

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

OF CHATHAM TOWNSHIP

Sunday, November 13, 2022
10:00 A.M.
Stewardship Sunday

Prelude

I Remember When

Alexis Ffrench

***Call to Worship**

Leader: God chose you as the first fruits of salvation to receive the Good News of Jesus Christ.

People: *Thanks be to God for such extravagant grace!*

Leader: Praise the Lord!

People: *We give thanks for Jesus.*

All: *Alleluia, Amen.*

***Processional Hymn 712** As Those of Old Their Firstfruits Brought
FOREST GREEN

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Prayer

Confirmand Julia Halldorson

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

Hymnal, Page 35

Call to Confession

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

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Holy God, we dare to call you Lord, but yield to you only fragments of our lives. 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. 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

***Hymn 581**

Glory Be to the Father 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.*

Message For All God's Children

(After the message, children in grades K-8 are invited to attend today's "One Room Schoolhouse" downstairs in the Theos Room.)

Prayer for Illumination

Lesson from the Epistles: 2 Corinthians 9:6-8

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Anthem

Come, Let Us Sing and Give Thanks
Chancel Choir

arr. Stacey Nordmeyer

Lesson from the Gospels: Luke 12:15-21

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Sermon "Opening Up to God"

The Reverend Dr. Ellen Clark Clémot

***Affirmation of Faith (in unison)**

Colossians 3: 12-15

Therefore, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And

let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful.

***Hymn 694** (vv. 1 & 3) Great God of Every Blessing AURELIA

Stewardship Moment Elder Brad Koehler

The Prayers of the People

Call to Offering

Offertory Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing arr. Tom Trenney
Matthew Zabiegala, *soloist*

***Doxology** OLD HUNDREDTH

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Recessional Hymn 657** Sing to God with Joy and Gladness GLENDON

***Benediction**

Postlude Sonata in D Major, K.288 Domenico Scarlatti

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Today's preacher is Senior Pastor Rev. Dr. Ellen C. Clémot.

Our student liturgist and worship assistant
this morning is Confirmand Julia Halldorson.

Our ushers are Linda Barnes, Jeff Baun, Mark Schmitter,
Richie Wislocky, and Bob Wislocky.

Thank you to our tabulators Kent Stevens and Cindy Murphy and
our processor Sandy Batten.

Special thanks to our technical team for their assistance today.

THIS WEEK AT PCCT: November 14 - 19, 2022

Monday

9:30 am Next Act, Theos Room
6:30 pm Boy Scouts, Mulford Hall
7:30 pm Session Meeting, Theos Room

Tuesday

10:00 am Staff Meeting, Staff Conf. Rm.
12:00 pm Personnel Staff Luncheon
Halldorson Hall
7:00 pm Presbytery Meeting, Zoom
Rev. Thomas A. Brown
Installation as Moderator

Wednesday

10:30 am Bible Study, Theos Room
5:00 pm Children's Bells/Chimes, Room A8
5:30 pm Children's Choir, Room A8
7:00 pm Worship & Music Committee Meeting
Staff Conference Room
7:30 pm Cub Leaders Meeting, Theos Room
8:00 pm Men's Group, off-site

Thursday

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

Saturday

9:00 am Community FoodBank, Hillside

NEXT SUNDAY, November 20, 2022

Harvest Festival Sunday

9:15 & 11:45 am Confirmation Class, Youth Suite

10:00 am **Worship;** Nursery Care & Pre-K, Rm. A-9

10:15 am Church School and Breakfast Club

11:00 am **Faith Forward: Food Sorting, Mulford Hall**

Coffee and Fellowship, Mulford Hall

Children's Choir, Bell Room

5:00 pm Middle School Youth Fellowship, Pack the Place,
Halldorson Hall

6:30 pm AA, Theos Room

7:00 pm Senior High Youth Group, Jackbox Games, Youth Suite
Compassionate Friends, Halldorson Hall

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ANNOUNCEMENTS
November 13, 2022
Stewardship Sunday

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. Our Sanctuary is equipped with an induction loop system for those with hearing difficulties.

TODAY AT PCCT

- 10:00 am** Worship; Nursery Care & Pre-K, Rm. A-9
10:15 am One Room Schoolhouse, Theos Room
11:00 am **Faith Forward: Presentation on Refugee Assistance**
Morris Partners (RAMP), Mulford Hall
Coffee and Fellowship, Mulford Hall
Christmas Pageant Interest Meeting, Sanctuary
5:00 pm **Service of Remembrance, Halldorson Hall**
6:30 pm AA, Theos Room



CHANCEL FLOWERS

The Chancel Flowers are presented to the Glory of God
by Alicia Connaughton and Harry Allan.

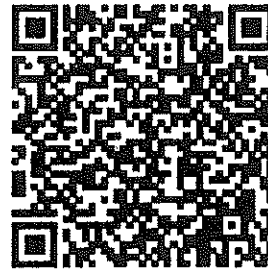
STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY: "ASPIRING TOGETHER"

Stewardship Sunday is today and our goal for 2023 is \$750,000. In addition, our collective generosity will better ensure PCCT remains a welcoming and hospitable place for our congregants and our community far into the future. Let's give thanks to God for our many individual and shared blessings by making a meaningful pledge. **Let's aspire together.** Let's invest in a bright and secure future for PCCT. To support PCCT in 2023, please return the Pledge card you received in the mail (extra cards can be found in a basket in the Narthex), or complete the confidential form on our website. Thank you.

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT INTEREST MEETING

This morning at 11:00 am in the Sanctuary

If you are interested in participating in the Christmas Pageant on December 18, please join us in the sanctuary after worship to meet, along with members from Corpus Christi, to learn more about the plans for this special outdoors service. If you have any questions, please reach out to Yvonne at yanderson@pcct-nj.org or Elizabeth at emonkemeier@pcct-nj.org. You can scan the code to fill out an Interest Form. Thank you!



**FAITH FORWARD: Presentation on Refugee Assistance Morris Partners (RAMP)
Today at 11:15 am in Mulford Hall**

Steve Shannon, President of the Board of Trustees of RAMP, Refugee Assistance Morris Partners, will educate us on who and what Refugees are, how they come to arrive in America, and how RAMP's unique service model provides refugee families an incredible level of support and friendship for a year or more as they adjust to their new existence, where nearly everything is completely different and challenges large and small come up in every step of their resettlement. RAMP assists refugee families to achieve full independence providing help and guidance in clothing, housing, medical, education, English, employment, transportation, finances and more. Please join us!

SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE: Tonight at 5:00 pm in Halldorson Hall

Led by Pastor Tom and the Deacons, this contemplative candlelight service invites worshipers to reflect on the people, places, and experiences that have shaped their lives. During the service, the Deacons read the names of those we are remembering. If you are unable to attend, but would like a name read, please email the person's name and their relationship to you to Pastor Tom at tbrown@pcct-nj.org

COMMUNITY FOODBANK OF NEW JERSEY: Saturday, November 19, 9:00 – 11:00 am

Our next day to join us at the Community Foodbank of New Jersey in Hillside is coming up. Volunteers ages 12 and up generally help sort and repackage food for distribution. Advance signups are required. Please go to our website or contact Pastor Tom for more information.

HARVEST FESTIVAL: Sunday, November 20

Join us in celebrating Thanksgiving by bringing non-perishables to worship on November 20, for donation to the Interfaith Food Pantry in Morris Plains. The best items to donate include proteins (canned or dried beans, Tuna or other canned fish, peanut butter), whole grains (Cereal, oatmeal, pasta, rice), shelf-stable milk and canned fruits or vegetables. No glass containers please!

Paper bags are available this morning and also during the week in the Upper Lobby by the Food Bin.

Following worship, please join us in Mulford Hall to help sort food. Many hands make light work for this wonderful cause! This is a Faith Forward opportunity.

Giving Trees will be up too! Grab a tag or two!

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH FELLOWSHIP: Pack the Place

Sunday, November 20, 5:00 - 6:30 pm

Help us "Pack the Place" by bringing as many friends as you can. We'll re-create the world's longest sundae and have a great time playing games, sharing a meal, and getting to know everyone a little better.

SENIOR HIGH YOUTH GROUP: Jackbox Games

Sunday, November 20, 7:00 – 8:30 pm

Join us for dinner and a chance to play some of the newest Jackbox Games as well as long-time favorites. Bring a friend and your smartphone or tablet. Friends are welcome!

CHATHAM COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE

Tuesday, November 22, 7:00 pm

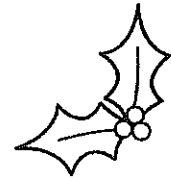
Join with Chatham friends and neighbors across all faiths and traditions in a joyous celebration of the many blessings we share. The service will be held at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 200 Main Street. The event is sponsored by the Interfaith Council of the Chathams and Green Village. Please bring a non-perishable food item for donation to the CUMC Food Pantry; offering to go to the Chatham Emergency Squad. Rev. Dr. Ellen C. Clémot will be preaching.

KICK OFF TO CHRISTMAS FELLOWSHIP PARTY!

Save the Date! Saturday, December 3 from 5:00 -8:00 pm

Lissa & Ian MacCallum's Home, 20 Lindsley Road, Basking Ridge.

Please bring an appetizer or dessert to share. More details to follow!



COOKIE WALK & SOUP TO SOOTHE SOULS

Saturday, December 10, 9:30 am – 11:30 am

Your help is needed to make this ever popular event a success! Cookie Walk: When you are baking your Christmas cookies, please add an extra batch of 4-6 dozen for this event. Soup to Soothe Souls: Would you be willing to fill 4 one-quart containers with your favorite soup for our sale?

GIVING TREES FOR JERSEY BATTERED WOMEN SERVICES: November 3 – 20

We are collecting gifts for The Jersey Battered Women Services organization now through 11/20 for their boutique. Please sign up to choose a gift on our website. As is our tradition, the Giving Trees with tags will be in the Upper Lobby 11/20, Harvest Festival. There are nearly 200 opportunities to support local organizations that serve homeless families, refugees, and children and adults impacted by domestic violence, substance abuse, and mental illness. PCCT will offer virtual "tag selection vs Sign-Up Genius as well as in-person tag selection from the Christmas trees in the church lobby - gifts can be mailed directly to PCCT or dropped off in the lobby.

FAMILY PROMISE: CLOTHING NEEDED

Kynishah, a single mom of three children in Family Promise's shelter program, just got a job as a teacher's assistant. She is very excited. The dress code for her position is business casual and she is in high need of some attire. Below are Kynishah's sizes.

Shirt/blouse: Large; Pants: 14; Jackets/blazer: XL; Shoes: 8-8 ½

Please bring your donations to the church office. Thank you!

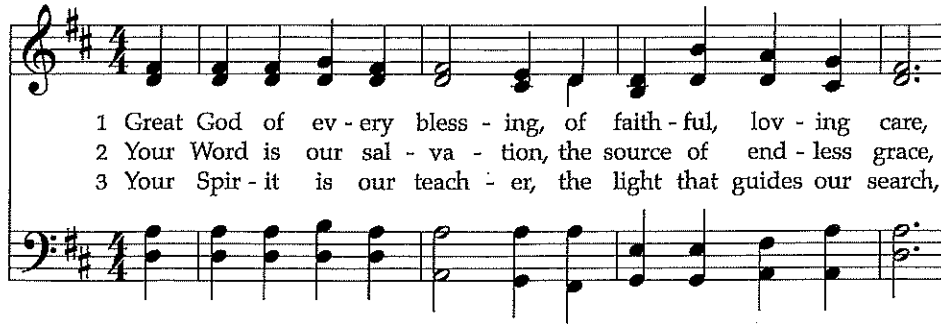
BIBLE STUDY

The theme for this term is "Entertaining Angels" - a look at the interface between God and humanity through holy encounters with God's messengers as described in Scripture. Please join us on **Wednesdays, at 10:30 am in the Theos Room**. Please note that we will not meet on Wednesday, November 23, but will return on November 30.

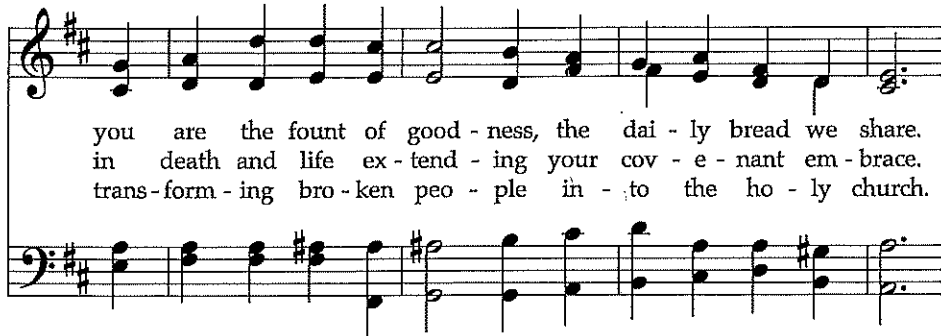
TABULATORS NEEDED

Are you a busy person who would like to contribute more of your talent to the church but are having trouble finding time? Then, consider becoming a Tabulator! Tabulators work in teams to process donations and other income in a structured way to ensure the gifts are recorded properly and money makes it to the bank in a timely fashion. Tabulating teams work immediately following the Sunday church service. The entire tabulation process takes less than an hour. Each team tabulates 6 to 8 times a year. Tabulating is an important, but easy way to contribute to the church. If you have additional questions or want to volunteer please contact Financial Secretary, Ann Jadro, at 973-224-5638.

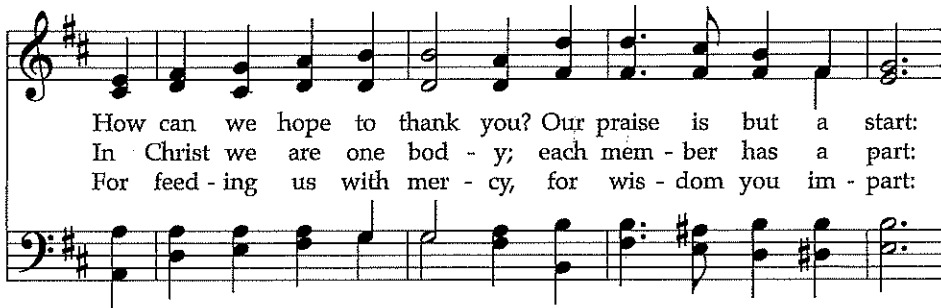
694 Great God of Every Blessing




1 Great God of ev - ery bless - ing, of faith - ful, lov - ing care,
 2 Your Word is our sal - va - tion, the source of end - less grace,
 3 Your Spir - it is our teach - er, the light that guides our search,



you are the fount of good - ness, the dai - ly bread we share.
 in death and life ex - tend - ing your cov - e - nant em - brace.
 trans - form - ing bro - ken peo - ple in - to the ho - ly church.



How can we hope to thank you? Our praise is but a start:
 In Christ we are one bod - y; each mem - ber has a part:
 For feed - ing us with mer - cy, for wis - dom you im - part:



sin - cere - ly and com - plete - ly I of - fer you my heart.

Written for the 500th anniversary of John Calvin's birth, this text sums up his liturgical theology, ending each stanza with his motto: *Cor meum tibi offero, Domine, prompte et sincere*. By moving from plural to singular the stanzas show how corporate faith becomes personal piety.

657 Sing to God, with Joy and Gladness

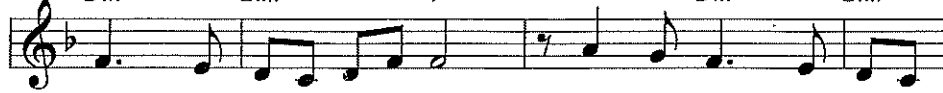
(Psalm 147)

Capo 3: (D) (Bm) (Em7) (A) (D)
 Refrain F Dm Gm7 C F



Sing to God, with joy and glad-ness, hymns and

(Bm) (Em7) (D) (Bm) (Em7)
 Dm Gm7 F Dm Gm7



psalms of grat-i-tude; with the voice of praise

(A) (D) (Bm) (Em7) (D)
 C F Dm Gm7 F *Fine*



dis-cov-er that to wor-ship God is good.

(Bm) (Em7) (A) (F#) (G)
 Dm Gm7 C A Bb



1 God u-rites the scat-tered peo-ple, gath-ers
 2 Such is God's great power and wis-dom, none can
 3 God with clouds the sky has cur-tained, thus en-
 4 God's dis-cern-ment nev-er fa-vors strength or

(Em) (F#) (F#7) (Bm) (Em7) (A)
 Gm A A7 Dm Gm7 C



those who wan-dered far, heals the hurt and bro-ken
 cal-cu-late or tell; keen is God to ground the
 sur-ing rain shall fall; earth, re-pond-ing, grows to
 speed to lift or move; God de-lights in those who

(D) (G) (Em7) (A) *to Refrain*
 F Bb Gm7 C (D)
 F



spir-its, tend-ing ev-ery wound and scar.
 wick-ed and with hum-ble folk to dwell.
 or-der food for crea-tures great and small.
 wor-ship, trust-ing in God's stead-fast love.

The five songs of praise that conclude the biblical psalter (Psalms 146-150) all begin and end with "Hallelujah!" That ecstatic Hebrew word is expanded here into the refrain that opens and closes this paraphrase of Psalm 147, an appropriate frame for its theme of thanksgiving.

As Those of Old Their Firstfruits Brought 712

1 As those of old their first-fruits brought of vine-yard, flock, and field
 2 A world in need now sum-mons us to la-bor, love, and give,
 3 In grat-i-tude and hum-ble trust we bring our best to-day,

to God, the giv-er of all good, the source of boun-teous yield,
 to make our life an of-fer-ing that all may tru-ly live.
 to serve your cause and share your love with all a-long life's way.

so we to-day our first-fruits bring, the wealth of this good land:
 The church of Christ is call-ing us to make the dream come true:
 O God who gave your-self to us in Je-sus Christ your Son,

of farm and mar-ket, shop and home, of mind and heart and hand.
 a world re-deemed by Christ-like love, all life in Christ made new.
 help us to give our-selves each day un-til life's work is done.

This text by a Presbyterian pastor in California expresses the conviction that being a good steward is an essential part of the Christian life, for self-giving is God's own nature. The tune is named for the village in Surrey where the arranger collected this tune in 1903.

TEXT: Frank von Christerson, 1960, alt.
 MUSIC: English folk melody; arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906
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FOREST GREEN
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Glory Be to the Father

581

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the

The first system of music is in 4/4 time, key of B-flat major. The vocal line begins with a quarter rest, followed by a half note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note Bb4, a quarter note C5, a quarter note Bb4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note G4, and a quarter rest. The piano accompaniment consists of a steady bass line of quarter notes: Bb2, Bb2, Bb2, Bb2, Bb2, Bb2, Bb2, Bb2.

Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost, as it was in the be -

The second system continues the melody. The vocal line has a quarter rest, followed by a half note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note Bb4, a quarter note C5, a quarter note Bb4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note G4, and a quarter rest. The piano accompaniment continues with quarter notes: Bb2, Bb2, Bb2, Bb2, Bb2, Bb2, Bb2, Bb2.

gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be,

The third system continues the melody. The vocal line has a quarter rest, followed by a half note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note Bb4, a quarter note C5, a quarter note Bb4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note G4, and a quarter rest. The piano accompaniment continues with quarter notes: Bb2, Bb2, Bb2, Bb2, Bb2, Bb2, Bb2, Bb2.

world with - out end. A - men, a - men.

The fourth system concludes the piece. The vocal line has a quarter rest, followed by a half note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note Bb4, a quarter note C5, a quarter note Bb4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note G4, and a quarter rest. The piano accompaniment continues with quarter notes: Bb2, Bb2, Bb2, Bb2, Bb2, Bb2, Bb2, Bb2.