

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

OF CHATHAM TOWNSHIP

Sunday, October 10, 2021
The Sacrament of Baptism
10:00 A.M.

Prelude

Meditation

Paul F. Page

Welcome and Announcements

Associate Pastor Tom Brown
Senior Pastor Ellen Clémot

***Call to Worship**

Leader: God, you are holy, enthroned on the praises of Israel.

People: *In you our ancestors trusted; they trusted you, and you delivered them.*

Leader: To you they cried, and they were saved; in you they trusted and were not put to shame.

People: *God, you are holy.*

All: *All praise to you, now and forever.*

***Hymn 687 (vv. 1-3, 6)**

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

ST. ANNE

Opening Prayer

The Lord's Prayer "debts . . . debtors"

Hymnal, Page 35

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Holy God, we look for satisfaction and fulfillment in all the wrong places. We put our trust in material things that do not last. We worry about things we cannot change, and sometimes we wonder if you are even there at all.

*Indicates that the congregation will please rise, in body or in spirit.

For all the times we have doubted you, Lord, forgive us.

For all the ways we have neglected your word and ignored your people, forgive us. Do not be far from us, Lord. There is no one else we can turn to for help. Renew our fickle hearts and help us put our trust in you, through Jesus Christ our savior, Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

***Gloria Patri**

GLORIA PATRI (GREATOREX)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end, Amen. Amen.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Children in grades K-5 are invited forward to sit in the first pew during the baptism. From there, they will be excused to church school.

Presentation

Baptismal Hymn 486 (verse 1, seated) Child of Blessing, Child of Promise KINGDOM

Baptism Promises and Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Baptism

*Lanning Elizabeth Hayes, daughter of Margi and Michael Hayes
Amelia Brigitte Alobaidat, daughter of Kathy Wolchik and Nazar Alobaidat*

Baptismal Hymn 486 (verses 2-4, seated) Child of Blessing, Child of Promise KINGDOM

During the hymn, children in grades K-8 are invited to attend today's "One Room Schoolhouse" in Halldorson Hall.

Prayer for Illumination

Lesson from the Psalms: Psalm 90:14-17 Page 548

Anthem The Lord is My Shepherd Will Todd
Chancel Choir

Lesson from the New Testament: Hebrews 4:14-16 Page 220

Sermon "Jesus Our High Priest" The Reverend Thomas A. Brown

***Affirmation of Faith** (in unison) from *A Brief Statement of Faith*

We trust in Jesus Christ, Fully human, fully God.

THIS WEEK AT PCCT: October 11-16, 2021

Monday

2:00 pm Pumpkin Patch Opens
6:30 pm Boy Scouts, Parking Lot or Mulford Hall
7:00 pm Deacons (Zoom)
7:30 pm Session (Zoom) Join with Deacons

Tuesday

9:00 am Staff Mtg., Halldorson Hall
12:00 pm Chatham Clergy Luncheon, outside

Wednesday

10:30 am Bible Study, Halldorson Hall/Zoom

Thursday

6:00 pm Sanctuary Ringers, Sanctuary
7:15 pm Chancel Choir, Sanctuary

NEXT SUNDAY, October 17, 2021

Family Sunday

9:15 am Confirmation Class, Youth Suite
10:00 am **Worship**; Nursery Care & Pre-K, Rm. B-13
11:00 am Lemonade and Fellowship, Outside
11:00 am **Faith Forward: Interfaith Food Pantry Network Presentation**
Halldorson Hall
6:30 pm AA, Theos
7:00 pm Compassionate Friends, Halldorson Hall

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

October 10, 2021

WELCOME!

We are delighted you've chosen to worship with us today. Please let an usher or minister know if we can assist you in any way.

THIS MORNING

- 10:00 am **Worship;** Nursery Care and Pre-K, Room B-13
- 10:15 am Church School (Grades K - 8), Halldorson Hall
- 11:00 am Lemonade and Fellowship, Outdoors on Brick Walkway
- 11:30 am Nominating Committee Meeting, Halldorson Hall
- TBA Pumpkin Patch Delivery & Set-Up, Front Lawn
- 3:00 pm Lyrica, Sanctuary
- 6:30 pm AA, Theos Room



CHANCEL FLOWERS

The Chancel Flowers are presented to the Glory of God and in honor of our daughter and son-in-law's first anniversary. So grateful they didn't wait despite COVID, by Evan and Mark Skinner.

MUSIC NOTES

Paul F. Page (b. 1947), composer, teacher, and performer, is now retired from a 36-year teaching career—music, journalism, English—and divides much of his time among composing, arranging, and performing. A number of his works have been performed and recorded in Europe and Canada, the former Soviet Union, Japan, and extensively in the U.S.



Will Todd's music is valued for its melodic intensity and harmonic skill, often incorporating jazz colours and polyrhythms (heard in the middle section of the anthem). "The Lord is My Shepherd" is a beautiful lyrical setting of Psalm 23 and was written as the 4th movement of Todd's "Te Deum" which was originally performed by a choir of 120 school children in Guildford Cathedral, U.K.

John Marsh (1752-1828) was an English gentleman, composer, author, and scholar born in Dorking, England. A lawyer by training, he is known to have written at least 350 compositions, including at least 39 symphonies (no doubt under the influence of F.J. Haydn, the "father of the symphony" after his influence in London), and lauded as one of the most prolific English composers of the 18th century. His "Fanfare" is a triumphant setting exploring the brass chamade stops of the organ.

CHURCH SCHOOL

Today, after the baptism, the children in Grades K - 8 are invited to attend today's "One Room Schoolhouse" in Halldorson Hall. There will be nursery and Pre-K Care available in our nursery room (newer wing).

LEMONADE AND FELLOWSHIP

Please join us after worship for a time for lemonade and fellowship outside on the brick walkway in front of the glass doors. You may also pick up your soup containers for our Soup to Soothe Souls and Cookie Walk on December 11. Save the Date!

PUMPKIN PATCH DELIVERY AND SET-UP: Today!

The pumpkins are coming today! We need help unloading the truck and setting up the patch. If you are able, please bring a wheelbarrow. Timing will be mid-morning and announced at worship. Also, this activity is not just heavy lifting! We need several people to help set up and arrange the small pumpkins and gourds around the tent as well as counting out large amounts of small pumpkins for the nursery schools that visit our patch (and have already put in their orders!). The PCCT Pumpkin Patch is a major mission fundraiser with 100% of the proceeds going to local hunger relief efforts.

FAITH FORWARD: Hunger Hits Close to Home... And You Can Help!

Sunday, October 17 at 11:00 – 11:30 am in Halldorson Hall

All are invited to join us for a special Family Mission Sunday presentation from Kiley Powell, Education Coordinator for the *Interfaith Food Pantry Network*, Morris Plains, who will cover the issue of food insecurity in our area and what the IFPN is doing to help. Her presentation will be informative for all ages, and include a special interactive component for children. We'll also discuss ways to get involved and become "hunger ambassadors" in our own communities. This is a Faith Forward and Family Ministries event. All children in attendance will receive a PCCT t-shirt at no charge.

BUILDING OUR COMMUNITY GARDEN: Saturday, October 23, 9:00 AM

Open to all PCCT members and friends. We'll start work at 9:00 am and finish for the day between 11:30 and noon. Participants are welcome even just for an hour or two. Location is 31 Long Hill Lane in Chatham. What to bring: hat and sunscreen, filled water bottle, and work gloves.

PATCH BY NIGHT: Saturday, Oct. 23, 5:00 – 8:00 pm

Fellowship and Fun for all ages featuring games and treats of the season. We'll have lights, decorations and an enclosed fire pit for a welcoming and festive atmosphere. The Patch will be open late so you can purchase pumpkins while enjoying the festivities. Grab a fresh-grilled hot dog, make your own S'more and enjoy time together with family and friends. We have a few more surprises in store – stay tuned to hear more!

BLOOD DRIVE: Sunday, October 24

We will be hosting a blood drive on Sunday, October 24, 2021, in Halldorson Hall from 9 am - 2 pm. Please remember to drink plenty of water, eat iron rich foods, and bring a picture I.D. To schedule an appointment, go to redcrossblood.org and put in sponsor code: **Presbyterian Chatham Township** or call 1-800-RED CROSS. Appointments are strongly recommended. This is a Faith Forward opportunity.

BIBLE STUDY: Every Wednesday, 10:30 - 11:45 am

We invite everyone to join weekly Bible Study, led by Rev. Clémot in person in Halldorson Hall (and via Zoom). We will meet weekly on Wednesdays until December 15. The study theme for this autumn series is "Scripture Stories of Welcome." Please register for the class on the sign-up genius on our [website](#) and be sure to indicate if you will come in person or online. We look forward to having you join the group!

USHER CAPTAINS NEEDED

Session's Worship and Music Committee is looking for a few usher team captains for 2022. Being an usher is an easy and enjoyable way to participate in worship. Being a captain takes just a little bit more. Easy instructions are provided, which can be summarized to emailing your team members a monthly reminder about the upcoming worship service, and when at service, checking that the sanctuary lights are on, lighting the candles in the front of the sanctuary, and placing the offering into a manilla envelope. Many hands make light work! Please contact Gloria Newson if you are interested and if you have any questions.

APPORTIONMENT/PER CAPITA

Apportionment, also known as Per Capita, is a set amount of money per member (\$40 for PCCT) that congregations contribute to our Presbytery, The Presbytery of the Highlands of NJ. The Presbytery has supported PCCT in many ways such as our Interim Pastor search, providing direction for Re-Entry protocols, as well as guide us in the process for finding our new Senior Pastor.

PCCT is required to pay the full Apportionment amount regardless if members contribute or not. In past years, the Church has had to pay a significant portion to cover this fee. If you have already paid your Apportionment, Thank You! If not, we encourage you to pay your/your families share as it frees up funds in our budget to cover other critical expenses. You can give easily on our [website](#). (Please choose "Apportionment 2021" on the dropdown.)

STEWARDSHIP MAILING

Check your mailboxes! The stewardship materials for 2022 will be arriving soon. Pledges are due by November 14. The flourishing of PCCT depends on each one of us. We are better together!

MARKET STREET MISSION COAT COLLECTION: September 10 - October 24

PCCT is collecting gently used coats/hats/gloves/scarves to be distributed to those in need in our community and surrounding areas. Donations will be accepted at PCCT now through October 24. The big collection box is in the upper lobby. Thank you!

NOURISH.NJ BREAKFAST BAGS: October 18 - 26

A great way for the whole family to help someone in need. Purchase the items, assemble the bags at home and drop them off at Mulford Hall at the church between 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 pm between October 18 - 26. You can sign up on our [website](#) or on the board in the Upper Lobby. Contact our PCCT member liaison Story Savage with any questions. Their Hunger Walk 2021 will be on October 24. Check out their website to register and learn how you can participate.

LYRICA: Today at 3:00 PM

Celebrate the return of Lyrica and the first concert on The Presbyterian Church of Chatham Township's newly acquired 1929 Steinway B piano, with Lyrica's Co-Artistic Directors, pianist David Kaplan and cellist Ani Kalayjian. First Half: Solo Piano Recital featuring works by Christopher Cerrone, Anthony Cheung, Louis Couperin, and WA Mozart. Second Half: Cello and Piano Recital. You may purchase tickets on their website at lyricachambermusic.org Also please note: proof of vaccination required to attend. Just like on Broadway!

687 Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

(Psalm 90)

1 Our God, our help in a - ges past, our
 2 Be - neath the shad - ow of thy throne thy
 3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood, or
 4 A thou - sand a - ges in thy sight are

hope for years to come, our shel - ter from the
 saints have dwelt se - cure; suf - fi - cient is thine
 earth re - ceived its frame, from ev - er - last - ing
 like an eve - ning gone, short as the watch that

storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home:
 arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.
 thou art God, to end - less years the same.
 ends the night be - fore the ris - ing sun.

- 5 Time, like an ever rolling stream,
 bears all our years away;
 they fly forgotten, as a dream
 dies at the opening day.
- 6 Our God, our help in ages past,
 our hope for years to come,
 be thou our guard while life shall last,
 and our eternal home.

Many people sing this hymn unaware that it paraphrases Psalm 90, partly because this text speaks so immediately to the human condition. Since the middle of the 19th century, it has usually been joined to this tune named for the London parish where the composer was organist.

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing 475

1 Come, thou Fount of ev-ery bless-ing; tune my heart to sing thy grace;
 2 Here I raise my Eb - e - ne - zer; hith - er by thy help I'm come;
 3 O to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con - strained to be!


streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.
 and I hope, by thy good plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.
 Let that grace now, like a fet - ter, bind my wan - dering heart to thee.

Teach me some me - lo - dious son - net, sung by flam - ing tongues a - bove;
 Je - sus sought me when a strang - er, wan - dering from the fold of God;
 Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;


praise the mount! I'm fixed up - on it, mount of God's un - chang - ing love!
 he, to res - cue me from dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.
 here's my heart; O take and seal it; seal it for thy courts a - bove.

Written for Pentecost by a British Baptist pastor, this text is full of biblical terms like "Ebenezer" (1 Samuel 7:12), Hebrew for "a stone of help" set up to give thanks for God's assistance. The tune name honors hymnal compiler Asahel Nettleton, who probably did not compose it.


486 Child of Blessing, Child of Promise



1 Child of bless - ing, child of prom - ise, bap - tized
 2 Child of love, our love's ex - pres - sion, love's cre -
 3 Child of joy, our dear - est trea - sure, God's you
 4 Child of God, your lov - ing Par - ent, learn to



with the Spir - it's sign, with this wa - ter God has
 a - tion, loved in - deed! Fresh from God, re - fresh our
 are, from God you came. Back to God we hum - bly
 lis - ten for God's call. Grow to laugh and sing and



sealed you un - to love and grace di - vine.
 spir - its; in - to joy and laugh - ter lead.
 give you: live as one who bears Christ's name.
 wor - ship; trust and love God more than all.

This hymn addressed to a newly-baptized child begins each stanza with a facet of the child's identity, culminating in "child of God." By being directed to one person rather than the whole congregation, this text occupies a special category among the "songs of encouragement."