

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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Christian Education

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Community Life

DeAnn Finelli 908-237-1104
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Mission and Outreach

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Stewardship

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Worship

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Clerk of Session

Kathy Skerbetz 908-996-6126

Board of Deacons

Benevolence

Ken Gerhardt 908-310-1884
Deborah Cooley 908-995-7770

Short-Term illness

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

Hospitality

Deborah Cooley 908-995-7770
Debbie Godown 908-859-4038

Shut-ins and Long-Term illness

Jan Turenne 908-996-6392
Deborah Hill 908-507-8803
Deborah Fiebig 908-996-6436

Bereavement

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Sonja Mitchell 908-892-2021
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Church Staff

Youth Minister

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Church Secretary

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Josh Wilson 610-393-8670



FRENCHTOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

April 30, 2017

Third Sunday of Easter

Welcome to all who worship with us this morning!

8:00 A.M. Worship

Welcome

Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

*Hymn #15 vs. 1,5,& 6 "All Creatures of Our God and King"

Scripture Reading 1 Peter 1:17-23; Luke 24:13-35

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Rev. Nancy Asbury, guest preacher

Offering

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

The Lord's Supper

Charge and Blessing

10:00 A.M. Worship

Meditation

Jazz Combo "Amazing Grace"

Welcome & Announcements

The Lord be with you.....

and also with you!

God Gathers Us in Love

Call to Worship

Leader: Jesus Christ, we greet you! Your hands still have holes in them, your feet are wet from the dew; and with the memory of our names undimmed by three days of death you meet us, risen from the grave.

People: We fail to understand how; we puzzle at the reason why.

Leader: But you have come; not to answer our questions, but to show us your face.

People: You are alive and the world can rejoice again.

Hallelujah! Amen.

*Hymn #15

"All Creatures of Our God and King"

Prayer of Confession

Leader: Forgive us O God for the times that we fail to notice your presence among us. In the wonder, the beauty, the richness of the world you have made, in the extraordinary complexities of the human body and soul,

People: we often miss seeing your glory, creator God.

Leader: In the sacrificial giving of a son, loved more than we can ever know or understand,

People: we often miss seeing your glory, saving God.

Leader: In your coming to us, in the meeting of our needs, when sadness or loneliness threaten to overwhelm our very being,

People: we often miss seeing your glory, comforting God.

Leader: In the meeting with other people, in the being with a friend, in the sharing of a meal, in the listening to someone in need,

People: we often miss seeing your glory, loving God.

Leader: As we make journeys along the road of life, some joyous, others with a heavy heart, you walk with us, loving God,

**People: We praise and thank you that you always see us.
Open our eyes and quicken our hearts, in the name of
Jesus Christ, Amen.**

Assurance of Grace

Leader: Sisters and brothers, God forgives, restores, and strengthens us through the risen Christ. Know that you are forgiven.

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. 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

1 Peter 1:17-23

Jazz Proclamation *Jazz Combo* "Great is thy Faithfulness"

A Reading from the Gospel

Luke 24:13-35

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Sermon

Rev. Nancy Asbury, guest preacher

God Calls Us to Respond

*Hymn #254

"That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright"

*Affirmation of Faith

This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved, if we hold it fast; that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day, and that he appeared first to the women, then to Peter, and to the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses. We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the Living God. Jesus Christ is the first and the last, the beginning and the end; he is our Lord and our God. 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 #248

"Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna!"

Charge and Blessing

Postlude

Jazz Combo "Hyfrydol"

**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.

"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.



Spring Clean up

May 6th, please join us in our Spring cleanup at 9 a.m. The scouts will be helping but we sure could use some church members. We need help raking, pruning mulching, cleaning and repairing things inside and out along with window washing and lots of stuff on Maries list. Please come help. Contact Eugene Hill if you have any questions 908-310-0702.

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
AA Meeting 6:30am
Deacon Meeting, 7pm

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
Spring Clean up, 9am
Meet n Greet Pastoral Candidate, 4-6pm

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

Rev. Nancy Asbury, preacher, teacher, pastor and much more is a member-at-large of the Elizabeth Presbytery who has served as pastor of nine congregations, most recently as Interim Pastor at Osceola Presbyterian Church in Clark. In her varied career she has also served as Executive Director of Raritan Valley Habitat for Humanity, Crisis Care Chaplain at Morristown Memorial Hospital and had a corporate career as a trainer and technical writer. She is married to Charley, is stepmother to his two sons, and is a very happy Nana to 7 year old grandson Matthew. She and Charley fill their leisure time with biking, hiking, and camping.

Welcome

Mercer County Community College Jazz Combo

Saxophone: Max Hill

Guitar: Chelsey Johnstone

Bass: Joe Suarez

Drums: Max Lichtmann

Piano: Josh Wilson



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 TODAY.** 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.

Music Ministry

Jazz Concert **next Sunday, at 7pm** here at the church.

Soles for Souls

Total Shoe count collected is 1824. Collection box for the shoes is located in the Fellowship Hall. Let's try and hit 2000 by June!

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.