FORTH IN GOD'S NAME TO SERVE THE LORD

***HYMN**

**How Great Thou Art
(vv. 1-2)**

PH 467

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

Sound the Battle Cry

Sherwin/Lowden

***SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

The Peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

SERVING THIS LORD'S DAY

Pastor Rev. William Stell
Reader Donna Potts
Fellowship Amy Dallas
Director of Music Gwendolyn Huber
Accompanist..... Dr. Robert Lowden
Deacon of the Month Melonie Newton - 291-9534

Next Sunday, July 1, 2018

Reader

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

From the “Mission Yearbook for Prayer and Study”: *Season of Prayer and Reflection in the Korean Peninsula; Economic and Climate Justice; Presbyterian Disaster Assistance- Puerto Rico; Fossil Free Strategy for Church Investments; North Korea; 1001 New Worshiping Community*

Joys: Prayers of Joy for Kathie and Ed who hosted the cookout at their house on Thursday; from Simmee for Ben and Tiffany Ward who graduated from Seminary; from Cathy who enjoys working with the youth; for Wendy who put together the Percussion Ensemble; for the completion of Judie’s knee surgery, hoping for a healthy and complete recovery; for a beautiful graduation weekend and time with family and for our high school graduates Emily, Celia, Eliza, Steven and Brian, wishing them all the best of luck!

Concerns: Prayers from Dennis for the healing of our country; from Cole for his daughter Kristen who fractured her ankle during training; for those involved in or effected by the Art All Night Festival shooting in Trenton (and particular gratitude for Casey’s safety); for Cathy’s foot surgery; for immigrant children being ripped from their parents, may they be reunited soon.

Our church now can accept online giving! Check out the “Give Now” button in the top right corner on our website.



QR Code for online giving

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.

Our office manager Sheri Devlin’s hours are 10:30 am to 2:00 pm on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays from September through June. Sheri’s days will change for July and August to Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday but the hours will remain the same.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Worship will begin at 10:30 am all summer—no 9:30 am services.

Interested in becoming a member of our church? If you're interested in joining, let Pastor William know by today!

Music and Theater By Marjorie -- Please contact Marjorie if you are interested in her next performance, "Peter Pan." Auditions are today, June 24th, 1-9pm and the performance will be August 4th from 2-4pm.

Volunteers needed to deliver meals to local motels on the first Tuesday of each month!

The Methodist church in town, which hosts a community meal every Tuesday, has asked our church to help deliver meals to three or so local motels on the first Tuesday of each month (from 4:45 or so until 6:15 or so). A small group of us have been doing this for the past six months, but now we're in need of a few more volunteers. Even if you can't participate every month, please consider helping out with this ministry every once in a while! The upcoming delivery is on July 3rd. Reach out to Pastor William if you're interested. Thank you!

Deacons are hosting a luncheon following worship on Sunday, July 15th in Fellowship Hall. Everyone in our church family is invited to share a light lunch and bid farewell to Pastor William.

Want a cat (or know someone who wants one)? Jean Allegretti's two cats, Principe and Benjamino, are looking for a new home! Principe is 7 years old and Benjamino is 5 years old. They are both male and have been neutered. They are healthy (current on their shots), friendly, lovable, and well-behaved. If you're interested in adopting them, or if you know of a good home for them, reach out to Pastor William!

St. Mary's Food Pantry Current Needs: *Canned meats, tuna, toothpaste, soap.* Please place items in the right side basket in the rear of the church. Thank you for your continued support and generosity. To learn more, visit their website:

<http://stmarysbordentown.org/food-pantry/>

SAVE THE DATE! July 28th for the Annual Church Picnic at Caryl and Robert Joe's.

CALENDAR

THIS WEEK

Sun 6/24 Worship 10:30 am
Mission Meal after worship
Marjorie's Auditions 1-9:00 pm
Yoga Church.....5:00 pm

Mon 6/25 Newsletter Items Due to Office
Women's AA.....7:30 pm

Wed 6/27 Grief Counseling 7-9:00 pm

Thurs 6/28 AA7:30 pm

NEXT WEEK

Sun 7/1 Worship 10:30 am
Outing Group.....3:45 pm

Mon 7/2 Women's AA.....7:30 pm

Thurs 7/5 AA7:30 pm

First Presbyterian Church

*Worship on the Lord's Day
June 24, 2018, 10:30 am*



Job with His Friends
by Gerard Seghers (17th c.)

Church Address: 420 Farnsworth Avenue
Office Address: 435 Farnsworth Avenue
Bordentown, NJ 08505
(609) 298-1243

Rev. William Stell, Pastor

www.bordentownpresbyterian.org
bordentownpresbyterian@gmail.com