

Frenchtown Presbyterian Church

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Worship Services

8:00 A.M. with Communion & 10:00 A.M.

<u>Building and Grounds</u>	<u>Session (Elders)</u>	<u>Mission and Outreach</u>
Eugene Hill	908-996-3037	Barbara Huey 908-268-3063
<u>Christian Education</u>		<u>Stewardship</u>
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Board of Deacons

<u>Benevolence</u>		<u>Shut-ins and Long-Term illness</u>
Deborah Cooley	908-995-7770	Deborah Hill 908-507-8803
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<u>Short-Term illness</u>		<u>Bereavement</u>
Sharon Beck	908-752-3822	Debbie Godown 908-859-4038
Dave Griffith	908-693-0405	Jennifer Cwynar 908-334-1826
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<u>Hospitality</u>		<u>Youth Connection</u>
Joyce Hartpence	908-246-0058	Madelyn Freeman
Deborah Cooley	908-995-7770	<u>Events</u>
Debbie Godown	908-859-4038	Dave Griffith 908-693-0405

Church Staff

<u>Pastor</u>		<u>Youth Pastor</u>
Rev. Courtney Cromie	561-703-2263	Robert Ross 609-571-8012
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<u>Treasurer</u>		<u>Choir Director</u>
Sue Fitchett	908-996-2227	
<u>Organist</u>		<u>Food Pantry</u>
Josh Wilson	610-393-8670	Helen Lewis 610-294-9623



FRENCHTOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

January 14, 2018

Welcome to all who worship with us this morning!

8:00 A.M. Worship

Welcome
Call to Worship
Opening Prayer
*Hymn #1 vs. 1, 3 & 4 "Holy, Holy, Holy"
Passing of the Peace
Scripture Reading Psalm 34:11-22, Philippians 4:5-9
This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!
Sermon "January Blues"
Offering
Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer
The Lord's Supper
Charge and Blessing

10:00 A.M. Worship

Prelude
Welcome & Announcements
The Lord be with you.....and also with you!
Choral Introit "Jesus, What Wonderful Child"

God Gathers Us in Love

Call to Worship
Leader: How long, O LORD? Will You forget me forever?
How long will You hide Your face from me?
People: How long must I wrestle with my thoughts and every day have sorrow in my heart? How long will my enemy triumph over me?
Leader: Look on me and answer, O LORD my God.
Give light to my eyes, or I will sleep in death;
People: my enemy will say, "I have overcome him," and my foes will rejoice when I fall.
Leader: But I trust in Your unfailing love; my heart rejoices in Your salvation.

People: I will sing to the LORD, for He has been good to me.

All: Let us Worship God!

*Hymn #1 vs. 1 & 3

“Holy, Holy, Holy”

Prayer of Confession

Here and now we are in your very presence, God. We know that in the past we chose pathways that caused harm to us and harm to others. We seek to journey away from the wastelands of fear. We do not want to be consumed by nightmares. We need you to guide us away from sadness and feelings of disheartenment to live in your promises and in your hope. Help us to make an intentional choice to walk by faith. We know that with you by our side, nothing is impossible We cast all our cares upon you, Lord, and we leave them at your feet. In your name we pray, Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

#Hymn #435

There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy”

Children’s Message

(Kid’s may leave for Kid’s Communities, Youth to Echo)

Passing the Peace Hymn #591

“Halle, Halle!”

The peace of Christ be with you!

And also with you! (Please pass the peace of Christ.)

God Speaks to Us Through His Word

Old Testament Reading

Psalms 34:11-22

Choral Anthem

“A Seasonal Blues” - Rollo Dilworth

Max Hill - Saxophone

New Testament Reading

Philippians 4:5-9

Sermon

“January Blues”

God Calls Us to Respond

*Hymn #661

“Why Should I Feel Discouraged?”

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Gifts of the People

Offertory

Doxology*

“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

Prayer of Dedication

God Sends Us Out to Reflect His Love

*Hymn #623

“I’ve Got Peace Like a River”

Charge and Blessing

Choral Benediction

“Gospel Amen”

Postlude

**please stand if able*

*Child Care is available during the 10:00 am service for infants and young children. The nursery is located in room #5 down the back stairs and to the right.

Community Outreach-new for 2018

"First Monday of Every Month – beginning **Monday February 4th during Food Pantry, 9-11 AM: Open House Office Hours:** Penni Trionfo, Family Partner from the Harvest Success Center of Flemington will be available in the Fellowship Hall to answer questions regarding available services including: financial assistance, mentoring students, pro Bono legal advice, child development sessions, insurance questions, parenting questions, etc.

Every Tuesday from 10:45-11:30 AM, beginning January 9th, Enchanted Garden: This FREE music and movement class is for Mom's and their pre-k children! Come listen to guitar music while gently moving with the rhythm and singing along with Autumn in our Enchanted Garden. This is perfect for moms and their pre-k children! Pregnant Mom's are welcome to join in as well!

Every Tuesday, beginning this Tuesday, January 9th, from 11:30-2:30 PM Senior Lunch and Learn: Calling all women close to 50 years old or more, please join us for a fun, FREE, no stress afternoon where we have a NIA class (No Impact Aerobics), lunch and an activity. Activities may include crafts, games or a guest speaker. Have fun socializing with other local women and enjoy an afternoon out that's just for YOU!

Every Tuesday, beginning this Tuesday, January 9th from 3-5PM Homework Club: Calling all youth in Grades 1-7! Come get some help completing and/or correcting your homework and projects. After finishing-up homework, youth may have fun playing board games! This club is FREE and offered throughout the school year. Summer hours will be available for mentoring."

Mission Possible-Summer 2018

Save the date! Next summer's Mission Possible trip will be July 29-August 4, 2018, location TBA. If you have any questions please speak with Pete Gordon, Paul Pfisterer or Barbara Huey. A week serving others is like a week's vacation for your soul. Come join us!

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 – Jan. 14-20

Today

Youth/Family Ice Skating 1-4pm

Monday

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 11:30am

Homework Help in Fellowship Hall, 3-5pm

Session Meeting, 7pm

Wednesday

AA Meeting 7:30pm

Bible Study, 9am

Thursday

AA Meeting 6:30am

Choir Rehearsal, 7:30p-9pm

Saturday

Saturday Women's AA Group Meeting 8:30am

AA Meeting 7pm

Next Sunday

Monthly Breakfast

Youth Echo, 11:30am Bible and Brunch

Youth Group dinner and games 5-8pm

DEACON OF THE MONTH - Please contact the Deacon of the month **Sharon Beck at 908-752-3822**, 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

Nominating Committee

Nominations are being accepted for the position of elder and deacon. Have you been called to serve God in a leadership role? Are you concerned about Frenchtown Presbyterian and its ministries? Do you want to help those in need? Or do you know someone who would be a good leader? You can nominate someone as well. If you are willing or know someone who is willing, let our church office know, or Pastor Courtney.

Congregational Meeting

Congregational Meeting, Sunday, January 28, immediately following the 10 AM worship. One Service to be Held at 10 AM

This serves as official notice that we will conduct a congregational meeting immediately after worship on Sunday, January 28. At this meeting, the congregation will be able to review the annual report for 2017 and review the adequacy of the compensation for the pastor in the 2018 terms of call. At this meeting, there is also an opportunity for transacting other business as is appropriate.

Call for 2017 Reports from Committee moderators and staff

On Sunday, January 28 immediately following the one service worship at approximately 11 AM, the Annual Meeting of the Congregation will be held. If you are the staff member, moderator of a committee, or organization within the church, please submit your report to the clerk of session, Yoama Pons, at yoama.pons@verizon.net. You may also turn in a hard-copy to the office in the clerk of session's box.

Save the Date – Hope and Healing Service

Wednesday, January 24th at 7pm we invite you to experience a meditative worship service that takes time for remembering and sharing our hurting places with God. A *Service of Hope & Healing* is a service of scripture, music, and healing prayer. During the service there will be an opportunity to light a candle in memory of a loved one, in support of someone who is hurting or simple for our own healing.

Skating event for Youth and Families

Our January fun event will be **ICE SKATING**.

Today! January 14th at the Bethlehem Ice Ring.

Open skate is 1-4. **\$9.50 total (6.50 to skate and 3.00 for skates)** Hot chocolate and snacks are available for purchase. **Families are also invited. The more the merrier!**

Please RSVP to [\(908\) 328-4237](tel:9083284237) so we can arrange enough transportation! Hope to see you all there!

Super Bowl Hoagie Sale

The Youth Group will be holding a hoagie sale for Super Bowl Sunday. Choose either Italian or American hoagies at \$6.50/ea. **Orders must be placed by Monday, 1/28/2018.** Hoagies will be picked up on Super Bowl Sunday morning, Feb. 1st. All proceeds go to the FPC Youth Group! Email rob@frenchtownpres.org to place your order.

Food Pantry Sunday

Next Sunday is Food Pantry Sunday. If you are able to contribute to the food pantry, all donations are appreciated! Shoprite Cards are welcome or cash/checks. Food donations are also welcome. Some of the items needed this week are as follows: ketchup, mayo, fresh citrus fruits, apples, hearty soups, juice, and fresh potatoes. Through your gifts to the food pantry, you are offering assistance to those in need. We are grateful for your support!