

Level Green Presbyterian Church Friday News

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This Weeks Video:



Sunday November 1, Geoff Rach's sermon title will be "Perseverance: God Sticks With Us" and is based on the scripture passages Psalm 129:1-8 and Hebrews 12:1-3.

"But the Lord is righteous, He has cut me free from the cords of the wicked." Psalm 129:4

Check This Out

Simple Supper & Sanctification:
Feed your body. Feed your soul.

DATE CHANGE: Wednesday, November 4th from 5-7 p.m.



Want to live well but feel overwhelmed in today's crazy culture? Join us for simple meal at 5 p.m. followed by a discussion on the virtues of prudence and justice. Author Alan Noble asks us what it means to choose decisively and act justly. We'll work through the first two chapters this month and the rest of the book later this year. The book is not required but is recommended.

RSVP by Sunday, October 25th on the sign-up sheet near the front of the sanctuary or email Cara Rach at familymin@levelgreenchurch.org

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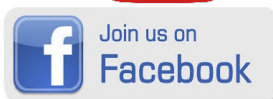
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Media Information

www.levelgreenchurch.org

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

This Week at LGPC:

SUNDAY, November 1, 2026

8:00 a.m. – Worship Service

9:15 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship Service

11:35 a.m. – Discipleship Ministry

8:30 p.m. – AA Meeting (FH)

MONDAY, November 2, 2026

6:00 p.m. – Girl Scouts

7:00 p.m. – Preschool Meeting

TUESDAY, November 3, 2026

1:00 p.m. – Stewardship Ministry

5:45 p.m. – Grief Share

WEDNESDAY, November 4, 2026

6:00 p.m. – Girl Scouts

7:00 p.m. – Choir Practice

THURSDAY, November 5, 2026

9:30 a.m. – Schole Homeschool Community

5:45 p.m. – Kingdom Kids

7:30 p.m. – Adult Bible Study

In Other News:



Also: We will celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper as part of our worship together this Sunday, November 1.

Announcements and Information

**THIS
Week**

Liturgist - Jacob Thornton

Greeter/Usher 8:00 a.m. Hal & Carol Lester

Greeter/Usher 10:30 a.m. Kay Stoner & Pam Thornton



Operation Christmas Child

Boxes can be picked up in the front and rear of the sanctuary. After filling your box, please enclose your \$10 check to "PW" and put your shoebox in the Church Library. Boxes need to be returned no later than November 8, 2026. Please contact Susan Murdy at 724-255-3538 if you have any questions.



Sunday November 8th

We need our wonderful chefs to make soup and bread for our sale. We can't do it without you! We provide containers, you make the soup (and/or bread) and we sell it! We can also use and sell soup that has been frozen. The soup will sell for \$8.00 per container. We will collect soup on Friday, Nov 6th (put soup in the refrigerator) and on Saturday, Nov 7th from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in fellowship hall. You can also make the soup or bread (or store bought bread is awesome too) in advance and put it in the freezer! Please call Frienda Edwards and let her know if you plan on participating or if you have questions. (412) 373-3727.

Lois Ruth Circle

Our next meeting will be on Monday, November 9th at 1:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall.



Fall Potluck Luncheon - Sunday, November 15
- after the 10:30 a.m. worship service

Live Nativity & Christmas Concert - Sunday,
December 13 - 4:00 p.m.

Mark your calendars and save these dates for two of our church's upcoming events!

More details on both events will follow.

NewsLetter
DEADLine

Any additions or changes for the Friday news must be sent to the office by noon on Thursdays. Thanks!

Don't forget to send your updates and articles to the Church office for your Ministry or group. If we don't get information we can't add it.

Prayer LIST

Please take a moment to look over the names on the list and update the office with any information that you have. Some of these have been on the list for a very long time and should be updated or removed.

Update for Ethan Foley (10 year old, friend of Bates' grandson battling brain cancer). Today, Ethan will begin aggressive chemotherapy. He will be receiving a combination of 5 different chemos over a 3 day stay in the hospital. Ethan has demonstrated tremendous fortitude and resilience over the past months and was so happy to be back in school with his friends. His parents are very grateful for all your cards, gifts and especially your prayers. Thank you.

His address is:
11 Madison Ave West
Winchester, MA 01890

Thank you all for your prayers,
Melanie

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.



Please bring your empty milk/juice cartons to the Church office to be used for delivering flowers to shut ins. Our supply has gotten low. Thanks for your help.

Adult Bible Study

Our *Seeing Jesus in the Old Testament* will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Thursdays. We will be studying *The Wisdom of God. Seeing Jesus in the Psalms*. Contact Cara Rach at familymin@levelgreenchurch.org for more information.

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.

2026 Communion Schedule

DATE	OCCASION
Sunday, November 1	All Saints' Day
Sunday, December 6	Second Sunday of Advent

Greeters/Liturgist Schedule

Included is the schedule for September, October, and November 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.

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.

CHURCH OFFICERS FOR 2026

CLASS OF 2028

ELDERS

Barb Augustin
Robin Burges
Cheryl Rhea
Kim Stevenson

DEACONS

Janie Halle
Carol 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

Steve Chovan
Elton Laffoon
Mark Null
Rich Taylor

DEACONS

Janet Battenhouse
Sharon Battenhouse
Jen Brown
Cindy Sheffler

Thanksgiving Food Collection

The Deacons will soon be delivering Thanksgiving Food Baskets to our church & community friends. We could really use your help with filling those baskets with many needed staples which will help to stock the pantries of our neighbors.

Those bringing in food are asked to please place it in the marked collection boxes at the entrances to the sanctuary, outside the office, or in the Fellowship Hall. Donations will be collected through **Friday, November 20.**

Grocery store gift cards would also be appreciated to help the families purchase a turkey and any extra groceries they may need. Monetary donations would also be welcome to help the Deacons make sure each basket is well stocked with food and gift cards. Please drop off any gift cards or monetary donations in the office or mark them "Thanksgiving Baskets" and place them in the collection plates.

Please give the names of any families you think could benefit from a basket to Rev. Rach or to the church office very soon. All information about the families is kept confidential.

We are also partnering up again this year with the guidance counselors and teachers in the Penn-Trafford School District to provide Thanksgiving baskets for families they recommend to us. If you are able to give any extra this year, we will certainly put it to good use. Thanks so much for your help. Your generosity and giving will help us to make sure that many families have a nice Thanksgiving.

applesauce
box soups/broth
box stuffing
brown sugar
brownie mixes/ muffin mixes
cake mixes/dessert mixes
canned cranberry sauce
canned evaporated milk
canned fruit/fruit cups
canned pumpkin
canned soup
canned sweet potatoes
canned vegetables
cereal
cooking oil
cornbread mix
crackers
flour
fruit juice (not frozen or fresh)

gravy
hot chocolate packets
icing
Jello
Jelly/jam
kleenex
macaroni & cheese
mashed potato mixes
napkins
onion toppers
pancake/waffle mixes
paper towels
pasta (spaghetti, elbows, noodles, etc.)
pasta sauce
peanut butter
pie crust mix
pudding/pudding cups
sugar
toilet paper

- Grocery Store Gift Cards (Giant Eagle, Shop'n Save, Walmart, Aldi's)
- Monetary Donations to help the Deacons purchase extra groceries & gift cards
- Sturdy Boxes & Sturdy Brown Bags / Cloth Bags w/handles – to pack the groceries



HOME HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS NEEDED

Now Hiring in Your Area

Full and part-time opportunities available!

We are actively seeking **reliable caregivers** to provide in-home care to individuals who need assistance with everyday home activities.

Experienced &
entry-level
welcome

Flexible scheduling
that fits
your life

Rewarding,
meaningful
local work

Great for **moms**, **students** (must be 18+), and **retirees**! Quick placement process to get you started.

Your responsibilities include

- Hands-on assistance helping clients maintain personal hygiene, dignity, and daily comfort
- Light housekeeping, tidying, and laundry
- Meal preparation
- Keeping a clean, safe living environment

Requirements

- High school diploma or equivalent
- Complete an online application
- Pass a background check (provided by us)
- Provide a negative TB test result
- Ability to upload standard I-9 documentation

Already providing care for a loved one, neighbor, or friend?

Contact us and see if you qualify to be **paid** for that time.

Ready to start?

Text Donna at

570-580-0514

...or scan the QR code to access our online application and get placed quickly!
Please type "**Donna**" in the *How did you hear about us?* box. Thank you!



Level Green Presbyterian Fall 2026 Discipleship

Sunday School returns Sunday, Sept. 13th!

All ages, Sundays, 9:15-10:15 a.m.
PreK-8th, The Biggest Story, Room 206
High School – Adult, Room 203/205
Adult Bible Study, Room 115

Children's Church & Nursery

Babies – Grade 4, 10:30 a.m. only, Room 210

Bible Study, starting September 3rd

Adults, Thursdays 7:30 – 8:30 p.m., Lounge (across from office)

Scholē Homeschool Community, starting September 3rd

Thursdays 9:30 a.m. – 12 p.m., Sanctuary & Room 206

Kingdom Kids, starting September 10th

K-8th, Thursdays 5:45 – 7:15 p.m., Youth Lounge & Fellowship Hall

GriefShare, starting September 10th

Tuesdays 5:45 – 7:15 p.m., Fellowship Hall

First Friends

Parents & Babies - Preschoolers. Fridays 10 -11 a.m., Nursery

Questions? Ready to serve? Have an idea?

Contact:

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familymin@levelgreenchurch.org / 412-372-5370 x 202
Level Green Presbyterian Church
105 Olive Drive Trafford, PA 15085
www.levelgreenchurch.org

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 November, please 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.

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>



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
Cheryl
Theresa Stones

Friends with Long Term Health Concerns

Eva Powell
John Frick
Justin Gilligan
Don & Lori Hockenberry
Earl Kilbury
Cory McNutt
Jen Scharba

Doreen Nedley, friend of Leslie Chovan, had an emergency health issue on an airplane and is recovering from surgery in a hospital in Salt Lake City, Utah. She is currently still in the ICU.

Genesis, newborn daughter of Jim & Lynn Gilligan's "bonus" granddaughter has gone home and is diagnosed with cerebral palsy.

Ed Barnes, recovering from back surgery.

Patty Hanafin, niece-in-law of Terry Yungwirth, is fighting cancer.

Gerald Eisman, nephew of Kay Stoner, who is recovering from surgery for malignant brain tumors and has Parkinsons.

Tracie & Frank Turoczy, both facing serious health issues.

Bill Drapala, recovering from hip replacement surgery.

John Boggs, friend of Ed & Joni Barnes, who has lung cancer and will be undergoing treatment.

Katie Martin, friend of Joni Barnes, who has a serious health issue and needs many prayers.

Rose Schickel, recovering from surgery at home.

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.

Ethan Foley, 10 year old, friend of Bates' grandson battling brain cancer. Ethan will begin aggressive chemotherapy. He will be receiving a combination of 5 different chemos over a 3 day stay in the hospital. Ethan has demonstrated tremendous fortitude and resilience over the past months and was so happy to be back in school with his friends.

Dave Henderson, brother of Kim Drapala, who was in a bad car accident a couple of years ago and is now dealing with many issues with his brain.

Valerie McAteer, sister of Kim Drapala, who was diagnosed with polymyalgia rheumatica.

John Graw, friend of Kim Drapala, diagnosed with crohns disease.

Denny Greenaway, grandfather of Josh Thornton.

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

Mark Henderson, brother-in-law of Mark Null, with progressive heart failure.

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

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

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

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

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

Mary Alberts, has been diagnosed with Leukemia.



Nancy Rogers, now at Redstone Highlands in Murrysville.

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.

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.

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
September, October, and November 2026

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

September 6, 2026

9:00 Liturgist – Cindy Sheffler
9:00 Greeter/Usher – Elva Hulihan & Susan Murdy

September 13, 2026

8:00 Greeter/Usher – Roian Koerber & Susan Murdy
10:30 Liturgist – Bob Smith
10:30 Greeter/Usher – Elton & Maureen Laffoon

September 20, 2026

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

September 27, 2026

8:00 Greeter/Usher – Donna Fairfull & Frienda Edwards
10:30 Liturgist – Josh Thornton
10:30 Greeter/Usher – Ed & Joni Barnes

October 4, 2026

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

October 11, 2026

8:00 Greeter/Usher – Susan Murdy & Evalee Tovey
10:30 Liturgist – Janet Battenhouse
10:30 Greeter/Usher – Kim Stevenson & Cheryl Rhea

October 18, 2026

8:00 Greeter/Usher – Steve & Leslie Chovan
10:30 Liturgist – Carol Lester
10:30 Greeter/Usher – The Grills Family

October 25, 2026

8:00 Greeter/Usher – Susan Murdy & Roian Koerber
10:30 Liturgist – Cindy Sheffler
10:30 Greeter/Usher – Renee Kociela & Kim Stevenson

November 1, 2026

8:00 Greeter/Usher – Hal & Carol Lester
10:30 Liturgist – Jacob Thornton
10:30 Greeter/Usher – Kay Stoner & Pam Thornton

November 8, 2026

8:00 Greeter/Usher – Evalee Tovey & Roian Koerber
10:30 Liturgist – Josh Thornton
10:30 Greeter/Usher – Cheryl Rhea & Kim Stevenson

November 15, 2026

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

November 22, 2026

8:00 Greeter/Usher – Donna Fairfull & Susan Murdy
10:30 Liturgist – Glenda Taylor
10:30 Greeter/Usher – Elton & Maureen Laffoon

November 29, 2026

8:00 Greeter/Usher – Evalee Tovey & Roian Koerber
10:30 Liturgist – Cheryl Rhea
10:30 Greeter/Usher – Rich & Glenda Taylor

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

November 2 – Edward McBride
Zachary Sementuh
November 3 - Mark Stevenson
November 6 – Hannah Hizer
November 8 – Peggy McNutt
November 10 - Jack Battenhouse
Glenda Taylor
November 13 – Joey Lamacz



November 15 - John Humlan
November 18 – Robert Griffiths
November 21 - Ryan Badders
Audrey Barnyk
Miss Roian Koerber
November 26 - Charlene Sarver
November 27 - Lynn Gilligan

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

November 3 - Steven & Leslie Chovan
November 9 - John & Karen Oskin
November 23 - Sean Carter & Jen Brown



November 2026

Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Nov 1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8 AM Worship	6 PM Girl Scouts (FH)	1 PM Stewardship Ministry	6 PM Girl Scouts	9:30 AM Schole Homesc		
9:15 AM Sunday School		5:45 PM Grief Share Gro	7 PM Choir Practice	5:45 PM Kingdom Kids		
10:30 AM Worship				7:30 PM Adult Bible Stur		
11:30 AM Discipleship Min						
8:30 PM AA meeting						
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9:15 AM Sunday School				7:30 PM Adult Bible Stur		
10:30 AM Worship						
11:30 AM Worship Ministr						
11:35 AM PW Soup Sale						
8:30 PM AA meeting						
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10:30 AM Worship				7:30 PM Adult Bible Stur		
11:30 AM Fall Potluck						
8:30 PM AA meeting						
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10:30 AM Worship				7:30 PM Adult Bible Stur		
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8:30 PM AA meeting						
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10:30 AM Worship				7:30 PM Adult Bible Stur		
4 PM Advent Gathering						
8:30 PM AA meeting						