



Level Green Presbyterian Church Friday News

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This Weeks Video:



Sunday January 18, Geoff Rach's sermon title will be "The Righteous Indignation of Jesus" and is based on the scripture passages Leviticus 13:45-46 and Mark 1:40-45.

"Jesus was indignant. He reached out his hand and touched the man. 'I am willing,' he said. 'Be clean!'"
Mark 1:41

Media Information

www.levelgreenchurch.org

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

Check This Out



Join us for a family game night in Fellowship Hall on Friday, January 23 starting at 6:00 PM. A nacho bar will be provided. Bring your favorite game with you. Everyone is welcome to join in the fun!

This Week at LGPC:

SUNDAY, January 18, 2026

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

MONDAY, January 19, 2026

6:00 p.m. – Girl Scouts (FH)
7:00 p.m. – Boy Scouts Planning Mtg.(Room 115)

TUESDAY, January 20, 2026

7:00 p.m. – Property Ministry

WEDNESDAY, January 21, 2026

10:00 a.m. – Adult Bible Study
6:00 p.m. – Daisy Scouts
7:00 p.m. – Choir Practice

THURSDAY, January 22, 2026

11:00 a.m. – Yarn/String Crafts
7:00 p.m. – Adult Bible Study

FRIDAY, January 23, 2026

6:00 p.m. – Family Game Night

In Other News:



The 2026 Redstone Presbytery First Fruits suggested contribution is \$55.00 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



Liturgist 10:30 a.m. Glenda Taylor

Greeter/Usher 8:00am Hal & Carol Lester

Greeter/Usher 10:30 a.m. Kay Stoner & Robin Burges



Betsey Bopp

Jack & Melanie Bates

Thank You

I would like to thank the members of Level Green Church for the generous gift that I received during the Christmas Season. It's an honor to serve the Lord and a joy to serve such a dedicated group of people in this church. It is also a great joy to work with the choir. The people in the choir are very dedicated to music. As we begin a new year together I look forward to using my talents and the talents of the choir to honor the Lord and to sing praise to His Son, Jesus Christ.

Forrest

Thank You

A big THANK YOU to you and your congregation for contributing to the Holiday Helping Hands Christmas gift program in 2025. With your help, we were able to make Christmas brighter for 82 families/215 children in the Penn-Trafford area. We couldn't do it without the support of our community!

We pray that 2026 is a happy and healthy New Year for you and your families!

Blessings,
Amy Frey
Holiday Helping Hands Co-chair

2026 Communion Schedule

DATE	OCCASION
Sunday, February 1	February Communion
Wednesday, February 18	Ash Wednesday
Sunday, March 1	Second Sunday in Lent
Thursday, April 2	Maundy Thursday
Sunday, May 3	May Communion
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

Congregational Meeting

Our annual Congregational Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 25, 2026 following our 10:30 worship. All reports for this meeting are due in the Church office by Friday, January 16.

Adult Bible Study

Our Thursday evening Adult Bible Study has started a new book *The Lamb of God: Seeing Jesus in Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, and Deuteronomy* by Nancy Guthrie. We meet at 7:00 PM in the Adult Lounge. Please see Cara Rach if you would like to join us.

Backpacks To Go

We are still providing food and filling several backpacks with food for families in need in our local schools. If you would like to help, we could use some monetary donations to use for purchasing the food.

Simple Supper

Please join us on the third Sunday of each month for a simple supper at 5pm with a family style meal. Take the night off of cooking and let Mrs. Rach feed you! Donations will be accepted to cover the cost of food. **RSVP by the Thursday before** on the website under the Family Ministry tab or by emailing familymin@levelgreenchurch.org. You can register month by month as many times as you need. We hope this can be a time of intergenerational fellowship as we break bread together!

Free Tickets

We have received some free tickets for the Remodeling Expo 2026 (Jan. 30-Feb. 1) at Acrisure Stadium. The tickets are on the table in the office if you would like to go.

String and Yarn Crafts!

Next meeting January 22nd

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.

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.

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. The 2026 calendar is now posted.



Submissions for Friday News

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

Church Library

We celebrated the birth of our Saviorand now the journey begins! Follow along with the many stories in our Church Library.

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.

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.

Greeters/Liturgist Schedule

Included is the schedule for January through March, 2026. Please look over the schedule for your dates. 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!

CHURCH OFFICERS FOR 2026

CLASS OF 2028

ELDERS

Barb Augustin
Robin Burges
Cheryl Rhea
Kim Stevenson

CLASS OF 2027

ELDERS

Bonny Grills
Elva Hullihen
David Hykes
Bob Smith

CLASS OF 2026

ELDERS

Steve Chovan
Elton Laffoon
Rich Taylor

DEACONS

Andrew DeLuca
Janie Halle
Caol Mikoloski
Matt Swick

DEACONS

Donna Fairfull
Maureen Laffoon
Marylin Roberts
Linda Schickel

DEACONS

Janet Battenhouse
Sharon Battenhouse
Jen Brown
Cindy Sheffler

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

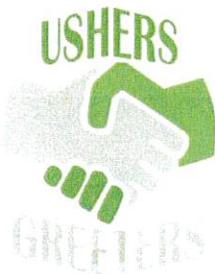
Easter Egg Hunt: Sunday, March 29, 2026, 2-4pm

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.



Let the office know that you'd like to be a Greeter/Usher.

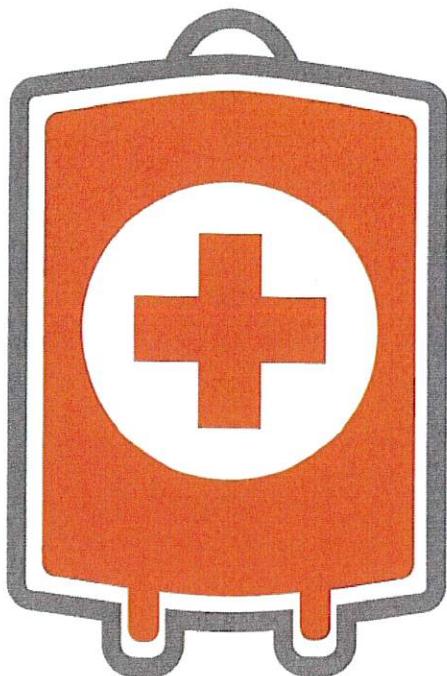
You'll need to do the following things:

- light the chancel candles if they aren't lit,
- smile and hand people a bulletin as they enter the Sanctuary,
- assist visitors by showing them where the nursery, bathrooms, etc. are located,
- count the people (including choir, pastor, kids, everyone) and record it on the attendance sheet at the back of the Sanctuary,
- collect offering and put all of it in one offering plate,
- take that offering plate forward during the Doxology to the liturgist,
- at the end of worship, collect Fellowship sheets and take to office,
- if communion, collect and discard cups from pews,
- call someone to fill in for you if you can't make your assigned date.

If you'd like to try, complete the information sheet below and put it in the collection plate or drop off in the office.

Questions?

Talk to one of the greeters when you come to worship.



Give blood.
Help save lives.



Harrison City Community
Harrison City First United Church of Christ

**Fellowship Hall
1008 Harrison City Export Rd
Harrison City, PA 15636**

**1/23/2026
11:00 AM to 4:30 PM**

Please remove account name and replace with this header: First United Church of Christ of Harrison City

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org
and enter: HC1UCC to schedule an appointment.



Scan to schedule an
appointment



COMMUNITY WOMENS CLUB
OF LEVEL GREEN

GALENTINE'S VENDOR SHOW

FEBRUARY 7TH
10:00-3:00

LEVEL GREEN FIRE HALL
536 PA-130 TRAFFORD PA 15085

GRAB YOUR GIRLS AND
TREAT YOURSELF!

Ministry Updates:

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

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 Donna Fairfull at 412-999-2581.

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.

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/lgres>



STEWARDSHIP

The Budget for 2025 is \$322,000.00

December 2025	Current YTD	Budget YTD
<u>Total Revenue:</u>		
\$22,749.29	\$298,066.76	\$295,410.00
<u>Total Expenditures:</u>		
\$29,857.75	\$315,680.91	\$322,000.00
<u>Net Revenue over Expenses:</u>		
(\$7,108.46)	(\$17,614.15)	(\$26,590.00)



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

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

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

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

Libby Hykes, at home, recovering from a broken arm.

Wayne Schickel, husband of Linda Schickel, recovering from hip surgery.

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.

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.

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.

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.

Cole Azua, grandson of Marti and Forrest Moore is serving as a military policeman with the U.S. Marine Corps, stationed at Quantico, VA.

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.

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.

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 Nizelski, 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.

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, and March 2026

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

January 4, 2026

8:00 Greeter/Usher – Donna Fairfull & Evalee Tovey
10:30 Liturgist – Janet Battenhouse
10:30 Greeter/Usher – Rich & Glenda Taylor

January 11, 2026

8:00 Greeter/Usher – Roian Koerber & Susan Murdy
10:30 Liturgist – Cindy Sheffler
10:30 Greeter/Usher – Dave & Denise Haralson

January 18, 2026

8:00 Greeter/Usher – Hal & Carol Lester
10:30 Liturgist – Glenda Taylor
10:30 Greeter/Usher – Kay Stoner & Robin Burges

January 25, 2026

8:00 Greeter/Usher – Steve & Leslie Chovan
10:30 Liturgist – Josh Thornton
10:30 Greeter/Usher – Ed & Joni Barnes

February 1, 2026

8:00 Greeter/Usher – Roian Koerber & Kim Drapala
10:30 Liturgist – Cheryl Rhea
10:30 Greeter/Usher – Elton & Maureen Laffoon

February 8, 2026

8:00 Greeter/Usher – Hal & Carol Lester
10:30 Liturgist – Bob Smith
10:30 Greeter/Usher – Kim Stevenson & Cheryl Rhea

February 15, 2026

8:00 Greeter/Usher – Donna Fairfull & Evalee Tovey
10:30 Liturgist – Carol Lester
10:30 Greeter/Usher – The Grills Family

February 22, 2026

8:00 Greeter/Usher – Susan Murdy & Roian Koerber
10:30 Liturgist – Janet Battenhouse
10:30 Greeter/Usher – Ed & Joni Barnes

March 1, 2026

8:00 Greeter/Usher – Hal & Carol Lester
10:30 Liturgist – Cindy Sheffler
10:30 Greeter/Usher – Robin Burges & Kim Drapala

March 8, 2026

8:00 Greeter/Usher – Steve & Leslie Chovan
10:30 Liturgist – Josh Thornton
10:30 Greeter/Usher – Renee Kociela & Kay Stoner

March 15, 2026

8:00 Greeter/Usher – Roian Koerber & Frienda Edwards
10:30 Liturgist – Cheryl Rhea
10:30 Greeter/Usher – John & Karen Oskin

March 22, 2026

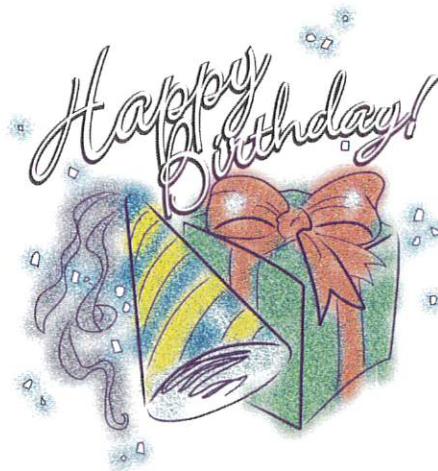
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10:30 Liturgist – Carol Lester
10:30 Greeter/Usher – Dave & Denise Haralson

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

January 1 - Rose Schickel
January 2 - Lori Hockenberry
January 4 - Lily Sementuh
January 5 - Mrs. Roian Koerber
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



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

Call the church office at 412-372-5370



January 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Dec 28	29	30	31	Jan 1, 26	2	3
4	5 8:00am Worship 9:15am Sunday School 10:30am Worship 8:30pm AA meeting ((FH)))	6 6:00pm Girl Scouts (FH) 1:00pm Stewardship Ministry 7:00pm Preschool Meeting	7 10:00am Adult Bible Study 6:00pm Daisy Scouts 7:00pm Choir Practice	8 11:00am Yarn/String Crafts 7:00pm Adult Bible Study	9	10
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