

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 November 16, 2025**  
10:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE

**SERVING THE CHURCH**

Preaching..... Rev. Dr. Robert Cook  
Liturgist..... Tony Coulter  
Musicians..... Dr. J. Frederick Davison, Greg Strine  
Acolyte..... Liam Papa  
Sunday School Teachers..... Sue Bell, Colleen Seidel  
Audio Video Tech ..... Ben Herrmann  
Closer..... Paul Sauder

\* *Please stand as able*

## Centering Thought

*“If you take missions out of the Bible, you won’t have anything left but the covers.” —Nina Gunter*

Welcome and Brief Announcements

The Prelude

*This Is My Father's World* Franklin Sheppard arr. Philip Keveren  
Greg Strine, *piano*

\*The Call to Worship

Leader: Praise the LORD!

**All: We give thanks to the LORD with our whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation.**

Leader: The reverence of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good understanding.

**All: God’s praise endures forever!**

\*The Opening Hymn #643 *Now Thank We All Our God*

\*The Prayer of Confession (Unison)

**Lord God your chosen dwelling is the heart that longs for your presence and humbly seeks your love: we come to you to acknowledge and confess that we have sinned in thought and word and deed; we have not loved you with all our heart and soul, with all our mind and strength; we have not even loved our neighbor as ourselves. Deepen within us our sorrow for the wrong we have done, or for the good we have left undone. But you, O Lord, are full of compassion and gracious, slow to anger and plenteous in mercy; there is forgiveness with you. Restore to us the joy of your salvation; bind up that which is broken, give light to our minds,**

**strength to our wills and rest to our souls. Speak to each of us the word that we need, and let your word abide with us until it has wrought in us your holy will. Amen.** (Silent prayer)

\*The Assurance of Pardon and Peace with God

Leader: Friends! Believe the Good News! By the merits of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and set free to live a new life!

**All: Thanks be to God!**

\*The Gloria Patri #581

The Children's Time with Their Pastor

The Prayer for Illumination (Unison)

**God, source of all light, by your Word you give light to the soul. Pour out on us the spirit of understanding and wisdom that our hearts and minds may be opened. Amen.**

The First Scripture Reading

Acts 16:6-10

Report *Mission Trip to Laurel, Kentucky* Polly Coulter  
*Mission Team: Polly Coulter, Matt Kerstetter,  
Sandy Koplitz, Brian Rice, Debbie Young*

Duet *How Beautiful*

Twila Paris, arr. Lloyd Larson

*"How beautiful is the body of Christ"*

Barry Leap, *trombone* Brian Keck, *euphonium*  
Greg Strine, *piano*

\*The Gospel Reading

Luke 10:1-12

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord!

**All: thanks be to God!**

The Message *Why Go On A Mission Trip?*

Pastor Cook

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

Joys, Cares and Concerns

The Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

\*The Doxology #606

\*The Dedication of Our Tithes and Our Lives

\*The Closing Hymn #686    *God of Our Life*

\*The Blessing

The Postlude    *Jesus Strong and Kind*

C. Buchanan/ M. Farren/ J. Robinson/ R Thompson  
Greg Strine, *voice & piano*

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## **THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE**

### **Saturday, November 15**

9:00 am    Fall Clean-up at GPC and Moss Spring Cemetery

### **Sunday, November 16**

8:45 am    Fall Bible Study  
10:00 am    **Worship** with Coffee Fellowship  
1:00 pm    Cumberland Valley School of Music Recital  
2:00 pm    Dementia Caregivers Support Group  
5:30 pm    Youth Group Dinner at New Hope Shelter

### **Wednesday, November 19**

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

## PRAYER CONCERNS

June Marshall	Leslie Moose
Patti Sechrist	Donna Bingaman
Alan Shope	Jason Kinzer
Tim Walck	Emmie White
Mindy Grosh	Stephanie & Mike and
Michael Paylor	Alaina Klingensmith
Bill & Kathy Kendall	Joseph Hams
Rev. Bill Beck	Terri Brust
Dan Patton	Helen Taulbee
Bethany Yeager	Doc Greenawalt
Penny Mohler	David Pickart
Cathy Thomas	Greg Harmon
Sue Lum	Bonnie Speaks
Frank & Tracey Toston	Cindy Widder
Sally Snyder	Donna & Sarah Stillwagon
Chelsea White	Carla Vickers
Tim Reed	Kevin Taulbee
Lynne Leap	Brandon Fisher
Gail Guyton	Jan Eppleman
Marvin & Nancy Rice	Cora Crider
David Myers	Kim Tartaglia
Frank Marconi	Bill Heacock
Kenny Reed	Lynn Anne Robertson Smith
Todd Smith	Missy Benson
John Stanton	Joyce Baker
Tom Clopper	

*Good and gracious God, we surrender all worries and concerns to you, knowing that we are your beloved children. Our faith requires we rest in your immeasurable love.*



*Please join us for coffee, refreshments and fellowship in the Social Room after Worship.  
All Are Welcome!*

### **GREENCASTLE-ANTRIM FOOD PANTRY**

In anticipation of Thanksgiving, we are collecting the following items:



- Green Beans
- Crispy Fried Onions
- Mushroom Soup
- Sweet Potatoes
- Mashed Potato Mixes
- Turkey or Chicken Gravy
- Stuffing Mix

***Thank you for blessing  
our neighbors.***

The pantry is open for donations Tuesdays from 9:00 to 10:30 a.m. to schedule a drop off time, contact the pantry at 717-597-8333 Ext. 2 or [gafoodpantry@gmail.com](mailto:gafoodpantry@gmail.com). Please make all checks payable to the G-A Food Pantry.



THANKSGIVING  
*to go*

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FROM OUR KITCHEN TO YOUR TABLE

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**FREE Thanksgiving Dinner**

DRIVE-UP STYLE • SINGLE SERVE READY-TO-EAT MEALS

**Greencastle Presbyterian Church**

Pickup between 10:00 AM and 12:00 PM

**Thursday, November 27, 2025**

Call the office 717-597-8333 Ext 3 to reserve your meals

Below is a link to help with donations and volunteers for the meal.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/805044DACA62BA5F85-59504708-gpc2025>

# CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS ORDER FORM

To remember a loved one or honor someone please fill out this form and return it to the church office along with a check made payable to: Greencastle Presbyterian Church, marked "Christmas Poinsettia."



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Poinsettias are multi-bloom 6.5" pots. Cost is \$12.00 per pot.

Red       White       Pink

In memory of /  In honor of \_\_\_\_\_

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In memory of /  In honor of \_\_\_\_\_

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In memory of /  In honor of \_\_\_\_\_

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In memory of /  In honor of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

I will pick up my poinsettia after the Christmas Service.

Please give my poinsettia to a shut-in.

Our order to the florist will be placed on November 20, 2025.

# THANK YOU

*Thank you for the many prayers, cards, texts, and phone calls during my mom's decline and recent passing. Each was cherished and we felt blessed by your care and concern.*

– Randall and Mary Ann Ackerman

## WELCOME NEW BABY

Congratulations to Ed & Debbie Wine on the birth of their grandson, Erik Endel Paddrik, born on November 4, 2025. Erik's parents are Mark & Elizabeth Paddrik and his big sister is Maria. His paternal grandmother is Viviana Paddrik.



## PLEASE HELP FILL THE LITTLE FREE LIBRARY

We are in need of books for the Little Free Library! Any donations of books for children and adults will be greatly appreciated!!! Book donations can be placed in the drawer marked Little Free Library in the credenza by the elevator.

## ADVENT POTLUCK LUNCHEON

GPC's Special Events Committee will be hosting an Advent Luncheon on December 7<sup>th</sup> after Sunday Worship. Please bring a dish to share. Everyone is welcome to attend!



## CAROLING, COOKIES & COCOA

All Ages Welcome! Sunday, December 14<sup>th</sup> (Rain date Saturday 12/13)

Meet in the GPC Social Room @ 5:45 pm We'll leave at 6 pm to go caroling around town. \*Note this year we will be driving around the borough\*

Join us for hot cocoa & cookies back at the church afterwards.

Feel free to bring a dozen of your favorite cookies and/ or a friend!

RSVP to Keri 845-270-9108 by 12/12 Hope to see you there!

The Penn State Mont Alto Chorale

# Holiday Concerts




**Sunday, December 7th - 7 p.m.**  
**Greencastle Presbyterian Church**



**Tuesday, December 9th - 7 p.m.**  
**Emmanuel Chapel at Penn State Mont Alto**

*Kick off the holiday season as the Chorale performs many of your favorite sacred & secular songs presented by some of Penn State's most talented students.*



***\*\*Following the concert on December 7th, attendees will be treated to complimentary Penn State Berkey Creamery Ice Cream***

Since 2014, GPC has been privileged to host the Penn State Mont Alto Chorale for its fall semester holiday concert. The concert is free and open to the public.

**It's a great way to begin the advent season!**

Please consider supporting these hard-working students by inviting your family & friends to attend this meaningful holiday presentation.

## GPC STAFF

Rev. Dr. Robert Cook..... Interim Pastor  
Dr. J. Frederick Davison..... Director of Music Ministry  
Keri Papa ..... Acting Director of Christian Education  
Colleen Seidel..... Youth Group Leader  
Susan Miller..... Office Manager  
Bonnie Speaks ..... Finance Manager  
Ryan Hock..... Custodian  
Debbie Hock..... Custodian  
Bryan Larew ..... Groundskeeper

## SESSION MEMBERS

### **Class of 2026**

Anne Larew ..... Worship  
Racheal Bowman ..... Christian Education  
Jenn Robertson ..... Clerk of Session

### **Class of 2027**

JoAnne Lewis..... Finance  
Carole Malin..... Property & Maintenance  
Dee Patton .....Special Events

### **Class of 2028**

Mary Ann Ackerman ..... Mission / Outreach  
Phil Pearce ..... Personnel

## BOARD OF DEACONS

### **Class of 2026**

Ben Herrmann  
Candace Rutherford

### **Class of 2027**

Polly Coulter  
Kelly Kerstetter  
Debra Miller  
Virginia Vallillo

### **Class of 2028**

Brian Rice



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# UPCOMING CHRISTIAN ED ACTIVITIES

See a member of the Christian Ed Committee with questions.

CHOOSE  
JOY

## OCC Boxes Due November 16th

You can use a preprinted box or any similar sized container or box. See labels for packing instructions.

## Thanksgiving Dinner

will be handed out Thanksgiving morning  
**11/27**

**8AM-12PM.**

Use the Signup Genius Link to sign up to volunteer

## Angel Gifts due back no later than 12/1.

Tags will be put on the tree as the forms are returned to us.  
NEW,  
WRAPPED  
gifts ~\$30  
can be placed under the tree.

## Caroling, Cookies & Cocoa

December 14th  
Meet at the church  
@5:45PM,  
caroling 6-7,  
Cookies & Cocoa to follow

## COMMITTEE Meeting Dates

November 4th  
December 3rd  
6:30PM