

Frenchtown Presbyterian Church

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Worship Services

8:00 A.M. with Communion & 10:00 A.M. with Kid's Communities

Session (Elders)

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Paul Pfisterer (chair) 610-294-9412

Christian Education

Tonya Reese (chair) 908-310-9240

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Gayla Gerhardt 908-310-0702

Clerk of Session

Ron Hartpence 908-246-7189

Mission and Outreach

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Bill Penyak 908-625-6575

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Stewardship

Leslie Callanan 908-310-9412

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Diane Reed 610-294-6673

Board of Deacons

Benevolence

Ken Gerhardt 908-310-1884

Short-Term illness

Dave Griffith 908-693-0405

Jen Griffith 908-625-2943

Hospitality

Joyce Hartpence 908-246-0058

Debbie Godown 908-859-4038

Shut-ins and Long-Term illness

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Deborah Fiebig 908-996-6436

Bereavement

Debbie Godown 908-859-4038

Youth Connection

Maddie Hendrix

Events

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Church Staff

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Frenchtown Presbyterian Church

January 27, 2019 10 a.m. Worship

3rd Sunday after Epiphany

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

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

Lord, I want to be a Christian

* CALL TO WORSHIP (*based on Psalm 71*)

In you, O LORD, I take refuge. Rescue me and deliver me in your righteousness.

Turn your ear to me and save me.

Be a place of refuge to which I can always go,

for you are my rock and my fortress.

You, O LORD, are my hope, my trust, O God.

I will ever praise you.

* HYMN #366

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment.

Time of Silent Confession

Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

God's love never ends! Now, we know that we are forgiven; now, we know that we are healed. Now, we can bear all things, believe all things, hope all things, endure all things.

Hear the good news: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

* THE PEACE

As a loved and forgiven people, let us offer one another signs of reconciliation and love.

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

CHILDREN'S CHOIR ANTHEM

The Lord Now Sends Us Forth

(Children may leave for Kids' program)

God Speaks to Us Through God's Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (*unison*)

Grant us O God, a mind to meditate on you; eyes to behold you; ears to listen for your word; a heart to love you; and a life to proclaim you; through the power of the Spirit of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

EPISTLE 1 Corinthians 13:1-13

ANTHEM

The Gift of Love

PRAYER

As You Love Yourself

MESSAGE

God Calls Us to Respond

*HYMN #693

Though I May Speak

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

* DOXOLOGY

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION (*unison*)

Nurturing God, You remind us that faith without love is meaningless. We present these gifts with love. We rejoice in our ability to share.

May this moment of giving warm our hearts and stir our souls so that we remember to act always out of love in the name of Jesus. Amen.

God Sends Us Out to Reflect God's Love

* HYMN # 749

Come! Live in the Light!

* CHARGE AND BLESSING

RESPONSE

God Is So Good

POSTLUDE

"Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?" Jesus replied: "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. 'This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments.'" Matthew 22:36-40

As You Love Yourself

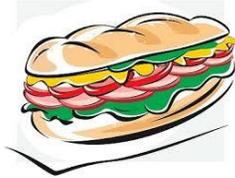
We pray for those who do not love themselves, who cannot face the turmoil in their souls, who put themselves down and call it selflessness, who make themselves ill with bitterness, who become sick with self-loathing.

Restore them and help them to live with themselves that they may joyfully live with each other.

And we pray for ourselves, for the times when "they" includes us.

Facility Use

If anyone would like to use the church for any activities/group etc. please schedule with the church office, by calling 908-996-2227 or emailing the request to office@frenchtownpres.org. The church has many different events scheduled through the week and to ensure that things are not double booked we need to check the calendar before anything else can be scheduled. Thank you for your cooperation.



Youth Group Hoagie Sale

The FPC Youth Group is having a Super Bowl Hoagie Sale. *All proceeds go to the Youth Group!* Your choice of either **Italian, Ham & Cheese** or **Turkey hoagies: \$7.50/ea.**

Pick up will be the church on Super Bowl Sunday, February 3rd from 8am-12pm. Orders need to be received no later than Monday, 1/28/2019. Contact Rob at rob@frenchtownpres.org to place an order. Be Sure to let him know what kind and how many.

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 – January 28-February 3

Monday

Low Impact Aerobics, 11:15-12:30
Alanon, 7:30pm

Tuesday

AA meeting, 6:30am
Senior community Outreach, 10am
Boy Scouts, 7:30pm
AA meeting, 8pm

Wednesday

Low Impact Senior Aerobics, 9:15-10:30, 11-12pm
Women's AA Meeting, 9:30 am in Memorial Parlor
Bible study, 9am
AA Meeting 7:30pm
Book club, 7pm

Thursday

AA Meeting 6:30am
Senior Yoga, 9:15-10:30
Alanon meeting, 12pm
Choir rehearsal, 7:30pm

Friday

Alanon meeting 12-1pm

Saturday

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

Next Sunday

One Service at 10am/Annual Congregational Meeting
Youth Group Hoagie Sale

DEACON OF THE MONTH - Please contact the Deacon of the month **Ken Gerhardt 908-310-1884**, 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



New Members Class

Would you like to become a member of Frenchtown Presbyterian Church? If so, we will be having a new members class TODAY from 11:30-12:30 pm. If interested in becoming a new member or if you have any questions about becoming a new member, please see Pastor Nancy or just show up for the class.



Valentine's Day Cookie Sale

The Presbyterian Women will be holding a Valentine cookie sale on Sunday, February 10th. Cookies will go on sale beginning at 8:30 am.

Cookies Needed

Presbyterian Women are looking for homemade cookie donations for their cookie sale. All cookies can be brought to the church on Friday, February 8th and by 10 am Saturday, February 9th. If cookies are brought in on Friday please make sure you mark them for the PW cookie sale.



Annual Congregational Meeting

The annual meetings of the congregation and corporation of Frenchtown Presbyterian Church will take place in the sanctuary next Sunday, February 3, 2019, during the 10 am worship service for the purposes of reviewing the 2019 budget and election of church officers. There will be **no worship service at 8am** on February 3.

Worship and Music

Worship and Music are looking for people to assist Pastor Nancy with worship on Sundays. Please see the sign-up sheet on "The I Can Do It" board in Fellowship Hall. If you have questions please see Pastor Nancy or Gayla Gerhardt.



Soles4Souls

As of today the total amount of shoes collected at Frenchtown Presbyterian Church is 3951 pairs. The total pairs of shoes distributed in 2018 from Soles4Souls organization to those in need was 3,450,100. If you would like to know more about Soles4Souls please check their website at <https://soles4souls.org/about-us/>