

Frenchtown Presbyterian Church

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

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Deborah Cooley 908-995-7770

Short-Term illness

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Debbie Godown 908-859-4038

Shut-ins and Long-Term illness

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Bereavement

Debbie Godown 908-859-4038

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FRENCHTOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

January 21, 2018

Welcome to all who worship with us this morning!

8:00 A.M. Worship

Welcome

Call to Worship

All: Let us worship God!

Opening Prayer

*Hymn #649 vs 1,3,4

“Amazing Grace”

Passing of the Peace

A Time of Sharing with David Kokinda

Scripture Reading Habakkuk 2:1-3, John 9:1-12

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Sermon “I Can See Clearly Now- The Rain Has Gone”

Special Music – “I Can See Clearly Now”

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

God Gathers Us in Love

Call to Worship (based on Psalm 25:1-5)

Leader: We come into your presence this morning, O God,
and we lift-up to you our praise.

**People: We offer you our worship and thanksgiving and we
lift-up our souls, our very lives.**

Leader: Make your ways known to us, O Lord, and show us
the path where we should walk.

People: Lead us in your truth and guide us so that we may see

Leader: You alone are the God who saves, the God in whom we trust; and the One on whom we wait.

All: Let us worship God!

*Hymn #35

“Praise Ye the Lord”

Prayer of Confession

Forgive us our blindness, O Lord. Help us to remember that this morning we are in the presence of holiness. When we are in the midst-of holiness, too often we fail to discern it. Every hour of every day we stand in the midst-of your dynamic Spirit, yet we do not perceive it. We walk on the road of newness, but we only see the dust and signs of the old. Open our eyes to your Spirit at work in our world and give us an awareness of your power and influence. We pray that we might see clearly and that we may trust in your ways. In Jesus’ Name we pray, Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

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.)

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

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

A Time of Sharing with David Kokinda

God Speaks to Us Through His Word

Old Testament Scripture

John 9:1-12

Choral Anthem

New Testament Scripture

Habakkuk 2:1-3

Sermon

“I Can See Clearly Now- The Rain Has Gone”

Special Music – “I Can See Clearly Now”

God Calls Us to Respond

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 #649 vss 1,3,4

“Amazing Grace”

Charge and Blessing

Choral Benediction

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.

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

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, 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, 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, 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.

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. 21-27

Today

Senior High Bible and Brunch, 11:30am
Youth Group, dinner and games, 5pm-8pm

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

Wednesday

AA Meeting 7:30pm
Bible Study, 9am
Hope and Healing Service, 7pm

Thursday

AA Meeting 6:30am
Choir Rehearsal, 7:30p-9pm

Saturday

Saturday Women's AA Group Meeting 8:30am
AA Meeting 7pm

Next Sunday

One Service at 10am/Congregational Meeting to follow.

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

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, next 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. 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

Next 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.

Hope and Healing Service

This 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.

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.

Per Capita for 2018

Per Capita for 2018 is \$33.21 per member. White envelopes are available in the church pews. Please call the church office if you have any questions at 996-2227.

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!

Hospitality Team Request

We have a large need for dinners/meals for the freezer at this time. Please consider making a casserole, quiche or soup for the freezer so that we can bring it to our shut-ins and ailing community members who so need our comfort and a prepared meal. There is a sign-up sheet on the "I Can Do It" board. You can also drop your **labeled** meals in the freezer.