

CHURCH NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

JOIN US FOR FUN, FLAVOR AND FELLOWSHIP ON FOR OCTOBER 26 FOR OUR SOUP COOK-OFF. Sign up in the Assembly Room to bring your soup masterpiece for all to enjoy! Not a soup chef? That's okay --- join us for fellowship and a delicious luncheon and vote for your favorite.

SORTING DAY FOR OUR CLOTHING GIVEAWAY HAS BEEN CHANGED TO OCTOBER 25 AT 10:00 AM. Many hands make light work! Please sign up in the Assembly Room.

OUR ANNUAL CLOTHING GIVE-AWAY WILL BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 1, 9:00 AM TO 12:00 PM. SIGN UP IN THE ASSEMBLY ROOM TO HELP. There are jobs for everyone—setting up, helping in the kitchen, greeting, working the event, baking cookies, and tearing down. If you'd like to help defray the cost of the bagged lunches, please see Steve and Beth Seymour. It costs about \$300 to provide bagged lunches and water.

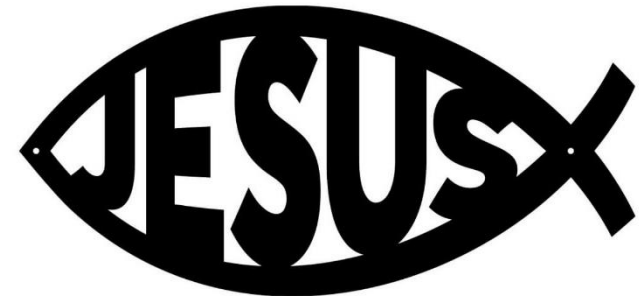
CHANCEL AND BELL CHOIR REHEARSALS HAVE RESUMED ON THURSDAY EVENINGS. We need both men and women, both singers and ringers! Singing or ringing in choir is really a lot of fun and is a great way to serve the church. Bell Choir practice is held on Thursdays at 6:00 PM, followed by Chancel Choir at 7:00 PM.

LIBRARY NEWS: BOOK SELECTION SUGGESTIONS! If you have book suggestions, we'd love to hear from you. Place your suggestions in the box located in the Assembly Room.

HELP SUPPORT OUR CLOTHING MINISTRY. Please consider donating your gently used winter clothing to the clothing ministry. We are especially in need of children's clothing this year. You can place your donations in the Assembly Room.

PLEASE SUBMIT ALL BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS BY WEDNESDAYS. Please email Pastor Gregg or Jane.

Run the race.
Look ahead.
Persevere.
Look to



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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.

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. Click On the Paypal link. Easy!
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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Soup Cook-Off



October 26

Sign up in the Assembly Room

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 "Made Me Glad"

I will bless the Lord forever. I will trust Him at all times.
He has delivered me from all fear. He has set my feet upon a rock.
And I will not be moved, and I'll say of the Lord...

**You are my shield, my strength, my portion, Deliverer,
My shelter, strong tower, my very present help in time of need.**

Whom have I in heaven but You? There's none I desire besides You.
And You have made me glad. I'll say of the Lord...

**You are my shield, my strength, my portion, Deliverer,
My shelter, strong tower, my very present help in time of need.**

* OFFERING OUR TENTH AND GIFTS BEYOND

* BENEDICTION AND POSTLUDE

First Presbyterian Church

North East, PA

19th Sunday after Pentecost

October 19, 2025, 10:30 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

Jamison Drab

Leader: The earth is the Lord's, for he made it:

Congregation: Come, let us adore him.

Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness:

Come, let us adore him.

The mercy of the Lord is everlasting:

Come, let us adore him.

Lord, open our lips.

And our mouths shall proclaim your praise.

* OPENING PRAISE "Holy God, We Praise Your Name"

Holy God, we praise Your name.

Lord of all, we bow before You.

Saints on earth, Your scepter claim.

All in heaven above adore You.

Infinite, Your vast domain.

Everlasting is Your reign.

Hark, the glad celestial hymn. Angel choirs above are raising.
Cherubim and seraphim in unceasing chorus praising.
Fill the heavens with sweet accord: "Holy, holy, holy Lord!"

All apostles join the strain as Your sacred name they hallow.
Prophets swell the glad refrain, and the blessed martyrs follow.
And from morn to set of sun, through the church the song goes on.

Holy Father, Holy Son, Holy Spirit: Three we name You.
While in essence, only One. Undivided God, we claim You,
And, adoring bend the knee while we own the mystery.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, you have given us the law of Moses and the teachings of Jesus to direct us in the way of life. You offer us your Holy Spirit so that we can be born to new life as your children. Yet, O God, we confess that the ways of death have a strong attraction and that we often succumb to their lure. Give us the vision and courage to choose and nurture life, that we may receive your blessing. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Your sins are forgiven.

I believe that God, because of Christ's atonement, will never hold against me any of my sins nor my sinful nature, which I need to struggle against all my life. Rather, in his grace God grants me the righteousness of Christ to free me forever from judgment.

—based on Heidelberg Catechism, Q&A 56

* SONG OF THANKSGIVING "Lord, Glorify Your Name"

Lord, glorify Your name
As we lift our hands in praise
Bring Your power, bring Your holiness,
Bring Your glory to this place
As we sing to You, "Hallelujah!"
We lift our voice to You, "Hallelujah!"
Lord we sing to You, "Hallelujah! Hallelujah!"

Lord, glorify Your name as we lift our hands in praise
Come in power, come in holiness, come in glory to this place.
As we sing to You, "Praise You, O Lord!"
We lift our voice to You, "Praise You, O Lord!"
Lord, we sing to You, "Praise You, O Lord!"
We praise You, O Lord!"

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

SPECIAL MUSIC

SCRIPTURE READING

Hebrews 12:25-29

MESSAGE

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

* RESPONDING IN SONG "Build My Life"

Worthy of every song we could ever sing.
Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring.
Worthy of every breath we could ever breathe. We live for You.

Jesus the name above every other name.
Jesus the only one who could ever save.
Worthy of every breath we could ever breathe.
We live for You. We live for You.

**Holy, there is no one like You. There is none beside You.
Open up my eyes in wonder
And show me who You are and fill me with Your heart
And lead me in Your love to those around me. (REPEAT)**

I will build my life upon Your love. It is a firm foundation.
I will put my trust in You alone and I will not be shaken. **(Chorus)**