

### **Frenchtown vs Milford Softball Game**

Help is needed for the May 6th softball game! The game is a joint effort between Frenchtown Presbyterian and Milford Presbyterian to benefit to our food pantry as well as St. Edwards food pantry. We need 4-6 people to help with set up tables, tents, etc., at 12 Noon, prior to the game. We will also need about the same number of folks to help at the end of the game to pack up the food for the pantry, take down tents and tables, etc. In addition, we will need a truck to bring some of our tables to and from the game. If anyone has a 12 x 12 tent, we could use that as well. C'mon out and support the game! Please contact Barbara Huey at 268-3063 / [barbarahuey1@gmail.com](mailto:barbarahuey1@gmail.com) or Youth Pastor, Robert Ross at [rob@frenchtownpres.org](mailto:rob@frenchtownpres.org).

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

We are a body of believers in Jesus Christ the Lord that strives to be a living reflection of God's love. We come together to confirm our individual faith while spreading the message of hope and love by serving those in need through mission and outreach.

## **NEWS AND EVENTS**

### **EVENTS DURING THE WEEK –April 23-29**

#### **Monday**

Alanon, 7:30pm

Men's Group, 7pm in the Memorial Parlor

#### **Tuesday**

AA Meeting 6:30am

Mom and Me Music Program, 10:45-11:30am

Senior Lunch and Learn 11:30

#### **Wednesday**

AA Meeting 7:30pm

Bible Study, 9am

#### **Thursday**

AA Meeting 6:30am

Women's bible study, 9:30-11:30am-New Start time

Choir Rehearsal, 7:30pm

#### **Friday**

Alanon meeting, 12pm

#### **Saturday**

Saturday Women's AA Group Meeting 8:30am

AA Meeting 7pm

#### **Next Sunday**

Praise Band

**DEACON OF THE MONTH** - Please contact the Deacon of the month **Deb Hill** at **908-507-8803**, if you or someone you know is in the hospital or needs other assistance from the Deacons.

#### **PRAYER REQUESTS**

Please continue to pray for those on the prayer request list. If you would like to receive the prayer list by email or if you have any prayer requests please contact Ken Gerhardt 908-310-1884 or email him at [kennyg12@ptd.net](mailto:kennyg12@ptd.net)

We are pleased to welcome our guest preacher today, The Reverend Leslie Dobbs-Allsopp, who serves as The Interim Presbytery Leader for Elizabeth Presbytery. Leslie is a cradle Presbyterian who was raised in Louisville Kentucky. She is a graduate of Duke University and Princeton Theological Seminary and is a minister member of New Brunswick Presbytery. She has served pastorates in MD, NY, NJ, and PA, and will celebrate her 30th ordination anniversary in November. Since 2008 Leslie have served as a transitional pastor for 4 congregations in 4 (very) different presbyteries. Her call before serving at Elizabeth Presbytery was as interim pastor for Woodbridge Church from 2012-2015. From 2000-2008 she ran two Lilly Endowment grants based at Princeton Seminary, focused on learning from, equipping, and supporting ordained youth ministers. She chaired and co-chaired CPM in New Brunswick Presbytery from 2012-2016, and during the same time frame she served an elected term on the Presbyteries' Cooperative Committee on Examinations. Leslie resides in Princeton and is married to Chip Dobbs-Allsopp, James Lenox Librarian and Professor of Old Testament at Princeton Seminary and they are the parents of two sons, ages 25 and 20.

#### Pastor Courtney Away

Pastor Courtney is away until Tuesday afternoon, April 24<sup>th</sup>, visiting her mother in North Carolina. You can reach her by phone at 561-703-2263 or email: [pastorcourtney@frenchtownpres.org](mailto:pastorcourtney@frenchtownpres.org). The local minister on-call will be Pastor Peter Mantell of Frenchtown Methodist Church. His contact info is cell - (732) 266-4654 or email [Firstpedro29@hotmail.com](mailto:Firstpedro29@hotmail.com)

#### Presbyterian Women

The PW Meeting Scheduled for this Tuesday **has been cancelled**. The end of the year Picnic will be held on Tuesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30pm at the home of Connie Sworen. Dave Kokinda will be speaking to us about his up coming Ride for Cancer. All women are invited. Please come and join us. If you have any questions or would like to here more about Presbyterian Women, contact Gayla Gerhard at 908-310-0702.

#### Summer Mission Trip

Save the date! This summer's Mission Possible trip will be **July 29-August 4, 2018** to Black Mountain Children's Home in N.C. If you have any questions or would like more information please speak with Pete Gordon - at [pmg012469@yahoo.com](mailto:pmg012469@yahoo.com), Paul Pfisterer at [pamadaka@epix.net](mailto:pamadaka@epix.net), or Barbara Huey at [barbarahuey1@gmail.com](mailto:barbarahuey1@gmail.com). A week serving others is like a week's vacation for your soul.

#### Vacation Bible School

Save the Date - Vacation Bible School will be held this summer will be held at Frenchtown Presbyterian Church, July 23rd-July 27th  
Volunteers are needed! Please contact Kristyn at [kidscommunities@frenchtownpres.org](mailto:kidscommunities@frenchtownpres.org)

#### Church Clean up Day

Mark your Calendar for **next Saturday, April 28th, 8am -12 pm**. Come on out for Clean Up Day. The Scouts will be raking, pruning and spreading mulch outside and could use your help. Interior spring cleaning, windows, polishing pews and "Marie's special list" need attention as well. Members are truly needed to get the chores done. Many hands make light work. Come out and enjoy the fellowship.