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## First Presbyterian Church of North East

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# NEWS YOU NEED TO KNOW

**BECOME A MEMBER OF FPCNE!** Do you consider FPCNE your church home? Is FPCNE where you receive pastoral care? Is FPCNE where you are fed on God's Word? Then you should speak with Pastor Gregg about becoming a member. It doesn't matter where you live. The church is not a building... the church is the people.

**LEARN HOW TO "SIMPLIFY YOUR SPIRITUAL LIFE" AND JOIN PASTOR GREGG FOR AN ONLINE BOOK DISCUSSION every other Tuesday at 7:30 PM (EST) via Zoom. Due to this month's Session meeting, the next discussion will be on Tuesday, December 8.** Pick up the book "SIMPLIFY YOUR SPIRITUAL LIFE: SPIRITUAL DISCIPLINES FOR THE OVERWHELMED" by Donald Whitney at your favorite book seller. Connect with Pastor Gregg so he can add you to his Zoom meeting invitation or check the church Facebook page for a Zoom link.

**WEDNESDAY PASTOR'S BIBLE STUDY HAS MOVED TO WEDNESDAY EVENINGS!** Join Pastor Gregg **each Wednesday at 7:30 PM (EST)** for an online Bible Study via Zoom: "Putting the Pieces Back Together: God Rebuilds His People" (studying Ezra, Nehemiah, Haggai, and Zephaniah). Connect with Pastor Gregg so he can add you to his Zoom meeting invitation or check the church Facebook page for a Zoom link. We will meet following the Wednesday Evening Prayer and Devotional.

**OUR BELL CHOIR IS RINGING ONCE AGAIN AND WE NEED 1-2 MORE MEMBERS.** Practices are held on Thursday evenings at 6:00 PM. We will teach you everything you need to know. No experience is necessary. Please speak with Jane Livingston for info or just show up on Thursday! We hope that you consider joining us!

**EACH YEAR, IT IS OUR JOY AS A CHURCH TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE NORTH EAST COUNCIL OF CHURCHES COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS BOXES.** This year will be a little different. Due to pandemic safety concerns, the Council is planning to provide a gift certificate to each approved applicant. The gift certificate will be dedicated toward local businesses and will strive to be comparable to the food value provided in past years. If you'd like to contribute, please make your donation payable to "Community Christmas Boxes" and mail to:

**Episcopal Church of the Holy Cross | c/o Anne Bardol | 51 West Main Street | North East PA 16428**

**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. **If you haven't joined our e-prayer chain, email Jane and ask to be added to the email list.**

## WEDNESDAY EVENING PRAYER AND DEVOTION

Join Pastor Gregg on Facebook LIVE every Wednesday evening at 7:00 PM (EST) for a time of prayer and devotion. Please contact Pastor Gregg directly to share any prayer requests.

# CHURCH CALENDAR

DATE	TIMES (EST)	EVENT
Monday, November 23	9:00 AM – 1:00 PM	Church Office Hours
Tuesday, November 24	9:00 AM – 1:00 PM 7:00 PM	Church Office Hours Session Meeting
Wednesday, November 25	9:00 AM – 1:00 PM 7:00 PM 7:30 PM	Church Office Hours Evening Prayer & Devotional (via FB LIVE) Pastor's Bible Study (via Zoom)
Thursday, November 26	Closed	Office is closed for the Thanksgiving Holiday
Friday, November 27	Closed	Office is closed for the Thanksgiving Holiday
Sunday, November 29	10:30 AM (EST)	First Sunday in Advent Worship Service (In-Person or Via FB LIVE)

*Happy Thanksgiving!*

## 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).
- Please send announcements or calendar events to Jane.

**Advent begins next Sunday, November 29! For our online worshippers, be sure to gather 5 candles to use for our weekly Advent candle lighting. We'll provide a few ideas or check out Pinterest for lots of Advent wreath/candles ideas. You don't need any special colors or sizes of candles. Whatever you have on hand will work – tapers, pillars, or votives.**