

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



**ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR APRIL 27, 2025**  
10:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE

**SERVING THE CHURCH**

- Preaching..... Rev. Dr. Robert Cook  
Liturgist ..... David Rutherford  
Musicians ..... Dr. J. Frederick Davison,  
Greg Strine, Paul Grane  
Sunday School & Nursery..... Mindy Barnhart, Jennifer Smith  
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**

*What is the encompassing reason why Jesus Died for Us?  
What difference in our lives does that make?*

### Welcome and Brief Announcements

The Prelude    *I've Got Peace Like A River*                      arr. Jay Rouse  
Greg Strine, piano

### \*Call to Worship

Leader: Rejoice! There is great news! Christ is risen!

**People: The cross is empty; the stone has been rolled away. Christ is risen!**

Leader: Christ enters our locked spaces and calls us to forgiveness.

**People: Jesus tells us, "If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven."**

Leader: Christ enters our closed hearts and breathes new life into us.

**People: Jesus tells us, "Peace be with you. Receive the Holy Spirit."**

Leader: Christ is alive, and love is stronger than death!

**People: The tomb is empty and Christ is with us even still!**

***All: Let us worship the living God!***

\*Hymn #245    *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!*

\*The Prayer of Confession (Unison)

**You have shown yourself to us, O God, by Word and Spirit, with signs and wonders, in flesh and blood, yet we still struggle to live and believe the good news of Jesus Christ. Have mercy on us; forgive us. Enter into our lives and cast out our fear so that we may come to trust in you and have life in Jesus' name. 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 #581

The Children's Time with Their Pastor

The Prayer of Illumination (Unison)

**Gracious God, as we turn to your Word for us, may the Spirit of God rest upon us. Help us to be steadfast in our hearing, in our speaking, in our believing, and in our living. Amen.**

The First Scripture Reading

Revelation 1:4-8

Solo *As the Deer (with "My Faith Looks Up to Thee")*

Martin Nystrom, arr. Stan Pethel

Paul Grane, *alto saxophone*      Greg Strine, *piano*

\*The Gospel Reading

John 20:19-31

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord!

**All: Thanks be to God!**

The Message: Why Did Jesus Die?

Pastor Robert Cook

The Reception of New Members

Hymn #306 *Blest Be the Tie That Binds*

Joys, Cares and Concerns

Silent Prayer

The Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (Unison)

\*The Doxology #606

\*The Dedication of Our Tithes and Our Lives

\*The Closing Hymn #254  
*That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright*

\*The Blessing

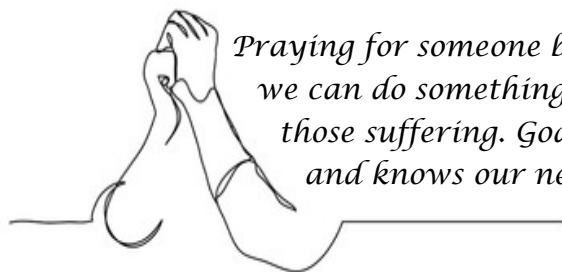
The Postlude *Create In Me A Clean Heart*  
Greg Strine, piano

arr. Mark Hayes



## PRAYER CONCERNS

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



*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.*



*Please join us for Coffee & Fellowship  
in the Social Room after Worship.*

*All Are Welcome!*

*Hosted by the Care Cell #2  
Deb Miller & Deb Shank*

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### **THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE**

#### **Sunday, April 27    NEW MEMBER SUNDAY**

10:00 am    Worship / Coffee & Fellowship

*Prayers for Mt. Olivet Presbyterian Church, Hancock, Maryland*

#### **Wednesday, April 30**

9:00 am    Prayer Circle

6:00 pm    Bell Choir Practice

7:00 pm    Chancel Choir Practice

7:00 pm    Ladies AA Meeting

#### **Thursday, May 1    NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER**

11:00 am    Greencastle-Antrim Christian Women's Fellowship

Theme: *"Pour Out to the God of Hope and Be Filled"* Romans 15:13

6:00 pm    Greencastle-Antrim Food Pantry

#### **Sunday, May 4**

10:00 am    Worship / Coffee & Fellowship

First Sunday Food Drive

*Prayers for Capital Presbyterian Church, Harrisburg*

3:00 pm    Cumberland Valley School of Music Student Recital

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### **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

**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.

### **OLD HOME WEEK**

If you ordered a new GPC shirt, you can pick it up today from Sue or Cindy, immediately after worship in the vestibule near the elevator.

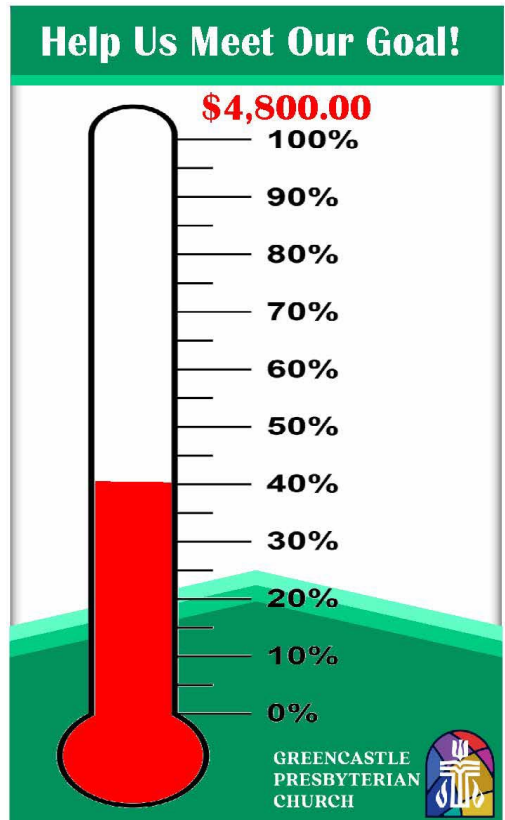
## THE PRESBYTERIAN PER CAPITA

Each year all members of Presbyterian Churches (PCUSA) are asked to give a small but special offering call the “per capita.” The Presbyterian per capita is an annual contribution that supports the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). It's based on the number of members in a congregation. So, where does the money go and what does it do?

- Supports the work of the General Assembly, including the biennial General Assembly meeting (our national body)
- Supports the work of the Synod (our regional body)
- Supports the work of the Presbytery (our local body)
- Supports calling and supporting pastors
- Supports encouraging those called to church leadership with training for Ruling Elders and Deacons, and with financial help for seminary education for future pastors.

The per capita is a way for Presbyterians to share the costs of the church and to show their unity and commitment to their shared mission. Our Presbytery of Carlisle asks all of the members of our congregations to **contribute \$34.04** this year. Please share in giving this small amount that makes a big difference.

**Thanks to all  
who have met their  
commitment for 2025.**







**Easter Sunrise Service**  
*Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks to the Risen Lord*

