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.

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.





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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.

I want to know You. I want to hear Your voice. I want to know You more. I want to touch You. I want to seek Your face. I want to know You more.

I am reaching for the highest goal that I might receive the prize. Pressing onward, pushing every hindrance aside, out of my way, 'Cause I want to know You more. **(Chorus)**

*** OFFERING OUR TENTH AND GIFTS BEYOND**

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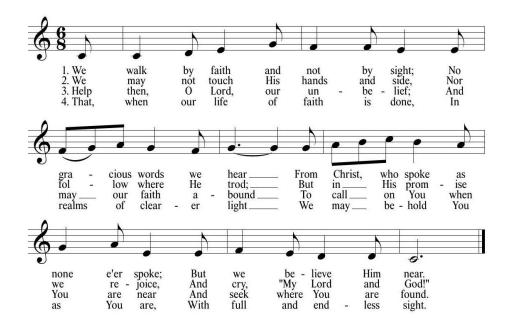
- 1. Place your envelopes in the plates at the back of the sanctuary.
- 2. Give through PayPal at paypal.me/fpcne or at FPCNE.ORG.
- 3. Scan the QR code with your phone camera using the card located in the pew pockets to go right to the church's Paypal account.
- 4. Speak with Pastor Gregg for information 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 "In the Secret (I Want to Know You)"

In the secret, in the quiet place. In the stillness, You are there. In the secret, in the quiet hour, I wait only for You, 'Cause I want to know You more.

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North East, PA Third Sunday After Pentecost June 29, 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 Dianne Tyler Leader: Come, bow down and worship, kneel to the Lord, our Maker. Congregation: This is our God, our shepherd, we are the flock led with care.

---Psalm 95:6-7, TP

* **OPENING PRAISE** "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation. O, my soul praise Him for He is thy health and salvation. All ye who hear now to His temple draw near. Join me in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth. Shelters thee under His wings, yes so gently sustaineth. Hast thou not seen how all thy longings hath been? Granted in what He ordaineth. Praise to the Lord who doth prosper Thy work and defend thee. Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee. Ponder anew what the Almighty can do. If with His love, He befriend thee.

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him. All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him. Let the amen sound from His people again. Gladly forever adore Him, (Chorus x 2)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Wondrous God, who sets suns and moons above us, mountains and valleys beneath us, and friends and strangers among us: how often have we tried to hide from your presence, how seldom have we looked for your creating face and your fashioning hand! Lord, have mercy upon us.

Wondrous God, who took upon yourself flesh of our flesh in Jesus our brother, and being found in human form made the ultimate disclosure of yourself in the face of Jesus Christ: how often we have forgotten you, how seldom have we really loved and followed you! **Christ, have mercy upon us.**

Wondrous God, who pours out freely the Holy Spirit: how often have we ignored your promptings, how seldom have we asked for your help or accepted your gifts! Lord, have mercy upon us. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Through the blood of Christ Jesus, our Lord, we have redemption, forgiveness of sins. The riches of God's grace have been poured out upon us.

Praise be to our God, who has chosen and made us his own. Praise be to our God, who forgives and cleanses us. **Praise be to our God,** who blesses us beyond our imagination!

* **SONG OF THANKSGIVING** "Praise Him! Praise Him!"

Praise Him! Praise Him! Jesus our blessed Redeemer! Sing, O earth, His wonderful love proclaim. Hail Him! Hail Him! Highest archangels in glory. Strength and honor, give to His holy name. Like a shepherd, Jesus will guard His children. In His arms, He carries them all day long.

Praise Him! Praise Him! Tell of His excellent greatness. Praise Him! Praise Him! Ever in joyful song.

Praise Him! Praise Him! Jesus our blessed Redeemer. For our sins, He suffered and bled and died. He, our Rock, our hope of eternal salvation. Hail Him! Hail Him! Jesus the Crucified. Sound His praises, Jesus who bore our sorrows. Love unbounded, wonderful, deep and strong. **(Chorus)**

Praise Him! Praise Him! Jesus our blessed Redeemer. Hea''nly portals, loud with hosannas ring. Jesus, Savior, reigneth forever and ever. Crown Him! Crown Him! Prophet and Priest and King. Christ is coming over the world victorious Pow'r and glory unto the Lord belong. **(Chorus)**

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

SPECIAL MUSIC

SCRIPTURE READING

Hebrews 11:4-6

MESSAGE