**Frenchtown Presbyterian Church**

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**Worship Service** 9:30AM

**Session (Elders)**

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**Board of Deacons**

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| **Benevolence** | **Shut-ins and Long-Term illness** |
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**FRENCHTOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**November 6, 2022**

**Communion Sunday**

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

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

 **God Gathers Us in Love**

Call to Worship (inspired by Psalm 119)

Leader: People of God, rejoice! Jesus is in our midst.

**People: Feed us, Jesus, and fill us with hope.**

Leader: People of God, be glad! Jesus has bread and fish to spare.

**People: Free us, Jesus, from the pursuit of food that does not satisfy.**

Leader: People of God, sing for joy! God gathers up the pieces of our lives, that nothing may be lost.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

\*Praise Band "The Seeker"

Prayer of Adoration

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (unison)

 **Eternal God, we come believing in our emptiness, believing that we will never have enough, believing that what we have is unworthy. We come fearful of sharing, fearful of losing our tenuous grip on security, fearful of touching and knowing the pain of others. We come aching from the chilling challenge of knowing our abundance, aching from the gnawing awareness that we have much to share. We come clinging to our meager**

 **lunches. Lord, bless them, and us. Break them, and us. Share them, and us; through Jesus Christ, who is the Bread of Life. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

\*Passing of the Peace

\*Gloria Patri #582 “Glory to God”

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

Scripture Ephesians 3:13-21

\*Praise Band “Come to the Table”

Scripture John 6:1-13

Sermon "As Much As They Wanted"

**God Calls Us to Respond**

\*Hymn #769 vs 1,2 “For Everyone Born”

Minute for Mission - Stewardship

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

\*Doxology – Hymn #606

\*Offertory Prayer

**\***Affirmation of Faith (unison) (Apostles 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 sits at 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 & The Lord’s Prayer

Celebration of the Lord’s Supper

 Invitation to the Table

 Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

 The Lord be with you....**And also with you**.

 Lift up your hearts.... **We lift them up to the Lord.**

 Let us give thanks to the Lord our God...**It is right to give**

 **our thanks and praise.**

Sanctus #552 Holy, Holy, Holy

*Holy, holy, holy Lord,*

*God of power and might,*

*heaven and earth are full of your glory.*

*Hosanna in the highest.*

*Blessed is the one who comes*

*in the name of the Lord.*

*Hosanna in the highest,*

*hosanna in the highest.*

Prayer After Communion (unison)

**Living God, in this sacrament we have shared in your eternal kingdom. May we who taste this mystery forever serve you in faith, hope, and love. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.**

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

\*Hymn #769 vs 3,4 “For Everyone Born”

\*Praise Band “Gospel Ship”

Charge and Blessing

Postlude

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\*please stand if able

**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 – November 7-13**

**Monday**

**Tuesday**

 AA Meeting 6:30am

 Senior Community Yoga and Lunch 11:15am

 Card Games, 2-4pm in Fellowship Hall

 AA Meeting, 8pm

**Wednesday**

 AA Meeting 7:30pm

**Thursday**

 AA Meeting 6:30am

 Chancellor choir rehearsal 7:30-9pm.

**Friday**

 Alanon Meeting 12-1pm

**Saturday**

 Saturday Women's AA Group Meeting 9am

 AA Meeting 7pm

**Next Sunday**

 Community Thanksgiving Dinner, 3:30-5:30pm

**Thanksgiving Dinner donations for the Food Pantry**

The food Pantry is now accepting donations for Thanksgiving dinner boxes to hand out to our patrons. Items needed are stuffing mix, instant potato, canned corn, green beans, sweet potato, cranberry sauce, applesauce, fruit cocktail or other fruit, gravy (jars, cans or packets) corn muffin mix, biscuit mix, cream of chicken, or mushroom soup, pumpkin pie mix, pie crust, evaporated milk, cooking oil, cake or brownie mix, crispy onions and holiday napkins.

There will be designated boxes for the Thanksgiving dinner donations. Also, please keep us in mind for your free holiday item if you qualify from Shop Rite. Thank you for your help!

**Community Thanksgiving Dinner**

Join us next Sunday November 13th for our annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner from 3:30-5:30pm. There is a signup genius for signing up to bring things for the dinner.

**Harvest Concert**

On November 20th at 3 PM, The Opera Project will present its final

concert of the season, The Harvest Concert. As part of that church’s ongoing concert series, the concert of arias, duets, and

art songs will feature Janggon Kim, Amy Suznovich, Michelle DeCoste,

Kira Scharf, Andreia Lucaciu, Grace Herron, Ernest Torres, Janki

Namboodiripad, Wes Aber, Aodan Peacock, Susan Meyers, and Susan

Rheingans.

New works by local composers Rick Tocce and Richard McIntyre

will highlight the afternoon of a wide variety of musical styles. Celtic

harpist Carol Thompson will once again be a special guest artist. The

concert is dedicated to the memory of Wayne Scharf.

Tickets are available at the door. If you have any questions, please

contact Walt MacNicoll at 908-268-1264, or visit the website

www.theoperaproject.us .