

Frenchtown Presbyterian Church

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8:00 A.M. with Communion & 10:00 A.M. with Kid's Communities

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Benevolence

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Short-Term illness

Jan Turenne 908-996-6392
Jen & Dave Griffith 609-397-8772
Sonja Mitchell 908-892-2021

Hospitality

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Debbie Godown 908-859-4038

Shut-ins and Long-Term illness

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Deborah Hill 908-507-8803
Deborah Fiebig 908-996-6436

Bereavement

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FRENCHTOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

April 23, 2017

Second Sunday of Easter

Welcome to all who worship with us this morning!

8:00 A.M. Worship

Welcome

Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

*Hymn #245

"Christ The Lord is Risen Today!"

Scripture Reading

Acts 4:32-35; John 20:19-31

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Sermon

"Living Rooms"

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

"Morning Has Broken"

God Gathers Us in Love

Call to Worship

Leader: The peace of God is with us.

People: Christ Jesus stands among us.

Leader: By the power of the Holy Spirit

People: we have seen the risen Lord.

Leader: Lift your hearts to God, Resurrection People.

People: We lift our glad hearts to the One who gives us new life.

*Hymn #245 "Christ The Lord is Risen Today!"

Prayer of Confession

You have shown yourself to us, O God, by Word and Spirit, with signs and wonders, in flesh and blood, yet we still struggle to live and believe the good news of Jesus Christ. Have mercy on us; forgive us. Enter into our lives and cast out our fear so that we may come to trust in you and have life in Jesus' name. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: This is the good news we have to declare:
God leads us out of the shadows to walk in the light of Christ.

People: This is the word we have heard: our faithful God forgives our sins and raises us to new life. Thanks be to God.

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.)

Halle, Halle, Halle—lujah!

Halle, Halle, Halle—lujah!

Halle, Halle, Halle—lujah!

Hallelujah, hallelujah!

God Speaks to Us Through His Word

A Reading from the New Testament Acts 4:32-35

Choral Anthem "The Gift of Love"

A Reading from the Gospel John 20:19-31

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Sermon "Living Rooms"

God Calls Us to Respond

*Hymn #231 "Christ Has Risen While Earth Slumbers"

*Affirmation of Faith - The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

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 #238 "Thine is the Glory"

Charge and Blessing

Choral Benediction "3 Fold Amen"

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.

Church Picnic

Mark your calendars for our **annual Church Picnic on May 21st** at Frenchtown Park. Picnic will begin after the 10am service at approximately 11:30am. Grilled meats and drinks will be provided, but please bring a salad, side dish or dessert to share. Let's celebrate another year in the life of our wonderful church! We will need people to set up and clean up, so please contact Barbara Huey at 268-3063 or barbarahuey1@gmail.com if you can help.

Community Outreach

The new Frenchtown Community Service and Outreach Initiative (CS&O) is joining forces with the Harvest Family Success Center (FSC) and Frenchtown Borough to host a Health Fair next **Saturday, April 29th, from 10 am to 2pm** as the kick-off event for the CS&O. The Health Fair will take place here at the church and all events are free! The fair will feature health and wellness programs for the whole family. Healthy snacks will be available throughout the day, and door prizes will be drawn every half hour featuring gift cards for local businesses and product gift baskets. The day's events will also include a Senior "Lunch and Learn," yoga demonstrations, meditation and mindfulness programs, blood pressure checks, healthy cooking/eating classes and much, much more!

"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.

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

Today

Equipping Parents, 5:30-8pm

EVENTS DURING THE WEEK

Monday

Men's Group, 7pm in the Memorial Parlor.
Alanon Meeting, 7:30pm
AA Meeting 6:30am

Wednesday

AA Meeting 7:30pm
Bible Study, 9am
AA Meeting 6:30am

Thursday

Choir Rehearsal, 7:30pm

Friday

Alanon meeting, 12-1pm

Saturday

Saturday Women's AA Group Meeting 8:30am
AA Meeting 7pm
Community Health Fair, 10am-2pm

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

Equipping Parents-Social Media & Technology

TONIGHT, 5:30pm – 8:00pm – All Families Welcome!

Equipping Parents is a teaching series dedicated to equipping parents with knowledge, resources & support needed to help teens navigate the realities of this world. A free family style dinner will be served at 5:30pm, Adult program & youth activity start at 6:15pm. Please RSVP by April 19th! Email: equippingparents@frenchtownpres.org or Call: (908) 996-2227.

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, May 3rd, please read **Luke 24:13-35**.



Congregational Meeting

The Session of Frenchtown Presbyterian Church has called a meeting of the Congregation for **Sunday, May 7, 2017** for the purpose for hearing a final report from the Pastor Nominating Committee and proceeding to the election of the pastor. **This meeting will take place in the sanctuary immediately after the ONE SERVICE of worship that day (which begins at 10 am)**. The candidate will preach and lead worship, assisted by members of the PNC. While all members and friends are encouraged to attend on this important Sunday, only members on the roll of Frenchtown Presbyterian are eligible to speak and vote in the meeting.

On Saturday, May 6, from 4-6 pm, all members and friends are invited to meet and greet the candidate in Fellowship Hall.

Children's Envelopes

If you would like envelopes for your child's offering, boxes are located in the Fellowship Hall. Please make sure to sign your child's name next to the box number you take, Please call Christine Aherne on Tuesday's at 908-996-2227 if you have any questions.

Youth Group

The youth group are selling Dorney Park Tickets. Tickets are \$35.00/ea (Regular ticket price is \$56.00/ea, a SAVINGS of \$21.00/ea). **Orders must be received by Next Sunday.** Tickets will be available by the end of May. Tickets will be good for any public operating day of the 2017 season. Contact Rob at 609-571-8012 or Michelle at 908-995-4967 with any questions and/or orders.

Confirmation Class Mission Project

The mission project for this year's 2017 confirmation class will be collecting donations of new adult sized socks and Underwear. This donation will take place through April 23rd. Bins will be located throughout the church where donations can be placed. If you have any questions please contact Robert Ross at 609-571-8012.

Music Ministry

Barbershop Quartet from the Hunterdon Harmonizers coming in late May or early June. More information to follow.

Time to start thinking about summer music for the church! Kathy & Josh are looking for folks who play an instrument or sing, who would like to be part of summer Sunday worship. See Kathy or Josh if you would like to sing or play this summer, or contact Kathy at kdawgsing@gmail.com

Camp Johnsonburg-Women's Retreat

Join women of all ages for a weekend of reflection, rejuvenation and recreation! All of this will create a memorable weekend not to be missed! April 28-30, 2017 at Camp Johnsonburg. The retreat includes: Two Nights Lodging and Friday Dinner through Sunday Lunch. For more information and to register online visit www.campjburg.org. If you have any questions, email: office@campjburg.org or call: [\(908\) 852-2349](tel:9088522349)

Soles for Souls

Total Shoe count collected is 1787. Collection box for the shoes is located in the Fellowship Hall. Let's try and hit 2000 by June!