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



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ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR MAY 25, 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

Jesus promises guidance and his presence to his followers for all ages. If we gather in his name, he is with us.

Welcome and Brief Announcements

The Prelude Wonderful Words of Life Greg Strine, piano

arr. J. Rouse

*The Call to Worship (Matthew 6:9-12,14)

Leader: Pray, then, in this way: Our Father in heaven, Holy be your name. May your kingdom come.

All: May your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Leader: Give us today our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.

All: For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you, but if you do not forgive others, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

*Hymn #803 My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

*Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Almighty and merciful God; We have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare those who confess their faults; restore those who are penitent; according to your promises declared to the world in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O merciful

God, for Christ's sake that we might live a holy, just and humble life for the glory of your holy name. Amen.

-Silent Confession-

*Assurance of Pardon and Peace

Leader: The proof of God's amazing love is this: While we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. Therefore, we can be confident that God not only forgives, but also cleanses us and makes us whole.

All: All Thanks be to God!

*The Gloria Patri #581

Children's Time

Prayer for Illumination (Unison)

Eternal God, reveal yourself to those who earnestly seek you. When our adorations and supplications have come to an end, let our hearts be still—allowing your Word to penetrate our hearts and change our lives! Amen.

*The Gospel Reading Matthew 18:15-31

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord!

All: All Thanks be to God!

The Second Scripture Reading II Samuel 12:1-25

Anthem In This Very Room Ron & Carol Harris

The Message "Debts? Trespasses? Forgiveness!!"

-The Rev. Tom Thomas

*Response to the Word: (The Nicene Creed)

Prayer Hymn #831 I Depend upon Your Faithfulness

Joys, Cares and Concerns

The Pastoral Prayer

*The Doxology #606

*The Dedication of Our Tithes and Our Lives

*The Closing Hymn Ever Faithful to the Call (see next page)

Tom Lough

*The Blessing

The Postlude He Hideth My Soul Greg Strine, piano

arr. J. Rouse

We are so grateful to welcome the Rev. Tom Thomas as our guest preacher today.

Rev. Tom Thomas retired in January 2012 after 40 years as a Presbyterian clergyman, serving pastorates in the states of Indiana, Pennsylvania and Missouri. He received his BA degree from the University of Louisville and graduate degrees from Union Theological Seminary in New York, and Pittsburgh Theological seminary. Tom and his wife Meredith now live in Quincy Village near Waynesboro.

Please join us for Coffee & Fellowship in the Social Room after Worship. All are Welcome!



Thanks to our church family for the lovely white rose in acknowledgement of the birth our grandson, Crew Michael Gift.

Tim & Lisa Walck and family



PRAYER CONCERNS

Allison & Erica Chris Miller

Stephanie Beard Penny Mohler

Rev. Bill Beck Leslie Moose

Denny & Donna Bingaman David Myers

Terri Brust Dan Patton

Tom Clopper Michael Paylor

Mike Clotzman Kenny Reed

Jane Everetts Tim Reed

Ethel Fisher Marvin & Nancy Rice

Aaron Frick Mary Lou Riddle

Mindy Grosh Patti Sechrist

Gail Guyton Alan Shope

Joseph Hams Todd Smith

Cheryl Hill Sally Snyder

Archer Hohl Pete Stanakis

Bill & Kathy Kendall John Stanton

Jason Kinzer Rowan Stotler

Stephanie & Mike Klingensmith Cathy Thomas

Lynne Leap Frank & Tracey Toston

Sue Lum Tim Walck

Rosie Luzier Chelsea White

Frank Marconi Emmie White

June Marshall Bethany Yeager

The God of the universe desires to enter into our lives in an intimate, eternal way. Our God is personal and deeply concerned with who and what and why we are.

Our God enters into our stories to both find us and to remind us that God has been here all along.



THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, May 25

8:45 am Confirmation Class

10:00 am Worship / Coffee & Fellowship

Prayers for Paxton Presbyterian Church, Harrisburg

Monday, May 26 MEMORIAL DAY – Church Office Closed

Wednesday, May 28

9:00 am Prayer Circle

6:00 pm Ladies Night Out at John Allison Public House

No Bell Choir Practice

7:00 pm Chancel Choir Practice 7:00 pm Ladies AA Meeting

Thursday, May 29 THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

6:30 pm Board of Deacons Meeting

Sunday, June 1 Graduation Sunday

10:00 am Worship with Communion

Recognition of Graduates and Matthew Anderson Scholarship Recipients / Coffee & Fellowship / First Sunday Food Drive Prayers for Pine Street Presbyterian Church, Harrisburg

COMMUNITY CAMP – JUNE 16 – 20, 2025

Our theme this year is TRUE NORTH. The children will be guided on the ultimate Alaskan adventure where northern lights glow over majestic mountains, racing rivers, and glistening glaciers. As they trek the tundra, they'll explore how easy it is to lose sight of what's true in our wild world today. Pointing them toward Jesus, they will learn that he is a faithful friend we can always trust. He's our True North!

- + 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

Announcements from your Mission/Outreach Committee:

Calling all Spring Cleaners! If you have items that are ready to move on from your home and are looking for a place to donate them, we are looking for you! On July 11th and 12th, the Sidewalk Sale days will be happening. Please bring your gently used items to our Social Room. We are also looking for grocery bags and boxes for those days. There will be tables set up to help sort the items. In addition, we are seeking volunteers to help sell those two days. There will be sign-up sheets available soon. Thank you for your help!

Laurel Mission Trip! We will be heading on our annual mission trip to Laurel, Kentucky September 20th - 27th. Please consider joining us on this fulfilling, joyful, hardworking trip. Sign-up sheets will be located at the entrances to the sanctuary.