

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

19th Sunday after Pentecost

October 20, 2019 10 a.m. Worship

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 AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

He Has Made Me Glad

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Christ came to be our King.

We have come to be Christ's people.

The King of Kings calls us to follow.

We have come to follow him.

Christ is our King.

And we are his people.

*HYMN #321

The Church's One Foundation (vss. 1,2,5)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

In every season, God of love and goodness, your steadfast love sustains us. You have brought us here, invited us to become a community of faith, called us to remember that we live and breathe only by the power of your grace in our lives.

In this season of harvest, our hearts are full of gratitude for what your hand has so generously provided us. On this day of promise, then, we look to the future with hope, opening ourselves to your Spirit at work in our lives. Be present with us this day and in this time of worship, we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

Hear the good news! Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us. (Romans 8:34) Friends, believe the good news of the gospel, in Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God!

TIME WITH CHILDREN

(Children may leave for Kid’s Communities)

*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!

God Speaks to Us Through God’s Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (*unison*)

Gracious and Holy God, give us diligence to seek you, wisdom to perceive you, and patience to wait for you. 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 READING

Ephesians 1:17-23

ANTHEM

O That I had a Thousand Voices

EPISTLE READING

Ephesians 4:11-16

MESSAGE

God Calls Us to Respond

* HYMN #489 *Wonder of Wonders, Here Revealed (vss.-13)*

BAPTISM OF GABRIEL ALLEN-JIA SHUO HERMAN-MUCCILLI, SON OF KEITH ALLEN MUCCILLI AND NATALIE ELAINE HERMAN

PRESENTATION

PROFESSION OF FAITH (WITH APOSTLES’ CREED—PG. 35)

WELCOME

Members of the household of faith, I commend this family to your care. Do all in your power to increase their faith, confirm their hope, and perfect them in love.

With joy and thanksgiving we welcome Gabriel into Christ’s church.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

PRAYER OF DEDICATION (*unison*)

Bless these gifts, gracious God, and bless all those who will be served because of them.

We bring these offerings because we hope for more in the days ahead.

We hope for a stronger church, a more compassionate world, and a time of peace.

Shape us, through our giving, into people more faithful to your Word and a people full of joy and good news.

We dedicate them along with our lives and all that we are.

Bless the lives of all your children. Amen.

God Sends Us Out to Reflect God’s Love

* HYMN #309 *Come, Great God of All the Ages (vss.1-3)*

CHARGE AND BLESSING

CHORAL BENEDICTION

Alleluia

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

NEW MEMBERS INQUIRERS GATHERINGS! Are you or someone you know new to the area and looking for a Church home? Have you been a visitor to our Church and been wondering what it takes to join? If so, then please consider attending the upcoming Inquirers Gatherings. This is an informal time of sharing so that interested persons can learn more about the ministry, and programs of our congregation, get an overview of the Presbyterian tradition and theology and have an opportunity to ask questions of our Church leadership. This is not a commitment to join, but rather a time for getting to know each other to see if we are a right fit for you and your family. There will be 2 sessions one **today, October 20th and another one on the 27th**. Each session is one hour and 15 minutes and starts after worship at 11:15am in the parlor off of Fellowship Hall. Please let us know if you are interested by contacting the Church Office at 908-996-2227 or office@frenchtownpres.org.

Concert

TODAY at 2pm will be the next concert in the FPC Concert Series featuring Josh Wilson in a Solo Piano Recital. Concert is free with donations accepted to benefit the FPC music program

Christmas Cantata

We need your voice for the FPC Christmas Cantata! We will meet after the service from 11:30 to 1. All ages and skill levels are welcome! Come sing some fun music with great people!
Save the Date...the Cantata will be held on December 15th at 2pm.

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 - October 21-27

Monday

Low Impact Aerobics, 11:15-12:30

Tuesday

AA meeting, 6:30am

Senior Program, 11:30am & Special Presentation

Boy Scouts, 7:30pm

PW Meeting, 7pm

AA meeting, 8pm

Wednesday

Bible Study, 9am

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

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

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

Omi's Celebration of Life, 11am

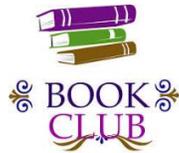
AA Meeting 7pm

Mission in Action

Thank you to all who participated, and helped in the Strike Out Hunger Softball tournament on May 4th. Our food pantry just received a check of \$333.00, 1/3 of the funds collected on game day.

Celebration of Life - Save the Date

Margaret "Omi" Frerichs Celebration of Life service will take place next Saturday, October 26th at 11am. No flowers please-contributions in honor of her life should be made to the church.



Book Club

The book club will be meeting on the second Tuesday of the month, Tuesday, November 12th at 7pm in the Youth Room downstairs. The book they will be discussing is "After You" by JoJo Moyes. Contact Kristyn Eckert at 973-534-9155. All are welcome!

Elders and Deacons needed

The nominating committee needs your help and is seeking members who would consider a leap of faith by serving as a deacon or elder in our church family. If you would like more information please talk to Nancy, any current deacon or elder or call Bill Penyak chairman of the nominating committee at 908-625-6575.

Presentation on Breast Health

This Tuesday, October 22, 2019 from 1pm-2pm in Fellowship Hall, there will be a special presentation on Breast Cancer Risks Factors, Symptoms and Screenings, Diagnosis and Treatment. This is a Free Presentation conducted by Jennifer Montes, MD, MPH at Hunterdon Breast Surgery Center, in Flemington. For registration, please call Hunterdon CEED: Janet at (908) 237-6028 or just show up. All are welcome to attend.

PW Holiday Bazaar

Save the Date, the annual Presbyterian Women Holiday Bazaar will be held November 22,23 and 24th. Donations of handmade crafts and baked goods are needed. Contact Gayla at 908-310-0702 if you have any questions or would like to help at the Bazaar.



Halloween Parent Pit Stop

Please help support our annual Halloween Parents Pit-Stop again this year on Thursday, October 31st! We need some folks to help out distributing the goodies! We also need donations of candy - please leave them in bags in the church kitchen, labeled for the Pit Stop. Contact Barbara Huey if you have any questions at 908-268-3063.

Soles4Souls

Total pairs of shoes donated to Soles4Souls is now at 4819. Thank you for all your donations and keep them coming!