

## CHURCH NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**THE SOUPER BOWL OF CARING** is on! We're collecting soup for the North East Community Food Pantry now through February 9. Bring in a few cans or cases! Order online and have soup shipped to the church. Or, you can also make a donation, and we'll shop for you!

**LOOK FOR THE PRAYER REQUEST CORK BOARD NEAR THE OFFICE.** Also check out our other bulletin board. Thanks to Dianne Tyler for helping us stay connected.

**SIGN UP TO PROVIDE FLOWERS ON SUNDAY MORNING IN HONOR OR MEMORY OF A LOVED ONE OR OCCASION.** A new 2025 sign-up sheet is located on the bulletin board by the church office. Please email [jlivingston@neo.rr.com](mailto:jlivingston@neo.rr.com) with bulletin details.

**IT'S THE TIME OF YEAR FOR WINTER COAT SALES.** While you're out and about shopping, please consider taking advantage of winter coats and clothing sales that are happening right now in your favorite stores. It's a great way to stretch your dollar in support of our Coat and Clothing Ministry. Just drop off your bags in the Assembly Room, and we'll take care of storing them until our Clothing Giveaway Day in the fall.

**PLEASE SUBMIT ALL BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS** by Wednesdays. Email Pastor Gregg or Jane.

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

**THE NORTH EAST FOOD PANTRY** is collecting Giant Eagle recycling cloth bags. If you have extras that you'd like to donate, place them in the basket in the Assembly Room.

**SIGN UP TO HOST COFFEE HOUR.** All you need to do is make the coffee and drinks, set out the necessary supplies and "host."

Start with  
**JESUS**  
Stay with  
**JESUS**  
End with  
**JESUS**

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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.

**ASSISTANCE FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED** is available. Please contact a member of the media team to use the assisted listening devices.

**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 on nights and 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](mailto:pastortownsend@yahoo.com).
- Contact music director Jane Livingston at (814) 504-1135 (call or text) and [jlivingston@neo.rr.com](mailto:jlivingston@neo.rr.com).

Rejoice in glorious hope for Christ, the judge shall come.  
To glorify the saints, to their eternal home.  
Lift up your heart! Lift up your voice! Rejoice again, I say rejoice!

\* **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](https://paypal.me/fpcne) or [FPCNE.ORG](https://www.fpcne.org). Scan the QR code in the pew pocket to go right to the church's Paypal account.
3. Speak with Pastor Gregg for details on setting up direct deposit.

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**FEBRUARY IS LIBRARY MONTH.** Stop into the Gertrude Bostwick Memorial Library board and check out some of the great books in our church library during the month of February.

**TODAY'S FLOWERS** are given by Cathy McClure in memory of Alan McClure and in celebration of his life.

**GRUSHER (n):** *A highly enjoyable position for one who can be a greeter and an usher on Sunday mornings.* Need smiles and sunny disposition and an ability to help and greet those coming to our church. Takes 20 short minutes to do but warm feelings will last all week! Please see Dianne Tyler to be a FPCNE Grusher.

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He comes with succor speedy to those who suffer wrong;  
To help the poor and needy and bid the weak be strong.

To give them songs for sighing, their darkness turn to light;  
Whose souls condemned and dying were precious in His sight.  
(Chorus)

He shall come down like showers upon the fruitful earth;  
Love, joy and hope like flowers, spring in His path to birth. (Chorus)  
The tide of time shall never, His covenant remove;  
His name shall stand forever that name to us is love. (Chorus)

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**O Lord our God, you have searched us and known us.  
You know not only what we say, but also what we think.  
You know not only what we say, but also what we almost said.  
You know how quickly our thoughts rise to praise ourselves  
because we are well-off or good-looking or healthy or smart,  
boasting of your gifts as if they were our accomplishments.  
You know how slowly our thoughts sink to accuse ourselves  
even when we have turned our backs on you, fascinating ourselves  
with alien gods whose calling we heed while ignoring your own.  
Quickly boasting, slowly accusing, truly we need to repent.  
O God, forgive, correct, and heal us through Jesus Christ, our  
Lord. Amen.**

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The God who challenges us is also the God who encourages us. The  
God who confronts us is also the God who accepts us. Be assured that  
God is with us even now, accepting, guiding, and forgiving.  
**In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!**

## PROCLAIMING THE WORD

### CHILDREN'S BLESSING

### SPECIAL MUSIC

### SCRIPTURE READING

Hebrews 8:1-7

### MESSAGE

## THE LORD'S SUPPER

### \* RESPONDING IN SONG

“Fairest Lord Jesus”

Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature.  
O Thou of God to earth come down,  
Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor,  
Thou my soul's glory, joy and crown.

Fair are the meadows. Fairer still the woodlands.  
Robed in the blooming garb of spring.  
Jesus is fairer. Jesus is purer.  
Who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Fair is the sunshine. Fairer still the moonlight,  
And all the twinkling starry host.  
Jesus shines brighter. Jesus shines purer,  
Than all the angels heaven can boast.

Beautiful Savior! Lord of the Nations!  
Son of God and Son of Man!  
Glory and honor, praise, adoration,  
Now and forevermore be Thine!

### HOLY COMMUNION

*Invitation*

*Prayer of Thanksgiving*

**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.**