



Level Green Presbyterian Church Friday News

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This Weeks Video:



Sunday May 10, Geoff Rach's sermon title will be "Raising Up Christ Centered Leadership" (fifth in Eastertide Series: Living Our Mission) and is based on the scripture passages Deuteronomy 6:1-9 and 2 Timothy 1:1-14.

"I am reminded of your sincere faith, which first lived in your grandmother Lois and in your mother Eunice and, I am persuaded, now lives in you also."

2 Timothy 1:5

Check This Out



Our summer worship schedule begins on Pentecost Sunday, May 24.

We will have one worship time at 9:00 AM through Sunday, September 6.

The Session has approved three outdoor worship times (weather permitting) on:

Sunday, June 14

Sunday, July 19

Sunday, August 30 starting at 10:00 AM followed by our church picnic.

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www.levelgreenchurch.org

Please see our website and newsletter for more detailed information

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IF YOU DO NOT WISH TO RECEIVE E-MAILS FROM THE CHURCH PLEASE NOTIFY THE CHURCH OFFICE.

This Week at LGPC:

SUNDAY, May 10, 2026

- 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, May 12, 2026

- 7:00 p.m. – Session Meeting

WEDNESDAY, May 13, 2026

- 6:00 p.m. – Daisy Scouts
- 7:00 p.m. – Choir Practice

THURSDAY, May 14, 2026

- 11:00 a.m. – Yarn & String Crafts
- 6:00 p.m. – Kingdom Kids
- 7:00 p.m. – Adult Bible Study

In Other News:



Upcoming New Members Class: If you are interested in becoming a member or have any questions about what it means to be a member of Level Green Presbyterian Church, please see Rev. Rach. There will be a new members class soon – more details to come.

LADIES BANQUET

May 19th at 6:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall

Menu: Stuffed Steak or Stuffed Chicken, mashed potatoes, green beans, cole slaw, roll and dessert.

Kids: Chicken nuggets, french fries, fruit, dessert.

Adult ticket is \$15.00..SAME PRICE AS LAST YEAR!!!

Kids tickets \$5.00

Make checks out to Presbyterian Women or PW for short.

Tickets will be sold before and after the 10:30 service on 4/19, 4/26, 5/3, 5/10 and in the office during the week. Absolute last day to purchase tickets is Sunday May 10th.

Bring your paid ticket to the dinner.

Mickey "D" will be the entertainment again this year.

There were many requests to ask him back because he was so entertaining and fun last year.



This pink crabapple tree was planted on Tuesday, May 5 in memory of Betsey Bopp.

Announcements and Information

**THIS
Week**

Liturgist 10:30 a.m. Millie Grills

Greeter/Usher 8:00am Hal & Carol Lester

Greeter/Usher 10:30 a.m. Robin Burges & Kim Drapala

Current Sermon Series

In this season between Easter and Pentecost we will be looking at our congregational mission statement. We will focus on the bold section of the statement during worship. Together we are asking ourselves if we are living out this statement as the Body of Christ in Level Green. Individually we are asking ourselves what contribution we are making as a part of the Body of Christ in Level Green.

Adult Bible Study

Adult Bible Study: Thursday evenings at 7:00 PM and Sunday mornings at 9:15 AM in the Adult Lounge. Both groups are studying *The Son of David: Seeing Jesus in the Historical Books* by Nancy Guthrie. Please see Cara Rach if you would like to join us.

2026 Communion Schedule

DATE	OCCASION
Sunday, May 24	Pentecost Sunday
Sunday, June 7	June Communion
Sunday, July 5	July Communion
Sunday, August 2	August Communion
Sunday, September 13	September Communion
Sunday, October 4	World Communion Sunday
Sunday, November 1	All Saints' Day
Sunday, December 6	Second Sunday of Advent



Save the date: Our Strawberry Festival will take place on Saturday, June 13. More details to come.

String and Yarn Crafts!

Next meeting May 28th

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.

Do you know someone who might appreciate a lovely shawl? We have beautiful handmade crochet shawls available at the church when they are in stock. This initiative is brought to you by LGPC's The Web Craft Group and Shadow Angel Arts. For further information, please contact Elizabeth Kuhns. Donations are always welcome to help us continue offering these shawls free of charge.



We will recognize the birth of the Church of Jesus Christ and the power of the Holy Spirit in the life of the Church and our lives as disciples of Jesus on Pentecost Sunday, May 24. We will celebrate the sacrament of the Lord's Supper as part of our worship.

Lois Ruth Circle

The Lois Ruth Circle will not be meeting in May. All members are encouraged to attend the Ladies Spring Banquet.

The Lois Ruth Circle will have their June luncheon meeting at Dick's Diner in Murrysville on Wednesday, June 10th at 1:00 p.m. Please call Lynn (412-372-0274) and let her know if you will going or NOT, and if you will be carpooling from the Church or meet at the diner.

2026 Flower Calendar

We have contracted with Export Floral to handle our flower orders. The chancel flowers remain \$50. If the vases are already ordered, you can order an organ arrangement for \$20. The 2026 calendar is now posted.

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.

Church Library

According to the Bible, Jesus spent 40 days on Earth after His resurrection. He taught his disciples about the Kingdom of God and He commissioned His followers to spread the Gospel. He promised the Holy Spirit would empower them. This period is found in the Gospels and in Acts. Visit the church library to learn more about the transition between Jesus' earthly ministry, the start of the church and the Great Commission.

Dinner Basket Team

If you enjoy cooking and you'd like to be on the Dinner Basket team led by the Deacons, we'd love your help. You don't have to be a fancy cook to be a helper. We mostly deliver soups and "comfort foods". Main dish recipes that also freeze well are extra helpful for the families. Making food for someone is a great way to show them that you care. It also helps to make their lives a little bit easier while they're going through something. So if you'd like to be a part of our team, please drop Janet an email at battenhouse@comcast.net.



Submissions for Friday News

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

Church Contributions Can Lower Your Taxable Income

A Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) allows individuals aged 70 ½ or older to make tax-free donations to the church or other qualified charities directly from their IRA which also counts towards their required minimum distributions (RMDs). Contact your financial planner or IRA provider to make church contributions using a QCD and reduce your taxable income. The Level Green Presbyterian Church EIN is 25-1284434. More detailed information can be found in the Narthex or by contacting the church office.



B A B Y B O T T L E C A M P A I G N

Network of Life Baby Bottle Campaign: Baby bottles are available at the doors of the sanctuary if you'd like to make a donation to the ministry of the Network of Life. All bottles and donations are to be returned by Father's Day, June 21.

GRADUATES

We will be recognizing our graduates on Sunday, May 17 as part of our worship. The Deacons will be hosting a reception in their honor following our 10:30 AM worship.

CHURCH OFFICERS FOR 2026

CLASS OF 2028

ELDERS

Barb Augustin
Robin Burges
Cheryl Rhea
Kim Stevenson

DEACONS

Andrew DeLuca
Janie Halle
Caol Mikoloski
Matt Swick

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

Mark Null
Steve Chovan
Elton Laffoon
Rich Taylor

DEACONS

Janet Battenhouse
Sharon Battenhouse
Jen Brown
Cindy Sheffler



Mother's Day Weekend Diaper Drive Benefitting Western Pennsylvania Diaper Bank

What: Diaper Drive to collect diapers and wipes (or the funds to buy them!) for families in need in Western Pennsylvania

When: Saturday, May 9 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Where: Level Green Presbyterian Church



**1 in 2 families
struggle with diaper need**



The region's only basic needs bank, Western Pennsylvania Diaper Bank partners with dozens of social service partners to distribute diapers, period products, and incontinence supplies to families in need. **Since 2012, we have distributed over 6.8 million diapers into our community!**



wpadiaperbank.org





LET'S CLEAN UP!



ELECTRONICS RECYCLING



Saturday, May 16, 2026
8:00am - 12:00pm
Location: Level Green Fire Department

This event is free of charge and approved by the PA DEP. Recycled items will be transported to Westmoreland Cleanways.

Donations welcome.

Thank you for your support!

This event was made possible by these local organizations:



Level Green Fire Department, Level Green Lions Club, Community Women's Club of Level Green, Level Green Presbyterian Church, Level Green Seniors, Boy Scout Troop 201, Penn-Trafford Teachers Union, PTARC, Commissioner Jen Ramien

2025-2026 Level Green Presbyterian Family Ministry Calendar

Register for Kingdom Kids and Debate Club on our website under the Family Ministry tab:
www.levelgreenchurch.org

Join our Remind Group to stay up to date
Text @k6h679a to 81010

Weekly

Sunday School (all ages)/Children's Church (PreK-3rd*)

Sunday, September 7, 2025 through May 17, 2026 9:15-11:30am (except Christmas break)

Kingdom Kids (K-5th, Thursdays 6-7pm)

Fall Semester: September 11, 2025 through December 11, 2025 (except Thanksgiving)

Spring Semester: February 5, 2026 through May 7, 2026 (except Maundy Thursday)

Monthly

Teen Debate Club (6th-12th, 1st Sunday of the month, 7-8pm, Youth Lounge)

September 7, October 5, November 2, December 7, February 1, March 1, and May 3

Young Adults (2nd Sunday of the month, 7-8pm, Adult Lounge)

Sept. 14, October 12, November 9, December 14, February 8, March 8, April 12, and May 10

Intergenerational Simple Supper (3rd Sunday of month 5-7pm, Fellowship Hall)

September 21, October 19, November 16, February 15, March 15, April 19, and May 17

RSVP by prior Friday

Parenting Support Group (4th Tuesday of the month)

September 23, October 28, January 27, February 24, March 24, April 28, and May 26

Special Events

Trunk or Treat: Sunday, Sunday, October 26, 2025, 2-4pm

Family Advent Gathering, Sunday, November 30, 2025, 5-8pm

Live Nativity: Friday, December 19, 2025, 6-9pm

Family Game Night: Friday, January 23, 2026, 6-8pm

Parent's Night Out: Friday, February 13, 2026, 6-8pm

Easter Egg Hunt: Sunday, March 29, 2026, 2-4pm

Questions? Contact:

Cara Rach, Interim Family Ministry Coordinator

familymin@levelgreenchurch.org / 412-372-5370

* Children's Church is geared for preK-3rd grade children who are learning to worship and can sit and listen to a story but can't yet sit through worship. Other ages may be considered at the discretion of the leader and parent.

Ministry Updates:

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 **May**, contact **Marylin Roberts** at **724-519-7871**.

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 sign up at

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



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!

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.



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
Justin Gilligan
Don & Lori Hockenberry
Earl Kilbury
Cory McNutt
Jen Scharba

Denny Greenaway, grandfather of Josh Thornton.

Eleanor Griffiths, mother of Bob Griffiths, diagnosed with pancreatic cancer.

Renee Francis, mother-in-law of Marti and Forrest Moore's grandson, diagnosed with stage four pancreatic cancer.

Kevin MacIver, nephew of Jack Bates who has metastatic brain cancer.

Denise Haralson, diagnosed with fatty liver disease and will need treatment..

Nelson Addleman, nephew of Pat Addleman, has stage 4 brain cancer.

Bethanne Liotta – cousin of Bruce Kociela, who is having kidney problems.

Dan Hrivnak – brother in-law of Joy, struggling with several health issues.

Jean Back, sister of Terry Youngwirth, who suffered a stroke and is facing rehab for a while.

Sharon Betzler, Kim Drapala's sister in-law, recovering from a double mastectomy from breast cancer.

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.

Brianna, friend of Warren Robb, has a brain tumor.

Luke Williams, friend of Leslie Chovan, had major surgery to repair his ankle.

Mike Elias, son of Judy Elias, is doing well. He has finished the stem cells treatment and a recent PET scan shows no new activity. His treatment going forward will be to maintain where he is now.

Chris Roland, great nephew of Lori and Don Hockenberry who is on dialysis.

Luca Volosin, Terry Yungwirth's 6 yr. old bonus grandson, who is having some medical tests.

Dennis Neftsy

Timothy Feerst

Bill Drapala, pray for health improvement to be able to have hip replacement surgery.

Mary Alberts, manse tenant, has been diagnosed with Leukemia

Nancy Rogers, recuperating at home.

Joy Pedrow Skarka, diagnosed with breast cancer.

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.

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

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.

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

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

Keith Heinritz, please lift him in prayer.

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.

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

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

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.

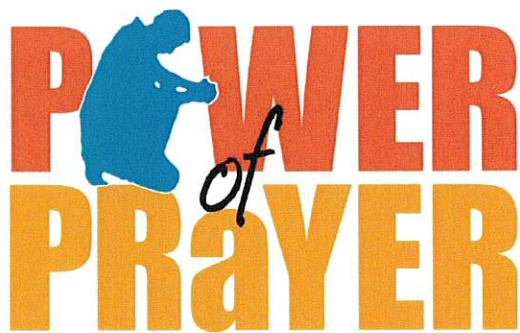
Kathy Gisi, neighbor of McGough's, received a stem cell transplant but is still weak.

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
April & May 2026

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

April 2, 2026 Maundy Thursday

7:00 p.m. Greeter/Usher – Donna Fairfull & Cheryl Rhea

April 5, 2026

8:00 Greeter/Usher – Roian Koerber & Susan Murdy

10:30 Liturgist – Cindy Sheffler

10:30 Greeter/Usher – Ed & Joni Barnes

April 12, 2026

8:00 Greeter/Usher – Hal & Carol Lester

10:30 Liturgist – Glenda Taylor

10:30 Greeter/Usher – Kay Stoner & Renee Kociela

April 19, 2026

8:00 Greeter/Usher – Steve & Leslie Chovan

10:30 Liturgist – Josh Thornton

10:30 Greeter/Usher – John & Karen Oskin

April 26, 2026

8:00 Greeter/Usher – Roian Koerber & Kim Drapala

10:30 Liturgist – Cheryl Rhea

10:30 Greeter/Usher – Elton & Maureen Laffoon

May 3, 2026

8:00 Greeter/Usher – Susan Murdy & Roian Koerber

10:30 Liturgist – Janet Battenhouse

10:30 Greeter/Usher – Glenda Taylor & Cheryl Rhea

May 10, 2026

8:00 Greeter/Usher – Hal & Carol Lester

10:30 Liturgist – Millie Grills

10:30 Greeter/Usher – Robin Burges & Kim Drapala

May 17, 2026

8:00 Greeter/Usher – Evalee Tovey & Roian Koerber

10:30 Liturgist – Josh Thornton

10:30 Greeter/Usher – Cheryl Rhea & Kim Stevenson

May 24, 2026

9:00 Greeter/Usher – Bill & Frienda Edwards

9:00 Liturgist – Carol Lester

May 31, 2026

9:00 Greeter/Usher – Donna Fairfull & Susan Murdy

9:00 Liturgist – Bob Smith

MAY BIRTHDAYS

May 2 - Donna Fairfull
May 4 - Noah Badders
May 9 - Larry Harrison
May 13 - Sharon Battenhouse
May 14 - Sandy Bohince



May 17 - Cami Morris
May 25 - Linda Cunningham
May 26 - John Barnyk
May 28 - Megan Martz
May 30 - Edgar Barnes
Eli DeMeri

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

May 1 - Francis & Caryn Gabianelli
May 12 - Bill & Kim Drapala
May 21 - Chris & Diona Bell



May 27 - Andrew & Julie DeLuca
May 31 - Harry & Cheryl Rhea

May 2026

June 2026

May 2026

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Apr 26	27	28	29	30	May 1	2
3 8:00am Worship 9:15am Sunday School 10:30am Worship 8:30pm AA meeting	4 6:00pm Girl Scouts (FH)	5 1:00pm Stewardship Meeting 7:00pm Discipleship Ministry	6 7:00pm Choir Practice	7 6:00pm Kingdom Kids 7:00pm Adult Bible Study	8	9 10:00am Diaper Drive
10 8:00am Worship 9:15am Sunday School 10:30am Worship 8:30pm AA meeting	11 7:00pm Preschool Program	12 6:55pm Preschool Program 7:00pm Session Meeting	13 1:00pm Preschool Picnic 6:00pm Daisy Scouts 7:00pm Choir Practice	14 11:00am Yarn & String Craft 7:00pm Adult Bible Study	15	16
17 8:00am Worship 9:15am Sunday School 10:30am Worship 11:30am Fellowship	18 6:00pm Girl Scouts (FH) 7:00pm Boy Scouts Planning Mtg (room 115)	19 6:00pm Ladies Spring Banquet	20 7:00pm Choir Practice	21 7:00pm Adult Bible Study	22	23
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