

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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<u>Benevolence</u>	<u>Shut-ins and Long-Term illness</u>
Ron Hartpence 908-246-7189	Deborah Hill 908-507-8803
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FRENCHTOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

September 23, 2018

Welcome to all who worship with us this morning!

8:00 A.M. Worship

Prelude
Welcome and Announcements
Call to Worship (see 10 am Service)
All: Let us worship God!
Opening Prayer
*Hymn #620 "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"
Passing of the Peace
A Reading of Our Faith (see 10am service)
Scripture Reading James 3:13-18, Mark 9:30-37

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Sermon "Like A Child"
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!
Choral Introit "He Has Made Me Glad"

God Gathers Us in Love

Call to Worship - (Based on Psalm 50)
Leader: Our God comes and does not keep silence,
**People: before him is a devouring fire, and a mighty tempest
is all around him.**

Leader: The heavens declare his righteousness, for God himself is judge.

People: The Lord says, “Call on me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify me.”

Leader: O Lord, open our lips, and our mouths will declare your praise.

People: Let us bless the Lord: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Let us worship God.

*Hymn #620 “Praise, My Soul, The King of Heaven”

Unison Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. May the God of mercy, who forgives you all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

Children’s Message

(Children may leave for Kid’s Communities/Youth for Echo)

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!

God Speaks to Us Through His Word

Reading of our Faith - Psalm 131

¹O Lord, my heart is not lifted up, my eyes are not raised too high; I do not occupy myself with things too great and too marvelous for me.

But I have calmed and quieted my soul, like a weaned child with its mother; my soul is like a weaned child within me.^[a]

O Israel, hope in the Lord from this time on and forevermore.

Scripture Reading

James 3:13-18

Choral Anthem

“Holy Manna”

New Testament Reading

Mark 9:30-37

Sermon

“Like A Child”

*Hymn #4

“Holy God We Praise Your Name”

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

God Sends Us Out to Reflect His Love

*Hymn #450

“Be Thou My Vision”

Charge and Blessing

Choral Benediction

“Gospel Amen”

Postlude

**please stand if able*

*Child Care is available during the 10:00am 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.

Bible Study

Bible Study will resume starting Wednesday Morning, September 26th at 9am downstairs in the Youth Group room. Contact Glenn Horvath at 908-996-6356 if you have any questions. All are Welcome.

Presbyterian Women

The Presbyterian Women will meet this month with the first meeting to be held on Tuesday, September 25th at 7pm in the Memorial Parlor. Come and see all they do to support our church and our community. If you would like to be a part of this great group or have any questions, please contact Gayla Gerhardt at 908-310-0702, or Marie Johnson at 908-996-3561 .

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 –Sept 23-30

Today

Cantata Practice 11:15am

Monday

Tuesday

AA Meeting 6:30am

Mommy and Me Music Program, 10:45am

Senior Lunch and Learn, 11:30am

Presbyterian Women meeting, 7pm

Wednesday

AA Meeting 7:30pm

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

Bible Study, 9am, in youth room downstairs

Thursday

AA Meeting 6:30am

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 **Deb Hill 908-507-8803**, 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



Deacons needed

Do you know someone who would make a great Deacon.

Frenchtown Presbyterian's Nominating Committee is considering names of members to serve as a Deacon. We are currently looking to fill 5 deacon positions. In particular, we seek nominees who:

- Are grounded in a strong faith, dedicated discipleship, and who love God and neighbor
- Are of spiritual character, honest repute, brotherly and sisterly love, sincere compassion, and sound judgment
- Represent the rich diversity of the congregation's membership

If you are interested in serving or would like to suggest another FPC member, please contact Chrys Longman 908-256-0956 / clongman27@me.com or Glenn Horvath at 908-996-6356. You can also submit candidates for nomination. Please join us in prayer that we may continue to come together in response to Christ's call to serve.



Halloween Parents' Pit-Stop

We are planning again for this fun event on Halloween night! If you would like to help, please be in touch with Barbara Huey 908-268-3063 or Robert Ross rob@frenchtownpres.org

Hospitality Team Request

Please consider making a casserole, quiche or soup for the freezer so that we can bring it to our shut-ins and ailing community members who so need our comfort and a prepared meal. There is a sign-up sheet on the "I Can Do It" board. You can also drop your **labeled** meals in the freezer.

Music Ministry

The annual Cantata Choir will begin meeting after the 10:00 service in the choir room. The concert is scheduled for December 16th. Contact Joshua Wilson at pianomanjosh117@gmail.com if you have any questions.

Children's Choir

The FPC Children's choir will meet after Sunday school for a half hour in the 3rd-5th grade room and will be led by Karina Fengler. Come and sing about the Bible with your friends while you learn about music!

Book Club

Book Club will meet October 8th at 7pm at the church. The book that we will be discussing is *The Woman in the Window* by A.J Finn.