

# 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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### Board of Deacons

#### Benevolence

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#### Short-Term illness

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Sonja Mitchell 908-892-2021

#### Hospitality

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Debbie Godown 908-859-4038

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#### Youth Care Projects

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#### Events

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### Church Staff

#### Youth Minister

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#### Church Secretary

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#### Church Sexton

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#### Financial Secretary

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#### Choir Director

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#### Organist

Josh Wilson 610-393-8670



## FRENCHTOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

March 12, 2017

Second Sunday in Lent

*Welcome to all who worship with us this morning!*

### 8:00 A.M. Worship

Welcome  
Call to Worship  
Opening Prayer  
\*Hymn #49 "The God of Abraham Praise"  
Scripture Reading Genesis 12:1-4a; John 3:1-17  
This is the Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**  
Sermon "Going Out & Coming In"  
Offering  
Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer  
The Lord's Supper  
Charge and Blessing

### 10:00 A.M. Worship

Meditation  
Welcome & Announcements  
The Lord be with you.....  
**and also with you!**  
Choral Introit "Gather Us In"

### God Gathers Us in Love

Call to Worship (from Psalm 121)  
Leader: From where will our help come?  
**People: Our help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.**  
Leader: Who is our keeper?  
**People: The Lord is our keeper, by day and by night.**  
Leader: How long will God protect us?  
**People: God will keep our going out and our coming in from this time on and forevermore.**

\*Hymn #49

"The God of Abraham Praise"

Prayer of Confession

**Gracious God, we come before you in need of forgiveness and grace. You call us to trust in you completely, but we do not. We are timid and fearful as we follow your lead. We justify our actions and words, though we know they are not what you require. We struggle to understand the new life Christ offers, preferring old habits to risky change. Forgive us, we pray. Help us to be born again into the life of Christ, trusting that you have included us by grace in the family of faith. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Our hope, our help, our peace, our joy?  
All come from God, the One who loved us, and the world so much, that Jesus came to bring us salvation.  
**People: Keeper of our souls, be with us; Watcher of our days, lead us; Salvation of our lives, have mercy on us. Amen.**

Girl Scout Recognition

*Kristyn Eckert*

Children's Message

(Children may leave for Kid's Communities Youth, leave for Echo.)

Passing the Peace Hymn #591

"Halle, Halle!"

The peace of Christ be with you!

**And also with you!**

(Please pass the peace of Christ.)

Minute for Mission

*Sam Huey*

## God Speaks to Us Through His Word

A Reading from the Old Testament

Genesis 12:1-4a

Choral Anthem

"I Want Jesus to Walk With Me"

A Reading from the Gospel

John 3:1-17

This is the Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

Sermon

"Going Out & Coming In"

## God Calls Us to Respond

\*Hymn #51

"To Abraham and Sarah"

\*Affirmation of Faith (Adapted from the Heidelberg Catechism Q88-90 )

Leader: What is involved in genuine repentance or conversion?

**People: Two things: the dying-away of the old self, and the rising-to-life of the new.**

Leader: What is the dying-away of the old self?

**People: To be genuinely sorry for sin and more and more to hate and run away from it.**

Leader: What is the rising-to-life of the new self?

**People: Wholehearted joy in God through Christ and a love and delight to live according to the will of God by doing every kind of good work.**

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 #634

"To God Be The Glory"

Charge and Blessing

Choral Benediction

"God Be With Me Till We Meet Again"

Postlude

*\*please stand if able.*

\*Child Care 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.

## 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

#### Monday

Men's Group, 7pm in the Memorial Parlor.  
Alanon Meeting, 7:30pm

#### Tuesday

AA Meeting 6:30am  
Book Club, 7-9pm

#### Wednesday

Lenten Morning Prayer with Communion, 7am  
AA Meeting 7:30pm  
Bible Study, 9am  
AA Meeting 6:30am  
Food For Thought, 7pm

#### Thursday

Choir Rehearsal, 7:30pm

#### Friday

Alanon meeting, 12-1pm

#### Saturday

Saturday Women's AA Group Meeting 8:30am  
AA Meeting 7pm

#### Next Sunday

Monthly Breakfast

**DEACON OF THE MONTH** - Please contact the Deacon of the month **Deborah 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 request please contact **Ken Gerhardt 908-310-1884** or email him at **kennyg12@ptd.net**

\***Online giving** is available. Go to the church website and click on the online offering link on the right hand side of the web page

### Morning Service in Lent

Join us each Wednesday morning in Lent in the sanctuary at 7 am for a service of morning prayer and communion. We will have you on your way by 7:40 so that you can get to other responsibilities. We also have an ongoing Bible group those same Wednesdays at 9 am.

### Bible Study

Each Wednesday at 9 am we will gather downstairs and look at one or more of the Bible readings for the coming Sunday.

For Wednesday, March 15th , please read **John 4:5-30**

### Book Club

Come join us at the next Book Club this Tuesday, March 14th, from 7-9pm, downstairs. Light refreshments provided. The book we will be discussing is *The Circle* By Dave Eggers

### Flowers for Easter

Time to order flowers for Easter. Flowers available are Daisy Mums, Daffodils, and Lilies for \$8.00 per plant and Tulips for \$6.50. All **orders need to be in by April 2nd**. Additional order forms are available at the back of the church. Contact Margaret Pfisterer at 610-294-9412 if you have any questions.

### Mission Possible

Save the Date! The Summer Mission trip will be **July 9-16th** to Black Mountain Home for Children in Ashville N.C. This trip is open to all ages. If you are interested in going or have any questions please contact Paul Pfisterer at 610-294-9412.

### Free Tax Prep Services

FPC is hosting United Way free tax preparation. Dates scheduled are March 14 & 28th and April 11th. Appointments are needed. Please dial 2-1-1 ext 27 to schedule an appointment. Hosted by Frenchtown Community Services and Outreach Group.

### "Take Me Out To The Ball Game!"

All softball/baseball players - we need you! The 4th annual Benefit Softball Game ~ Milford MAYHEM vs Frenchtown FRENZY will be played on Sunday, May 7th @ 2:00 pm at Old Frenchtown Field (across from the school). This game is to benefit the Food Pantry - last year we collected 1500 pounds of food! **BUT, we need players!** Please contact Dave Fleck at 973-903-4536 or Rob Ross at 609-571-8012 for questions. We will also need a few volunteers to help with the food collection. Please contact Barbara Huey 908- 268-3036 if interested.

### Soles for Souls

Total Shoe count collected in the box in the Fellowship Hall is 1627.

### Pantry Sunday

Next week is Pantry Sunday, please bring something in for the Food Pantry. Some items needed are salad dressing, sugar, paper products, peanut butter, jelly and juices.