

# The Presbyterian Church

BASKING RIDGE, NEW JERSEY    FOUNDED CIRCA 1717

May 28 and 29, 2016

Memorial Day Weekend



Enter reverently, meditate quietly, worship devoutly,  
leave gratefully, serve Christ faithfully.

## Welcome

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**We warmly welcome** you to worship at The Presbyterian Church in Basking Ridge. We pray that you will be encouraged in your journey of faith and drawn closer to God by your experience with us.

### Children and Families

Childcare for infants and children ages 2 and younger is available in the church nursery during our Sunday morning services. Pagers are used to contact parents during the worship services when necessary.

### Oak Table Service

We believe that worship nurtures children and that children enrich our worship life together. If your children become restless in worship, please feel free to quietly move around with them or join them on the carpet for young children behind the seating area.

### Sunday Worship Services

**9:00 am** Nursery care is available for children age 2 years and younger.

**10:15 am** Nursery care is available for children age 2 years and younger. Children in pre-school through grade 5 will be invited to leave for Sunday School following the *Message for Children*. There is no *Bibles & Bagels* for Middle School students today.

### Online Sermons

Recorded audio sermons from most Sundays are available on the church website at [www.brpc.org](http://www.brpc.org). To access, click on the [Sermons](#) link under [Worship and Music](#) on the main menu.

### Amplification Headsets

So that all may enjoy the worship service, sound amplification headsets are available from the ushers for those who need assistance with hearing.

### Who Does God Call Us to Be?

We are a vibrant, warm and welcoming community of faith. Those who worship here come from a diverse range of backgrounds and would describe themselves in a rich variety of ways.

We acknowledge our doubt, our struggles, and that we are all quite human and imperfect and that we are each at a unique place on our faith journey.

We find our unity, our common identity, in Jesus Christ and together we seek to joyfully worship God and energetically minister to the needs of the world on God's behalf.

We gather in anticipation of being transformed by the power, purpose and presence of God among us, and go forth equipped to love God and neighbor more deeply and more wholeheartedly.

We believe that faithful leadership of a church requires being open to new possibilities, taking risks and learning from mistakes as we try again.

Honoring the past, we are convinced that God calls us to a new future.

~The Opening Paragraph of *Vision 2017 of the Presbyterian Church in Basking Ridge*

# Order of Worship

*Saturday Evening*

*5:00 p.m. - Westminster Hall*

MAY 28, 2016

OAK TABLE SERVICE

(Please prepare prayerfully for worship and be sure all cell phones are turned off.)

PRELUDE

GREETING AND CALL TO WORSHIP

\*GATHERING SONGS      *I Could Sing of Your Love Forever*      by Martin Smith  
                                 *How Great is Our God/ How Great Thou Art*      by Chris Tomlin  
                                                                                                                         and Stuart K. Hine

OPENING PRAYER

SCRIPTURE      Luke 7: 1-10

MESSAGE      Rev. Dennis W. Jones

OFFERING

SPECIAL MUSIC      *Love Knows No End*      by Reuben Morgan,  
                                                                                                                 Ben Fielding and Harrison Wood

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER (unison)

**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.**

\*CLOSING SONG      *Let My Life Be Like a Love Song*      by Brenton Brown  
                                                                                                                 and Tom Slater

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*\*Those who are able are invited to stand.*

# Order of Worship

9:00 a.m. ~ Chapel; 10:15 ~ Sanctuary

MAY 29, 2016

NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

(As the prelude begins, please prepare prayerfully for worship  
and be sure all cell phones are turned off.)

## PRELUDE

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalms 96: 1-6

Leader: Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the whole earth.

**People: Sing to the Lord and bless the Lord's name;  
proclaim the good news of salvation from day to day.**

Leader: Declare the glory of the Lord among the nations  
and the wonders of the Lord among all peoples.

**People: For great is the Lord and greatly to be praised,  
more to be feared than all gods.**

Leader: As for the gods of the nations, they are but idols;  
but it is the Lord who made the heavens.

**People: Oh, the majesty and magnificence of the presence of the Lord!  
Oh, the power and the splendor of the sanctuary of our God!**

### \*OPENING HYMN

*Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven*

HYMN 620

### PRAYER OF ADORATION (UNISON)

**Loving God, as Jesus found faith  
in a centurion of Capernaum,  
give us such faith in you today  
so that we may hear the word you speak  
and receive your gift of healing;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)

**God of the prophets, we confess that we  
have failed to heed your word.  
You stand as our all-powerful God,  
yet we are often lured away by other powers.  
You offer to help, heal, and guide us,  
yet we want to rely on our own efforts.  
Forgive us, God of grace.  
Set us free from the idols of our culture.  
Reveal to us your presence and path  
so that we may know and follow you;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### SILENT REFLECTION AND CONFESSION OF SIN

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*\*Those who are able are invited to stand.*

\*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

*We Are Forgiven*

HYMN 447

**We are forgiven. We are forgiven.  
Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.  
We are forgiven. We are forgiven.  
Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.**

\*THE PEACE

Leader: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.  
The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: I invite you to turn and greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace.

WORDS OF WELCOME

(10:15) Dr. Maureen Paterson

PASSING OF THE WELCOME PADS

MESSAGE FOR CHILDREN (10:15)

Jacqueline Obregon

(Children ages 3 through grade 5 may leave for Sunday School.)

\*HYMN (10:15)

*O, For a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

HYMN 610

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 7: 1-10

p. 65

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

**Unexpected Faith**

Rev. Dennis W. Jones

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERING

OFFERTORY (10:15)

*A New Commandment*  
Sanctuary Choir

by Thomas Tallis

\*DOXOLOGY

HYMN 606

**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

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

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.**

\*CLOSING HYMN

*Eternal Father, Strong to Save*

HYMN 8

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE (10:15)

*Ora Labora*

by T. Tertius Noble

## Church Family

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**The Flowers on the Piers** this morning are given to the glory of God:

~ *By Bob Conway, in loving memory of Phyllis Conway.*

~ *By David and Allison Fahey, in loving memory of David's father, Brian William Fahey, Sr.*

The flowers that grace our sanctuary each week are gifts from members of the congregation. Flowers may be given in memory or in honor of someone or to celebrate an occasion. **There is one pier opening on June 12.** If you would like to donate an arrangement, please contact Debbie Schaub at 908-507-3844; e-mail address, [debbie.schaub@verizon.net](mailto:debbie.schaub@verizon.net).

*flowers*



**Join us for Coffee and Fellowship** in Westminster Hall after the 9 a.m. service hosted by Dan and Karen Cokewood and after the 10:15 a.m. service hosted by Ken and Evelyn Hel-land.

## Guest Preachers

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### **Missionaries to Preach at BRPC**

Please join us in worship on June 4th and 5th to welcome our Missionary Partners from Indonesia. Bernard and Farijana Adeney-Risakotta will lead us in worship and share some of their experiences on the mission field. We are grateful to be in partnership with them in this wonderful work. Please plan to join us to welcome them and show our love and gratitude for all they do in God's name.

## Youth and Young Adult Ministries

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### **Middle School Bibles & Bagels**

There will be no *Bibles & Bagels* today. We invite all middle school students to remain in worship for the entirety of the service.

### **Middle School Fellowship (Gr. 6-8)**

We will gather for fellowship this Wednesday from 6-7:30 p.m. in the Youth Center. Following dinner, we will work on the finishing touches of our "Elf" movie, so we hope as many as possible can make it! We will end fellowship with a song, prayer and talk on the topic of "Obedience." Hope to see all middle school students there and friends are warmly welcomed!

### **Senior High Fellowship**

Today we will help our neighbor in true workcamp fashion by doing some yard work for a great, deserving family in our congregation. We will meet at 2 p.m. by the Youth Center and will carpool to the location together. We will end by 4 p.m. We hope to get as much done as possible so we hope as many as possible can make it! There will be refreshments and as always, friends are warmly welcomed!

## Music Ministries

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### Music Education Scholarship

Are you in grades 6 through 12 and study voice or instrumental music? We encourage you to apply for the Nancy Childs Knobloch Music Scholarship. This scholarship supports music education of youth in our church family, and is intended to help with tuition for pre-college, chorus or similar music programs, or private lessons. To be eligible, you must be a member or child of a member of the church. Applications are available on the website ([brpc.org](http://brpc.org)) or in the Church Office. Please e-mail or call Chris Fortin (908-953-9809; [cfortin@brpc.org](mailto:cfortin@brpc.org)) if you have questions. Applications are due June 1, 2016.

## Artist of the Month

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### Our May *Artist of the Month*

Stop by the church house to see the display of beautiful photography of Jill Brown. Jill captures her love of birds as we see bald eagles, osprey, red-headed woodpeckers and more in flight, on treetops, nesting, etc. Come and enjoy this fine display of our feathered friends! If you, or someone you know, has any artwork or collections you would like to share, please call the *Artist of the Month* coordinator, Janet Bentley in the church office.

## Fellowship

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**Outdoor Worship Service & Church Picnic**  
June 5<sup>th</sup> ~ Harry Dunham Park, Basking Ridge  
Worship 10:30 ~ Picnic 11:30

**Enjoy food, fun and fellowship for all ages!**

Cost: \$6/person ~ \$15/family

Sign Up: After Worship **today or online**

Please Bring: A lawn chair or blanket for the service and for the picnic and a side dish to share. If possible, please bring chilled sides in coolers or on ice.

Questions???? Contact Joelle Strona, [mistrona@verizon.net](mailto:mistrona@verizon.net)

INCLEMENT WEATHER: In case of rain, the service will be held under the pavilion at Harry Dunham Park. In case of severe weather, a message will be posted on the church's answering machine Sunday morning regarding alternate worship and picnic plans.



## Session Councils and Committees

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### **How is God calling you to share your time and talents?**

Our Session Councils and Committees are in the process of reorganizing, and many have new chairs. We invite you to prayerfully consider if God might be calling you to share your gifts in the work of one of them. If so, please contact the chairperson directly or call the church office. This is the time to become involved and impact the future of BRPC!

### **Children and Family Ministries Committee - Jeanne McConnell (Chairperson), Allison Fahey**

Seeks to nurture the Christian education and spiritual development of children from infancy through fifth grade, to nurture the spiritual development of families with children and to encourage congregational participation in activities that support our children and their families.

### **Church Officer Nominating Committee – Nancy Bedner (Chairperson)**

Prayerfully discerns whom God may be calling to serve in ministry as Elders, Deacons, Trustees, and members of both the Financial Review Committee & Nominating Committee.

### **Fellowship Council – Debbie Schaub (Chairperson), Maggie Wald**

Provides an atmosphere in which church members and others have the opportunity to develop friendships, rapport and awareness for one another by planning, hosting and supporting church-wide activities. In addition, we are piloting some new initiatives intended to increase participation and interaction through smaller group activities. We are the “party people” and SO much more!

### **Gift and Memorials Committee – George Fricke (Chairperson)**

Receives gifts and memorial donations on behalf of the church and works with donors to determine a purpose for their use that is meaningful to both the church and the giver.

### **Interpretation and Stewardship Council – Jimmy Hanson (Chairperson)**

Guides the congregation toward responsible Christian stewardship of money, time and talents and seeks to develop effective ways to encourage faithful giving.

### **Mission Council – Carol Skidmore (Chairperson)**

Responsibilities include interpretation of mission programs to the congregation, coordination of special offerings, overseeing the mission programs and making recommendations regarding the expenditure of mission dollars.

### **Personnel Council – Patty Haines**

Develops and implements appropriate personnel policies, and reports on these activities to the Session and congregation.

### **Planning Council – Teresa Lane (Chairperson), Don Grossmann**

Assists the Session in prayerfully and strategically making long-range plans for the future.

### **Spiritual Development Council - Herb Kimmich (Chairperson), Gail Iglesias**

Creates and supports the education programs that nurture the spiritual development of our adult members. Programs aim to enhance Biblical literacy, support prayer, expand denominational understanding and build community.



## Session Councils and Committees (continued...)

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### **Welcoming Team – Scott Eichhorn (Chairperson)**

Promotes congregational growth and active involvement within the life of the church by welcoming visitors and inviting them to join us for worship and other church-sponsored activities including fellowship, service and educational events. Provides a lead role in New Member classes, periodically reviews the church rolls and advertises worship services and other church-related activities via newspaper and website publicity.

### **Worship and Music Council – Charles King (Chairperson), Ted Beaudry**

Responsible for all worship and music programs of the church, and provides support to the pastoral and music ministry staff members. Ensures the smooth operation of programs, in part, through the ministry of the Sanctuary Guild, which maintains the equipment, furnishings and supplies used for worship. Proposes enhancements and changes to the order of worship, including new worship approaches and special services. Provides ushers for services; prepares and cleans up after communion; coordinates flowers for the sanctuary; maintains the sound system, provides recordings of worship services; and schedules communion servers and lay worship participation.

### **Youth & Young Adult Ministry Comm. – Theresa Creedon (Chairperson), Michelle Ortega, Sadie Nelson**

Provides support, leadership and programs that will encourage active church involvement and nurture the spiritual development of our youth and young adults. The Committee works in partnership with the Youth Ministries Program in all aspects of Worship, Fellowship, Mission and Spiritual Growth. Through the Confirmation program, our Summer Workcamp trip, fellowship programs, Bible studies, food bank collections, social outings and Youth Sunday service, our youth explore their faith and deepen their relationship with God within the guidance and nurturance of their church family.

### **300th Anniversary Celebration Planning Team—Kris Emmitt, Bill Emmitt, George Fricke, (tri-chairs)**

## Session Highlights

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### **Session Highlights—May 2016**

- Session examined and welcomed the new elders, trustees and deacons who are starting their terms this month.
- Upon recommendation from the Planning Council and Stewardship Council, Session voted to launch a 300<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Appeal in connection with the Tri-Centennial Celebration to be held in 2017.
- Session voted to grant a request from the Islamic Society of Basking Ridge to use the church parlor from June 5 to July 5 for the purpose of holding their evening prayers during the month of Ramadan.
- Session approved a request from the Young & Young Adult Council to hold two fundraisers to support this summer's Maine Workcamp trip.

## Opportunity to Give and Serve

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### **Collection of Gently-Used and New Women's Clothing**

As you are bringing out your warmer-weather clothes, please consider the opportunity to help women transitioning from prison to the community via the Bo Robinson Transitional Center in Trenton, by providing clothing for their new life. The women need new or gently-used spring and summer clothing of all sizes—especially jeans, slacks, tops, sweaters, and sweat suits (pants and top). New underwear, bras and socks, any sizes, are particularly needed. Please leave donations in the box in Westminster Hall, or in the coat rack near the parlor in the church house, by June 12. Thank you from the Mission Council!

## Children and Family Ministries

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### **Coming Soon...Vacation Bible School**

*Following Jesus, the Light of the World*

For children ages pre-k—grade 5 from August 1 - 5, 2016, 9 am-12 noon  
Register online now at [brpc.org](http://brpc.org)!



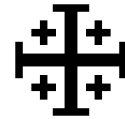
### **BRPC Summer Worship @ 5 and 9:30**

**5:00 PM Saturday** in Westminster Hall

**9:30 AM Sunday** in the Sanctuary

\*Summer Worship schedule begins June 18 and concludes September 11.

# Workcamp 2016



July 16th–24th

The Carpenter's Boatshop, Pemaquid, Maine

The Senior Highs of BRPC travel to Maine each summer to live out their faith in Christ by repairing the homes of people in need. Each year, this vital mission outreach depends upon the support of the entire congregation. This year is no exception, and we would like to extend an opportunity for you to take part in this important ministry!

## Here's how you can help:

- ◇ Pledge to pray daily for a particular student or advisor.
- ◇ Pledge to write a letter to a camper - we'll give you a name before we leave.
- ◇ Donate Money:
  - \$20... will help offset gas costs for our rental vehicles
  - \$40... will pay for a square of roofing shingles
  - \$50... will pay for three gallons of paint
  - \$225... will provide round trip transportation for one Workcamper
  - \$425... will subsidize the cost of one advisor
  - \$525... will provide a scholarship for a student who cannot pay

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***I'd love to help!***

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

***I am willing to:***

Pray for a student or advisor: ☐ Write a letter to a camper: ☐

Make a donation in the amount of: \_\_\_\_\_

Please send this form to Pam Smith in the church office or place in the offertory collection plate on Sunday mornings (but not inside your pledge envelope). Please note "Workcamp 2016" in the memo line of your check.

## Weekly Calendar

### SUNDAY—MAY 29

Worship, 9:00 am .....	Chapel
Fellowship Time, 9:45 am .....	Westminster Hall
Worship, 10:15 am .....	Sanctuary
Sunday School, 10:15 am .....	Westminster Hall
Fellowship Time, 11:30 am .....	West. Hall
Sr. High Fellowship, 2:00 pm .....	Off-site

### MONDAY—MAY 30— MEMORIAL DAY

Church Office Closed for Holiday

### TUESDAY—MAY 31

Oak Tree Quilters, 9:00 am .....	Geneva Room
Alpha Bell Choir, 6:15 pm .....	Knox Room
Small Group, 7:30 pm .....	Taylor's Home

### WEDNESDAY—JUNE 1

Women's Bible Study, 9:30 am .....	Parlor
Middle School Fellowship, 6:00 pm .....	Youth Center

### THURSDAY—JUNE 2

Women's Small Group, 9:30 am .....	Youth Center
Understanding Islam, 10:30 am .....	Parlor
Sanctuary Choir, 7:30 pm .....	Knox Room
Scout #351, 7:30 pm .....	Youth Center

### FRIDAY—JUNE 3

### SATURDAY—JUNE 4

Oak Table Service, 5:00 pm .....	Westminster Hall
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### Upcoming Special Services

<b>June 4</b>	Missionary Guest Preacher
<b>June 5</b>	Outdoor Worship Service –10:30 am
	Annual Church Picnic
<b>June 12</b>	Confirmation Sunday
	<i>Summer Schedule Begins:</i>
<b>June 18</b>	Saturday at 5 p.m.
<b>June 19</b>	Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

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