



# Level Green Presbyterian Church Friday News

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## This Weeks Video:

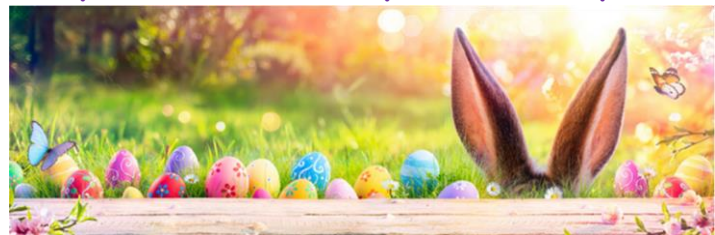


Sunday April 6, Rev. Rach's sermon title will be "Giving Up Our Lives" and is based on the scripture passages Ezekiel 37:1-14 and John 11:17-44.

*"I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?"*  
John 11:25-26

## Check This Out

Our Easter Egg Extravaganza will take place on Palm Sunday, April 13 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.



Join us for crafts, refreshments, and an egg hunt as we celebrate the Resurrection together! Volunteers and Candy donations are needed. Please see Sherri Murray for more details.

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## Media Information

[www.levelgreenchurch.org](http://www.levelgreenchurch.org)

Please see our website and newsletter for more detailed information

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E-MAILS FROM THE CHURCH PLEASE  
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## This Week at LGPC:

### SUNDAY, April 6, 2025

8:00 a.m. – Worship Service  
9:15 a.m. – Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. – Worship Service  
11:35 a.m. – Fellowship Hour  
Staff meeting  
8:30 p.m. – AA Meeting (FH)

### MONDAY, April 7, 2025

5:30 p.m. – Girl Scouts  
7:00 p.m. – Friendship Circle

### TUESDAY, April 8, 2025

3:30 p.m. – After School Bible Club Sunrise Elem.  
7:00 p.m. – Session Meeting

### WEDNESDAY, April 9, 2025

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

### THURSDAY, April 10, 2025

11:00 a.m. – Yarn/String Crafts

## In Other News:

### Holy Week and Easter Services



*Come Worship With Us!*

Holy Week begins on Palm Sunday, April 13: Our Choir will sing at both our 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM worship. Our Easter Egg Extravaganza will take place that afternoon from 2:00 – 4:00 PM.

Maundy Thursday, April 17 will be our Tenebrae Service at 7:00 PM with the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

Good Friday, April 18: 1:00-3:00 PM Sanctuary open for a Time of Musical Reflection  
7:00 PM Tenebrae Service at Community Church

Easter Sunday, April 20 we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.  
Our Choir will sing at both our 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM worship.

## Announcements and Information

THIS  
Week

Greeter/Usher 8:00 a.m. Roian Koerber & Kim Drapala

Liturgist 10:30 a.m. Cheryl Rhea

Greeter/Usher 10:30 a.m. The Grills Family

### Greeter/Liturgist Schedule

Please check the **March/April** 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!**

**Supporting Joy (Pedrow) and Zack Skarka and both their battles with cancer**



Zack and Joy Skarka along with their two small children, Trinity (about to be 3) and Luke (about to be 2) have been in an intense season of suffering. In August, Zack was diagnosed with brain cancer for the third time which was followed by complications from the radiation. After a month in hospitals, when they should have been celebrating his discharge from rehab- Joy was diagnosed with HERS2 positive invasive ductal breast cancer. Zack will start chemo soon and Joy is waiting to find out what her treatment plan will look like. Go to Giveinkind.com to help.

### New Sunday School Class

A multigenerational Sunday School class is meeting during the season of Lent at 9:15 AM in Fellowship Hall. If you are interested in being a part of this group, please see Cara Rach for more details.

Our Lenten sermon series has been inspired by Ministry Matters contributor Matthew L. Kelley's Giving It Up: A Sermon Series for Lent.



*Please join us for a Spring Potluck Luncheon on Sunday, April 27, following the 10:30a.m. worship service. Please bring any kind of salad, hot or cold side dish, casserole, main dish, potato or vegetable side, or dessert to share. It's a potluck so every favorite food is welcome! The Deacons will be providing the baked ham, homemade macaroni and cheese, and chicken strips for our buffet table. Bring a friend or neighbor with you to enjoy lunch and share in the fellowship of our Spring Potluck.*

### Church Library

Lent is a time of reflection and preparation for Easter. It's a time to remember Jesus's death and resurrection, and to strengthen one's relationship with God. Visit our church library as it has many books to accompany you on your journey to the Cross.



## 2025 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.



### 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.

**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.



### Submissions for Friday News

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



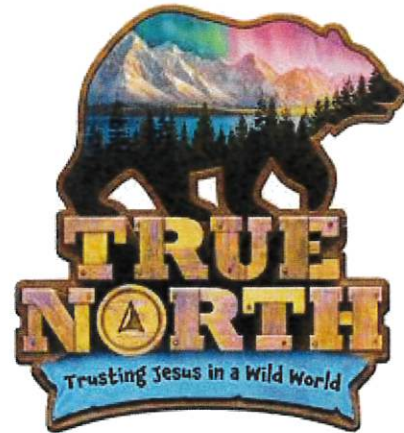
## Women's Fellowship

### Women's Circles

Friendship Circle – Monday, April 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

Lois Ruth Circle – Monday, April 14<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m.

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



### "Save the Date"

True North Vacation Bible school for ages 4-12. Sunday, June 22-Thursday, June 26. Hours are from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Volunteers are needed for many different areas. Please contact Sherri Murray if you can help or for more information.

Register on the church website under the children's ministry tab. [www.levelgreenchurch.org](http://www.levelgreenchurch.org)

## YARN/STRING CRAFT GROUP

Next meeting April 10<sup>th</sup>

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.



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.

## 2025 Communion Schedule

DATE	OCCASION
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 OFFICERS FOR 2025

**CLASS OF 2027**

**ELDERS**

Bonny Grills

Elva Hullihen

David Hykes

Bob Smith

**CLASS OF 2026**

**ELDERS**

Betsey Bopp

Steve Chovan

Elton Laffoon

Rich Taylor

**CLASS OF 2025**

**ELDERS**

Barb Augustin

Frienda Edwards

John Oskin

Kim Stevenson

**DEACONS**

Donna Fairfull

Maureen Laffoon

Marylin Roberts

Linda Schickel

**DEACONS**

Janet Battenhouse

Sharon Battenhouse

Jen Brown

Cindy Sheffler

**DEACONS**

Robin Burges

Maria McBride

Rachel Sementuh

Glenda Taylor

## Level Green Presbyterian Church - Lenten & Holy Week Schedule

**Sunday, March 2** - 8:00a.m. & 10:30a.m. Worship Services  
- Communion  
- Pancake Breakfast Fellowship Hour  
Pancakes and sausage will be served following the 10:30a.m. worship service.  
All visitors are invited to join us for breakfast.

**Wednesday, March 5** - Ash Wednesday  
- 7:00p.m. Worship Service with Communion and Imposition of Ashes.

**Sunday, March 9** - First Sunday of Lent  
- 8:00a.m. & 10:30a.m. Worship Services

**Sunday, April 13** - Palm Sunday  
- 8:00a.m. & 10:30a.m. Worship Services  
- Choir will be singing at both services.  
  
- Easter Egg Extravaganza  
- 2:00p.m. to 4:00p.m.  
- Easter Egg Hunts, face painting, refreshments, & fun activities  
All kids in the community are invited to join us for the afternoon.



**Thursday, April 17** - Maundy Thursday  
- 7:00p.m. Tenebrae Service with Communion and Special Music

**Friday, April 18** - Good Friday Musical Reflections  
- 1:00p.m. to 3:00p.m.  
All are welcome to visit the sanctuary for a time of musical reflection and prayer.  
  
- Good Friday Tenebrae Service  
7:00p.m. – Community Methodist Church  
Join us for a community Good Friday service sponsored by the Penn-Trafford Ministerium

**Sunday, April 20** - Easter Sunday  
- 8:00a.m. & 10:30a.m. Worship Services  
- Choir will be singing at both services.  
- Join us as we celebrate that Jesus has Risen!

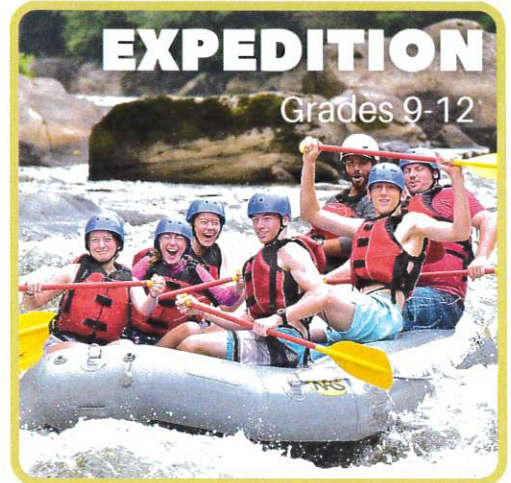
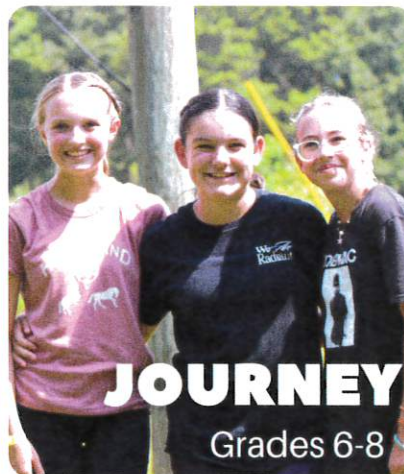
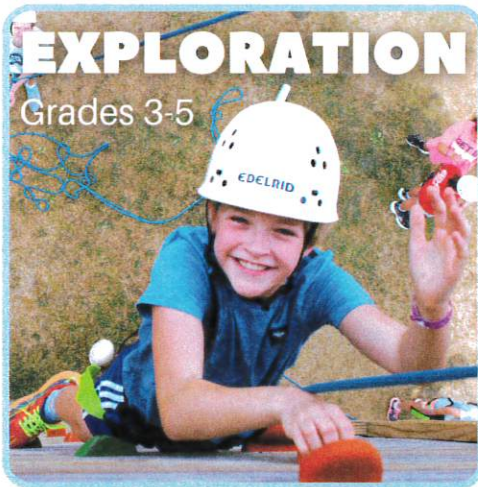
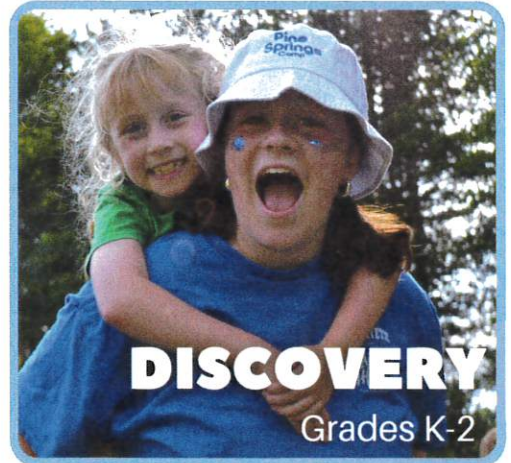
Find out more about our congregation, activities, and church at [www.levelgreenchurch.org](http://www.levelgreenchurch.org)

**Come worship with us any Sunday!**

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# PINES SPRINGS CAMP

CAMPS FOR ALL  
AGES!

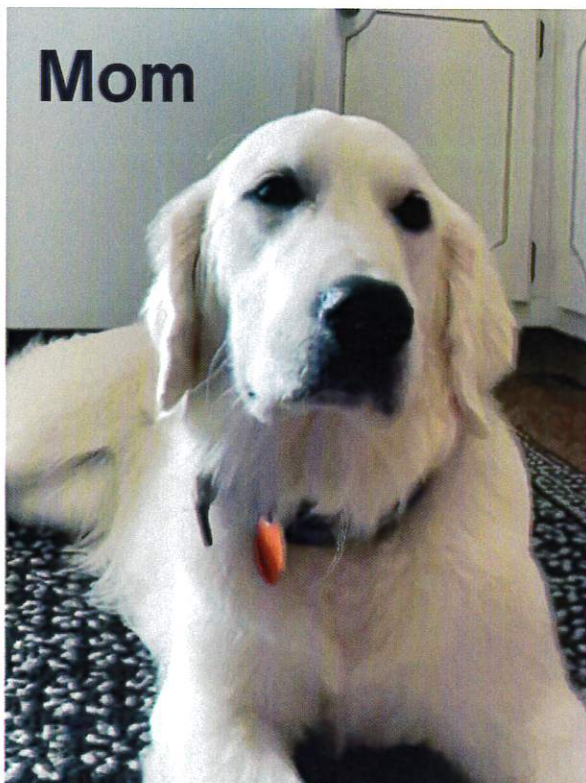




# “Valentine’s Day English Cream Golden Retriever Puppies.”

Born 12-9-2024, ready to go home February.

If interested, call or text 412-716-3546. (Julie DeLuca)



# Ministry Updates:

## DISCIPLESHIP



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

### 2024-2025 Sunday School Schedule

Elementary	Sherri Murray	Room 202
Adult Class	Kim Stevenson	Room 115
Multigenerational Class		Fellowship Hall

## 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 **April**, contact **Glenda Taylor** at **412-496-6763**.

### 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>





**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 2025 is \$322,000.00

<u>March 2025</u>	<u>Current YTD</u>	<u>Budget YTD</u>
<u>Total Revenue:</u>		
\$21,599.15	\$83,463.45	\$75,577.58
<u>Total Expenditures:</u>		
\$33,772.17	\$84,749.50	\$84,178.73
<u>Net Revenue over Expenses:</u>		
(\$12,173.02)	(\$1,286.05)	(\$8,601.15)



**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

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

Lynn Sprankle, Joy Hrivnak's cousin, who has tremendous sciatica pain and back issues.

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

Mike Elias, son of Judy Elias, recovering from back surgery needed before beginning cancer treatment.

Dennis Neftsy

Timothy Feerst

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

Marv Alberts, manse tenant, has been diagnosed with Leukemia.

Nancy Rogers, recuperating at home from a fall.

Conor Lydic, Evalee Tovey's nephew, who has been deployed to Africa with the National Guard.

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

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.

Joy Pedrow Skarka, diagnosed with breast cancer.

Zack Skarka, husband of Joy Pedrow Skarka, has brain cancer and has recently been dealing with mini strokes. 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.

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

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.

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.

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.

**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**  
**March & April 2025**

**March 2, 2025**

8:00 Liturgist – Sherri Murray  
8:00 Greeter/Usher – Donna Fairfull & Kim Drapala  
10:30 Liturgist – Cheryl Rhea  
10:30 Greeter/Usher – John & Karen Oskin

**March 5, 2025 (Ash Wednesday)**

7:00 Greeter/Usher – Roian Koerber & Kay Stoner

**March 9, 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

**March 16, 2025**

8:00 Liturgist – Sherri Murray  
8:00 Greeter/Usher – Steve & Leslie Chovan  
10:30 Liturgist – Bob Smith  
10:30 Greeter/Usher – Rich & Glenda Taylor

**March 23, 2025**

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

**March 30, 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

**April 6, 2025**

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

**April 13, 2025**

8:00 Liturgist – Sherri Murray  
8:00 Greeter/Usher – Hal & Carol Lester  
10:30 Liturgist – Cindy Sheffler  
10:30 Greeter/Usher – Kay Stoner & Frienda Edwards

**April 17, 2025 (Maundy Thursday)**

7:00 Greeter/Usher – John & Karen Oskin

**April 20, 2025**

8:00 Liturgist – Sherri Murray  
8:00 Greeter/Usher – Steve & Leslie Chovan  
10:30 Liturgist – Glenda Taylor  
10:30 Greeter/Usher – Kim Stevenson & Renee Kociela

**April 27, 2025**

8:00 Liturgist – Sherri Murray  
8:00 Greeter/Usher – Evalee Tovey & Roian Koerber  
10:30 Liturgist – Bob Smith  
10:30 Greeter/Usher – Elton & Maureen Laffoon

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## APRIL BIRTHDAYS

April 1 - Evalee Tovey  
April 2 - Sherri Murray  
April 6 - Brionna Tranter  
April 9 - Sally Paddock  
April 10 - Marti Moore  
Mark Null  
Cheryl Rhea



## Birthday Offering

April 13 - Bethany Lenz  
April 16 - Elizabeth Kuhns  
April 17 - Matt Swick  
April 21 - Kathi Adams  
Cory Sementuh  
April 29 - Elva Hullihen

## APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

April 6 - Harvey & Paula Lee  
April 7 - Ryan & Ashley Badders  
April 11 - Tom & Donna Fairfull



April 18 - Geoff & Cara Rach  
April 21 - David & Denise Haralson

# April 2025

May 2025

April 2025

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25	26	27	28	29	30	31

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27	28	29	30			

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Mar 30	31	Apr 1	2	3	4	5
		1:00pm Stewardship Ministry 3:30pm Afterschool Bible Club (Sunrise) 7:00pm Discipleship	3:30pm Afterschool Bible Club (Level Green Elem.) 7:00pm Choir Practice			
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