

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost



The Presbyterian Church at Shrewsbury
352 Sycamore Avenue
Shrewsbury, NJ 07702

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September 24, 2017
10:30 am

Order of Worship

The service begins with the Prelude.

* Please stand in body or spirit

Welcome

Prelude O God Beyond All Praising Holst

* Call to Worship Elder Kathleen Healy-Wedsworth

Leader: God invites us to gather today in this place!

People: God invites us to come just as we are.

Leader: We are not here to try to impress each other or to claim that we are more deserving than others.

People: But simply to be people gathered with other people who believe in God, joined in the love of the God who made us and is among us.

Leader: Let us come to this moment in the joy of knowing ...

All: ... that we are loved and accepted and cherished by God, and that together with each other, we are a family.

* Hymn Fight the Good Fight (See Insert)

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Holy God, as those who are called and bound together in the love of Jesus Christ, we gather as a congregation and are united in many rituals and beliefs and symbols. But it is easy for us, even in our fellowship, to lose touch with the challenging nature of

Christ as a living presence among us. In our busy schedules and many programs, in our celebration for goals we achieve and in our frustrations at those not reached, in petty conflicts of personality or ego, in just plain “burn-out”, our hearts are often diverted from the affirmation that “Jesus is Lord”.

Be present to us, O Lord, in new ways that awaken us to the ever-renewing nature of Christ. Give us confidence that our world can be changed and that our efforts of faith make a difference. Fill us with the love that makes things happen. And keep our minds and hearts upon the reality of Christ in our church and in our lives. Amen.

Silent Prayer

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: The Psalmist declares: “The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.”

People: Jesus offered that mercy with the invitation: “The one who comes to me I will not cast out.”

Leader: And the earliest Christians believed in that mercy when they affirmed: “If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.”

People: God forgives us, accepts us, and invites us into a new way of living.

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Lesson Exodus 16: 2 - 15 (OT, page 62)

Children’s Message

* Hymn Come, Ye Thankful People, Come (See Insert)

Gospel Lesson Matthew 20: 1 - 16 (NT, page 21)

Sermon “Complaining While on Holy Ground”

Dr. Robinson

Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the Church

The Lord's Prayer

Hymnal page 35

* Passing of the Peace

Minute for Mission

Church and Society

Offering

Offertory

Canon in D

Pachelbel

* Doxology

* Prayer of Dedication

* Hymn

Lead On, O King Eternal!

(See Insert)

* Benediction

Postlude

Rigoudon

Compra

**Please remain seated in silence for the Postlude as this is part of
Worship. If you must leave, please do so quietly.**

Announcements

Worship Leadership this morning Elder Kathleen Healy-Wedsworth.
Next week, Elder Sherri Adler and Elder Bonnie Tortora.

Ushering this morning John Andia, Audrey Semple, Judy Whary, Jim
Wright. Next week, Kathy Keenan, Glen Baird, Jim Wright, Jenifer
Zeller.

Candle Lighter James Thorn. Next week, Holly Slack.

The Chancel Flowers this morning are dedicated to the Glory of God
and given in loving memory of Barbara Cokelette, a life-long member
of the Presbyterian Church at Shrewsbury, by Lee Summers.

Announcements

Nursery is open today for all ages up to first grade. Stop by the Christian Education Building, 2nd Floor or see a Deacon for assistance.

Potluck Lunch today following the service. Next week, Coffee Fellowship is hosted by Stewardship.

Special Thanks! to our guest musicians - John Luckenbill, Jim McIlvain, Nick Martin, and Rich Hensley.

Youth Choir meets every Sunday, upstairs in CE, from 12:00 - 12:30 pm. Children in K-8th grade, are invited to come celebrate God's love through singing, playing instruments and experimenting with other forms of musical play. Those children who wish to participate can sing for worship services several times a year and in our annual Christmas Pageant. Contact Miss Pat, Youth Choir Director, for more information.

Manna Box Mission Belles along with Church and Society are continuing to collect food items for St. Anthony's Church in Red Bank. All donations are appreciated. Look for the "Manna" box in the Church House lobby and thanks for your support.

Mission Bible Study Have you signed up for this adventure? We are starting with two groups in September and two in October with more options to come. The two groups you can sign up for in September are **Monday 10:00 am -12:00 pm at Judy Whary's** and **Wednesday 7:00 pm- 9:00 pm at Nancy and Rich Vodhanel's**. This is an opportunity to get together for fellowship as we learn something new. Please contact the church office at 732-747-3557 or at pcas@verizon.net to register.

PW Mission Fundraiser Did you receive the mailing from the Presbyterian Women of PCAS? If not, please contact Heather Palframan (732-957-9354 or hpalframan@gmail.com).

Towne Crier October is just around the corner. Please submit your articles and information for the October Towne Crier by **Tuesday, September 26th.**

Passport Small Group Did you ever wonder what it is really like to go on a mission trip? Would you like to see the beautiful faces of the children that we, the church, and our individual members sponsor? Now is your chance to come see a presentation about Tower Hill's mission trips to the Dominican Republic that Nancy Vodhanel participated in for the past 2 years. Nancy will share her photos on the big screen and stories of the children, the school, the Tower Hill 'DR Team' and what it is like to be a part of the mission to the Eva Russell School and orphanage in Monte Plata, Dominican Republic. The presentation is **Friday, Sept 29th at 7:00pm** in Fellowship Hall.

Anyone interested in genealogy is invited to attend the next Genealogy small group meeting on Saturday, **September 30 from 1:30 to 3:00 PM**, in Fellowship Hall (in the church house). We will be watching the first 30-minute lecture of a course by Professor John Philip Colletta entitled "Discovering Your Roots: An Introduction to Genealogy". Contact Heather Palframan if you have any questions.

Confirmation Class Confirmation Class for 7th graders & up, starts on **Sunday, October 8th.** Join Rev. Tom and Mrs. Adler for an exciting confirmation journey studying our Reformed Faith. Contact Mrs. Adler to register or for more information.

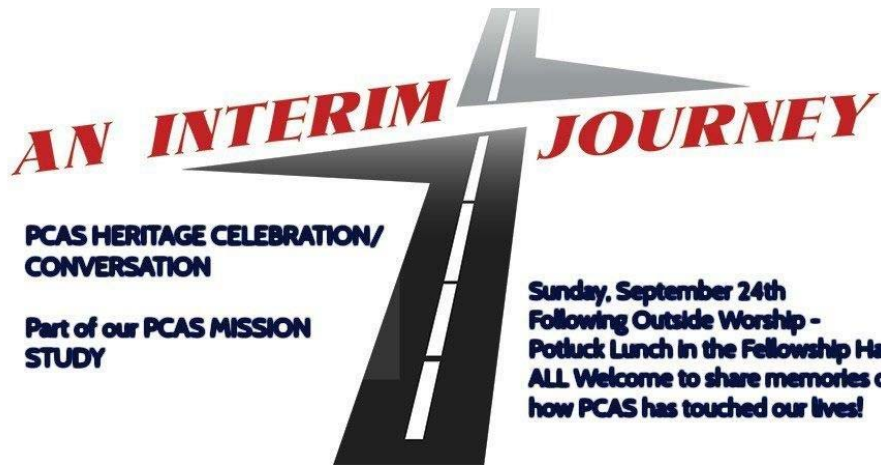
Red Bank Crop Walk **Sunday October 15th, Registration 1:00pm, Walk 2:00pm - Red Bank Regional High School.** Please consider participating in the Red Bank Crop Walk. I will be wearing my new orange Crop Walk T-shirt this morning. I will be very willing to answer your questions and provide you with a sponsor form. The walk is about 6 miles winding through Fair Haven, Red Bank and Little Silver. It is a very enjoyable afternoon! Thank you in advance! Kirsten Schanck

Calendar Collection Jean Kelly is collecting 2018 calendars to send to our soldiers overseas. You can give your extras to Jean or bring them to the church office.

Calendar of Events

Sun Sep 24	All day	☒ MFM-C&S
	All day	☒ Outdoor Worship Svc
	9:15am – 10:15am	☒ Adult Forum (TR) - 352 Sycamore Ave, Shrewsbury, NJ 07702, USA ☒
	10:30am – 11:30am	☒ Worship/SS (S) - (Outdoor Svc)-352 Sycamore Ave, Shrewsbury, NJ 07702, USA ☒
	3:00pm – 4:00pm	☒ AA (TR) - 352 Sycamore Ave, Shrewsbury, NJ 07702, USA ☒
	5:00pm – 7:00pm	☒ AA (TR) - 352 Sycamore Ave, Shrewsbury, NJ 07702, USA ☒ ☒
Mon Sep 25	6:00pm – 9:00pm	☒ CARD GROUP (O) - 352 Sycamore Avenue, Shrewsbury, NJ, USA
	7:30pm – 8:30pm	☒ OA (TR) - 352 Sycamore Ave, Shrewsbury, NJ 07702, USA ☒
Tue Sep 26	All day	☒ Towne Crier Deadline
	9:00am – 10:00am	☒ Bible Study@ Panera (OS) ☒
	5:00pm – 6:00pm	☒ Weight Watchers (FH) - 352 Sycamore Ave, Shrewsbury, NJ 07702, USA ☒
Wed Sep 27	9:30am – 10:30am	☒ Mission Belles (TR) - 352 Sycamore Avenue, Shrewsbury, NJ, USA ☒
	8:30pm – 10:00pm	☒ AA (TR) - 352 Sycamore Ave, Shrewsbury, NJ 07702, USA ☒
Thu Sep 28	7:00pm – 8:30pm	☒ Chancel Choir (S) - 370 Sycamore Ave, Shrewsbury, NJ 07702, USA ☒
	7:30pm – 9:00pm	☒ Boy Scouts (FH) - 352 Sycamore Ave, Shrewsbury, NJ 07702, USA ☒
	8:30pm – 9:30pm	☒ Bell Choir (SR) - 370 Sycamore Ave, Shrewsbury, NJ 07702, USA ☒
Fri Sep 29	7:00pm – 9:00pm	☒ Passport (FH) - 352 Sycamore Ave, Shrewsbury, NJ 07702, USA
Sat Sep 30	1:30pm – 3:00pm	☒ Geneology (FH) - 352 Sycamore Avenue, Shrewsbury, NJ, USA
	8:30pm – 10:00pm	☒ AA (FH) - 352 Sycamore Ave, Shrewsbury, NJ 07702, USA ☒
Sun Oct 1	All day	☒ World Communion - 370 Sycamore Ave, Shrewsbury, NJ 07702, USA
	All day	☒ Mission Service C&S
	9:15am – 10:15am	☒ Adult Forum (TR) - 352 Sycamore Ave, Shrewsbury, NJ 07702, USA ☒
	10:30am – 11:30am	☒ Worship/SS (S) - 370 Sycamore Ave, Shrewsbury, NJ 07702, USA ☒
	12:00pm – 2:00pm	☒ Worship Comm (O) - 352 Sycamore Avenue, Shrewsbury, NJ, USA
	3:00pm – 4:00pm	☒ AA (TR) - 352 Sycamore Ave, Shrewsbury, NJ 07702, USA ☒
	5:00pm – 7:00pm	☒ AA (TR) - 352 Sycamore Ave, Shrewsbury, NJ 07702, USA ☒ ☒

(FH) Fellowship Hall, (B) Basement, (SS) Sunday School,
 (A) Alpha, (O) Omega, (S) Sanctuary, (TR) Terrace Rm.,
 (OS) Off Site, (SR) Social Rm., (K) Kitchen



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