

First Presbyterian Church of North East NEWS YOU NEED TO KNOW

CONGRATULATIONS TO SARA AND JAMES RODKEY ON THE BIRTH OF THEIR DAUGHTER MADELYN KATE RODKEY. Madelyn was born on August 30, 2021 and is the newest addition to our church family. The rose in the chancel is in Madelyn's honor.

WE WILL BE HAVING A POTLUCK LUNCHEON ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 immediately following the worship service, downstairs in Fellowship Hall. Please bring a large dish to share. Rolls, ice cream, cookies, and drinks will be provided. If you are able, please bring your own place settings. We will also have disposables on-hand.

WE'RE HIRING!

FPCNE CHURCH IS SEEKING TO FILL TWO PART-TIME JOB OPENINGS. Persons interested in one or both positions should contact Pastor Gregg.

- Youth Worker and Director of Christian Education is responsible for planning, overseeing, and directing Sunday School, special events such as Vacation Bible School, and leading the church Youth Group. They should demonstrate a deep faith commitment to Jesus Christ, a basic understanding of Christianity and the Bible, an ability to work well with volunteers, and a passionate concern for children and youth.
- **Communications Administrator** is responsible for overseeing and promoting church announcements, events, and information both within the congregation (e.g. newsletters & emails) and in the community (e.g. Facebook posts, press releases, and webpage uploads) along with a few basic office administration tasks. Interested persons will demonstrate a knowledge of Microsoft Office applications, be comfortable with using social media applications, and willing to learn basic website building.

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 or text Jane Livingston at (814) 504-1135.

COFFEE HOUR IS BACK. Please stay for coffee hour and fellowship following the worship service. Do you like to bake? Please consider baking for future coffee hours. Don't like to bake? We'll take store-bought cookies or other snacks too! You can leave donations in the kitchenette.

WEDNESDAY EVENING PRAYER AND DEVOTION

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

MUSIC MINISTRY NEWS

WE WILL BE STARTING UP OUR CHANCEL AND BELL CHOIRS IN SEPTEMBER. We need both men and women, both singers and ringers! We welcome our youth from grade 8 and up to join as well. Singing or ringing in choir is really a lot of fun, doesn't require a big-time commitment and is a great way to serve the church. Speak with Jane Livingston for more info.

BELL CHOIR PRACTICE will begin on Thursday, September 16 at 6:00 PM. CHANCEL CHOIR PRACTICE will begin on Thursday, September 16 at 7:00 PM.

WE'D LOVE TO REBUILD OUR WORSHIP BAND. Do you play guitar, bass, or drums? Or know anyone who does? Or maybe you like to sing modern worship songs? Speak with Jane Livingston for more info. Worship team typically practices on Sunday mornings so there is not a lot of extra time commitment required.

OTHER NEWS TO KNOW



BEAUTIFY OUR CHANCEL WITH FLOWERS. Please speak with Jane if you can help to provide flowers for our chancel in the coming weeks.

WE NEED MORE VOLUNTEERS FOR OUR AV TEAM. We'd like to set up multiple cameras for our online worship service, which will allow us to put our sanctuary back into its normal set-up. But we need a few more folks to help manage the sound and AV equipment. The only skill you need is the ability to pay attention! Otherwise, Jane will provide training and sets up each week. Please speak with Jane Livingston for more info.

CONTACT INFO YOU MIGHT NEED

- Contact Pastor Gregg anytime at (814) 460-3123 (call or text) and <u>pastortownsend@yahoo.com</u>.
- Contact music director Jane Livingston at (814) 504-1135 (call or text) and jlivingston@neo.rr.com.
- Please send announcements or calendar events to Jane.

GIVING YOUR TITHE AND GIFTS BEYOND

There are five 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** from your bank account to the church.
- 4. You can also now give through **PayPal.** Just click on the link: <u>paypal.me/fpcne</u>. Or click on the "Shop Now" button on the church Facebook page, which will take you to the link.
- 5. Download the **"Give Plust Mobile"** app from the App Store. Enter our zip code (16428) and select "First Presbyterian Church." It takes about five minutes to set up your account and connect with the church. Then simply select the **'+**' sign at the top to add your giving.