

First Presbyterian Church of
Branchville, New Jersey

"We Welcome All as we Celebrate God's Love."

ORDER OF WORSHIP

April 19, 2026

10:00am



GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

BOLD means the congregation reading or singing

* means the congregation standing in body or spirit

WELCOME

(Please use this time to prepare your heart and mind for worship.)

PRELUDE

"Meditation on AZMON"

Lani Smith

CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: In Christ, the God of heaven has made his home on earth.

PEOPLE: Christ dwells among us and is one with us.

LEADER: Highest of all creation, he lives among the least.

PEOPLE: He journeys with the rejected and welcomes the weary.

LEADER: Come now, all who thirst

PEOPLE: and drink the water of life

LEADER: Come now, all who hunger,

PEOPLE: and be filled with good things.

LEADER: Come now, all who seek,

PEOPLE: and be warmed by the fire.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Spirit of the Triune God, as we continue to celebrate the

season of Easter, remind us that the gift of the resurrection should be remembered all year long. Bless those gathered here, as we pray, sing, and hear your Word, so the Spirit of resurrection can be shared. Amen.

*HYMN 379

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord God, we ask for your forgiveness because we know we are not perfect people. We have tried to follow Jesus, but we fail more often than we succeed. We stray from the path, and bring others down with us. We reject the teachings of others because it does not align with our own beliefs, even when they teach the truth. We pray that we might be forgiven, for the things that we have done and the things we have failed to do. (Our silent prayers continue...)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

LEADER: Hear the good news! The Lord is faithful in all his words, and gracious in all his deeds. The Lord upholds all who are falling, and raises up all who are bowed down.

PEOPLE: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI - HYMN 581

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

LEADER: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us share signs of reconciliation and peace with one another. The peace of Christ be with you.

PEOPLE: And also with you.

LEADER: Please greet one another with the peace of Christ.

variety of ways: in that we love one another; that we experience, practice, and pursue community with one another; and that we are obligated to give ourselves willingly and joyfully to be of benefit and blessing to one another. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY *"The King of Love My Shepherd Is"* Dale Wood

*THE DOXOLOGY – HYMN 593

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

Lord, our God, we praise you for the magnificent things you have done. You have gifted us creation, life, love, and resurrection. In response, we ask that you bless our offerings, that they might be made good through your grace. Amen.

*HYMN 122

Thine is the Glory

WE GO TO SERVE GOD

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

POSTLUDE *"All Now Sing Forth in Praise!"* E. Broughton

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Participating in Worship & Service Today:

Adrienne Poissant, Pastor; John Gagliardi, Organist;
Dawn Latincsics, Music Director; Judy Casey, Lay Reader;
Demetrious Savopoulos, Video.

Multiple Ways to Make an Offering:

- **Text** – Just text the word **"GIVE"** to 973-874-1277 and follow the link that will be texted back to you. You may make a donation using your credit card, your checking account, or your savings account.
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- **Mail in your donation to: First Presbyterian Church, PO Box 1, Branchville, NJ 07826.**
- **E-giving** – Go to our webpage at: <http://www.fpcbanchville.org> and click the link at the top of the page.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

April 19, 2026

WELCOME! We give you warm greetings on this Third Sunday of the month. We hope you feel welcome here and have been inspired by our worship. Please stay for fellowship and refreshments following worship.

2ND QUARTER MISSION ShelterBox USA is a top-rated charity that helps families affected by natural disasters around the world. With a score of 93% by Charity Navigator, this organization believes that all families require shelter and that all families deserve to feel like their shelter is a home. Shelter Box delivers disaster relief by providing emergency shelters and the tools needed to help rebuild and recover after the event of a natural disaster. Their disaster relief projects have positively impacted families dealing with situations including flooding, earthquakes, storms, and war in places such as Syria, Turkey, India, the Caribbean, and Ukraine. Please consider donating to the 2nd Quarter Mission over the next three months to make a difference in the lives of those families facing unthinkable situations.

DISCOVERY & DISCUSSION GROUP – Today at 11:15pm after worship. Come to hear and support Brian Dietz as he shares his personal story of addiction and recovery.

BIBLE STUDY — Starting on 4/16 we will be doing a deep study into the book of Genesis. Here is the weekly breakdown for review: April 16: Genesis 1 & 2, April 23: Genesis 3 & 4, April 30: Genesis 5, 6, & 7, May 7: Genesis 8 & 9, May 14: Genesis 10 & 11.

CHANCEL CHOIR — The Chancel Choir will meet on Wednesday nights at 7:00 pm for April and May.

THE FOOD PANTRY is in need of Jelly. Please consider donating to this continuous need in our community. Open Weds 10am-12pm. Thank you to our church congregation for your generous support of Jean's Pantry. Your kindness truly makes a difference.

SPRING FLEA MARKET — Our 29th Annual Spring Flea Market including the thrift shop will be Sat. May 16th from 9 am to 2 pm.

PROTECTING GOD'S EARTH — Join us on a fellowship outing to tour the recycling center and learn more about recycling on Sat. May 2nd at 2:00 pm. Those interested will meet at the church and carpool to the SCMUA Recycling Center in Lafayette.

MEMORIAL DAY PARADE — The Fellowship Committee is looking to see if anyone would be interested in participating in the Branchville Memorial Day Parade on May 25th 9:30 am. We will have an interest sheet for those who are interested in volunteering to assist with giving out beverages before/during the parade in front of F.H. or to participate in the parade.

WALK N' TALK: 9AM-10AM — SPRING hours, APRIL 1st to JULY 1st. Mon. - Sat. If you are interested in attending, please contact Bev Keur.

DAISEY ROE CHAIN'S SPRING FUNDRAISER — Our C & C Growers Fund Raiser is scheduled April 1 through May 23, and flyers will be available for pick up for your friends and neighbors. C & C Growers are located on Route 206 across from Tractor Supply. A pink flyer is needed to receive the 10% discount.

CHURCH WEEKLY CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES AND MINISTRIES

<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>ACTIVITY</u>
Today	10:00am 11:15am	Worship Adult Discovery Group
Wednesday	10am-12pm 7:00pm	Food Pantry Chancel Choir
Thursday	5:30pm	Bible Study
Saturday	9am-1pm	Daisey Roe Thrift Shop
<i>Next Sunday</i>	<i>10:00am</i>	<i>Worship</i>

379 My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

SOLID ROCK LM with refrain

Edward Mote, c. 1834

William Batchelder Bradbury, 1863

1. My hope is built on noth-ing less Than Je - sus' blood and
 2. When dark-ness veils His love - ly face, I rest on His un -
 3. His oath, His cov - e - nant, His blood Sup - port me in the
 4. When He shall come with trum-pet sound, O may I then in

righteous-ness; I dare not trust the sweet-est frame, But whol-ly
 chang-ing grace; In ev - ery high and storm-y gale, My an-chor
 whelm-ing flood; When all a-round my soul gives way, He then is
 Him be found, Dressed in His right - teous - ness a - lone, Fault - less to

Refrain

lean on Je - sus' name.
 holds with - in the veil. On Christ, the sol - id Rock, I stand; All
 all my hope and stay. stand be - fore the throne.

oth - er ground is sink-ing sand, All oth - er ground is sink-ing sand.

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me

SOJOURNER Irregular

African-American spiritual

African-American spiritual

1. I want Je - sus to walk with me; (Walk with me)
 2. In my tri - als, Lord, walk with me;
 3. When I'm in trou - ble, Lord, walk with me; When

I want Je - sus to walk with me; (Walk with me)
 In my tri - als, Lord, walk with me;
 I'm in trou - ble, Lord, walk with me;

All a - long my pil - grim jour - ney,
 When my heart is al - most break - ing,
 When my head is bowed in sor - row,

1.2.3. Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me. (with me)

Thine Is the Glory

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JUDAS MACCABEUS 5.5.6.5.6.5.6.5 with refrain

Edmond Louis Budry, 1884

Trans. R. Birch Hoyle, 1923; alt.

George Frederick Handel, 1748

1. Thine is the glo - ry, Ris-en, con- quering Son; End-less is the
 2. Lo! Je - sus meets us, Ris-en from the tomb; Lov-ing-ly He
 3. No more we doubt Thee, Glo-rious Prince of life! Life is nought with -

vic - tory Thou o'er death hast won. An - gels in bright rai - ment
 greets us, Scat - ters fear and gloom. Let the church with glad - ness
 out Thee; Aid us in our strife. Make us more than con-querors

Rolled the stone a - way, Kept the fold - ed grave - clothes
 Hymns of tri - umph sing, For the Lord now liv - eth;
 Through Thy death-less love; Bring us safe through Jor - dan

Refrain (last time only)

Where Thy bod - y lay.
 Death hath lost its sting.
 To Thy home a - bove. Thine is the glo - ry, Ris-en, con- quering Son;

End - less is the vic - tory Thou o'er death hast won.