# CHURCH NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE ARE COLLECTING MAPLE SYRUP FOR THE NORTH EAST FOOD PANTRY during the month of June. Drop off your bottles of syrup in the Assembly Room.

**AUGUST IS FPCNE'S MONTH** to volunteer at the North East Community Food Pantry on Friday and Saturday mornings. Please sign up in the Assembly Room.

**TODAY'S FLOWERS** are given by Beth and Steve Seymour in celebration of Peter Seymour's birthday on June 23.

# SIGN UP TO PROVIDE FLOWERS ON SUNDAY MORNING IN HONOR OR MEMORY OF A LOVED ONE OR OCCASION.

A sign-up sheet is located in the Assembly Room. Bring flowers from your gardens! If you need vases, we have plenty on hand.

**JOIN OUR E-PRAYER CHAIN.** Speak with Pastor Gregg or email Jane Livingston at jlivingston@neo.rr.com to be added.

LET'S ALL PITCH IN TO HELP WITH COFFEE HOUR. All you need to do is make the coffee and drinks, set out the necessary supplies and "host." If you'd like to just donate snack/goodies, please leave them in the kitchenette. Sign up in the Assembly Room.

**INTERESTED IN BECOMING A MEMBER OF FPCNE?** Speak with Pastor Gregg. He'd love to talk with you.

PLEASE SUBMIT ALL BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS by Wednesdays. Please email Pastor Gregg or Jane.



Based on Hebrews 10:39

# First Presbyterian Church

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## WELCOME



WELCOME TO ALL. You enter this church not as a stranger, but as a child of God, joining in worship with our Christian family. Please take a moment to complete a Visitor/Guest Card, located in the pew racks, and place it in the collection plate at the back of the sanctuary or give directly to Pastor Gregg. We are glad you are here.

**TO PREPARE FOR WORSHIP**, please turn off or silence cell phones, tablets, and all other wireless electronic devices upon entering the sanctuary.

**FOR FAMILIES WITH YOUNG CHILDREN,** nursery care is available for infants and young children through pre-K.

**RESTROOMS** are located across from the office area and down the hallway in the Christian Education wing.

**PARKING IS AVAILABLE** in the designated church parking spaces on the south and east side of the church, as well as street parking. The municipal building parking lot west of the church is also available during evening hours and on Sunday mornings.

**TODAY'S LITURGICAL COLOR IS GREEN,** which symbolizes spiritual growth and is used during Ordinary time—all time periods during the church calendar not marked by a specific season.

**WEDNESDAY EVENING PRAYER AND DEVOTIONAL** is held on Facebook on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 PM (ET). Please contact Pastor Gregg directly to share any prayer requests.

### **CONTACT INFO YOU MIGHT NEED**

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

This is my story. This is my song. Praising my Savior all the day long. This is my story. This is my song. Praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect submission, perfect delight. Visions of rapture now burst on my sight. Angels descending, bring from above. Echoes of mercy, whispers of love. (Chorus)

Perfect submission, all is at rest.
I, in my Savior, am happy and blest.
Watching and waiting, looking above.
Filled with His goodness, lost in His love. (Chorus)

- \* OFFERING OUR TENTH AND GIFTS BEYOND
- \* BENEDICTION AND POSTLUDE

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# OFFERING OUR TENTH AND GIFTS BEYOND

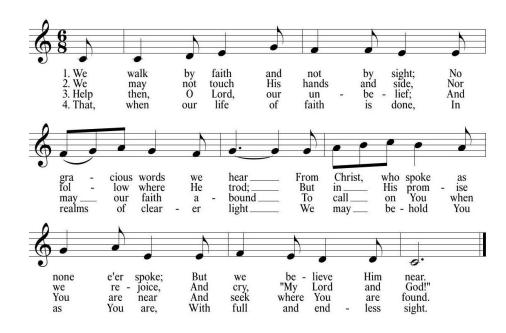
- 1. Place your envelopes in the plates at the back of the sanctuary.
- 2. Give through PayPal at paypal.me/fpcne or at FPCNE.ORG.
- 3. Scan the QR code with your phone camera using the card located in the pew pockets to go right to the church's Paypal account.
- 4. Speak with Pastor Gregg for information on setting up direct deposit.

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## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

\* RESPONDING IN SONG "We Walk By Faith and Not By Sight"



#### PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

# SENDING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

\* CLOSING SONG

"Blessed Assurance"

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine. O what a foretaste of glory divine. Heir of salvation, purchase of God. Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.

# First Presbyterian Church

North East, PA
Second Sunday After Pentecost
June 22, 2025, 10:00 A.M.
Jane M. Livingston, Director of Music
Gregg D. Townsend, Pastor

\*Indicates to stand if you are able

SHARING OUR JOYS, CONCERNS, AND PRAYER REQUESTS. Please fill out a Prayer Card located in the pew racks and give to Pastor Gregg before the service.

# GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

**GATHERING MUSIC** 

WELCOME

Pastor Gregg Townsend

\* GREETING

\* CALL TO WORSHIP

John McClure

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness; come into his presence with singing. Congregation: Know that the Lord is God. It is he that made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise. Give thanks to him, bless his name.

For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

Psalm 100

\* OPENING PRAISE "Immortal Invisible God Only Wise"

Immortal, invisible, God only wise. In light, inaccessible, hid from our eyes. Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days. Almighty, victorious, Thy great name we praise. Unresting, unhasting and silent as light.

Nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might.

Thy justice like mountains. high soaring above.

Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all life, Thou givest to both great and small. In all life, Thou livest the true life of all. We blossom and flourish like leaves on the tree, And wither and perish but naught changeth Thee.

Thou reignest in glory, Thou rulest in light. Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight. All praise we would render. O help us to see. 'Tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee.

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against you, you alone, have I sinned, and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are justified in your sentence and blameless when you pass judgement. Indeed, I was born guilty, a sinner when my mother conceived me. You desire truth in the inward being; therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart. Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have crushed rejoice. Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities.

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me. Do not cast me away from your presence, and do not take your holy spirit from me.

Psalm 51:1-11

#### LAMENT

"O Master Let Me Walk With Thee"

O Master let me walk with Thee in lowly paths of service free. Tell me Thy secret, help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.

Help me the slow of heart to move By some clear winning word of love, Teach me the wayward feet to stay And guide them in the homeward way.

Teach me Thy patience still with Thee in closer dearer company. In work that keeps faith sweet and strong, In trust that triumphs over wrong.

In hope that sends a shining ray far down the future's broadening way. In peace that only Thou canst give with Thee, O Master, let me live.

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

I John 1:8,9

# PROCLAIMING THE WORD

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

SCRIPTURE READING

Hebrews 10:39-11:3

**MESSAGE**