



# First Presbyterian Church of Branchville, New Jersey



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

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

June 14, 2026

10:00am



## GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

**BOLD** means the congregation reading or singing

\* means the congregation standing in body or spirit

### PRELUDE

*"Grace Flowering"*

Richard Blake

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

### WELCOME

### CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.

**PEOPLE: Worship the Lord with gladness;  
come before him with joyful songs.**

LEADER: Know that the Lord is God.

It is he who made us and we are his;

**PEOPLE: we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.**

LEADER: Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.

**PEOPLE: For the Lord is good and his love endures forever;  
his faithfulness continues through all generations.**

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

**God of grace, as this morning dawns, we remember your goodness. Through your love, the world and all of creation**

**was made. Through your Son, creation was redeemed, and through your Spirit, we have been given gifts to share the good news with all people. Be with us during this service and inspire our words and deeds. Amen.**

\*HYMN 469

*Morning Has Broken*

### CALL TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Holy God, we are sorry that we have not followed your teachings. We have prioritized our own comfort when we had the opportunity to help others. We have not lived in peace, instead succumbing to anger and jealousy. We have spoken harshly to others and have not welcomed the variety of talents and knowledge other people may bring to the table. Help us, O God, to grow beyond our faults and to display kindness and love to everyone. *(Our silent prayers continue...)***

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

LEADER: Jesus Christ taught the good news of the kingdom of God. Forgiveness is offered to all who place their faith in the Lord. Hear and receive the good news of the Gospel:

**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.

**ANTHEM**

Summer Choir

**SUNDAY SCHOOL VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL SONG**

**TIME WITH CHILDREN**

## **GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED**

### **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh upon us. Let the words of Scripture mold us, move us, and change us. Let it linger in our minds and change our hearts so our actions better reflect your love.**

**SCRIPTURE READING:** Romans 5:1-8

The words of Scripture, inspired by God. **Thanks be to God.**

**SCRIPTURE READING:** Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19

<sup>1</sup> I love the LORD, because he has heard  
my voice and my supplications.

<sup>2</sup> **Because he inclined his ear to me,  
therefore I will call on him as long as I live.**

<sup>12</sup> What shall I return to the LORD  
for all his bounty to me?

<sup>13</sup> **I will lift up the cup of salvation  
and call on the name of the LORD,**

<sup>14</sup> I will pay my vows to the LORD  
in the presence of all his people.

<sup>15</sup> **Precious in the sight of the LORD  
is the death of his faithful ones.**

<sup>16</sup> O LORD, I am your servant; I am your servant,  
the child of your serving girl. You have loosed my bonds.

<sup>17</sup> **I will offer to you a thanksgiving sacrifice  
and call on the name of the LORD.**

<sup>18</sup> I will pay my vows to the LORD  
in the presence of all his people,

<sup>19</sup> **in the courts of the house of the LORD, in your midst,  
O Jerusalem. Praise the LORD!**

**SCRIPTURE READING:** Matthew 9:35-10:8 (9-23)

The words of Scripture, inspired by God. **Thanks be to God.**

### **SERMON**

Pastor Adrienne

**\*HYMN 294**

*Wherever I May Wander*

## **WE RESPOND TO THE WORD**

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (*A Brief Statement of Faith*)

**In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.**

**We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to eternal life. 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     *"Softly & Tenderly, Jesus Is Calling"*     D. Wood

### \*THE DOXOLOGY – HYMN 593

### \*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

Lord God, we have gifts to give because you first gave gifts to us. We can teach because you taught; forgive because you forgave; and love because you loved. Accept our offerings of our time, our skills, and our tithes, so we might become better disciples. Amen.

### \*HYMN 304

*Jesus Loves Me!*

## WE GO TO SERVE GOD

### \*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

### \*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

POSTLUDE     *"The Everlasting Arms"*     Anthony J. Showalter

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### Participating in Worship & Service Today:

Adrienne Poissant, Pastor; John Gagliardi, Organist;  
Dawn Latincsics, Music Director; Mike Opilla, 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.
- **Bill Pay** – Your bank probably offers this option to make donations one-time or on a recurring basis - it's free, and 100% of your gift is received!
- **Attend worship in person and put your offering in the plate as it's passed.**
- **Mail in your donation to: First Presbyterian Church, PO Box 1, Branchville, NJ 07826.**
- **E-giving** – Go to our webpage at: <http://www.fpcbranchville.org> and click the link at the top of the page.



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

June 14, 2026

**WELCOME!** We give you warm greetings on this Second Sunday of the month. Please join us for Coffee Hour and conversation after worship in the Fellowship Hall next door.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL CELEBRATION/ POTLUCK** – Please join us TODAY following 10am worship, for our Sunday School celebration and potluck lunch to celebrate the ending of Sunday School and the beginning of Summer. Bring your favorite dish or dessert to share!

**THE FOOD PANTRY** is in need of canned carrots, beets, white rice, tuna & eggs. 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.

**THRIFT SHOP** — Please continue to donate your CLEAN/REUSABLE items to the shop. Sorry, but we can NOT accept electronics, textbooks, or manuals. Opened Saturday's 9am—1pm.

**2ND QUARTER MISSION** ShelterBox USA is a charity that helps families affected by natural disasters around the world. 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. 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.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL SCOOP** — VBS will again be at the Frankford Plains Church in Augusta, Aug. 10-14, 9:30-12. If you would like to volunteer to help, please contact Kim Scudieri at [kscudieri1023@yahoo.com](mailto:kscudieri1023@yahoo.com) to let her know or ask any questions to Donna H.

## **12<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CHANGING THE FACE OF ADDICTION WALK**

Thorlabs will be sponsoring the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual "Changing the Face of Addiction" walk on Saturday, August 1<sup>st</sup> 9am – 12pm. This is a family friendly event at Franklin Firemen's Pavilion, 46 High Street, Franklin, NJ. To donate or register to walk please visit [recoverywalk.org](http://recoverywalk.org). Together we can save lives!

**HELP WANTED:** We have several positions to fill.

- First, our Dimitri is going off to Rutgers in September (Congratulations!) and we need a person to manage the audio and streaming for Sunday services. The pay is \$25 per Sunday. If you know anyone who would like to earn \$25 for an hour's work on Sundays, please let Mike Lutz know.
- Second - and this is exciting! - Session has approved the hiring of 2 paid nursery attendants. Session has determined that, in order to attract young families to church, a regularly staffed nursery is critical. We are targeting September for kicking off the staffing. Session understands that it will likely take months for young families to appear and start taking advantage of the nursery, but if we don't get started it will never happen. We need two people at least 18 years old. The pay is \$50 per person per Sunday. They will have to pass a background check and take online safety training. If you know anyone who would be interested, please let Mike Lutz know.

## **CHURCH WEEKLY CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES AND MINISTRIES**

<b>DAY</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>ACTIVITY</b>
Today	10:00am 11:00am	Worship – Sunday School Sing Celebration/Potluck
Tuesday	7:00pm	Deacons Meeting
Wednesday	10am-12pm	Food Pantry
Friday	All Day	Office Closed - Juneteenth
Saturday	9am–1pm	Daisey Roe Thrift Shop
Next Sunday	10:00am	Worship – Father's Day

# Morning Has Broken

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BUNESSAN 5.5.5.4 D

Eleanor Farjeon, 1931

Gaelic melody  
Arr. Dale Grotenhuis, 1985

C Am Dm G Dm G C

1. Morn-ing has bro - ken Like the first morn - ing, Black-bird has  
 2. Sweet the rain's new fall Sun - lit from heav - en, Like the first  
 3. Mine is the sun - light! Mine is the morn - ing Born of the

Em Am Em F G C Am F C

spo - ken Like the first bird. Praise for the sing - ing! Praise for the  
 dew - fall On the first grass. Praise for the sweet - ness Of the wet  
 one light E - den saw play! Praise with e - la - tion, Praise ev - ery

Am G C G Am Dm G7 C

morn - ing! Praise for them, spring - ing Fresh from the Word!  
 gar - den, Sprung in com - plete - ness Where God's feet pass.  
 morn - ing, God's re - cre - a - tion Of the new day!

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# Wherever I May Wander

NEW ENGLAND 7.6.8.6 D

Ann B. Snow, 1959

New England folk melody

1. Wher - ev - er I may wan - der, Wher - ev - er I may be,  
 2. Through-out the whole cre - a - tion I see God's lov - ing care

I'm cer - tain of my Mak - er's love; God's care is o - ver me.  
 For ev - ery - one in ev - ery land, God's chil - dren ev - ery - where.

God made the great high moun - tains, And made the wide blue sea;  
 Wher - ev - er I may wan - der, Wher - ev - er I may be,

God made the sky where air - planes fly; God made the world, and me.  
 I'm cer - tain of my Mak - er's love; God's care is o - ver me.

# Jesus Loves Me!

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JESUS LOVES ME 7.7.7 with refrain

Anna Bartlett Warner, 1859

William Batchelder Bradbury, 1861

1. Je - sus loves me! This I know, For the Bi - ble tells me so;  
2. Je - sus loves me! This I know, As He loved so long a - go,

The first system of the score features a vocal line in treble clef and a piano accompaniment in grand staff (treble and bass clefs). The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The vocal line begins with a quarter rest followed by a series of quarter notes: A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F#4, E4, D4. The piano accompaniment consists of a steady eighth-note bass line in the left hand and chords in the right hand.

Lit - tle ones to Him be - long; They are weak, but He is strong.  
Tak - ing chil - dren on His knee, Say - ing, "Let them come to Me."

The second system continues the vocal line and piano accompaniment. The vocal line has a quarter rest followed by quarter notes: D4, C4, B3, A3, G3, F#3, E3, D3. The piano accompaniment continues with the same rhythmic pattern.

*Refrain*  
Yes, Je - sus loves me! Yes, Je - sus loves me!

The Refrain section begins with a vocal line in treble clef and piano accompaniment in grand staff. The key signature remains one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The vocal line starts with a quarter rest followed by quarter notes: D4, C4, B3, A3, G3, F#3, E3, D3. The piano accompaniment features a steady eighth-note bass line and chords in the right hand.

Yes, Je - sus loves me! The Bi - ble tells me so.

The final system of the score continues the vocal line and piano accompaniment. The vocal line has a quarter rest followed by quarter notes: D4, C4, B3, A3, G3, F#3, E3, D3. The piano accompaniment concludes with the same rhythmic pattern.