

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 OCTOBER 18, 2026

21st Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE

Welcome

IF YOU ARE NEW HERE –
We are glad you joined us for worship!

Please take a moment to sign the visitor card located in your pew and place it in the offering basket in the front of the sanctuary. Print your name, address, phone number, and email address so we can follow-up. If you want to learn more about our church, a good place to start is our website visitGPCpa.com. You can livestream or view past services.



BEFORE THE SERVICE, SPEAK WITH GOD.
DURING THE SERVICE, LET GOD SPEAK TO YOU.
AFTER THE SERVICE, SPEAK TO OTHERS.

** Please stand as able*

Welcome and Brief Announcements

Prelude

Prelude in B Minor, Op. 28, No. 6
Zakary Reynolds, *piano*

Frédéric Chopin

**Call to Worship (adapted from Psalm 99)*

The Lord is king; let the peoples tremble!

Let them praise your great and awesome name!
Holy is the Lord.

Mighty King, lover of justice, you have established equity...

Extol the Lord our God; worship at his footstool.
Holy is the Lord.

Moses and Aaron were among his priests...

They cried to the Lord, and he answered them.

Extol the Lord our God, and worship at his holy mountain;
for the Lord our God is holy.

Come, let us worship the Lord.

**Opening Hymn #1 Holy, Holy, Holy (v. 1-4)*

**Prayer of Confession (Unison)*

Lord of eternity, you speak and there is life.
From the beginning, you established diversity in your creation.

It seems to please you that there is difference among your creatures.

And yet we take difference and turn it into enemy.

We have a hard time hearing one another.

We have a hard time learning from – even tolerating – one another.

We judge before we ask questions.

We react before we understand.

We get out ahead of you and your ways and your timing; or else we lag behind.

Forgive us, Lord.

Help us to see the light of Christ in each other, and follow your lead. Amen.

(Silent prayer)

***Assurance of Pardon**

Leader: No matter what the offense in thought, word, or deed, the God of grace hears our prayers, and invites us to a new life of freedom and joy.

By the power of the Holy Spirit, you are blessed to be a blessing.

Friends, believe the good news: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

All: Thanks be to God!

***Gloria Patri #581**

Time in the Psalms – Psalm 96

*Oh sing a new song to the Lord,
sing to the Lord, sing all the earth!*

*Children are invited to
attend Children's Church*



Prayer for Illumination (**Unison**)

Lord, your Word is precious and we treasure this time to hear and receive your message for us today. May your Holy Spirit bring life to our hearing and empower us in obedient response. In Christ we pray, Amen.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 22:15-22

Liturgist: This is the Word of the Lord!

All: Thanks be to God!

Anthem *I Choose Love*

Mark A. Miller

Brian Keck, *tenor*

In the midst of pain, I choose love.
In the midst of pain,
sorrow falling down like rain,
I await the sun again, I choose love.

In the midst of war, I choose peace.
In the midst of war,
hate and anger keeping score,
I will seek the good once more, I choose peace.

When the word falls down, I will rise.
When the world falls down,
explanations can't be found,
I will climb to holy ground, I will rise.

In the midst of pain, I choose love.
In the midst of pain,
sorrow falling down like rain,
I await the sun again, I choose love.

text by Lindy Thompson

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord!

All: Thanks be to God!

Message

If Your Presence Will Not Go Rev. Katy Yates Brungraber

*Response to the Word Apostles' Creed P.35

*Hymn #824 *There is a Place of Quiet Rest* (v. 1-3)

Joys, Cares and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer

*Doxology #606

*Dedication of Our Tithes and Our Lives

*Hymn #546 *Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing* (v.1-2)

*Blessing

Postlude *Chorale Prelude,*

Ein feste Burg ist unser Gott, BWV 720

J.S. Bach

Zakary Reynolds, organ

SERVING THE CHURCH

Ministers**Everyone in the church**

Pastor Rev. Katy Yates Brungraber

Musicians Dr. J. Frederick Davison, Zakary Reynolds, Brian Keck

Liturgist Sheila Gates

Acolyte

Children's Church Teachers Erin Herrmann, Deb Wine

Audio / Video Tech Jim Papa

Closer Paul Sauder

Leading the congregation in worship today is the **Rev. Katy Yates Brungraber**. After serving as the Solo Pastor of two small congregations in Eastern Ohio and Western PA, she moved to Chambersburg to be near family. Pastor Katy is a member-at-large “utility player” in the Presbytery of Carlisle. She has preached in over 20 congregations within the presbytery, and has served the connectional church as a Sabbatical Pastor, Interim Pastor, Visitation Pastor, Liaison, Moderator, Recording Clerk, and – as part of her service on Commission on Ministry – an Administrative Commission member.



Pastor Katy loves to lead workshops and retreats; she also provides coaching and consulting to congregations and individuals as they navigate seasons of discernment.

She continues to hold GPC in prayer in our time of transit

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, October 18

10:00 am **Worship** followed by Coffee Fellowship
Prayers for Wells Valley Presbyterian Church, Wells Tannery

Monday, October 19

10:00 am Finance Committee Meeting

Wednesday, October 21

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

Sunday, October 25

10:00 am **Worship** followed by Coffee Fellowship
5:30 pm Youth Group

*Please join us after Worship in the Social Room
for Coffee Fellowship. Kindly hosted
by the Deacon Care Cell #3*

PRAYER CONCERNS

*Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God.
- Philippians 4:5*

June Marshall	Helen Taulbee
Patti Sechrist	Donna & Sarah Stillwagon
Alan Shope	Carla Vickers
Tim Walck	Kevin Taulbee
Mindy Grosh	Cora Crider
Michael Paylor	Kim Tartaglia
Kathy Kendall	Bill Heacox
Dan Patton	Amanda Lain
Bethany Yeager	Steve Miller
Penny Mohler	Julie Miller
Sue Lum	Frank Custis
Tracy Toston	Tinninis/Seidel Family
Sally Snyder	Alicia DeAngelis
Lynne Leap	Evelyn Thompson
Nancy Rice	Dremah Sue
Todd Smith	Rockwell Runshaw
John & Alysa Stanton	R. H. Stamper
Leslie Moose	Tom Hind
Donna Bingaman	Tommy Heacox
Emmie White	The Reed Family
Terri Brust	Kim Morrison

This prayer list reflects our love and support for our church family. Please submit or review names on the list to balance healing requests with general community/member prayers.

*** * FIRE DRILL ALERT * ***

Next Sunday, October 25th, the Safety & Security Team will conduct an announced fire drill near the end of worship. At that time, the fire alarm will sound and we will evacuate the entire church as quickly as possible. Once attendees leave the church they should immediately walk to our designated rally point, in the grassy area, to the right of the train station across the street. While there, we will conduct a head count and formally conclude worship with song & prayer. At the start of worship next week, we will review these steps and provide final instructions.

GREENCASTLE-ANTRIM FOOD PANTRY

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.

In anticipation of Thanksgiving, we are collecting the following items during October and November. Thank you for blessing our neighbors.

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

THANKSGIVING-TO-GO

FROM OUR KITCHEN TO YOUR TABLE

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 26, 2026

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://m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/805044DACA62BA5F85-66200692-2026?useFullSite=false>



STEWARDSHIP DRIVE

As you consider your commitment of time and talents to GPC for the coming year, pray about joining one of the many committees of the church. These committees include Outreach/ Mission, Special Events, Worship, Property and Maintenance, Safety and Security, Christian Education, Personnel, Finance, and Technology. Information can be obtained about the various

committees through a current member of Session. ***God has much work for us to do together!***

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD BOXES

Ways to support Operation Christmas Child this year:

- 1) Pick up a shoe box and fill it with goodies - the traditional approach!!
- 2) Make a monetary donation of any amount - thank you in advance!
- 3) Support Faithful Family November Event: The kids will “shop” at our store and fill the boxes themselves. Please help us by pledging to cover the cost of any pre-selected goodie listed on a white envelope. Just choose an envelope and turn it in with money enclosed. You can also donate anything that you want to - dollar store goodies, happy meal toys, anything that will fit in a box. (or see #2 above)
- 4) Envelopes/cash donations can be placed in the red/white box!



Deadline for all cash donations is November 1. All other donations of goodies for the boxes and any shoe boxes that are already packed could be turned in on/before the morning of November 8.

COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE

The Greencastle-Antrim Community Thanksgiving Service will be held on Sunday, November 22 at 6:30 pm at First Assembly of God. It's an informal service and the offering goes to the food pantry. ***Always a good time for local churches, neighbors, and interfaith or multi-denominational groups come together in fellowship!***

As part of our Sunday worship service commemorating All Saints' Day this November, we will be paying tribute to those who have departed this life while we have cared for their loved ones during their time of loss and grief. This will include members from our congregation as well as individuals and families from our community.

Since the Rev. Dr. Robert Cook has retired, the Sunday service will be officiated by Elder Kelsey Marshall, MDiv. We will observe **All Saints Sunday on November 1, 2026, at 10:00 am**, and would certainly welcome you to worship with us. During that service, we will also celebrate Holy Communion.

Should you choose to join us, your dear one's name will be read during the service. You may also wish to have a special candle which will be lit in their memory at that time. The candle will be yours to take as a keepsake after the service.



Memorial Candle Order Form

\$10 Donation Per Candle

(PRINT LEGIBLY)

Your name: _____

Phone / Email: _____

Name of Loved One: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Date of Death: _____

SOCK DRIVE

The Mission /Outreach Committee is holding a Sock Drive from now through the end of December. New socks of any size, with/without grips, can be donated by placing them in the Tub of Warmth drawer in the cabinet by the elevator. All socks will be added to the Tub of Warmth and given out to Food Pantry patrons and to those in need via the Tub at the Besore Library. Thank you in advance for your donations.



GREENCASTLE-ANTRIM CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

DATE: Tuesday, October 27, 2029 at 9:30 am

LOCATION: Evangelical Lutheran Church

SPEAKER: Sharon Smith

THEME: Full Circle – Discovering God's Handiwork

MUSIC: Eileen Flenner



No reservation necessary • Free-will offering accepted

All are welcome to attend and bring a friend!

Ladies
Night Out

THURSDAY
November 5th

6:00 pm

Brother's Pizza-Greencastle



Notes: _____

SESSION MEMBERS

Class of 2027

- Dottie Davison Worship
- Carole Malin..... Property & Maintenance
- Jenn Robertson Clerk of Session

Class of 2028

- Mary Ann Ackerman Outreach / Mission

Class of 2029

- Ben Herrmann..... Christian Education
- Jim Papa Technology / PNC
- George Price..... Personnel

BOARD OF DEACONS

Class of 2027

- Polly Coulter
- Kelly Kerstetter
- Debra Miller
- Virginia Vallillo

Class of 2028

- Brian Rice

Class of 2029

- Sheila Gates
- Beverly Leap
- Sue Thompson



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