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 MAY 11, 2025**

10:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE

## **SERVING THE CHURCH**

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

**GPC 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 **Centering Thought** 

The Greek word for good used in John 10 is kalos. It means more than "good" as opposed to "bad." It has the idea of "beautiful" as well as "good." It can be translated as, "I am the shepherd, the Shepherd Beautiful."



Welcome and Brief Announcements

The Prelude

All Creatures of Our God and King traditional, arr. Mark Hayes Brenda Slick, piano

\*The Call to Worship

Leader: Praise to the Lamb who is seated on the throne of heaven!

People: Praise be to God who offers God's love to us!

Leader: Let us sing continually of God's wisdom and power and might.

People: Let our voices be raised in joyful celebration!

Leader: Worthy is the Lamb to receive honor and glory and majesty.

People: Let our hearts rejoice at God's redeeming love for us. Amen.

\*Opening Praise What a Beautiful Name

## What a Beautiful Name

Benn Fielding & Brooke Ligertwood



\*The Prayer of Confession (Unison)

God, we confess that we often let hopelessness have too much power over our lives. In the face of crisis, our faith has frequently faltered. In the midst of calamity, our fearlessness has faded.

In the presence of tribulation, our worry has weakened our ability to act justly. Help our unbelief, O God!

Bring us back to you, great Redeemer. Remind us of the unfailing treasure that is in your love and care for all of creation— for your grace is sufficient, from the valley of death to the tables you've prepared for us. Embolden us, again, and revive our spirits. Amen.

-Silent Prayer-

\*The Declaration of Pardon and Peace

Leader: Friends, believe the good news:

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

\*The Gloria Patri #582 Glory to God Whose Goodness Shines on Me

## The Children's Time with Their Pastor

The Prayer for Illumination (Unison)

Draw us close, Holy Spirit, as the Scriptures are read and the Word is proclaimed. Let the word of faith be on our lips and in our hearts, and let all other words slip away. May there be one voice we hear today — the voice of truth and grace. Amen.

Hymn #801

Anthem O Love

Elaine Hagenberg

\*The Gospel Reading

John 10:22-30

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord!

All: Thanks be to God!

The Message

**Pastor Robert Cook** 

Hymn#709 God, We Honor You

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 #260 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

\*The Blessing

The Postlude

I Will Call Upon the Lord Michael O'Shields, arr. Mark Hayes Brenda Slick, piano

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

All Are Welcome!

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Hosted by Deacon Care Cell #1

Kelly, Brian, and Ginny

#### **PRAYER CONCERNS**

June Marshall Marvin & Nancy Rice

Patti Sechrist David Myers

Frank Marconi Alan Shope

Tim Walck Kenny Reed

Mary Lou Riddle Todd Smith

John Stanton Mindy Grosh

Michael Paylor Tom Clopper

Leslie Moose Bill & Kathy Kendall

Aaron Frick Denny & Donna Bingaman

Rev. Bill Beck Pete Stanakis

Chris Miller Dan Patton

Cheryl Hill **Bethany Yeager** 

**Penny Mohler** Rosie Luzier

Cathy Thomas Sue Lum Jason Kinzer

Jane Everetts Rowan Stotler

Stephanie & Mike Klingensmith Frank & Tracey Toston

Allison & Erica

Archer Hohl **Emmie White** 

Sally Snyder Joseph Hams

Chelsea White Mike Clotzman

Tim Reed Stephanie Beard

Lynne Leap Ethel Fisher

Terri Brust Gail Guyton

We join in mourning the death of Gwendelyn Marra. Please continue to hold the family in your prayers.

Also pray for Mike Koons whose brother, Jim Mills who passed away on May 3, 2025.

Gracious God, by your mercy, grant them the sure joy of your salvation, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE**

#### Sunday, May 11 Mother's Day

8:45 am Confirmation Class Meeting 10:00 am Worship / Coffee & Fellowship

Prayers for Faith Immanuel Presbyterian Church, Harrisburg

#### Wednesday, May 14

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

#### Sunday, May 18 Ordination & Installation of Deacons & Elders

10:00 am Worship / Coffee & Fellowship

Prayers for Market Square Presbyterian Church, Harrisburg

## **SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Our last day of class will be held on May 18th, 2025. The nursery will be open each week through the summer as we are able to staff it. There is a TV for watching the service online if anyone would like to use the room. Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to help teach and/or assist this school year.

## **SUPPORT COMMUNITY CAMP: JUNE 16 – 20, 2025**

- + Check our wish list on Amazon. Choose something to donate by going to Amazon.com. Choose Registry from the top menu bar. Search Greencastle Presbyterian Church. There you will find our list titled True North Community Camp. You may also follow this link (click here).
- + Make a monetary donation to help cover camp costs (you can put donations in the offering plate labeled Community Camp)
  - + Help us create decorations for the week
- + Donate newspapers and other packing materials that you have leftover
- + Signup to volunteer that week as a snack helper, craft helper, crew leader or assistant

#### **NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER**





Many thanks to Deb Shank and Polly Coulter who led prayer during the Greencastle-Antrim Christian Women's Fellowship observance of National Day of Prayer, in unity with many communities across the country. Deb spoke for our educational system, while Polly prayed for our military. Co-leader of the Fellowship, Jenn Robertson organized and welcomed guests to GPC.

Last week GPC had technical and livestream difficulties. We genuinely apologize to those who have come to rely on this service and the connection to your church family.
