

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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Frenchtown Presbyterian Church

March 8, 2020 10 a.m. Worship

Second 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 O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High

*CALL TO WORSHIP

This morning, God, we want everything to be for your glory.

We want our thoughts, our words, our songs, our church, our community, our resources, our time, our lives--all to be for you.

Everything ours is yours, and we come together to declare this to be so, on this Sunday, your holy day.

Bless our time together with your holy presence, Amen

*HYMN #483 (vs.1-3)

Dearest Jesus, We Are Here

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

**Open our eyes, Lord, to the modern yoke;
the burden of our consumer culture,
the debt that holds people fast,
the myth of success which has us by the throat.
We confess that we are trapped.
You offer the possibility of release;
you lose the shackles of greed,
freeing us from the urge to acquire at any cost,
relieving us from the treadmill of busyness.**

**We are your new releases,
telling a story for this generation.
Feeding the hungry. we whisper peace,
clothing the naked, we murmur hope,
sheltering the homeless, we declare your faithfulness.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

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

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Those who place their faith in the Lord are blessed. Let us share the peace of Christ with each other.

The peace of Christ be with you! **And also with you!**

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 Kid’s Communities)

We Listen for God’s Word to Us

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 121

ANTHEM

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

GOSPEL READING

John 3:1-17

SERMON

*HYMN #443

There is a Redeemer

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

* DOXOLOGY

Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

We Go Out into God’s World

* HYMN #45

I to the Hills Will Lift My Eyes

CHARGE AND BLESSING

CHORAL BENEDICTION

For Us He Rose

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

Camp Johnsonburg Internship Opportunity

** NEW 3 Week Internship Opportunity **

Do you know any high school students graduating this spring who would be interested in serving at Johnsonburg this Summer?

This Camp Internship opportunity includes a stipend, lodging, and meals. Go online for more information www.campjburg.org

Sign up for one or both sessions at

Session 1: June 28th- July 19th

Session 2: July 19th- August 8th

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 question's, 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). wvvoad.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 9-15

Monday

Alanon, 7:30pm

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

Tuesday

AA Meeting 6:30am

Senior Program & NIA, 11:30am

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

Brisket and Pork Dinner, 4-7pm

Next Sunday

Monthly Breakfast

Hymn Sing - 10am Service only



Wednesdays during Lent:

7am - mediation service in the sanctuary

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 are now being taken 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

Next book club meeting will meet on 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.



Hymn Sing Service

Next Sunday March 15th the worship service will be a Hymn sing service. See sign-up sheet on the "I Can Do That Board" to volunteer to read. There will only be one service at 10am. **No 8am service.**

BRISKET AND PORK DINNER

Mashed Potatoes, Sauerkraut, Green Beans, Corn, Salad and Desserts
Next Saturday, March 14, 2020 - Serving 4:00 p.m. -7:00 p.m.
Adults \$12.00 Children 6 - 12 \$6.00, Children 5 and under - Free
Dinner Benefits: Frenchtown Presbyterian Church

Pantry Sunday

Next week is Food Pantry Sunday. On the third Sunday we ask the congregation to help with donations for the pantry. Some items needed are canned and fresh fruit, sauerkraut, variety of cereals, canned peas and corn, Peanut butter, & canned or fresh potatoes.

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.