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



PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The Order of Worship for April 28, 2024 10:00 am Worship Service

Fifth Sunday of Easter

SERVING THE CHURCH TODAY

Please join us for coffee, refreshments, and fellowship in the Social Room after Worship. Hosted by Care Cell #1 — Ben, Deb, and Diane.

Centering Thought

Jesus said that he is the vine and we are his branches. So not only do you eat from this tree, you're invited to become part of it, helping produce its fruit, so that his life and love can spread through us to others.

Welcome & Brief Announcements

The Prelude *Prelude on "St. Columbia"* Ken Shockey, *organ* Healey Willan

*The Call to Worship

Leader: Day by day we bless you; we praise your name forever.

People: Lord, keep us from all sin today; Lord, show us your love and mercy; For we put our trust in you.

All: In you, Lord, is our hope; and we shall never hope in vain.

*Hymn #403 Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty

*The Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen. (Silent prayer)

*The Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life.

All: Amen.

*The Gloria Patri #581

The Children's Time with Their Pastor

The Prayer for Illumination (unison)

O God our God, who created this vast universe that is unfathomable to our minds; you sent to us your Word through prophets and through ordinary people and at last through your son, Jesus. May our minds and hearts be open to receive the gift of your Word. Amen.

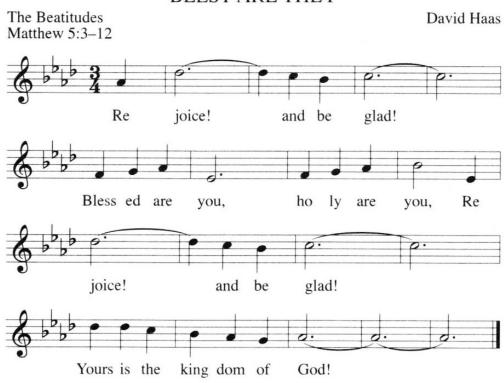
The First Scripture Reading

Psalm 118:19-25

The Anthem Blest Are They
Paul Grane, clarinet

David Haas

BLEST ARE THEY



*The Gospel Reading

John 15:1-17

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord!

All: thanks be to God!

The Message

Pastor Robert Cook

*Response to the Word (unison)

We believe in God whose love is the source of all life and the desire of our lives, whose love was given a human face in Jesus of Nazareth, whose love was crucified by the evil that would enslave us all and whose love, defeating deathless, holds a promise of freedom.

Therefore, though we are sometimes fearful and full of doubt, in God we trust; and in the name of Jesus Christ, we commit ourselves, in the service of others, to seek justice and to live in peace, to care for the Earth and to share the commonwealth of God's goodness, to live in the freedom of forgiveness and the power of the spirit of love, and in the company of the faithful, as branches connected to Jesus, the Vine. Amen.

(Source: Iona Abbey Worship Book, p.75/adapted)

*Hymn #749 Come! Live in the Light!

Joys, Care and Concerns

The Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

*The Doxology #606

*The Dedication of Our Tithes and Our Lives

*Hymn #761 Called as Partners in Christ's Service

The Postlude

Fanfare Postlude on "St. Thomas"

Ken Shockey, organ

Douglas E. Wagner

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday 4/28 10:00 am Worship Service / Coffee Fellowship 3:00 pm Faithful Families Nellie Fox Bowling

Prayers for Mt. Olivet Presbyterian Church, Hancock, Maryland

Wednesday 5/1 9:00 am Wednesday Prayer Circle

6:00 pm Bell Choir 7:00 pm Chancel Choir 7:00 pm Ladies AA Meeting

Thursday 5/2 11:00 am National Day of Prayer

Prayer program by Greencastle-Antrim Ministerium and Greencastle-Antrim Christian Women's Fellowship

nationaldayofprayer.org

6:00 pm Greencastle-Antrim Food Pantry

Sunday 5/5 10:00 am Worship Service with Communion

Coffee Fellowship / First Sunday Food Drive

3:00 pm Student Recital –

Cumberland Valley School of Music

6:00 pm Youth Group

Prayers for Capital Presbyterian Church, Harrisburg

ATTENTION LADIES

Interested in joining a group in the Church that provides Bible study, discusses all matters of life and faith, and new relationships are formed and nurtured?

Well, such a group is the "Presbyterian Women" who meet in the Edwards Room on the second Thursday of the month at 1:00 p.m. September through June.

Give Jan Eppleman, Moderator, a call 717-597-1246 or just drop in.

GRADUATION RECOGNITION

Please contact Keri Papa 845-270-9108 if you will be completing high school or college this spring. Graduation Sunday at GPC will be held May 19, 2024.

DIGITAL PHOTO DIRECTORY

Our new "in-progress" pictorial directory is accessible on the GPC website visitGPCpa.org → Get Connected Password: mychurchfamily

Please contact Randall Ackerman 240-527-5515 for your family to be included in this vital connection to the church.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Marna Yingling	Cullen Gaston	Dominic Frampton
Becky Hess	Bob & Sandy Seidel	Bobbi Biesecker
June Marshall	The Gagne family	Sue Lum
Nancy McIntyre	Bill & Kathy Kendall	Jan Shafer
Herb Layton	Aaron Frick	Rowan Stotler
Bernice Walck	Ray Spitz	Jane Everetts
Patti Sechrist	Sue Angle	Laura
Alan Shope	Rev. Bill Beck	Shawn Schaeffer
Tim Walck	Caroline Robinson	Sandra Meadows
Mary Lou Riddle	Dian Bishop	Frank Marconi
Steven Bishop	Dan Patton	Frank & Tracey Toston
Mindy Grosh	Vasilija Milanovic	Bill Horst
Michael Paylor	Tracey Hammond	Colin Rinker
Linda Pittman	and family	Tiffany Robinson
Rachael, Christopher	Bethany Yeager	The Bentley family
& Anna Lee Massieu	Penny Mohler	Jean Zimmerman
Mary Buhl	Cathy Thomas	

Dear Jesus, Divine Physician and Consoler, we turn to you in our hour of need. O Good Shepherd, lighten our worry and sorrow with your gentle love, and grant us the grace and strength to bear this load. We place our trust in you. Amen.



2024 Penn State Mont Alto Choral Festival

Saturday, May 4 at 6:30 pm Inside the Multi Activity Center Gymnasium FREE & OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Cumberland Valley School of Music Student Recital

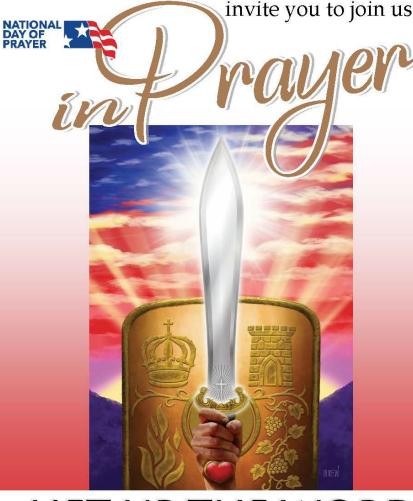
Sunday, May 5 at 3:00 pm Greencastle Presbyterian Church FREE & OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Waynesboro Community Concert Association The Dallas Brass

Sunday May 5 at 3:00 pm
Waynesboro Area Senior High School Auditorium
Tickets are \$25 at the door or FREE with purchase of a new subscription
waynesboropaconcerts.com



The Greencastle-Antrim Ministerium and Greencastle-Antrim Christian Women's Fellowship



LIFT UP THE WORD LIGHT UP THE WORLD

2 SAMUEL 22:29-31

THE 73rd ANNUAL NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

THURSDAY, MAY 2, 2024 · 11:00 a.m. Greencastle Presbyterian Church

57 WEST BALTIMORE STREET