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Summer Worship Services

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

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Benevolence

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Short-Term illness

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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

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

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Sonja Mitchell 908-892-2021
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FRENCHTOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

August 27, 2017

Welcome to all who worship with us this morning!

8:00 A.M. Worship

Welcome
Call to Worship
Opening Prayer
*Hymn #620 "Praise My Soul The King of Heaven"
Passing of the Peace
Scripture Reading Mark 4:35-41 & 1 Samuel 17:32-49
This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!
Sermon "Facing our Goliath"
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
Leader: Strength is commanding the wind and sea to obey,
People: Strength is wielding a slingshot in the face of a raging giant.
Leader: Strength is accepting vulnerability from inside the boat,
People: Strength is standing in solidarity with the powerless.
Leader: Strength is turning a cheek.
People: Strength is loving an enemy.
Leader: We come to worship a God who redefines our vision of strength.
All: Let us worship God!

*Hymn #620 "Praise My Soul The King of Heaven"

Unison Prayer of Confession

Dear God, when trials come upon us, we often find ourselves consumed with fear. We hear your call to be courageous, but we sometimes find our faith to be lacking. We want to take risks for you, but we confess our complacency. In ignoring injustice, we secretly hope it will just subside. You show us that you are trustworthy and You stay by our side in both suffering and celebration. Help us to trust you. Forgive us for our weakness and grant us the determination to follow in your way. In Jesus' Name we pray, Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

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

New Testament Reading

Mark 4:35-41

Old Testament Reading

1 Samuel 17:32-49

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Sermon

"Facing our Goliath"

*Hymn #387

"Breathe on Me Breath of God"

God Calls Us to Respond

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Affirmation of Faith - Apostle's 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.

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 #700

"I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

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**

MISSION STATEMENT



Music

The new **Chancel Choir** season is starting very soon! Anyone interested in singing with the Chancel Choir can join us on Thursday nights from 7:30- 9:00 p.m. in the choir room. Our first rehearsal will be **Thursday, September 7th**. You do not have to read music to be part of choir, just have a love for singing and making music for the Lord. If you have any questions contact Kathy Hartman, Choir Director [484-226-0017](tel:484-226-0017) or Josh Wilson, organist 610-393-8670.

Praise Band- our first rehearsal will be **Wednesday, September 6th** in the choir room. Come with a song or 2 that you'd like to work on. Praise Band meets every other Wednesday from 7-8:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. This is open to anyone interested in Praise music. We are in need of a drummer! This band is open to anyone interested in singing or playing an instrument.

This year we will be presenting our 3rd Christmas Cantata on Sunday afternoon , December 10th. We will begin rehearsals on **September 24th from 11:30-1:00 p.m.** We will meet on Sunday afternoons in the sanctuary. Everyone will receive their own packet of music, a practice CD and a rehearsal calendar. Any questions? Call Kathy Hartman at [484-226-0017](tel:484-226-0017).

On **Sunday, September 3rd** we will have an "Open Choir" for anyone who wants to get together before the 10 a.m. service practice a hymn or 2 and sing it for the Sunday service. Anyone interested in singing for fun on 3rd, see Josh! Good voice, bad voice, no voice? Come on down! We'd love to have you!

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 - Aug. 27-Sept.2

Today

Church Bowling Event, 11am-1pm

Monday

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 **Ken Gerhardt 908-310-1884** if you or someone you know is in the hospital or needs other assistance from the Deacons.

Community Service and Outreach Program

Senior Lunch & NIA & Bingo Program

When? Every Tuesday from 11:30 to 1:30

Where? Frenchtown Presbyterian, 4th Street

What? A half hour NIA class (no impact aerobics), lunch, bingo and fun conversation with other local seniors! Join in the fun, register today! Contact Penni at 908-237-0465.

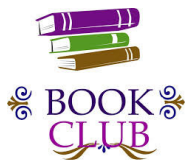
Thoughts and Prayers

Sala Hendrickson could use some cheering up, maybe a little note or card to let her know we are thinking of her. Her address is Sala Hendrickson, c/o Princeton House Herrontown Road Princeton, NJ 08540



Church Bowling Event

TODAY following the 9:30 service, from 11:00 am – 1:00 pm Bob and Tonya Reese are hosting an end of summer bowling event for the Church members at West Hunterdon. The bowling and shoe rental are free the only costs would be for any purchases from the snack bar.



Book Club

Come join us at our next book club! This Tuesday, August 29th 7-9pm at Jimmy's Custard Stand. The book we are reading is "The Secret Life of CeeCee Wilkes" by Diane Chamberlain. All are Welcome!

Presbyterian Women

Calling ALL Ladies.....The Frenchtown Presbyterian Women would like to invite you join us on Tuesday September 26, 2017 for our monthly meeting. Come and see what we do to support our church and our community. For more information call: Gayla at 908-310-0702 or Marie at 908-996-3561.

Food Pantry

A big thank you, to all the children, parents and teachers from VBS, who donated groceries to our pantry, we received a full car load! And thank you to all who donated last Sunday for Food Pantry Sunday. All donation were greatly appreciated and are always welcome in the bin in Fellowship Hall.

Soles for Souls

Total Shoe count in the collection box in the Fellowship Hall is now at 2439. Great job everyone!

Bible Study

The Wednesday morning weekly Bible Study will resume on September 13th at 9am downstairs at the church. All are welcome!

Summer Kid's Communities

There will be no Kid's Communities for the next 2 Sundays so we can get everything ready for the new year and Rally Day :) See you September 10th for Rally Day at 10:00 am!