

Frenchtown Presbyterian Church

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Worship Services

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

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Benevolence

Ken Gerhardt 908-310-1884

Short-Term illness

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Jen Griffith 908-625-2943

Hospitality

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Shut-ins and Long-Term illness

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Deborah Fiebig 908-996-6436

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Debbie Godown 908-859-4038

Youth Connection

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Frenchtown Presbyterian Church

March 10, 2019 10 a.m. Worship

First Sunday of Lent

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

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Jesus said, "Follow me."

We don't always know what that means.

We are on a journey of discovery.

We are here because we want to be God's people.

We are here because we were broken and want to be whole again.

We are here to celebrate our lives and God's presence in this life.

Let us worship God with great thanksgiving!

* HYMN #32

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, as we begin our Lenten journey, we want to follow Jesus, but we confess our reluctance to face the stress and temptation that the journey might hold for us. We confess that we are sometimes tempted to wish for miracles which would make life easier rather than more stressful. We admire the difficult and risky journey that Jesus took, but confess that we want our journeys of faith to be devout but not too daring; comfortable and not too threatening.

We cherish the faithfulness and humility of Jesus, yet we confess our fear of treading Jesus' way of obedience - the way of the cross.

A time of silence for personal confession

Lord Jesus Christ, save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. Forgive us our sins and fill us with the joy and peace of your salvation, and strengthen us during this Lenten season to follow you wherever you choose to take us. Amen

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

In this place we find God's word, God's way, God's love, God's forgiveness. What more do we need to sustain us as we continue as pilgrims along the Way? In every wilderness, on every road; in every moment, in every life; in every journey, in every heart, we receive the daily bread we need - God's hope, God's mercy, God's joy.

Thanks be to God, we are forgiven.

*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 (*Children may leave for Kids' program*)

God Speaks to Us Through God's Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (*unison*)

Loving God, you made us so that we cannot live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from your mouth. Give us a hunger for your Word, and in that food satisfy our daily need; through Jesus Christ our LORD. Amen.

HEBREW SCRIPTURE Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16

ANTHEM *Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley*

GOSPEL Luke 4:1-13

MESSAGE

God Calls Us to Respond

*HYMN #43 *On Eagles Wings*

STORIES OF FAITH *Sam Huey*

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*)

God of steadfast love and faithfulness, we are humbled as we try to do what is right and to walk in your ways. Receive, we ask, these offerings, and use them for your own good purposes in the church and in all creation. We pray in Jesus Christ. Amen.

God Sends Us Out to Reflect God's Love

* HYMN #308 *O God in Whom All Life Begins*

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

CHORAL BENEDICTION *I Want Jesus to Walk with Me*

POSTLUDE



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

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.

Soup Supper

Wednesdays during Lent: Beginning on March 13

7am - communion and mediation service in the sanctuary

6:00 - Soup supper and devotional experience (6:45- 7:30) Each week after a simple supper, we will get some practical experience with a spiritual practice that can make a difference in our lives. Bring your children too; there will be Lent-centered projects for kids led by our youth.

There will be a sign-up sheet on the "I Can do that Board" in Fellowship Hall to bring soup. Call Gayla Gerhardt at 908-310-0702 or Pastor Nancy at 908-996-2227 if you have any questions.

Book Club

Book club will be meeting next Tuesday, March 12th @ 7pm downstairs in the church. The book they will be discussing is "*The Atomic City Girls*" by Janet Beard

Food Pantry

Next Sunday is Pantry Sunday, please bring something in for the pantry. Some requested items are baked beans, canned beans (not green beans), dish detergent, & paper products.

Easter Flowers orders

Orders are now being taken for flowers in the sanctuary for Easter. \$6.00 per tulips, \$8.00 per daisy mums, lilies, and daffodils. Orders due no later than April 7th. Additional order forms are available at the back of church. Contact Margaret Pfisterer at 610-294-9412 or the church office if you have any questions.

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 – March 11-17

Monday

Low Impact Aerobics, 11:15-12:30

Tuesday

AA meeting, 6:30am

Senior community outreach, 11:30am

Boy Scouts, 7:30pm

AA meeting, 8pm

Book club, 7pm

Wednesday

7am Communion Service

Low Impact Senior Aerobics, 9:15-10:30, 11-12pm

Women's AA Meeting, 9:30 am in Memorial Parlor

Bible study, 9am

Lenten soup supper, 6pm

Lenten devotion, 7pm

AA Meeting 7:30pm

Thursday

AA Meeting 6:30am

Senior Yoga, 9:15-10:30

Choir rehearsal, 7:30pm

Friday

Alanon meeting 12-1pm

Saturday

Saturday Women's AA Group Meeting 8:30am

AA Meeting 7pm

Next Sunday

Monthly Breakfast