

# FRENCHTOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



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## Welcome to FPC

Rev. Dr. Merideth Mueller- Bolton



Rev. Dr. Meredith Mueller-Bolton will serve as the Covenant Supply Pastor for FPC, starting October 1st.

Merideth Mueller-Bolton is a minister-member of the new Highlands Presbytery of New Jersey. She most recently served as the interim Pastor/Head of Staff at Hilltop

Mendham Presbyterian Church. Prior to that she served as Pastor/Head of Staff at College Hill Presbyterian Church in Easton, PA and at Lawrenceville Presbyterian Church as Interim Pastor for Worship and Counseling.

Her ministry began in 2000, when she was prompted to go to seminary after the death of her husband, seeking answers to the great mysteries of life. While she did not find many satisfactory answers to life's baffling questions, she clearly heard a call to become a "Servant of Christ and Steward of God's Mysteries" in the model of 1 Corinthians 4:1. Merideth has also served as the pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Tuckerton and as Monmouth Presbytery's Director of Advocacy for Long Term Recovery.

Merideth is married to Michael Bolton, and although Michael has a beautiful singing voice, he is not a former pop star. They live in Branchburg, NJ. In addition to day-trips and outings with Michael, Merideth is passionate about birding, gardening and her cats, Henry and Hazel.

Highlights of Merideth's denominational activities include serving on:  
Steering Committee Johnsonburg Camp and Retreat Center;  
Highlands Presbytery's Congregational Development Team;  
Presbyterian Disaster Assistance National Response Team;  
"Equipping the Saints," a multi-presbytery officer training event  
222nd General Assembly in Portland, OR (2016); and  
Monmouth Presbytery's Committee on Preparation for Ministry

Merideth holds a BA from Ursinus College, an MDiv from Princeton Theological Seminary and DMin from Palmer Theological Seminary. She also serves on the board of New Jersey Audubon.

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# Worship Schedule for September



On Sunday September 4th at 10am we will be having a joint community worship service with Milford, United Methodist Frenchtown, Kingwood Methodist and First United Church of Christ of Milford at the Alexandria Park. Rain or shine. Music provided by the FPC Praise Band.

A picnic will be held after the service. Hot dogs, chicken, hamburgers and sausage with all condiments and rolls and all drinks will be provided. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. There will be a dessert contest for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd prizes.

September 11th, Monthly Breakfast, 8:15-9:30am

September 25th, Vocalist Mari Green in worship & thank you reception for Rev. Bobbie Arrowsmith & Rev. Byron Leasure.

## NOTE FROM CLERK OF SESSION

Frenchtown Presbyterian Church is abundant with blessings! Our summer time was filled with fellowship, incredible music and meaningful worship services. Pastor Bobbi has been a beacon of guiding light through this transitional time. We are beyond grateful for her ministry!

We look forward to Rev. Dr. Merideth Mueller Bolton coming to Frenchtown October 1.

We are excited to embrace Merideth and her ministry.... As she looks forward in serving us as our covenant supply pastor. Abundant blessings!

So as one season draws to an end... We look forward to a new beginning in the fall with Meredith. Enjoy the remaining glorious days of summer!

Peace, Kathy Skerbetz Clerk of Session

## FOOD PANTRY

The Food Pantry is in need of the following items

Peanut Butter, Jelly, Toilet Paper/Paper Towels/Napkins, Coffee

Tea, Instant Potatoes, Rice pouches (ex. Knorr), Soup (non- condensed), Canned Fruit, Sugar, Shelf Stable Milk

Please leave donations in the bin outside the Rotunda; or there is a box inside the Rotunda.

Volunteer - if you would like to volunteer for the pantry, our meetings are the 3rd Thursday of the month @ 5:30 pm at the church.

Any questions? Email [FPCPantryon4th@gmail.com](mailto:FPCPantryon4th@gmail.com)

## SUMMER MISSION POSSIBLE

The Mission Possible team of 20 adults and youth traveled once again to Wellsboro, PA this summer to help rebuild and rehab the facilities at His Thousand Hills Christian Camp and Retreat Center. The team completed timely work to help get HTH's new program "Planted" get off the ground. "Planted" is a gap year program, hosted at HTH. This program is for high school students, ages 18-24, who desire to be grounded and grow in their knowledge of, trust in, and love for Jesus Christ. The program allows students to grow in biblical training, hands on farming, outdoor adventure and life skill development. Five new students are starting the program in September and there are facilities that needed to be completed in anticipation of the students' arrival.

The team installed tongue and groove, ash wood interior siding in 3 cabins. The cabins were ~600 square foot A-frame style, with 14 x 18-foot walls. Siding was placed on the walls and ceilings, recessed lighting was added, insulation was installed in sections, drywall was hung on the front and back walls, and outside walls were patched where heating units were previously. The team also painted and stained some of the exterior walls of the cabins. These cabins will be the new housing for the students coming to HTH in a few weeks.

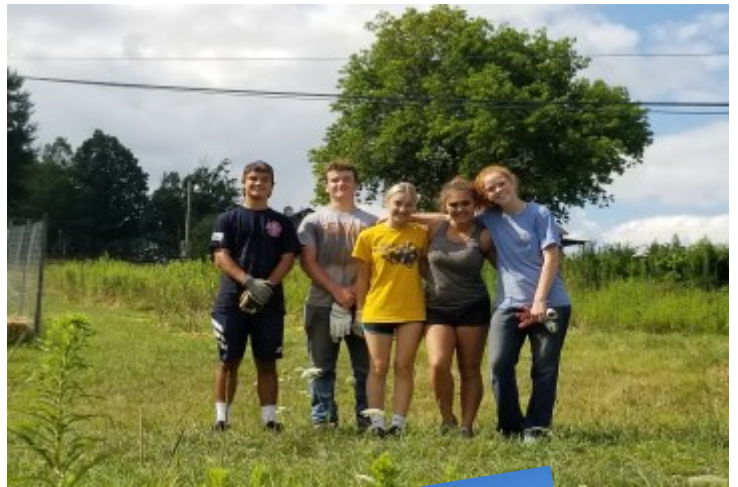
The dock by the picturesque lake on campus was painted, as well as the interior floors and exterior porches of the two rustic cabins about ¼ mile from the main campus. These were the same cabins we sided and restored last year. We filled gaps and gullies with rock and stone around some of the farm's fences, and installed a portion of an electric fence in anticipation of farm animals arriving that week. It was exciting and fun to see 6 young pigs and 50 chicks arrive during the week, to join the 4 goats who were already there, and be able to envision the entire farm taking shape. We also cleared and trimmed trails around the property, then removed weeds and helped to level a sand volleyball court.

It was, again, a wonderful week of work, fellowship, friendship, enlightenment, and providing for those in need. We felt that we were spreading the work of God....for those who are spreading the word of God. Adults and youth alike grew in ways that are not always anticipated nor envisioned. And while exhausting, we were also inspired and fulfilled. It was again another "vacation for the soul."

Thank you once again to everyone who helped make the Mission Possible trip another successful and passionate mission of this wonderful Frenchtown Presbyterian Church!









## Pictures from the Chicken BBQ dinner



## Mari Green Concert



## UPCOMING EVENTS

September 4th - Community Worship Service at the Park and Picnic, 10am

September 7th - Book Club at Jimmy's Ice Cream, 1pm

September 11th - Breakfast, 8:15am-9:30am

September 15th- Food Pantry Meeting, 5:30pm at the church.

September 25th - Mari Green Vocalist to perform in worship, 9:30am

September 25 - Thank you reception for Byron & Bobbie after worship.

November 20th - Opera Project Concert

November 23rd - Blood Drive, 1-7pm in Fellowship Hall

December 15th - Blood Drive, 1-6pm in Fellowship Hall

December 18th - Christmas Cantata

## FALL AT CAMP JOHNSONBURG

### Fall Fun Day

Sun Oct 2, 2-6:30pm



A great day for families and people of all ages to enjoy Johnsonburg during the fall season.

### Women's Retreat

Fri Oct 28-Sun Oct 30  
Rates range from \$125-\$210

Our twice-yearly women's retreat meets at Jburg this October to



### Fall Youth Retreats

High School Retreat: Fri Nov 18-Sun Nov 20  
Middle School Retreat: Dec 2-4  
Tier 1:\$155 / Tier 2:\$140 / Tier 3: \$125

Bring your youth group or come on your own-our fall youth retreats are something to look forward to every November and December. Hang out with old friends and make new ones, learn about your faith, and have fun indoors and out. Registration is open--we'll see you in a few months!



Questions? [Office@campjburg.org](mailto:Office@campjburg.org)  
908.852.2349  
[www.campjburg.org](http://www.campjburg.org)

## COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Meals on Wheel needs Volunteers



Join the Meals on Wheels Team! Become a volunteer delivery driver. They are a small, private, non-profit charitable agency serving approximately 220 homebound seniors every weekday on 20 routes throughout Hunterdon County. Their mission is to help the homebound elderly/disabled maintain their independence and support their nutritional health.

Volunteer as little as once a month. Deliveries take about an hour. Pick-up locations include Flemington, Frenchtown, Lebanon and Lambertville.

To fill out an application visit [mowih.org/volunteer](http://mowih.org/volunteer). If you have any questions please call 908-284-0735 or email [info@mowih.org](mailto:info@mowih.org)

**Back to School  
Fun Fair**

**Please join us on August 30th at the  
Harvest Family Success Center from  
10am to 12pm for entertainment,  
giveaways, valuable information from  
the schools and more!**

**5 East Main Street, Flemington NJ  
(908) 237-0465**

**Registration is  
REQUIRED!**

**Please RSVP [Here](#)**

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