



# Level Green Presbyterian Church Friday News

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## This Weeks Video:

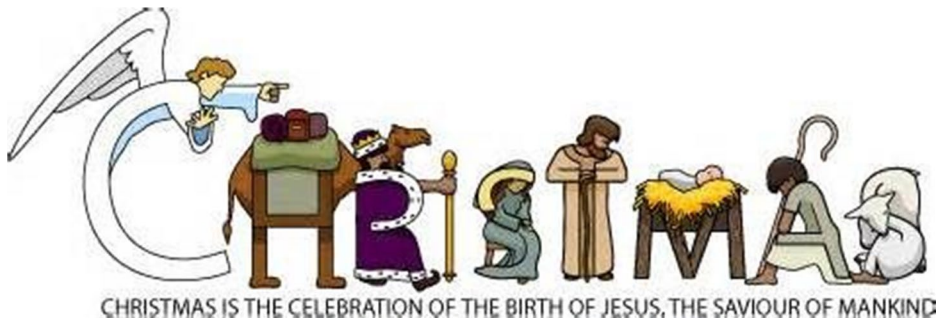


Sunday December 22, Rev. Rach's sermon title will be "Anything Can Happen at Christmas" and is based on the scripture passages Micah 5:2-5 and Luke 1:39-55.

*"He has performed mighty deeds with His arm; He has scattered those who are proud in their inmost thoughts."*  
 Luke 1:51

## Check This Out

*Our Christmas Eve Lessons & Carols Candlelight Service will be held at 7:00 PM on Tuesday, December 24.*



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 NOTIFY THE CHURCH OFFICE.

## This Week at LGPC:

### SUNDAY, December 22, 2024

8:00 a.m. – Worship Service  
9:15 a.m. – Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. – Worship Service  
8:30 p.m. – AA Meeting (FH)

### TUESDAY, December 24, 2024

7:00 p.m. – Christmas Eve Worship

### WEDNESDAY, December 25, 2024

*Merry Christmas*

## In Other News:

**The Church Office will be closed  
Christmas Eve through New Years Day  
and will reopen on Thursday, January 2, 2025.**



**There will not be a Friday News on December 27, 2024**

December 1, 2024

Greetings in Christ,

Christmas is fast approaching and the many wonderful sounds and sights of the Christmas season are upon us.

The Level Green Presbyterian Church family can once again pause and count our many blessings from God, which include seven dedicated and talented staff members. As in past years, we would like to be able to express our appreciation to them with monetary gifts to be presented on Christmas Eve.

Your contributions to this special fund can be in cash or by check, payable to Elva Hullihen, and need to be received by Sunday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>. I will be at the church for the 10:30 a.m. worship service on December 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, and 22<sup>nd</sup>, if you would like to give me the cash/check in person. Or, if you prefer, you can mail your check to me at 525 State Route 130, Trafford, PA 15085. *Please do not include these contributions in your regular church envelopes.*

Thank you for your consideration in spreading Christ's love this holiday season.

Joy to the world,  
LGPC Worship Ministry

*Elva Hullihen, Member*



## Announcements and Information

### Sunday December 29, 2024

There will be one worship service at 9:00 a.m. and no Sunday School. Sherri Murray will be preaching.

## 2025 Flower Calendar

The 2025 Flower Calendar is on the bulletin board in the hallway. December 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024 is still available.



### Greeter/Liturgist Schedule

Please check the **November/December** and **January/February** schedules for your name. If your date doesn't work for you, trade with someone or let the office know.

**We can always use more Liturgists and Greeters!**

**Please consider giving it a try.**

***Prayer List*** – Please take a moment to look over the names on the list and update the office with any information that you have. Please tell us when names can come off the list.



## HURRICANE RELIEF

We are still taking donations for hurricane victims. Checks can be made out to Level Green Presbyterian

**To date, we have donated \$19,788 including a \$6,000 donation from the church approved by Session.**

A flyer from Samaritan's Purse is included in this update so you can see the work being done.



### AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Our new club at Sunrise Estates Elementary School is on Tuesdays and at Level Green Elementary School on Wednesdays. Both clubs run from 3:30-4:45 PM. We meet each week school is in session through April. Our After School Clubs are free for students and start with a snack. Each week we have a Bible lesson, memory verses, learning games and more! Please see Sherri Murray for more information.

Your prayers are needed for our clubs, our volunteers, our students, and their families.



### Submissions for Friday News

Don't forget to send your updates and articles to the Church office for your Ministry or group.

The Presbyterian Women will be collecting Cool Whip containers with lids again. Our supply is very low. Thank you!

### YARN/STRING CRAFT GROUP

#### Next meeting January 9<sup>th</sup>

Next meeting will be January 9th. Bring your current project and enjoy fellowship while working on it. If you have questions about the group, contact Elizabeth (Lyz) Kuhns at 412-605-9718 (please leave a message) or [media.lgpc@gmail.com](mailto:media.lgpc@gmail.com). For those who want to join but Thursdays at 11:00 a.m. doesn't work, please message Lyz with what day and time works best for you.



## 2025 Communion Schedule

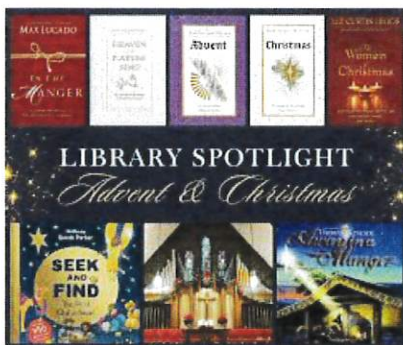
DATE	OCCASION
Sunday, January 5	January Communion
Sunday, February 2	February Communion
Sunday, March 2	Transfiguration of the Lord
Wednesday, March 5	Ash Wednesday
Sunday, April 6	Fifth Sunday of Lent
Thursday, April 17	Maundy Thursday
Sunday, May 4	May Communion
Sunday, June 8	Pentecost Sunday
Sunday, July 6	July Communion
Sunday, August 3	August Communion
Sunday, September 7	September Communion
Sunday, October 5	World Communion Sunday
Sunday, November 2	November Communion
Sunday, December 7	Second Sunday of Advent



***We are looking for book donations for the little free library that we will be putting up outside of the church. Any books for adults, young readers and children! We would like to have a nice variety of faith based options. There will be a collection bin near the office for your book donations.***

***Thank you for your help with this project!***

***The Grills Family***



### Church Library

The Christmas books are now in our library. Celebrate the season by opening one these books and go on a journey back in time to the stories of Mary, Joseph, the birth of our Savior in a humble stable, the shepherds, the Maji and so much more. Rejoice Our King is born.



Sunday, January 12, 2025

**LGPC Family Game Night**

A fun evening of games and fellowship for the whole family (no matter the age!)

**LGPC Fellowship Hall.**

**6:00 - 8:00 p.m.**

Please bring a favorite game and a dessert to share. Hot Cocoa provided.

**RSVP to the church office (412-372-5370) or Sherri by Jan. 8<sup>th</sup>.**

# Ministry Updates:

## DISCIPLESHIP



Sunday School also resumes at 9:15 AM with classes for God's children of all ages.

### 2024-2025 Sunday School Schedule

First & Second Grade	Peggy McNutt	Room 201
Third thru Fifth Grade	Sherri Murray	Room 202
Adult Class	Kim Stevenson	Room 115
Adult Class	Geoff Rach	Adult Lounge

## DEACONS

### Flower Calendar

During the year the Deacons deliver flowers from the worship service to many of our members. These flower deliveries are looked forward to and help to brighten someone's day. The flower calendar located on the bulletin board outside the sanctuary door is a great place to sign up to celebrate birthdays, anniversaries, or other special occasions with your friends and family. When you're letting the office know if you'll be taking your flowers home, please consider directing one of your arrangements to be delivered by the Deacons. You'll be helping to bring someone a little extra joy.

Thanks,

The Deacons

## DINNER BASKETS

The Deacons have been providing Dinner Baskets to new parents, people who have experienced a recent loss of a loved one, or others who are ill or in need of help in some way. If you would be willing to help provide a main dish, salad, or dessert for the basket during the month of **December**, contact **Paula Lee** at **412-720-2234** and in **January**, contact **Maria McBride** at **814-860-6930**.

## Let's Love Our Neighbors

We want to let those people who always seem to go the extra mile know they are appreciated and loved. There are many people in our everyday lives who go above and beyond and we want to thank them for all that they do.

We will have treat bags available for you on Sundays. We hope our little treat bags will be a wonderful way that we can all share God's love and "hug" our community neighbors.



## COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Want to stay connected to the church? Never want to miss another event? Sign up for the Remind App. Send a text to 81010 with the message @lgpres or signup at

<https://www.remind.com/join/lgpres>



**BULLETIN BOARD**

**ST. PAUL'S MEALS ON WHEELS**

St. Paul's Meals on Wheels is seeking clients and volunteers in your area. We service Level Green, Trafford, Pitcairn, Wall, Wilmerding and Monroeville communities. If you or someone you know needs a homemade meal, please call Dan 412-372-9116, Monday through Friday.

Pam DeCarlo, a Level Green friend is available for tutoring in all subjects. you can reach her at 724-744-4680.

**SPECIAL NEEDS PROGRAM**

If you need a ride to a doctor's appointment, we have volunteers who can help you. Please contact the church office for more information.

**AA MEETING**

Every Sunday there is an Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting held in Fellowship hall from 8:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.

**STEWARDSHIP**

The Budget for 2024 is \$308,699.00

<u>November 2024</u>	<u>Current YTD</u>	<u>Budget YTD</u>
<u>Total Revenue:</u>		
\$25,781.07	\$286,099.67	\$271,422.01
<u>Total Expenditures:</u>		
\$32,764.91	\$293,695.69	\$282,443.06
<u>Net Revenue over Expenses:</u>		
(\$6,983.84)	(\$7,596.02)	(\$11,021.05)



**MISSION MINISTRY**

Did you know the Mission Committee supports the **TRAFFORD LEVEL GREEN FOOD BANK**? Each month we send them a monetary donation so they can purchase items not donated. Each week, Kim Drapala gathers the items that have been donated from our members here and takes them to the food bank. Level Green Church has been awesome in their support! So, when you see a deal in your local grocery store that if you buy ten items, you get what you really want at a discount or you see the cereal you want but have to get four boxes to get the really low price, how about donating things you really don't need to the food bank? When there is a buy one get one free, donate the free one! There are bins in front of the office for any non-perishable donations. We thank you for your continued support and making our community such a fantastic place to live!

# Praying for You!

"Pray without ceasing". ~ I Thessalonians 5:17

Your faithfulness in prayer is greatly appreciated.

## Friends with Cancer

Alan Reeves  
Connie Ebbett King  
Carrie J.  
Helen  
Diane Ramsey  
Bev Tomich  
Bill Petrovich  
Melissa Wise  
Cheryl  
Theresa Stones

## Friends with Long Term Health Concerns

Eva Powell  
John Frick  
Chick Empfield  
Cory McNutt  
Justin Gilligan  
Earl Kilbury  
Louise Lee  
Ruth Mohr  
Jen Scharba

Bob Stevens, recovering at home from knee replacement surgery.

Jen "Molt", at home recovering from a stroke.

Zack Skarka, husband of Joy Pedrow Skarka, got poor pathology results from a recent surgery. Pray for him and family.

Cole Azua, grandson of Marti and Forrest Moore is serving with the U.S. Marine Corps, stationed at Ft. Leonard Wood in Missouri for military police training.

Kristen Herold, friend of Leslie Chovan, diagnosed with breast cancer.

Leann Farrell, sister of Lynn Gilligan, Her husband died unexpectedly and she is still healing from a car accident. She needs prayer.

Erica Clear, sister of Terry Yungwirth, had surgery and faces a long recovery from a knee injury.

Lillian Diamond, the other grandmother of Terry Yungwirth's grandson, who is very ill and having difficulty healing.

Dera Hanafin, niece-in-law of Terry Yungwirth, has another infection in her knee and had her 6th surgery in less than a year, on Aug 26.

Please help the Church Office keep this prayer list up to date by letting us know how God has brought healing to those we lift up in prayer.

Aligha Yungwirth, nephew of Terry Yungwirth had to have surgery on a broken neck from a car accident.

Rick and Chris Srdock, the Gilligan's neighbor's brother and his wife. They both have multiple health issues.

Kenny Thompson, Level Green resident with multiple myeloma.

Marti Moore, recovering at home.

Allison Carpenter, Rachel Sementuh's friends sister who had a severe stroke. She is now home but still has a long road to recovery.

Emily Fawcett, friend of Rachel Sementuh, family needs prayer in time of adjustment.

Travis, Chelsea Monty's husband, has been seizure free for 3 months, and is starting new medication due to side effects from the old.

Mary Diaddigo Rex, neighbor of Ed & Joni Barnes who is facing major surgery in November.

Cami Morris, recovering at home from back surgery.

Don & Lori Hockenberry, recovering at home.

Keith Heinritz, please lift him in prayer.

Stephen Yungwirth, brother-in-law of Terry Yungwirth has intestinal issues after cancer treatment.

Angela Iorio, niece of Terry Yungwirth has had a setback in her breast cancer treatment with the discovery of a new growth.

Andrew Niezelski, friend of Terry Yungwirth's husband, needs to have a lung transplant.

Al Churley, friend of Linda Shumaker, who had a stroke and is at home now but still needs your prayers.

Linda Hamilton, friend of Joy Hrivnak, has had a recurrence of cancer and is undergoing chemo.

Gayle Samuels, friend of Kim Drapala, who has uterine cancer.

Bette Gilkey, had a stroke and is at the Willows, Presbyterian Senior Care in Oakmont.



**Dan Hrivnak**, Joy's brother-in-law, who has many health issues.

**Erin Seighman**, sister of Bonny Grills being treated for MS.

**Brooke Teaman**, cousin of Bonny Grills, who has severe Crohn's disease. Pray for remission and recovery.

**Kathy Gisi**, neighbor of McGough's, received a stem cell transplant but is still weak.

**Ansley Stigers**, 12 year old granddaughter of a friend of Joni Barnes, recovering from a heart transplant.

**Jaidyn Beam**, the Barnes' great nephew who had serious spinal surgery on August 18<sup>th</sup>.

**Jim Powell**, Eva Powell's son has cystic fibrosis and is responding well to a new medication.

**Walter Funk**, friend of Carol Mikoloski who has Parkinson's.

**Sandy Kalo**, who has liver issues.



**Liturgist & Greeter/Usher Schedule**  
**November & December 2024**

**November 3, 2024**

8:00 Liturgist – Sherri Murray  
8:00 Greeter/Usher – Donna Fairfull & Evalee Tovey  
10:30 Liturgist – Bob Smith  
10:30 Greeter/Usher – Bonny Grills & family

**November 10, 2024**

8:00 Liturgist – Sherri Murray  
8:00 Greeter/Usher – Roian Koerber & Susan Murdy  
10:30 Liturgist – Glenda Taylor  
10:30 Greeter/Usher – Melanie Bates & Renee Kociela

**November 17, 2024**

8:00 Liturgist – Sherri Murray  
8:00 Greeter/Usher – Hal & Carol Lester  
10:30 Liturgist – Cheryl Rhea  
10:30 Greeter/Usher – Rich & Glenda Taylor

**November 24, 2024**

8:00 Liturgist – Sherri Murray  
8:00 Greeter/Usher – Tom & Donna Fairfull & Roian Koerber  
10:30 Liturgist – Cindy Sheffler  
10:30 Greeter/Usher – Elton & Maureen Laffoon

**December 1, 2024**

8:00 Liturgist – Sherri Murray  
8:00 Greeter/Usher – Steve & Leslie Chovan  
10:30 Liturgist – Glenda Taylor  
10:30 Greeter/Usher – John & Karen Oskin

**December 8, 2024**

8:00 Liturgist – Sherri Murray  
8:00 Greeter/Usher – Roian Koerber & Kim Drapala  
10:30 Liturgist – Carol Lester  
10:30 Greeter/Usher – Cheryl Rhea & Melanie Bates

**December 15, 2024**

8:00 Liturgist – Sherri Murray  
8:00 Greeter/Usher – Evalee Tovey & Susan Murdy  
10:30 Liturgist – Cindy Sheffler  
10:30 Greeter/Usher – Kay Stoner & Nancy Rogers

**December 22, 2024**

8:00 Liturgist – Sherri Murray  
8:00 Greeter/Usher – Roian Koerber & Kim Drapala  
10:30 Liturgist – Cheryl Rhea  
10:30 Greeter/Usher – Kim Stevenson & Renee Kociela

**December 24, 2024**

7:00 p.m.- Greeter/Usher – The Grills Family

**December 29, 2024**

9:00 Liturgist – Glenda Taylor  
9:00 Greeter/Usher – Elton & Maureen Laffoon

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**Liturgist & Greeter/Usher Schedule**  
**January & February 2025**

**January 5, 2025**

8:00 Liturgist – Sherri Murray  
8:00 Greeter/Usher – Steve & Leslie Chovan  
10:30 Liturgist – Bob Smith  
10:30 Greeter/Usher – John & Karen Oskin

**January 12, 2025**

8:00 Liturgist – Sherri Murray  
8:00 Greeter/Usher – Roian Koerber & Susan Murdy  
10:30 Liturgist – Cindy Sheffler  
10:30 Greeter/Usher – Melanie Bates & Renee Kociela

**January 19, 2025**

8:00 Liturgist – Sherri Murray  
8:00 Greeter/Usher – Hal & Carol Lester  
10:30 Liturgist – Cheryl Rhea  
10:30 Greeter/Usher – Rich & Glenda Taylor

**January 26, 2025**

8:00 Liturgist – Sherri Murray  
8:00 Greeter/Usher – Tom & Donna Fairfull & Roian Koerber  
10:30 Liturgist – Carol Lester  
10:30 Greeter/Usher – Elton & Maureen Laffoon

**February 2, 2025**

8:00 Liturgist – Sherri Murray  
8:00 Greeter/Usher – Bill & Frienda Edwards  
10:30 Liturgist – Glenda Taylor  
10:30 Greeter/Usher – Ed & Joni Barnes

**February 9, 2025**

8:00 Liturgist – Sherri Murray  
8:00 Greeter/Usher – Roian Koerber & Kim Drapala  
10:30 Liturgist – Cindy Sheffler  
10:30 Greeter/Usher – The Grills Family

**February 16, 2025**

8:00 Liturgist – Sherri Murray  
8:00 Greeter/Usher – Evalee Tovey & Susan Murdy  
10:30 Liturgist – Cheryl Rhea  
10:30 Greeter/Usher – Kay Stoner & Nancy Rogers

**February 23, 2025**

8:00 Liturgist – Sherri Murray  
8:00 Greeter/Usher – Hal & Carol Lester  
10:30 Liturgist – Bob Smith  
10:30 Greeter/Usher – Kim Stevenson & Renee Kociela

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## DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

December 2 - Leslie Chovan  
Kay Stoner  
December 4 - Harvey Lee  
December 7 - Miranda Murray  
December 13 - Kim Stevenson  
December 15 - Donna Humes



December 18 - Karen Oskin  
December 25 - Carol Jacobelli  
December 26 - Maria McBride  
December 31 - Darlene Brown

## DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

December 17 - Forrest & Marti Moore  
December 18 - Jack & Sharon Battenhouse  
December 28 - Bob & Debra Griffiths



## JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

January 1 - Rose Schickel  
January 2 - Lori Hockenberry  
January 4 - Lily Sementuh  
January 5 - Mrs. Roian Koerber  
January 11 - Shawna Burger  
January 13 - Shirley Filer



January 21 - Barbara George  
Carol Lester  
January 24 - Jack Bates  
January 29 - Charli Sementuh  
January 30 - Harvey Smallwood  
January 31 - Ralph "Bud" Baker  
Joni Barnes

## JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

January 21 - Mark & Lyn Null  
January 29 - Dale & Diane Klingensmith



**Need a CD of the worship service  
or a ride to church?**

**Call the church office at 412-372-5370**



# December 2024

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