

# 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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#### Worship

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#### Clerk of Session

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### 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 908-693-0405  
Sonja Mitchell 908-892-2021

#### Hospitality

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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

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Sonja Mitchell 908-892-2021  
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#### Youth Care Projects

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#### Events

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### Church Staff

#### Youth Minister

Robert Ross 609-571-8012  
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#### Church Secretary

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#### Church Sexton

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Rev. Stephen Kolderup 404-434-5844  
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#### Financial Secretary

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#### Choir Director

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#### Organist

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## FRENCHTOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

May 14, 2017

### Confirmation Sunday

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

### 8:00 A.M. Worship

Welcome

Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

\*Hymn #39

"Great is Thy Faithfulness"

Scripture Reading

Psalms 139:13-18; Jeremiah 1:4-17

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

Sermon

"I am not...." *Robert Ross, Youth Minister*

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

"All People That on Earth Do Dwell "

### God Gathers Us in Love

Call to Worship

Leader: Lord, on this day set aside to honor and remember mothers, we give you thanks for our mothers. We are grateful that you chose to give us life through them, and that they received the gift of life from your hands, and gave it to us. Thank you for the sacrifices they made in carrying us and giving birth.

**All: We thank you for the women who raised us, who were our mothers in childhood. Whether birth mom,**

**adopted mom, older sister, aunt, grandmother, stepmother, or someone else, we thank you for those women who held us and fed us, who cared for us and kissed away our pain. We pray that our lives may reflect the love they showed us, and that they would be pleased to be called our mothers.**

\*Hymn #475 "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

Prayer of Confession

**Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease you. Forgive our sins, and help us to live in your light, and walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: You are no longer alone - you are God's Beloved. You are not of this world, but residents of God's Kingdom. You, who once had no hope, have been filled with forgiveness.

**People: Each one of us, all of us, have received God's mercy in Christ. Forgiven, redeemed, made whole - we are a people made one in faith. Thanks be to God. Amen.**

Children's Message

(Kid's leave for Kid's Communities, Youth to 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 Psalms

Psalm 139:13-18

Choral Anthem

"One Step He Leads"

A Reading from the Prophets

Jeremiah 1:4-17

This is the Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

Sermon

"I am not...." *Robert Ross, Youth Minister*

Reception of the Frenchtown Presbyterian Church Confirmation Class of 2017

### **God Calls Us to Respond**

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 #39

"Great is Thy Faithfulness"

Choral Benediction

"God Be With You Till We Meet Again"

Charge and Blessing

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.

## *Happy Mother's Day*



### Thirds @ Fourth

Stephen & Jan will be hosting their final Thirds @ Fourth gathering at the manse on Friday May 19th from 6-9 pm. Come enjoy some food and fellowship. Please bring a dish or beverage to share, dress casually and, if the weather permits backyard fireplace sitting, a lawn chair or blanket. We will plan to say grace and eat around 6:30. If you cannot come until later we'll still be open for dessert and conversation.

### Church Breakfast

There will be no Breakfast served next Sunday.

### Newsletter

Information for the June Newsletter is due into the church office by May 22nd. Thank you!

## 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 - May 14-20th**

#### Monday

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

#### Tuesday

AA Meeting 6:30am  
Session meeting, 7pm

#### Wednesday

AA Meeting 7:30pm  
Bible Study, 9am

#### Thursday

Choir Rehearsal, 7:30pm  
AA Meeting 6:30am

#### Friday

Alanon meeting, 12-1pm  
Thirds @ Fourth, 6pm

#### Saturday

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

#### Next Sunday

Church Picnic at Frenchtown Park

**DEACON OF THE MONTH** - Please contact the Deacon of the month **Jennifer Griffith at 908-639-0405** 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**



### Elders & Deacons Needed

If you would like to service as an officer of your church, Elders and Deacons are needed. If interested or have any questions about what's involved contact Kathy Skerbetz at 908-720-6533

### 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. Please read John 14:15-21 for May 17th.

### Church Picnic

Mark your calendars for our **annual Church Picnic Next Sunday** 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](mailto:barbarahuey1@gmail.com) if you can help.

### Soles for Souls

The shoe box count in the Fellowship Hall is now 1880. Thank you and keep them coming!



### Trenton Thunder Baseball Game

The annual night at the ballpark with fireworks will be Saturday August 26th at 7pm. We will depart by bus from the church parking lot at 5:00pm for the Trenton Thunder home stadium at Arm & Hammer Park. A sign-up sheet will be on the "I Can Do That Board". Trenton Thunder is an American Minor League Baseball team based in Trenton, NJ, that is a Double-A affiliate of the New York Yankees.

### Presbyterian Women End of Year Picnic

Presbyterian Women end of year picnic will be held May 30th at 6:00pm at the home of Connie Sworen. All ladies of the church are invited to come. Please bring a covered dish to share and something for layette. Please RSVP to Gayla Gerhard at 908-310-0702.



### Food Pantry

A big **Thank You!** to all that participated in Frenchtown Frenzy vs. Milford Mayhem annual softball game to benefit the food pantries. Way to go Frenchtown Frenzy for the win **22-19**. Our pantry received half of the collected **1524 lbs.** donated. Next Week is Food Pantry Sunday, some items still needed are canned beets, whole kernel corn, spinach, peas and sauerkraut as well as always needed items, detergent, paper products and coffee.