



Level Green Presbyterian Church Friday News

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This Weeks Video:



Sunday January 5, Rev. Rach's sermon title will be "Your Journey to Find God" and is based on the scripture passages Isaiah 60:1-6 and Matthew 2:1-18.

"When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. On coming to the house, they saw the child with His mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped Him. Then they opened their treasures and presented Him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh." Matthew 2:10-11

Check This Out



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. 8th.

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E-MAILS FROM THE CHURCH PLEASE
NOTIFY THE CHURCH OFFICE.

This Week at LGPC:

SUNDAY, January 5, 2025

- 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)

MONDAY, January 6, 2025

- 5:30 p.m. – Girl Scouts

TUESDAY, January 7, 2025

- 1:00 p.m. – Stewardship Ministry
- 3:30 p.m. – After School Bible Club Sunrise Elem.
- 7:00 p.m. – Discipleship Ministry

WEDNESDAY, January 8, 2025

- 3:30 p.m. – After School Bible Club Level Green
- 7:00 p.m. – Choir Practice

THURSDAY, January 9, 2025

- 11:00 a.m. – Yarn/String Crafts

In Other News:



The 2025 Redstone Presbytery First Fruits suggested contribution is \$45.00 per member. Most of this money goes toward the local ministry and mission of Redstone Presbytery. There is an envelope for this annual contribution to the work of the greater church in with your offering envelopes or you can earmark your offering for 'First Fruits'.

Announcements and Information

Thank You

To my Level Green Church Family,
Thank you so much for the lovely fleece blanket. I use it daily, especially on these cold days.
Ruth Mohr

The staff would like to thank you all for your generous Christmas gift and let you know how much we all appreciate you thinking of us. We look forward to 2025 and doing the work of the Lord through this church and with all of you,

Geoff Rach, Sherri Murray, Joan Bennett,
Lyz Kuhns, Forrest Moore,
Jen Brown & Sean Carter

January 5, 2024

We resume our 8:00 & 10:30 AM worship schedule with Sunday School at 9:15 AM. As part of our worship, we will ordain and install our Ruling Elders and Deacons for the Class of 2027. We will also celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper as part of our worship together. Following our 10:30 AM worship we will be unhooking our Christmas greens.

Class of 2027 Officer Candidates

Ruling Elders

Bonny Grills

Elva Hullihen

Dave Hykes

Bob Smith

Deacons

Donna Fairfull

Maureen Laffoon

Marilyn Roberts

Linda Schickel

Annual Congregational Meeting

Our annual Congregational Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 26, 2025 following our 10:30 worship. All reports for this meeting are due in the Church office by Friday, January 17.

2025 Flower Calendar



The 2025 Flower Calendar is on the bulletin board in the hallway.

Greeter/Liturgist Schedule

Please check the **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.

Lois Ruth Circle

Next meeting will be Monday, January 13th at 1:00 p.m.

YARN/STRING CRAFT GROUP

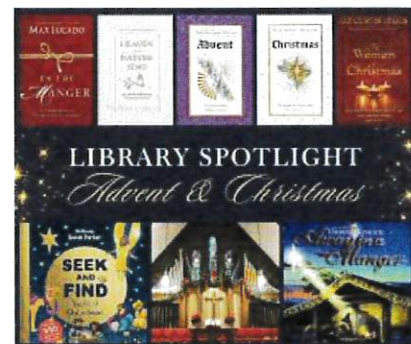
Next meeting January 9th

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. 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



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.



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



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!

CHURCH OFFICERS FOR 2025

CLASS OF 2027

ELDERS

Bonny Grills

Elva Hullihen

David Hykes

Bob Smith

DEACONS

Donna Fairfull

Maureen Laffoon

Marylin Roberts

Linda Schickel

CLASS OF 2026

ELDERS

Betsey Bopp

Steve Chovan

Elton Laffoon

Rich Taylor

DEACONS

Janet Battenhouse

Sharon Battenhouse

Jen Brown

Cindy Sheffler

CLASS OF 2025

ELDERS

Barb Augustin

Frienda Edwards

John Oskin

Kim Stevenson

DEACONS

Robin Burges

Maria McBride

Rachel Sementuh

Glenda Taylor

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 **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

Nancy Rogers, recuperating at home from a fall.

Rose Schickel, at home recovering from an appendectomy.

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.

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.

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.

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 18th.

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
January & February 2025

January 5, 2025

8:00 Liturgist – Sherri Murray
8:00 Greeter/Usher – Roian Koerber & Kim Drapala
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 – Cheryl Rhea
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 – Cindy Sheffler
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

*If the date doesn't work for you, please trade with someone and let the office know.

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



January 2025

January 2025							February 2025						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
5	6	7	8	9	10	11	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
12	13	14	15	16	17	18	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
19	20	21	22	23	24	25	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
26	27	28	29	30	31		23	24	25	26	27	28	

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Dec 29	30	31	Jan 1, 25	2	3	4
5 8:00am Worship 9:15am Sunday School 10:30am Worship 8:30pm AA meeting ((FH))	6 5:30pm Girl Scouts	7 1:00pm Stewardship Ministry 3:30pm Afterschool Bible Club (Sunrise Elem)	8 3:30pm Afterschool Bible Club (Level Green Elem.) 7:00pm Choir Practice	9 11:00am Yarn/String Crafts	10	11
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