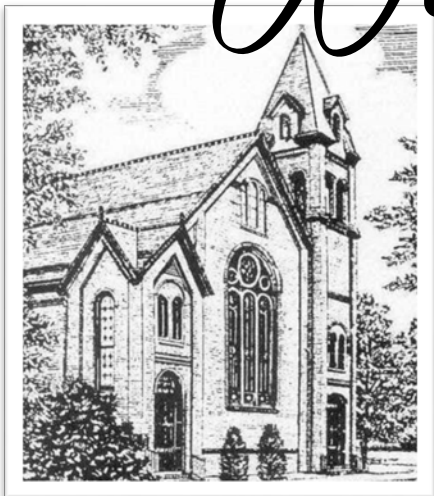


In response to God's love and grace, through Jesus Christ, we commit to learning, proclaiming, and living the love of God.

Welcome



*We are glad you have chosen to worship with us today!
We are a community of faith committed to Christian discipleship.*

Greencastle Presbyterian Church

10:00 am Worship Service

The Order of Worship for October 8, 2023

SERVING THE CHURCH TODAY

Preaching..... Rev. Dr. Robert Cook
Liturgist..... Randall Ackerman
Musicians..... Dr. J. Frederick Davison, Greg Strine
Acolyte..... Berkley Johnson
Sunday School Teachers..... Erin Herrmann, Diane Mills
Video / Audio Tech..... Ben Herrmann
Closer..... Paul Sauder

Please join us for coffee, refreshments, and fellowship in the Social Room after Worship, hosted by Polly Coulter and the Papa Family. Everyone is welcome!

* Please stand as able

CENTERING THOUGHT

Am I living for my own pleasure or for the glory of God?

Welcome and Brief Announcements

The Prelude *My Shepherd Will Supply My Need* arr. M. Hayes
Greg Strine, piano

*The Call to Worship

Leader: We will sing of your steadfast love, O Lord, forever;

**People: with our mouths we will proclaim your
faithfulness to all generations.**

Leader: We will declare that your steadfast love is established
forever;

**People: that your faithfulness is as firm as
the heavens.**

Leader: Come, let us praise the Lord!

*Hymn #39 *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

*The Prayer of Confession (unison)

**Eternal and merciful God, you have loved us with a
love beyond our understanding, and you have set us on
paths of righteousness for your name's sake. Yet we
have strayed from your way; we have sinned against
you in thought, word, and deed, through what we have
done and what we have left undone.**

**As we remember the gift of your grace in Jesus and fol-
low him in the waters of baptism, O God, we praise you
and give you thanks that you forgive us yet again.**

**Grant us now, we pray, the grace to die daily to sin,
and to rise daily to new life in Christ, who lives and
reigns with you, and in whose name we pray. Amen.**
(Silent Prayer)

Declaration of Pardon

Leader: Friends, believe the good news:

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!

*The Gloria Patri

Glory Be to the Father

J. Frederick Davison

Glo-ry be to the Fa - ther, — and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Ghost,
5 As it was in the be - gin - ning, — is now, and ev - er shall be,
9 world with - out end. A - men. *rit.*

The Children's Time

The Prayer for Illumination (Unison)

O God, you know us better than we know ourselves. As the scriptures are read, we will listen for your voice. By your Spirit lead us out of our fears and into the knowledge of your love, through Jesus Christ, the Great Shepherd of our souls. Amen.

The First Scripture Reading

Genesis 50

Anthem *Mercy*

Craig Courtney

*The Gospel Reading

Matthew 12:33-37

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord!

All: Thanks be to God!

The Message ***Forgiveness Turns Evil Inside Out***
-Pastor Robert Cook

*The Affirmation of Faith Page 35)

The Prayer Hymn #423 *Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God*

The Lord's Prayer

*The Doxology #606

*The Dedication of Our Offerings

*Hymn #435 *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy*

*The Blessing

The Postlude *I Am Alive*

Isaac Tarter

Greg Strine, *piano*



Join us each Sunday in October for
Bible Study at 8:45 am in the Social Room.

Session 2 – REAL ACCOUNTABILITY

This week is about accountability . . .wounds from a trusted friend. The wounds of a friend are trustworthy, but the kisses of an enemy are excessive. (Proverbs 27:6)

The study is a five-week series based on the movie *War Room*.

BLESSING — OF THE — PETS

Sun Oct 8th

11:30 am

On the church lawn
following the morning
Worship Service

Bring your puppies, kitties,
hamsters, or snakes for
the Pastor's blessing.



ALL PETS MUST LEASHED, CRATED, CONFINED, ETC.

IF YOU ARE NEW HERE — We are glad you joined us for worship today! Please take a moment to sign the visitor card located in your pew and place it in the offering basket in the front of the sanctuary or hand to an usher. Print your name, address, phone number, and email address so we can follow up with you. If you want to learn more about our church, a good place to start is our Facebook page at [facebook.com/Greencastle Presbyterian Church](https://www.facebook.com/GreencastlePresbyterianChurch). We have some copies of our newsletters in the Narthex. Past services can be viewed on our [YouTube.com Greencastle Presbyterian Church Livestreams](https://www.youtube.com/GreencastlePresbyterianChurchLivestreams)

PRAYER CONCERNS

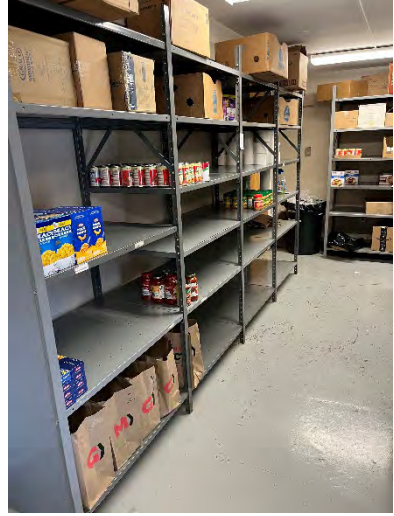
Dan Amato	Noah McCampbell
Sue Angle	Nancy McIntyre
Rev. Bill Beck	Vasilija Milanovic
Bobbi Biesecker	Penny Mohler
Steven Bishop	Dan Patton
Dian Bishop	Michael Paylor
Mary Buhl	Linda Pittman
Rachel Dayhoff	Mary Lou Riddle
Dan Dorty	Caroline Robinson
Dominic Frampton	Patti Sechrist
Aaron Frick	Bob & Sandy Seidel
The Gagne family	Alan Shope
Cullen Gaston	Ray Spitz
Mindy Grosh	Barry Thomas
Tracey Hammond & family	Cathy Thomas
Kim Hay	Leslie Torres
Becky Hess	Bernice Walck
Bill & Kathy Kendall	Tim Walck
Bill Horst	Dot Wilson
Celia Kuhlmann	Andi Hess Wingert
Herb Layton	Bethany Yeager
June Marshall	Marna Yingling
Rachael, Christopher & Anna Lee Massieu	Laura Tantillo York



Our sincere sympathy to **Pastor Rawley Boone** as he mourns the loss of his wife, Dorothy “Dot” Boone who recently passed away. We pray for the peace of Christ to surround and embrace the family in this time of sadness. Reverend Boone was pastor at GPC from 1989-2000.

Shelves Are Nearly Bare! Help Is Needed!

On Wednesday Sept 13th, the Food Pantry helped well over 60 families in need. But the shelves in the pantry were hit hard. Of course, the point is to give it away to those needing food. So now the Food Pantry needs our help to restock. You can bring by good and in date dry and canned items during office hours or on Sunday. Bless you for helping to care for so many of our community members in need!



HONORING THOSE WHO SERVE

To know and recognize our GPC military members and their families, please share with the church office the names of those who have served or are serving our nation in any branch of the military.



**With Honor & Gratitude
We Remember**

NAME / RANK

BRANCH

YEARS OF SERVICE

Names will be displayed on a distinctive Wall of Honor during the month of November.

Greencastle Presbyterian Church Faithful Families

FALL FUN

Sunday, October 22nd @ 2:30 pm



Country Creek Produce

3794 Etter Road

Chambersburg, PA 17202

RSVP by 10/21

Keri @ 845-270-9108



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday 10/8 8:45 am Bible Study (*War Room*)
10:00 am Worship / Coffee and Fellowship
11:30 am Blessing of the Pets
6:00 pm Youth Group

Prayers for Warfordsburg Presbyterian Church

Wednesday 10/11 9:00 am Greencastle-Antrim Food Pantry
9:00 am Wednesday Prayer Circle
5:30 pm Bell Choir (*new ringers*)
6:15 pm Bell Choir (*veteran ringers*)
7:00 pm Chancel Choir
7:00 pm Ladies AA Meeting
7:00 pm Mission Committee Meeting

Thursday 10/12 1:00 pm Presbyterian Women's Meeting
6:30 pm Session Meeting

Sunday 10/15 8:45 am Bible Study (*War Room*)
10:00 am Worship / Coffee and Fellowship
2:00 pm Dementia Caregivers
6:00 pm Youth Group

Prayers for Waynesboro Presbyterian Church

GREENCastle-ANTRIM CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Tuesday, October 24, 2023

Evangelical Lutheran Church, Greencastle

Mrs. Geri Chester *"Listen up!!! Learning to hear and heed the voice of God."*

Geri Chester is currently serving as the Women's Pastor, overseeing promotions for the Gettysburg Foursquare Church. She was born in England, where she "met Jesus" at the age of five. She later moved to Annapolis and went to Towson University. She was called to the ministry while in college and later went on to Southwestern Baptist Seminary in Texas. There she grew in the Lord, and gained a love for the Bible. Geri and her husband of 20 years, have three children.

- ◆ No reservations necessary
- ◆ Lunch optional
- ◆ Free-will offering

All are welcome to attend and bring a friend!



REFORMATION SUNDAY: OCTOBER 29

1963

A Year of Presbyterian Reform

The churches have long pronounced, and they've said it ever since the New Testament was written, that we're for a non-segregated church and a non-segregated society—but it's been mostly talk. And during this year of 1963 it's clear that this crisis is a national crisis and that the pattern, the segregated pattern of life needs to be broken.

On July 4, 1963, Stated Clerk of the United Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A. (UPCUSA) Rev. Eugene Carson Blake and African American Elder Furman Templeton approached Gwynn Oaks Amusement Park in Baltimore. The pair, along with other civil rights activists, were arrested for trespassing.

Months before Blake and Templeton's attempt to desegregate the Maryland amusement park, the 175th UPCUSA General Assembly created the Commission on Religion and Race (CORAR). The new commission would be the focal point of the UPCUSA's concern for race relations and would work with interfaith and ecumenical groups to address racism in the United States. Headed by Gayraud Wilmore, CORAR would also design "comprehensive and coordinated strategy for direct and cooperative action."

Blake and Templeton's action, captured on 16mm film and available in Pearl Digital Collections, is just one of the visible acts of protest and reform enacted by the UPCUSA that year. On August 28, Blake would join over 200,000 protestors at the March on Washington where he would speak alongside Martin Luther King, Jr., and other religious and civic leaders.



Eugene Carson Blake entering a police van after being arrested at Gwynn Oak, 1963.

For more Reformation Sunday resources, and to view the digitized 16mm film of Blake's arrest, visit www.history.pcusa.org/rs

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The National Archives of the PC(USA)

All Saints' Sunday

November 5, 2023 at 10:00 am

Memorial Candles

As in previous years, Greencastle Presbyterian Church will be remembering and honoring those who have passed on to God's presence from our congregation and those from the community whom we have cared for this past year.

A Memorial Candle will be prepared as our gift of remembrance for the family. During the service the candle will be lit as names are read. This special candle will be yours to keep following the service.



If you wish to include someone by sponsoring a candle, please fill out the form below, include a \$10 donation to help cover costs, and return to the church office.

Memorial Candle Order Form

\$10 Donation Per Candle

Your name: _____

Phone / Email: _____

Name of Loved One: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Date of Death: _____

CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Dr. Robert Cook	Interim Pastor
Dr. J. Frederick Davison.....	Director of Music Ministry
Keri Papa	Director of Christian Education
Susan Miller.....	Office Manager
Bonnie Speaks.....	Finance Manager
Sue Bell	Parish Nurse
Barbara Grane	Food Pantry Coordinator
Ryan Hock.....	Custodian
Debbie Hock.....	Custodian
Bryan Larew.....	Groundskeeper

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Class of 2026

Racheal Marconi
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Jenn Robertson

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