

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



**PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH**
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ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR APRIL 6, 2025

10:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE

SERVING THE CHURCH

Preaching..... Rev. Dr. Robert Cook
Liturgist..... Debbie Young
Musicians..... Dr. J. Frederick Davison,
Brenda Slick, Alicia Shemon
Communion Servers..... Sue Bell, Diane Mills,
Deb Shank, Marcie Tinninis
Sunday School & Nursery..... Keri Papa, Polly Coulter
Acolyte.....
Audio/Video Tech..... Jim Papa
Closer..... Paul Sauder

Bell Choir – Fred Davison, *Director*, Mary Ann Ackerman, Brian Keck,
Kelly Kerstetter, Barry Leap, Liam Papa, Dee Patton, Dot Wilson

Chancel Choir – Randall Ackerman, Margery Benson, Roberta Biesecker,
Becky Fic, Barbara Grane, Donna Grosh, Brian Keck, Barry Leap,
Patsy Lee, JoAnne Lewis, Tom Thomas, Rebecca Wertime, Dot Wilson

* Please stand as able

Centering Thought

Being lost is worth the being found.

Welcome and Brief Announcements

The Prelude

Like a River Glorious James Mountain arr. Heather Sorenson
Brenda Slick, *piano*

*The Call to Worship

Leader: Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven,
whose sin is covered.

**All: Happy are those to whom the Lord imputes no
iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.**

Leader: Let all who are faithful offer prayer to you; at a time
of distress, the rush of mighty waters shall not reach them.

**All: Be glad in the Lord and rejoice, O righteous, and
shout for joy, all you upright in heart.**

Leader: Let us worship God!

*The Hymn #363 *Rejoice, the Lord Is King*

*The Prayer of Confession (Unison)

**Eternal God, we know that we are your good creation;
made in your image. In Jesus Christ, you redeemed
our brokenness and brought us into right
relationship with you. And yet, despite our best
efforts, we have sinned. Our sin leaves us feeling
distant from what we love. Forgive us, we pray. Bring
us back to wholeness, for the sake of our crucified
and risen Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

(silent prayer)

*The Assurance of Peace with God

*The Gloria Patri #581

The Children's Time with their Pastor

The Prayer for Illumination (Unison)

Eternal God, your Spirit inspired those who wrote the Bible and enlightens us to hear your Word fresh each day. Help us to rely always on your promises in Scripture. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen

The First Scripture Reading

Isaiah 43:16-21

*The Gospel Reading

John 12:1-8

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord!

All: Thanks be to God!

The Message

*Response **The Apostles Creed**

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Prayer Hymn #169 *Dear Lord and Father of Mankind*

The Pastoral Prayer

*The Doxology #606

*The Dedication of Our Tithes and Our Lives

*The Passing of the Peace

Anthem *Communion Prayer* Patricia Mock & Richard Nichols
Alicia Shemon, *flute*

The Service of Holy Communion

Pastor: Jesus said: I am the bread of life.
All who come to me shall not hunger,
and all who believe in me shall not thirst.

**People: With Christians around the world
and throughout the centuries,
we gather around these symbols
of bread and wine—simple elements
that speak of nourishment and transformation.**

Pastor: Let us pray.

Loving God, we thank you that you are as close to us as breath,
that your love is constant and unfailing.

We thank you for all that sustains life, and especially for Jesus
Christ, who teaches us how to live out an ethic of justice and
peace, and for the promise of transformation made manifest in
his life, death and resurrection.

We ask you to bless this bread and this cup. Through this meal,
make us the body of Christ, that we may join with you in
promoting the well-being of all creation. Amen.

Pastor: We remember on the night when Jesus and the disciples
had their last meal together. Jesus took the bread, gave thanks,
and gave it to the disciples, saying “This is my body, which is
broken for you. Take and eat it, and as often as you do,
remember me.” In the symbol of the broken bread, we
participate in the life of Christ and dedicate ourselves anew to
being his disciples.

In the same way he took the cup, and after giving thanks
he gave it to the disciples, saying: “Drink this, all of you.

For, this cup is the new covenant, poured out for you and for
many Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

In the symbol of the cup, we participate in the new life Christ brings.

Let us pray now the prayer Jesus taught us, praying:

The Lord's Prayer (Unison)

The Breaking of the Bread

The Giving of the Wine

Sharing in Holy Communion Together

(The ushers will serve you the bread. Hold it till all are served. The pastor will direct us to share the bread together. Likewise, with the wine.)

The Prayer After Holy Communion (Unison)

We give thanks, loving God, that you have refreshed us at your table. Strengthen our faith; increase our love for one another. As we have been fed by the seed that became grain, and then became bread, may we go out into the world to plant seeds of justice, transformation, and hope. Amen.

*The Closing Hymn #515 *I Come with Joy*

*The Blessing

The Postlude *Grace Greater Than Our Sin*

David B. Towner, arr. Charity Book Putnam
Brenda Slick, *piano*

Please join us for
Greencastle Presbyterian Church
2025 ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING
following the Worship Service.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday 4/6 10:00 am **Worship with Communion**
First Sunday Food Drive
Annual Congregational Meeting after Worship

Monday 4/7 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

Tuesday 4/8 6:30 pm Mission/Outreach Meeting

Wednesday 4/9 9:00 am Greencastle-Antrim Food Pantry
9:00 am Prayer Circle
6:00 pm Bell Choir Practice
7:00 pm Chancel Choir Practice
7:00 pm Ladies AA Meeting

Thursday 4/10 10:00 am Lenten Book Study at Brio
1:00 pm Presbyterian Women Meeting
6:30 pm Session Meeting

LENTEN STUDY AT THE BRIO COFFEEHOUSE

Meet Thursday mornings through Lent at the Brio Coffeehouse 10 AM to study Amy-Jill Levine's book, "Witness at The Cross." Dr. Levine reminds us in her book that the crucifixion of Jesus is not just something we read. Rather we are meant to experience it. Her book walks us through that last week before the cross to a deeper and profound understanding of what happened at the cross.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION NEWS

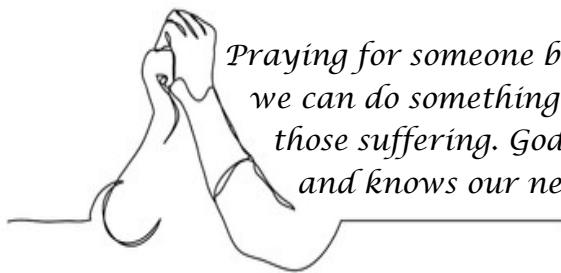
We are collecting **individually wrapped candy for the Easter Egg Hunt**. Donated item may be placed in the basket under the bunny near the sanctuary entrance.

Attention graduates! If you will be graduating this spring, please email the office so we may celebrate your accomplishment.

Summer Community Camp only has five (5) spots left! Reminder that registration is complete when payment has been received.

PRAYER CONCERNS

June Marshall	Tim Reed
Patti Sechrist	Lynne Leap
Alan Shope	Gail Guyton
Tim Walck	Marvin & Nancy Rice
Mary Lou Riddle	David Myers
Mindy Grosh	Frank Marconi
Michael Paylor	Kenny Reed
Cullen Gaston	Todd Smith
Bill & Kathy Kendall	John Stanton
Aaron Frick	Gwendelyn Marra
Ray Spitz	Tom Clopper
Rev. Bill Beck	Leslie Moose
Dan Patton	Denny & Donna Bingaman
Bethany Yeager	Pete Stanakis
Penny Mohler	Chris Miller
Cathy Thomas	Cheryl Hill
Sue Lum	Rosie Luzier
Rowan Stotler	Irene Blackburn
Frank & Tracey Toston	Allison & Erica
Archer Hohl	Jane Everetts
Sally Snyder	Jason Kinzer
Chelsea White	Stephanie & Mike Klingensmith



*Praying for someone by name is one way
we can do something very real to help
those suffering. God loves us all
and knows our needs.*

MAUNDY THURSDAY

Service

APRIL 17, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.

A SHARED WORSHIP SERVICE

Grace United Church of Christ and
Greencastle Presbyterian Church

Pastor Rev. Mark Ruzicka
Pastor Rev. Dr. Robert Cook

Held at Grace United
128 East Baltimore Street, Greencastle

DO THIS IN REMEMBRANCE OF ME



*Holy God, by the grace of Jesus Christ, you know the tests
and trials we face. Walk with us through this wilderness.*