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# First Presbyterian Church of North East

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## THE EXCITER NEWS: March 2023

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### WEEKLY SERVICES AND OTHER NEWS TO KNOW

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**JOIN US FOR WORSHIP EACH SUNDAY AT 10:30 AM (ET).** Services are offered in-person and online via Facebook LIVE. If you are able, come on out for worship and fellowship with your church family. The bulletin and announcements are posted at [FPCNE.ORG](http://FPCNE.ORG).



**WEDNESDAY EVENING PRAYER AND DEVOTION IS HELD EACH WEDNESDAY AT 7:00 PM (ET) ON FACEBOOK.** Spend a few minutes with Pastor Gregg for a mid-week time of prayer and devotion.

**THERE WILL BE A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** immediately following worship on March 26 for the purpose of electing an Elder.

**YOU ARE INVITED FOR A SPECIAL COFFEE HOUR** to celebrate John and Kerry Morton's 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary following the worship service on March 19.

**SQUARE CIRCLE WILL MEET** on Wednesday, March 15, at 6:30 PM at the home of Pauline Fisher, 10906 East Lake Road. All women are welcome to join us for devotions, prayer, and fellowship.

**WE ARE LOOKING FOR NEW MEMBERS FOR OUR CHANCEL AND BELL CHOIRS.** Bell Choir practice is at 6:00 PM every Thursday, followed by Chancel Choir practice at 7:00 PM. Ringing or singing in the Bell or Chancel Choirs is fun and a great way to serve the church.

**JOIN OUR E-PRAYER CHAIN.** Speak with Pastor Gregg or email Jane Livingston at [jlivingston@neo.rr.com](mailto:jlivingston@neo.rr.com) to be added. We have a very active prayer chain, and it's wonderful to lift up our church members, friends and family for prayer needs throughout the week.

**SIGN UP TO HOST COFFEE HOUR.** Hosting coffee hour is easy. We have coffee, drinks, accompaniments, and all paper products on hand. All you need to do is make the coffee and drinks, set out the necessary supplies and “host.” If you’d like to provide simple snacks or cookies, it is appreciated but not required.

**WE’D LOVE TO ADD FEW HELPING HANDS TO OUR MEDIA TEAM.** We will provide the training. Speak with Jane Livingston for more information. It’s easy to learn and not a big commitment.

**IF YOU HAVE A PRAYER REQUEST, JOY, OR CONCERN TO SHARE,** please speak with Pastor Gregg or call or text his cell phone at (814) 460-3123. You can also email our prayer chain at [jlivingston@neo.rr.com](mailto:jlivingston@neo.rr.com) or text Jane Livingston at (814) 504-1135.

### **SET ASIDE TIME FOR REFLECTION, PRAYER, AND REPENTANCE DURING HOLY WEEK.**

Beginning with the solemnity of Maundy Thursday and Good Friday and concluding with the Easter celebrations of Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday, we invite you to join us for each unique service.

Sunday, April 2, 10:30 AM	-----	PALM SUNDAY Service
Thursday, April 6, 7:00 PM	-----	MAUNDY THURSDAY Service
Friday, April 7, 7:00 PM	-----	GOOD FRIDAY Service
Saturday, April 8, 7:53 PM	-----	EASTER VIGIL Service
Sunday, April 9, 10:30 AM	-----	EASTER SUNDAY Service



**THE FPCNE BOOK CLUB MEETS AT 2:00 PM AT THE CHURCH ON THE SECOND THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH.** All men and women are invited to join our fun book discussions.

## **GIVING YOUR TITHE AND GIFTS BEYOND**

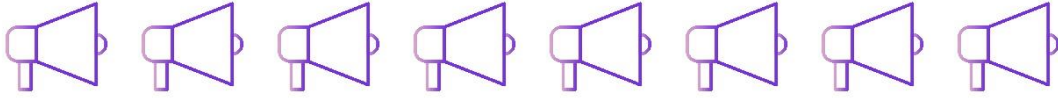
There are four easy ways to give your financial gift to the church.

1. For in-person worshippers, place your envelopes in the plates at the back of the sanctuary.
2. Send in your financial support via the **USPS to 25 West Main Street, North East PA 16428.**
3. Contact the church office (814-725-8641) to set up **direct deposit.**
4. Give through **PayPal.** Just go to: [paypal.me/fpcne](https://paypal.me/fpcne). Or you can now use the QR code below. Just scan and go right to the church’s Paypal account. **Please Note:** there is a one-time set-up required via your Paypal account to enable the QR code.



## GOT AN ANNOUNCEMENT OR CALENDAR EVENT FOR THE BULLETIN?

Please email Jane Livingston at [jlivingston@neo.rr.com](mailto:jlivingston@neo.rr.com) by Wednesday.



### CONTACT INFO YOU MIGHT NEED

- Contact Pastor Gregg anytime at (814) 460-3123 (call or text) and [pastortownsend@yahoo.com](mailto:pastortownsend@yahoo.com).
- Contact music director Jane Livingston at (814) 504-1135 (call or text) and [jlivingston@neo.rr.com](mailto:jlivingston@neo.rr.com).

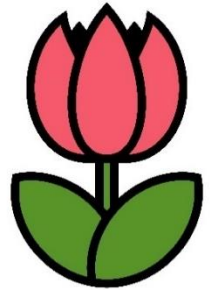
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### EASTER FLOWER ORDER FORM

Help us beautify the sanctuary for Easter. If you would like to order flowers for Easter, please place your order by **Sunday, March 26**. Select from tulips and daffodils.

**ALL FLOWERS ARE \$12 EACH, WHICH INCLUDES POT COVER AND BOW.**

**Type & Quantity:** \_\_\_\_\_ Tulips    \_\_\_\_\_ Daffodils



**FLOWERS ARE GIVEN BY:** \_\_\_\_\_

**IN HONOR OF:** \_\_\_\_\_

**IN MEMORY OF:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please give your orders, along with your payment, to Jane Livingston.** You may also email your order to Jane at [jlivingston@neo.rr.com](mailto:jlivingston@neo.rr.com). Or mail checks payable to First Presbyterian Church to: 25 West Main Street, North East PA 16428. You may also pay through Paypal: [paypal.me/fpcne](https://paypal.me/fpcne).

**Flowers may be picked up after the Easter Service  
on Sunday, April 9. Thank you!**