



**PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH**  
OF CHATHAM TOWNSHIP

**Sunday, November 10, 2024  
10:00 A.M.**

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**Prelude** We Will Overcome arr. Thomas Keesecker

**\*Call to Worship** Thom Schuman

Leader: We gather to praise our God.

*People: The One who created everything; the One who keeps faith with us.*

Leader: We gather to follow Jesus.

*People: Who comes to build justice on the ruins of despair; who comes to set us free from our fears.*

Leader: We gather to listen to the Holy Spirit.

*People: Who teaches us to care for the most vulnerable; who shows us how to see the forgotten in our midst.*

**\*Passing of the Peace**

Leader: The Peace of Christ be with you!

*People: ...and also with you.*

**\*Processional Hymn 463** How Firm a Foundation FOUNDATION

**Welcome and Announcements**

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

## **Opening Prayer**

## **Call to Confession**

### **Prayer of Confession** (in unison)

*Forgive us, Lord, when we think too highly of ourselves and clamor after privilege and honor. Forgive us, Lord, when we cannot lift our gaze because we do not believe we have anything to give. You have given us the best gift of all: freedom from all that harms us and the way to abundant life. Have mercy on our foolishness and heal our lovesick hearts, that we may live faithfully for you. In Jesus' name we pray. 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**

*(Children and youth will go downstairs for Church School.)*

### **Prayer for Illumination**

**Lesson from the Psalms:** Psalm 146

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**Anthem**

**Blessed Are You**  
Chancel Choir

Craig Courtney

**Lesson from the Gospels:** Mark 12:38-44

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**Sermon** "Pennies from Heaven"

The Reverend Peter Magnan

**\*Hymn 708**

**We Give Thee but Thine Own**

SCHUMANN

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

The Apostles' Creed

*We believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his 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. We 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 Prayers of the People**

### **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.*

### **Moment for Mission**

Community Food Bank

Joslin Ruffle

### **Call to Offering**

### **Offertory**

Shenandoah

arr. James Erb

### **\*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 697 (vv. 1-2, 4, 6) Take My Life**

HENDON

### **\*Benediction**

### **Postlude**

Sonata in D Major, K.288

Domenico Scarlatti

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Today's worship leaders are Rev. Peter R. Magnan  
and Rev. Thomas A. Brown.

Our ushers today are Doug Haislip, Verna Mecadon, and Kent Stevens.

Our tabulators are Bob Eager and Lissa MacCallum  
and our processor this week is Ann Jadro.

Special thanks to Bob Eager and Lynn Apolinaro  
for their technical assistance today.

### **THIS WEEK AT OUR CHURCH: November 11 - 16, 2024**

#### **Monday**

9:30 am Next Act, Theos  
7:00 pm Session, Halldorson Hall  
Boy Scouts, Mulford Hall

#### **Tuesday**

10:00 am Staff Meeting, Halldorson Hall  
7:00 pm Presbytery, Zoom

#### **Wednesday (cont'd)**

9:30 am Bible Study, Theos  
6:00 pm Dinner Church, Mulford Hall

#### **Thursday**

6:45 pm Sanctuary Ringers, Bell Room  
7:45 pm Chancel Choir, Choir Room

#### **Saturday**

9:00 am Community FoodBank, Hillside

### **NEXT SUNDAY, November 17, 2024**

**Guest minister: Rev. Kathleen Edwards Chase**

10:00 am **Worship**, Sanctuary; Nursery, Room A-9  
10:15 am Extended Church School & Breakfast Club  
11:00 am Coffee & Fellowship, Mulford Hall  
**3:30 pm Service of Remembrance, Halldorson Hall**  
7:00 pm Compassionate Friends, Halldorson Hall

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### **THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CHATHAM TOWNSHIP**

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## 463 How Firm a Foundation

1 How firm a foun - da - tion, ye saints of the Lord,  
 2 "Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dis - mayed,  
 3 "When through the deep wa - ters I call thee to go,  
 4 "When through fi - ery tri - als thy path - way shall lie,  
 5 "The soul that on Je - sus hath leaned for re - pose,

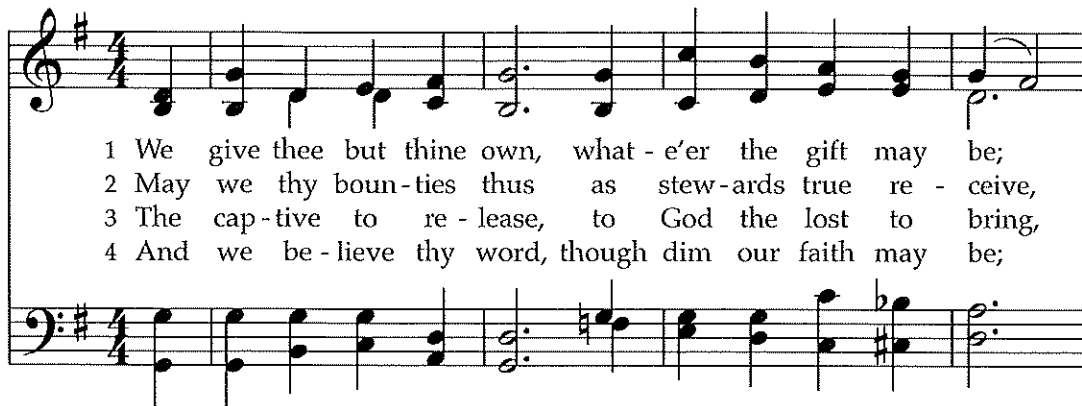
is laid for your faith in God's ex - cel - lent Word!  
 for I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;  
 the riv - ers of sor - row shall not o - ver - flow;  
 my grace, all suf - fi - cient, shall be thy sup - ply;  
 I will not, I will not de - sert to its foes;

What more can be said than to you God hath said,  
 I'll strength - en thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,  
 for I will be near thee, thy trou - bles to bless,  
 the flame shall not hurt thee; I on - ly de - sign  
 that soul, though all hell should en - deav - or to shake,

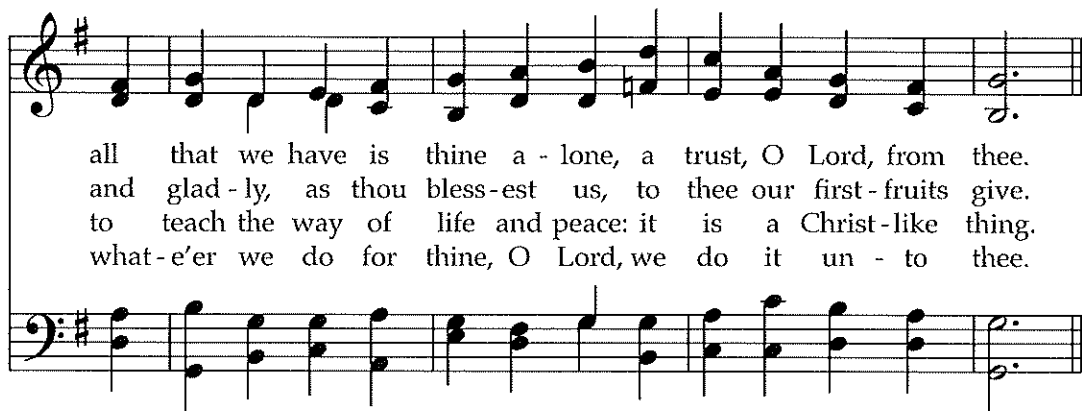
to you who for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?  
 up - held by my righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand.  
 and sanc - ti - fy to thee thy deep - est dis - tress.  
 thy dross to con - sume, and thy gold to re - fine.  
 I'll nev - er, no, nev - er, no, nev - er for - sake."

It seems odd now to think of singing this text to ADESTE FIDELES, but mainline churches did so well into the 20th century because of a cultural bias against shape note music. The vigor of the present tune seems especially right for the final line's reference to Hebrews 13:5.

## We Give Thee but Thine Own 708



1 We give thee but thine own, what - e'er the gift may be;  
 2 May we thy boun-ties thus as stew-ards true re - ceive,  
 3 The cap-tive to re - lease, to God the lost to bring,  
 4 And we be - lieve thy word, though dim our faith may be;



all that we have is thine a - lone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.  
 and glad - ly, as thou bless - est us, to thee our first - fruits give.  
 to teach the way of life and peace: it is a Christ - like thing.  
 what - e'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it un - to thee.

Each successive stanza here expands the implications of the familiar affirmation of the first one. Much more than a concern with money, stewardship shapes our relationship with God and with other people. Despite this tune's name, no source has been found in Schumann's works.

## Take My Life

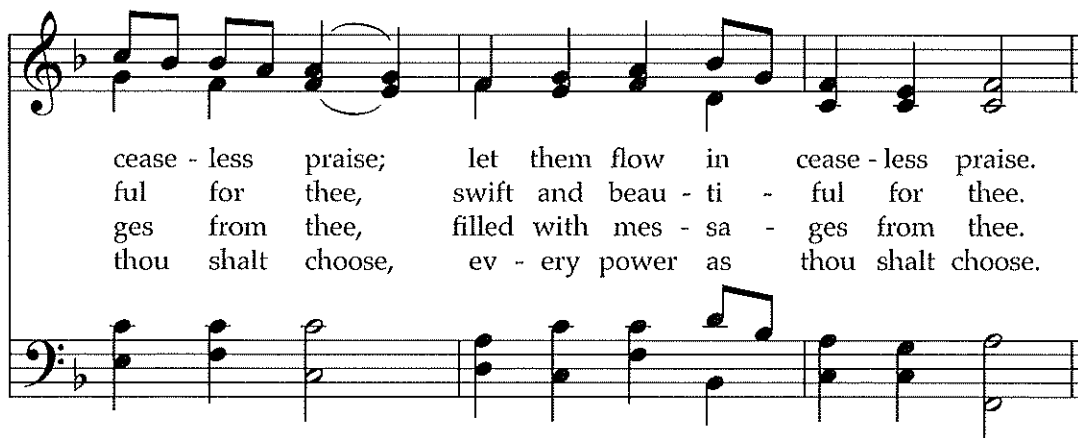
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1 Take my life and let it be con-se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;  
 2 Take my hands and let them move at the im - pulse of thy love;  
 3 Take my voice and let me sing al-ways, on - ly, for my King;  
 4 Take my sil - ver and my gold; not a mite would I with-hold;



take my mo - ments and my days; let them flow in  
 take my feet and let them be swift and beau - ti -  
 take my lips and let them be filled with mes - sa -  
 take my in - tel - lect and use ev - ery power as



cease - less praise; let them flow in cease - less praise.  
 ful for thee, swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.  
 ges from thee, filled with mes - sa - ges from thee.  
 thou shalt choose, ev - ery power as thou shalt choose.

5 Take my will and make it thine;  
 it shall be no longer mine.  
 Take my heart, it is thine own;  
 it shall be thy royal throne,  
 it shall be thy royal throne.

6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour  
 at thy feet its treasure store;  
 take myself and I will be  
 ever, only, all for thee,  
 ever, only, all for thee.

This hymn of consecration radiates from the repeated word "take," resulting in a remarkably full survey of a person's attributes and possessions and giving weight to the "all" at the end. The composer of the tune was influential in the renewal of Reformed hymnody in French.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**November 10, 2024**

We are delighted you've chosen to worship with us today. Please let an usher or the 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 CHURCH

**Guest Preacher: Rev. Peter R. Magnan**

**10:00 am**    **Worship**, Sanctuary; Nursery, Room A-9  
**10:15 am**    One Room Schoolhouse, Theos  
**11:00 am**    Coffee & Fellowship, Mulford Hall



## CHANCEL FLOWERS

The Chancel Flowers are presented to the Glory of God and in memory of Susan Daggett - Wife, Mother, and Grandmother, by Tom Daggett.

## WELCOME REV. PETER MAGNAN!

This morning, we welcome The Reverend Peter Ross Magnan to the pulpit. Peter has served churches in upstate New York, and Bergen, Morris, Sussex and Warren counties in New Jersey. He has been a member of the *Presbytery of the Highlands* (and its predecessor *Newton Presbytery*) since 1987. An oral storyteller, he enjoys fly-fishing, drawing, photography, railroads, museums, building things, reading serious science fiction books and watching cheesy science fiction movies. He lives in Denville with his wife and daughter, both librarians, and his dog, who is very much enjoying Peter's retirement.

## DINNER CHURCH: Wednesday, November 13, 6:00 pm in Mulford Hall

Join us for our second Dinner Church, an informal, all-ages worship service with the theme of **Gratitude**. Come as you are for a casual dinner and time to center your week around the sustaining presence of God. The meal is being lovingly prepared by our children, under the direction of Ms. Yvonne Anderson. They will also have a hand in designing elements of the service, helping participants to express a shared sense of thanksgiving. Expect to be fed in body, mind, and spirit. Please sign up to attend via our website or weekly e-blasts.



## **2025 STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN**

### **Innovating Our Spiritual Gatherings**

As we look ahead, we see endless possibilities for how we can worship together. The "Strength for Today, Bright Hope for Tomorrow" campaign will enable us to explore new and exciting ways to gather as a community. Your pledge will help us create worship experiences that resonate with today's families and future generations. **We earnestly hope you'll pledge your support by Sunday, November 24.** You can mail your pledge card, bring it on Harvest Sunday, or online. Join us in this transformation.

### **COMMUNITY FOODBANK OF NJ: Saturday, November 16, 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. Carpooling can be arranged as needed. Advance signups are required. Please contact Joslin Ruffle at [joscookson@aol.com](mailto:joscookson@aol.com) for more information.

### **SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE**

#### **Sunday, November 17, 3:30 pm in Halldorson Hall**

Led by the Deacons, this contemplative candlelight service provides an opportunity to remember and give thanks for loved ones recently lost and long-missed during the holiday season. During the service of prayer and reflection, 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](mailto:tbrown@pcct-nj.org) or fill out a card found on the back table in the narthex.

### **PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY: Monday, November 18, 7:00 pm**

Calling all knitters and crocheters – beginners, experts, and anyone in between are welcome! The prayer shawl ministry will be meeting in Griswold Parlor on Monday, November 18 at 7 pm. Refreshments will be provided, so we can sip, stitch, chat, and learn to knit. Yarn and needles will be provided if you're a beginner or don't have a project in the works. Please contact the church office for details.

## WOMEN'S EVENING FELLOWSHIP "MILESTONES"

Thursday, November 21, 6:30 pm at Osteria Trevi

Please join other PCCT midlife moms for our next "Milestones, embracing grace in the middle place" evening of fellowship. We'll gather on Thursday, November 21, at Osteria Trevi in Madison at 6:30 pm to enjoy dinner together. For more information about the group, please reach out to Stacy McCann at [swmccann@optonline.net](mailto:swmccann@optonline.net)

**FRIENDSGIVING: Saturday, November 23, 6:00 - 8:00 pm**

**at the home of Sally and Tom Abbott**

**Save the date** for our Friendsgiving event! Hosted by the Fellowship Committee, please bring a beverage of your choice and an appetizer to share. No dinner, just great finger food and drinks. You can sign up on the board in the upper lobby or through our weekly eblasts.



**HARVEST FESTIVAL: Sunday, November 24**

Join us in celebrating Thanksgiving by bringing non-perishables to worship on November 24, for donation to the Interfaith Food Pantry in Morris Plains. There is a list of items needed in today's insert.

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. If possible, please bring your donations in **reusable bags** which will also be donated.

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

**LYRICA : Sunday, November 24, 3:00 pm in the Sanctuary**

**Piano Quartets Featuring Orion Weiss**

Internationally renowned pianist Orion Weiss joins star string players for piano quartets with Deborah Buck on violin, Paul Laraia on viola, and Ani Kalayjian on cello. Please stay after the concert for a reception in Halldorson Hall and an opportunity to meet the artists. Complimentary tickets are available for church members - please call the office to reserve a ticket.

 **CONCERTS**  
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**COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE: Tuesday, November 26, 7:30 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 here at PCCT. The event is sponsored by the Interfaith Council of the Chatham's 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.

**SEEKING MEMORIAL GARDEN VOLUNTEERS**

Did you know the Memorial Garden has been around for more than 40 years? During this time, we've had some wonderful volunteers who have shaped it into what it is today, however we are currently looking for new volunteers who would be willing to share their time and talents to continue making the garden flourish. If interested, please contact Virginia Hofler (973-443-4323) or Lauren Magill (973-610-5081).

**GIVING TREE FOR JERSEY BATTERED WOMEN SERVICES**

**November 14 – December 2**



The Jersey Battered Women Services organization is collecting gifts from 11/4 -12/2 for their boutique. These gifts allow JBWS to create a holiday boutique so JBWS clients and their children can shop for one another during the holidays. The link to choose a gift will be on our website soon. Jersey Battered Women's Services is dedicated to the prevention of domestic violence. JBWS provides protection and empowerment of the victim and rehabilitation of family members. JBWS advocates for social reform and public education about partner violence and its consequences.

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**NOMINATING**

The Nominating Committee welcomes nominations for Elders and Deacons from our church members. We encourage you to nominate yourself if you are a member of the church and have an interest in serving. We elect Deacons and Elders each year for a three-year term. We also seek nominations for representatives to the Nominating Committee (members at-large) and Audit Committee members for next year. The form is available as an insert today.

The Presbyterian Church of Chatham Township

## New Officer Elections for Elders and Deacons Congregational Nomination Form

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**Ruling Elder:** is a member of our governing board, called Session, which also includes the clergy staff who are Teaching Elders. A Ruling Elder is elected to a three-year term on Session and is ordained into the ministry of church governance. The Elders set church policy and serve on one of the standing ministry committees to implement programs in the areas of faith, fellowship, and service.

**Deacon:** is a member of the Board of Deacons, which provides a ministry of compassion, witness, and caring for the congregation. The Deacon Board is established by Session to carry out this special caring ministry on behalf of the church. Each Deacon is assigned a group of members to check in with on a regular basis, as well as serving on special assignments like communion preparation and funeral receptions.

I would like the Nominating Committee to consider these people for:

Elder: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Deacon: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Nominating Committee: \_\_\_\_\_

Audit Committee: \_\_\_\_\_

The Nominating Committee appreciates your suggestions! Thank you. You may place this form in the offering plate, or send it to the Church Office, or email the Chair of the Nominating Committee Kathy Hoffman at [corky9395@gmail.com](mailto:corky9395@gmail.com).



## **HARVEST FESTIVAL: Sunday, November 24, 2024**

Please bring some items (in reusable grocery bags, if possible)  
from the list below to worship:

NO PERISHABLES OR GLASS PACKAGING, PLEASE!

Prepared Tomato Sauce (cans only)  
Macaroni & Cheese  
Instant Potatoes, Rice, or Pasta  
Mixes (Hamburger Helper, etc.)  
Powdered Milk, Cereal  
Canned Meats, Tuna Fish, or Dinners  
Grape Jelly and Peanut Butter  
Muffin, Biscuit, and Pancake Mixes  
Personal Hygiene Products, Bars of Soap  
Tea, Instant Coffee, Hot Chocolate  
Paper Products (e.g., Toilet Paper)  
Jell-O or Pudding  
Sugar, Ketchup, Mayo, Mustard  
Salad Dressings, Cooking Oil  
Diapers and Pull-ups  
Canned Fruits, Juices, and Soups  
Canned Vegetables (Carrots, Peas, Potatoes, etc.)  
Baked Beans, Kidney Beans, etc.  
Cookies, Crackers, Snacks  
Laundry Detergent (Regular size)  
Baby Formula, Baby Food

*We also need volunteers to help sort the food in Mulford Hall after worship. Many hands make light work - please lend a hand for a wonderful cause! All food will be distributed to the Interfaith Food Pantry Network in Morris Plains. Reusable bags will be donated as well. Thank you!*

# A Service of Remembrance

Sunday, Nov. 17, 2024 • 3:30 pm

As part of this afternoon's service, we will be offering prayers in remembrance of friends and family members. If you have loved ones you would like to remember in prayer, we invite you to list their name(s) below. Please place your completed card in the basket on the center table prior to the service.

## Prayers of Remembrance

Person(s) you are remembering: \_\_\_\_\_  
*(Print clearly and provide any needed pronunciation helps)*

Relationship to you: \_\_\_\_\_

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