

Frenchtown Presbyterian Church
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Worship Services

8:00 A.M. with Communion & 9:30 A.M.

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Frenchtown Presbyterian Church
August 18, 2019 9:30 a.m. Worship

If you are visiting, please sign the guest book at the back of the church.

If you are a first time visitor, we have a small welcome gift for you. Please let an usher or the Pastor know you are here.

*The * indicates points in the service where you are invited to stand, if that is comfortable for you. All are invited to join in speaking or singing when **Bolded** words appear.*

God Gathers Us in Love

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

I will bless the Lord at all times,
God's praise will continually be in my mouth.
My soul makes its boast in the Lord,
let the humble hear and be glad.
O magnify the Lord with me,
let us exalt God's name together!

* HYMN #645

Sing Praise to God who Reigns Above

CALL TO CONFESSION

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. So let us be honest and confess what separates us from God and our neighbors, trusting in God's constant desire to forgive and renew.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

God of judgment and renewal, we admit to you and to each other that we have not always loved you and our neighbors as fully as you call us to love. We have failed to be good stewards of the air, the water, the animals, and the plants. We have turned away from you and toward our own self-interest. We have been shortsighted, and we are humbly sorry. Help us turn back to you, O Lord, to reach toward you as a tree sends its roots out toward water. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

Because Christ has been raised from the dead, sin and death do not have the last word! Our faith is not in vain! Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, we are forgiven and set free to live for God and neighbor. Thanks be to God.

*PASSING THE PEACE

Those who place their faith in the Lord are blessed. Let us share this blessing with those around us as we pass the peace of Christ.

The peace of Christ be with you! **And also with you!**

All exchange signs and words of God's peace.

HYMN #591

Halle, Halle!

Halle, Halle, Halle—lujah! Halle, Halle, Halle—lujah!

Halle, Halle, Halle—lujah! Hallelujah, hallelujah!

TIME WITH CHILDREN

God Speaks to Us Through God's Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (*unison*)

Dear God, we offer these gifts back to you. Multiply them so that they might help build up your kingdom on earth. All glory, praise, and honor are due to you, now and forever. Amen.

GOSPEL Luke 12:49-56

HEBREW SCRIPTURE Psalm 8

MESSAGE *Majesty and Glory of God's Creation*

God Calls Us to Respond

*HYMN #15 (vss. 1-4) *All Creatures of our God and King*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

CALL TO OFFER GIFTS

People of God, the Lord has given us so much. Let us praise the Lord through our gifts for the uplift of God's kingdom.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*DOXOLOGY *Praise God from Whom All blessing Flow*

God Sends Us Out to Reflect God's Love

*HYMN #450 *Be Thou My Vision, O Lord of My Heart*

CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

A little bit about Christopher Small.....

Growing up as the son of a pastor in Amarillo, Texas, Christopher Small has always been around and participated in ministry. He took this passion for ministry with him to Princeton Theological Seminary where he graduated with his Master of Divinity degree in 2015. Christopher first worked as a hospital chaplain at Princeton Medical Center at Plainsboro in 2013-2014. During this time as a chaplain, he became passionate about listening to and providing pastoral care for people dealing with grief, pain, and loss. Christopher also enjoys teaching and preaching in local churches. Before becoming the chaplain at Hunterdon Medical Center, Christopher spent most of his days as a stay-at-home dad for his two young children where he honed his domestic skills and cooking abilities.