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**Worship 9:30AM**

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Jennifer Campbell Tonya Reese

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**FRENCHTOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**April 14th, 2024**

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

Prelude - Praise Band “Evidence” & “Let Us Adore”

Welcome & Announcements

 **God Gathers Us in Love**

Call to Worship

Leader: Peace be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Come and see the love God has given to us.

**People: Come and see what it means to be children of God.**

Leader: Come with this hope, that Christ’s presence is real. **People: With joy, we come to see the Lord.**

\*Praise Band “Let It Rise”

Prayer of Adoration

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

 **Wondrous God, we confess that at times our doubts and fears override our hope and faith. Forgive us when we lose sight of the joy of Your love. Lift up our spirits, Lord. Help us to remember the promise of new life here and now, and the hope of resurrection for the future. We give thanks for Your Son, who continues to offer us new life, who continues to turn us around and upside down, who continues to break down the walls of death in our own life. Forgive us, restore us and renew us. In the name of our risen Savior, Jesus the Christ, we pray. Amen.**

Words of Assurance

\*Passing of the Peace

Gloria Patri#584 “Glory to God,Whose Goodness shines on Me”

 *Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,*

 *and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,*

 *and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.*

 *As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.*

Time for Children

**God Speaks to Us Through God’s Word**

Old Testament Lesson Psalm 4

Gospel Lesson Luke 24:36b-48

Sermon

**God Calls Us to Respond**

\*Praise Band “Let There Be Joy”

Invitation to the Offering

Please consider donating online using our QR code (aim your phone’s camera here, then click on the link that appears):

Offertory – Praise Band “Glorious Day” – Casting Crowns

Doxology #606 “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People and The Lord’s Prayer

**God Sends Us Out to Reflect God’s Love**

Praise Band “Everything Glorious”

Charge and Blessing

Postlude – Praise Band “More Love, More Power”

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**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 –-April 15-21**

**Monday**

**Tuesday**

 AA Meeting 6:30am

 Senior Program, 11:15am

 Card Games, 2-4pm in Fellowship Hall

 AA Meeting, 8pm

**Wednesday**

 AA Meeting 7:30pm

 Blood Drive. 1-6pm

**Thursday**

 AA Meeting 6:30am

**Friday**

**Saturday**

 Saturday Women's AA Group Meeting 9am

 AA Meeting 7pm

**Book club**

The next book club will be meeting on Monday May 13th at Jimmy’s Ice Cream, weather permitting, at 1pm. The book they will be discussing is “In Someone Else’s Shoes” by JoJo Moyes

**Piano Recital**

Join us for a piano recital Sunday April 28th at 2pm with Madalina Danila. Romanian pianist (& Hugh’s new wife) Madalina has been invited by international acclaimed violinist Anne-Sophie Mutter to perform at the Ruhr Klavier Festival in Germany, one of the world’s foremost piano festival. You are invited to experience a special preview of the extraordinary piano recital by this rising star!

**Blood Drive**

FPC Will be hosting a blood drive this Wednesday April 19th from

1p-6pm. To schedule an appointment contact Jennifer Campbell at 908-502-2575 or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter FrenchtownPresby.

**Youth Night**

April 26th Youth Night at the Church from 6:30 - 9:00pm. Pizza and a Movie. Bring a friend or two or more!

**Senior Program**

All Seniors are invited to the Super Senior Group meeting this Tuesday. Chair yoga from 11:15-12pm, 12pm Lunch provided, and then Salome Quirmolue will speak on Hypertension. All are welcome. Please let Penni know if you are coming if you are new. 908-237-0465.