

Second Presbyterian Church  
Oxford, New Jersey  
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August 16, 2012

Prelude Robert Jelks  
\*\*\* Songs of Praise *Welcome Into This Place*  
*I Feel Jesus In This Place*

Call to Worship

\*Hymn *Thou Art Worthy (2X)* #11

\*Greet One Another - followed by *Bind Us Together* #130

Scripture Reading *Psalms 116: 1-9* P.642

Unison Prayer of Confession

Dear Lord, we draw close to you, acknowledging our shortcomings and confessing our sins to you. We confess that we do not always follow you; sometimes we even turn our backs to you. Forgive us, we pray. We confess that the words from our mouths are not always pleasing to you; we confess that, at times, we use words that express a lack of faith; sometimes we use words that are hurtful to you and others. Forgive us we pray. For any individual sin we have committed we ask forgiveness....

*[A moment of silent prayer and personal confession]*

Lord forgive us and restore us according to your grace and mercy. Empower us by your Holy Spirit to grow in love and knowledge of you, so we can lay down the sin that so easily entangles us. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

\*\* Gloria Patri #620

Concerns of the Fellowship

Prayers of the People & *The Lord's Prayer*  
\*\*\*Song of Praise *I Worship You*

Offering  
\*\**Doxology* #623  
\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Duet – Robert Jelks & Pam Pels*  
*I've Discovered The Way of Gladness*

Scripture Reading *James 3: 1-12* P.1267

Sermon Rev. Joicy Becker-Richards  
"Before You Speak"

\*Hymn *They'll Know We Are Christians* #119

\*Charge & Benediction

\*Hymn *Sweet, Sweet Spirit* #153

\*Postlude

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\*Congregation standing  
\*\*Inside front of hymnal  
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*Following the service, please join us  
For refreshments in the chapel  
Provided by JoAnn Radmore & Billie Delorenzo*