

# 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

**Air on the G String**

Bach/Lowden

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Our merciful God, maker of us all,  
**pleads the cause of the poor and afflicted.**  
Open our hearts to demonstrate God's grace  
**through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

### \*HYMN

**"Take My Life"**  
**vv. 1-3**

**PH 391**

## WE CONFESS OUR SINS

### CALL TO CONFESSION

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of favor, we have not been true to you. You have chosen the poor in the world, but we have dishonored them. You plead the cause of the afflicted, but we crush them. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have favored the rich and despised the poor. We have dismissed the needy with empty words. Soften our hearts and make straight our ways. Heal our unbelief and turn us back to you. 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:** Mark 7:24-37 (Pew Bible p. 42 in the New Testament)

## Psalms 125

### Lord, Show Your Goodness to All Your People

Lord, show your good - ness; show your  
good - ness to all your peo - ple.

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 text, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line. The lyrics are written below the notes.

**SECOND READING:** James 2:1-17 (Pew Bible p. 229 in the New Testament)

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

## SERMON

*“Being Partial to the Poor”*

Christopher Small

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

**\*HYMN**

**"Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!"**

**PH 341**

**\*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** **"Wherever I May Wander"** *Casey McEniry, Soloist*  
*New England Folk Melody- Words by Ann B. Snow*

**\*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**

**“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name!”**

**PH 142**

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

**Minuet in G**

**J.S. Bach**

(Adapted for organ-Lowden)

**\*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

The Peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

### SERVING THIS LORD’S DAY

Guest Preacher.....Christopher Small  
Reader ..... Justin Clark  
Director of Music ..... Gwendolyn Huber  
Accompanist..... Dr. Robert Lowden  
Deacon of the Month ..... Karen Chamberlin-609-760-7701

#### **Next Sunday, September 16, 2018**

Guest Preacher.....Christopher Small  
Reader ..... Bobbi Maiuro  
Fellowship Hour .....Gail Fouse

### ABOUT OUR GUEST PREACHER

Growing up as the son of a pastor in Amarillo, TX, Christopher Small has always been around, and participated in ministry. He took this passion for ministry with him to Princeton Theological Seminary where he graduated with his Master of Divinity degree in 2015. Christopher is a former hospital chaplain who loves to spend time listening to anyone who needs to be heard. He also has a passion for teaching and preaching the word of God. Since graduating from seminary his primary vocation is as a husband to Brigid, and stay at home dad to his two children, Mary Allison, 4, and Declan, 1. Christopher continues to serve in his local church through reading scripture and teaching adult education classes.

## PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

**From the “Mission Yearbook for Prayer and Study”:** *Christian Education Sunday; New Mission Co-workers; Remembering the Twin Towers; Rwanda; Presbyterian Church of Colombia; Hunger Action Congregation; Congregational Vitality Report.*

**Joys:** Prayers for guidance, patience and caring as teachers and students begin a new school year.

**Concerns:** Prayers for strength and healing from Robert Joe for Hannah who badly sprained her ankle on her second night in Belgium-now in a hard cast and wheelchair for her week trip to France, and quite discouraged; strength and healing from Linda for Chuck’s brother Fred who is hospitalized for heart related issues; health and healing from Melonie for her father Charles who is hospitalized at RWJ Hamilton for evaluation, but feeling better this morning.

***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**

***Our office manager Sheri Devlin’s hours are 10:30 am to 2:00 pm.***

***September through June: Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday.***

***July and August: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday.***

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**For all choir members** and those who would like to join! Please note that choir practice will begin on *September 13th* promptly at 7pm. Bob Lowden has graciously volunteered to “get choir started” while Wendy is away. Come and loosen up those vocal chords!

**Wanderers will go to The Grounds for Sculpture** in Hamilton on Thursday, September 13. Meet at Julien House at 10:00 AM for carpooling.

**Book Sale:** The Mission Commission Book Sale to Benefit Inner City Youth of Trenton will end next Saturday, September 15. Browse the tables in Fellowship Hall for books of all kinds. Suggested donations for book purchases--paperbacks: \$.50/hardback \$1. Proceeds as well as leftover books, will be given to the Classic Book Store in Trenton where credit received will be applied to an existing program which gives free books to the youth of Trenton. Call Bobbi Maiuro or Nancy Grim if you have any. Thanks in advance for your help.

**Women’s Bible Study:** We hope to make Bible Study an exciting time this year. The study is suitable for all ages, talking about how God is with us at all times. Please consider joining us on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday’s of the month at 7:00 pm at Julien House. See the September newsletter for more details. Books are available, let Jane or Kathie know if you’re interested, we’ll begin on September 24<sup>th</sup>.

**St. Mary’s Food Pantry Current Needs:** *peanut butter, jelly, canned meats, rice.*

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/>

**Please pick up your interim financial statements** on the back counter. Thank you.

### ESTATE SALE

Home of Jean Allegretti, 320 Willow St., Bordentown City.

September 20, 21 & 22 (Thursday through Saturday) 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

# CALENDAR

## THIS WEEK

<b>Sun 9/9</b>	Worship.....	10:30 am
<b>Mon 9/10</b>	Women's AA .....	7:30 pm
<b>Tues 9/11</b>	Session .....	7:00 pm
<b>Wed 9/12</b>	Building & Grounds.....	7:00 pm
<b>Thurs 9/13</b>	Wanderers.....	10:00 am
	Choir .....	7:00 pm
	AA .....	7:30 pm

## NEXT WEEK

<b>Sun 9/16</b>	Worship.....	10:30 am
<b>Mon 9/17</b>	Women's AA .....	7:30 pm
<b>Thurs 9/20</b>	Choir .....	7:00 pm
	AA .....	7:30 pm
<b>Sat 9/22</b>	Bordentown Historical Society House Tour .....	1:00-5:00 pm

# First Presbyterian Church

*Worship on the Lord's Day  
September 9, 2018, 10:30 am*



*"Trinity"*

by Andrei Rublev

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