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8:00 A.M. with Communion & 9:30 A.M.

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FRENCHTOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

July 30, 2017

Welcome to all who worship with us this morning!

8:00 A.M. Worship

Welcome

Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

*Hymn #305

Scripture Reading

"Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!"
Leviticus 19:33-34, Corinthians 12:14-26 &
John 17:20-26

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Sermon

"It's Good To Be With You, Again"

Offering

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

The Lord's Supper

Charge and Blessing

9:30 A.M. Worship

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

The Lord be with you.....

and also with you!

God Gathers Us in Love

Call to Worship from Psalm 149

Pastor: Praise the Lord!

People: Praise the Lord, O my soul!

Pastor: I will praise the Lord as long as I live;

People: I will sing praises to my God all my life long.

Pastor: Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob,

People: whose hope is in the Lord our God,

Pastor: The Lord sets the prisoners free;

People: the Lord opens the eyes of the blind.

Pastor: The Lord watches over the strangers;

People: The Lord upholds the orphan and the widow,

Pastor: The Lord will reign forever,

People: Praise the Lord!

*Hymn #305

"Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!"

Unison Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you. We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy.

You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in neither loving you nor our neighbors. Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving-kindness. In your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin.

Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Do not cast us from your presence, or take your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit.

Assurance of Pardon

VBS Blessing

Children's Message

(Kid's may leave for Sunday School Program)

Passing the Peace Hymn #591

"Halle, Halle!"

The peace of Christ be with you!

And also with you!

(Please pass the peace of Christ.)

God Speaks to Us Through His Word

Scripture Readings Leviticus 19:33-34, Corinthians 12:14-26 &
John 17:20-26

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Sermon

"It's Good to Be With You, Again"

*Hymn #134

"Joy to the World"

God Calls Us to Respond

Affirmation of Faith: Apostles' Creed (unison)

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

"He Loves Us All"

Doxology*

"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Prayer of Dedication

God Sends Us Out to Reflect His Love

*Hymn #515

"I Come with Joy"

Charge and Blessing

Postlude

**please stand if able.*

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



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. There is a sign-up sheet on the "I Can Do That Board" so we know how many tickets we will need.

Trenton Thunder is an American Minor League Baseball team based in Trenton, NJ, that is a Double-A affiliate of the New York Yankees.

Save the Date

Pastor Courtney's Installation Service will be **Sunday, October 15 at 4 PM**



Church Bowling Event

Bob and Tonya Reese I would like to have an end of summer bowling event for the Church members following the 9:30 service on Sunday, August 27, 2017.

Come out to West Hunterdon Lanes from **11:00 am - 1:00 pm on Sunday, August 27, 2017** for some fun and fellowship. The bowling and shoe rental are free the only costs would be for any purchases from the snack bar."

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 - 30-5 August

Monday

Alanon Meeting, 7:30pm

VBS at Alexandria First Presbyterian Church

Tuesday

AA Meeting 6:30am

Senior Lunch and Learn Bingo, 11:30-1pm

Wednesday

AA Meeting 7:30pm

Thursday

AA Meeting 6:30am

Friday

Alanon meeting, 12-1pm

Saturday

Saturday Women's AA Group Meeting 8:30am

AA Meeting 7pm

DEACON OF THE MONTH - Please contact the Deacon of the month **David Griffith** at 908-693-0405 if you or someone you know is in the hospital or needs other assistance from the Deacons.

Guest Preacher for Today

The Reverend Raymond E. Bonwell, III, will be our guest preacher on Sunday, July 30. Raymond is The Corporate Secretary of The Board of Pensions for the Presbyterian Church (USA). Rev. Bonwell is an ordained PC (USA) pastor and a minister member of the Philadelphia Presbytery. He graduated from The University of Michigan in economics and had a twelve-year career in finance. While working full-time in finance, he earned the Certified Investment Management Analyst designation from The Wharton School at The University of Pennsylvania. All through his career, though, Raymond felt the call for a deeper study of faith and theology. So, again while working full-time, Rev. Bonwell graduated from an intensive 2 ½ year lay-certification program. He still wanted to study theology more intensely and felt God calling him to attend Princeton Theological Seminary as a full-time student. Raymond left his career in finance and relocated to Princeton with his wife and three children. After graduation from Princeton Seminary, Rev. Bonwell served as The Director of Programs for the Continuing Education Department where he coordinated hundreds of conferences for lay and clergy leaders. Raymond has been invited to serve as guest preacher for hundreds of churches and to serve as a keynote and/or guest speaker in a variety of spaces around the country. Rev. Bonwell has a love for explaining things and wants to use the gifts he has to impact others, especially in the intersection of faith and finance. A few years ago, Raymond found a job where his love of finance and faith found its match. He was hired as an Educational Specialist for The Board of Pensions and has since been promoted to Corporate Secretary. Rev. Bonwell has had a great impact on others having had a live call-in radio program, published articles, and receiving awards for his faithful work and ministry. Let us offer a warm welcome to Raymond!

Vacation Bible School

Alexandria, Frenchtown and Milford churches invite you to the **2017 Vacation Bible School - VBS Hero Central!** At VBS Hero Central, children will interact, energize and enjoy a Bible-based good time as they discover their strength in God. They will become Heroes as they explore God's mission through songs, games and stories which reveal Hero Codes to equip every Hero for an active life with God. **DATE: July 31st to August 4th**
TIME: 9:00am to 11:30am **LOCATION: Alexandria First Presbyterian Church 141 Route 519**
Registration forms are available at the church or at www.alexpres.org

Gathering at the Manse

There will be an "Open House @ Pastor Courtney's House" on Saturday, August 12, from 4 - 9 PM. Everyone is invited to come and go as they please to visit with members and friends of Frenchtown Presbyterian Church and enjoy some appetizers, snacks, s'mores/desserts, and hot dogs/burgers on the grill. Come and enjoy a time of fellowship and fun. There will also be yard games in the back. All ages are invited!

Summer Sunday School

Our one room Sunday school program "Lego Faith Builders" for Preschool-5th grade will be held downstairs in the 3rd-5th-grade classroom every Sunday in the Summer. Please contact Kristyn Eckert if you have any questions 908-995-7703.

Thirds on 4th

There will be no 3rds on 4th at Pastor Courtney's House in August because she will be away for a family event