

Frenchtown Presbyterian Church

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

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Benevolence

Deborah Cooley 908-995-7770

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Short-Term illness

Ron Hartpence 908-246-7189

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Shut-ins and Long-Term illness

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Debbie Godown 908-859-4038

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Madelyn Freeman

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FRENCHTOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

May 5, 2018

Communion Sunday

Welcome to all who worship with us this morning!

8:00 A.M. Worship

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship (see 10am Service)

All: Let us worship God!

Opening Prayer

*Hymn #267

“Come, Christians, Join to Sing”

Passing of the Peace

A Reading of our Faith - “Rise Up Rooted Like Trees by Rainer

Maria Rilke

Scripture Reading Psalm 62:5-12, Colossians 1:9-14, 2:6-7

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Sermon: “Growing Up and Growing Deep is a Process”

Offering

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

The Lord's Supper

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Charge and Blessing

10:00 A.M. Worship

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

The Lord be with you.....and also with you!

God Gathers Us in Love

Call to Worship

Leader: In every season and in every circumstance, worship is what we do.

People: We gather to celebrate when we are filled with joy.

Leader: We seek God and prayers when we are anxious about the future.

People: In worship, we look forward to sharing the good news of our lives.

Leader: We come to church, though, when we need to hear Good News from God.

People: In all things, God calls us to be brothers and sisters as an act of worship.

Leader: Our faith grows deep when we worship and become rooted in Christ.

People: We lift our praise and ask God to help us to grow higher in our faith.

All: We gather this morning with grateful hearts for all that God has done us. God is worthy of our praise and thanks. Let us worship God!

*Opening Hymn #267 "Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, your faithfulness startles us. We complain, wander, and stumble; you love us. We are broken, wounded, and afraid; you love us. We are full of questions, doubt, and indignation; you love us. We wonder how this could be possible, and through it all: you love us. Help us to be as loyal to you as you are to us. We ask this in Christ's Holy Name, Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Children's Message

Passing the Peace Hymn #591 "Halle, Halle!"

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

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

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

A Reading of our Faith - "Rise Up Rooted Like Trees by Rainer Maria Rilke

God Speaks to Us Through His Word

Old Testament Scripture

Psalm 62:5-12

Choral Anthem

New Testament Scripture

Colossians 1:9-14, 2:6-7

Sermon: "Growing Up and Growing Deep is a Process"

*Hymn #697 vs 1,4,5

"Take My Life"

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

The Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Words of Institution/Breaking & Pouring

Communion of the People

Communion Prayer

God Sends Us Out to Reflect His Love

*Hymn #213 vs 1,2,4

"In the Cross of Christ I Glory"

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.

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.

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 –May 7-12

Monday

Alanon, 7:30pm

Men's Group, 7pm in the Memorial Parlor

Deacon Meeting, 7pm

Tuesday

AA Meeting 6:30am

Mom and Me Music Program, 10:45-11:30am

Senior Lunch and Learn 11:30

Wednesday

AA Meeting 7:30pm

Bible Study, 9am

Thursday

AA Meeting 6:30am

Women's bible study, 9:30-11:30am

Choir Rehearsal, 7:30pm

Friday

Alanon meeting, 12pm

Saturday

Saturday Women's AA Group Meeting 8:30am

AA Meeting 7pm

DEACON OF THE MONTH - Please contact the Deacon of the month **Debbie Kacerek Cooley 908-995-7770**, 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

Congregational Meeting

Session has called a special congregational meeting on Sunday May 20th at 10 AM. The purpose of the meeting is for the dissolving of the relationship with the Pastor. There will be ONE Service that day at 10am. Please make every effort to attend.

Frenchtown vs Milford Softball Game

Game time - Today at 2pm at the Old Frenchtown Field between the Frenchtown Frenzy and the Milford Mayhem and bring an item for the food pantry. The game is a joint effort between Frenchtown Presbyterian and Milford Presbyterian to benefit to our food pantry as well as St. Edwards food pantry. C'mon out and support the game! Please contact Barbara Huey at 268-3063 barbarahuey1@gmail.com or Robert Ross at rob@frenchtownpres.org.

SAFE in Hunterdon

SAFE in Hunterdon is Hunterdon County's local Domestic Violence and Sexual Violence Agency. Their mission is to empower adult and child survivors of domestic and sexual abuse while collaborating with our community to prevent violence and create positive social change. SAFE in Hunterdon through FPC Community Outreach program and Harvest Family Success Center will be at the church every **FIRST Tuesday and LAST Tuesday**, from 10:00am to 11:30am. If you have any questions about the program please call the church office at 908-996-2227 or 908-788-7666 ext. 202. Anyone is Welcome!

Kid's Communities/Youth Echo

The last day of Kids Communities and Echo Youth will be May 20th. The kids will be participating in service and we will also have a Teacher Recognition this day.

Presbyterian Women

The PW End of the Year Meeting Picnic will be held on Tuesday, May 22nd at 6:30pm at the home of Connie Sworen. Dave Kokinda will be speaking to us about his up & coming Ride for Cancer. All women are invited. Please come and join us. If you have any questions or would like to hear more about Presbyterian Women, contact Gayla Gerhard at 908-310-0702.

Summer Mission Trip

Save the date! This summer's Mission Possible trip will be **July 29-August 4, 2018** to Black Mountain Children's Home in N.C. If you have any questions or would like more information please speak with Pete Gordon - at pmg012469@yahoo.com, Paul Pfisterer at pamadaka@epix.net, or Barbara Huey at barbarahuey1@gmail.com. A week serving others is like a week's vacation for your soul.

Vacation Bible School

Save the Date - Vacation Bible School "Rolling River Rampage" will be held this summer at Frenchtown Presbyterian Church, July 23rd-July 27th. Check out our VBS website to register your children, register to volunteer, or to purchase various items off our registry (top right of homepage) to help make this year's VBS a wild adventure! <https://rrr.cokesburyvbs.com/FrenchtownVBS/>