

Frenchtown Presbyterian Church

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

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Frenchtown Presbyterian Church

March 15, 2020 10 a.m. Worship

Third 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

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

I Love the Lord

*CALL TO WORSHIP - Psalm 100 (*unison*)

Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.

Worship the Lord with gladness;

come before him with joyful songs.

Know that the Lord is God.

**It is he who made us, and we are his people
the sheep of his pasture.**

Enter his gates with thanksgiving

and his courts with praise;

give thanks to him and praise his name.

For the Lord is good and his love endures forever;

his faithfulness continues through all generations.

*HYMN #54

Make A Joyful Noise to God

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of mercy, we are works in progress. In spaces where we could be cultivating belonging,

we build up walls.

In spaces where we could let go of anger,

we keep score like it's our job and insist on an "eye-for-an-eye" justice.

So today we pray -

**remind us how to cultivate hope, love, and justice.
Remind us how to let go of fear, perfection, and hatred.
Forgive us. Guide us. Heal us.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (*unison*)

Christ died for our sins. He made a full atonement for us. We are forgiven and we have the promise of eternal life. Feel that forgiveness in your heart. We are His children. Amen.

*HYMN #465(vss.1,3) *What a Friend We Have in Jesus*

TIME WITH CHILDREN- CHILDREN'S CHOIR *Jesus Loves Me*

(Children may leave for Kid's Communities)

We Listen for God's Word to Us

SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 26:3

*HYMN #450 (vss.1,2,4) *Be Thou My Vision*

MOMENT OF FAITH

HISTORY OF HYMN, THIS IS MY FATHER'S WORLD

ANTHEM *This Is My Father's World*

ORIGIN OF AMAZING GRACE

PRAISE BAND *Morning has Broken*

PRAISE BAND *Amazing Grace*

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERING

* DOXOLOGY *Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SCRIPTURE RESPONSE

PSALM 23

We Go Out into God's World

* HYMN #43

On Eagles Wings

HISTORY OF HYMN, HOW GREAT THOU ART

*HYMN #625

How Great Thou Art

CHORAL BENEDICTION

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



Gala Night and Concert

Join us on March 28th at 6:30pm for **The Jon Thompson Trio Gala Night**. Tickets for the concert are \$30.00 per person - cash or checks. Tickets include a three course dinner in the church Fellowship Hall and admission to the concert following.

To purchase tickets, visit during these times. Monday - Thursday: 11:30 AM - 3:00 PM or Sunday: 8:30 AM - 11:45 AM Or email office@frenchtownpres.org

Per Capita

Per capita for 2020 is \$34.50 **per member**. Per capita is a set amount of money – sometimes referred to as “apportionment” – per member that congregations pay to the larger Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). Said another way, it is like a Presbyterian community fund – part of the glue that holds Presbyterians together.

If you would like to pay you per capita for 2020 please note in the memo of check what it is for. If you have any questions, please call the church office at 908-996-2227.

Mission Possible

It is official - we have scheduled our Mission Possible trip this summer for West Virginia the week of July 26th. We are going to help with flood recovery by supporting the WV VOAD (Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster). wvoad.communityos.org. Our work will range from rebuilding bridges to construction on homes and everything in between. All skill levels are needed! Volunteers DO NOT need to be members of the Frenchtown Presbyterian Church. You just have to have the desire to work and help people who truly need it. We will have more project and housing information in the time to come, but both will be similar to what we experienced in the past. There is no cost to participate, but we do leave a donation to the facility that we stay in. If you are available, please let Pete Gordon, Paul Pfisterer or Barbara Huey know as soon as you can. We would love to have you join us. Many hands make light work!

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 16-22

Monday

Alanon, 7:30pm

Low Impact Aerobics, 11:15am-12:30pm

Tuesday

AA Meeting 6:30am

Senior Program & NIA, 11:30am

Book Club, 7pm

Session Meeting, 7pm

Boy Scouts, 7:30pm

AA Meeting, 8pm

Wednesday

Ash Wednesday Service, 7am

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

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

Soup and Supper, 6pm

Bible Study, 9am

AA Meeting 7:30pm

Thursday

AA Meeting 6:30am

Senior Yoga, 9:15am-10:30am

Alanon meeting, 12pm

Choir Rehearsal, 7:30pm

Saturday

Saturday Women's AA Group Meeting 8:30am

AA Meeting 7pm



Wednesdays during Lent:

7am - mediation service in the sanctuary



Soup Supper & Study

Lenten Soup Supper

Join us at 6:00pm for soup supper and at 6:45 for a study and devotion. 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 if you have any questions.



Easter Flowers orders

Orders for flowers in the sanctuary at Easter time.

\$6.00 per tulips, \$8.00 per daisy mums, lilies, and daffodils. Order's due no later than March 29th. 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.



Book Club

Book club meeting will meet this Tuesday March 17th at 7pm downstairs in the youth room. The book they will be discussing will be "Leaving Time" by Jodi Picoult. Contact Connie Sworen if you have any questions at 908-996-6533. All are welcome to come even if you've never come before.

Food Pantry

If you forgot to bring donations in this Sunday for Pantry Sunday, there is a donation bill located in Fellowship Hall for donations any time. There are also colored envelopes in the pews for monetary donations.

Volunteers needed for weekly pantry shopping. Please see a deacon if you are able to shop during the week for our food pantry. A deacon can direct you to the monthly sign-up sheet that we keep at church. This is a beautiful way to serve our local community. Shopping can be done at a few area Shop Rite stores.

One Great Hour of Sharing

"You shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in." Isaiah 58:12. Every year, the Presbyterian Church USA assists people throughout the world whose lives have been torn apart by natural disaster, hunger, oppression, or injustice. Three programs supported by OGHS - Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People - work to heal lives. By making a donation to OGHS, each of us can become a "repairer of the breach", helping to provide people with safety, sustenance, and hope. You may make your donation anytime from now through Easter, using an OGHS envelope in the pew rack. If paying by check, please make your check payable to Frenchtown Presbyterian Church.

Presbyterian Women

The Presbyterian Women will have their next meeting on March 24th, the 3rd Tuesday of the month. All are welcome! Come hear what PW is all about and what they do for the community and your church. Contact Gayla if you have any questions at 908-310-0702