

PRAYER PROFILE: PENFIELD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH – Penfield, N.Y.

“We are a welcoming, inclusive, family-friendly, and joyful worshipping community of Jesus believers of all ages.” —mission statement

This is an unusual Prayer Profile because Pastor Twyla Boyer is very new to the Penfield church (starting in May 2020), and has not actually met many church folks in person during her first month there! Not the ideal way to start a new relationship with a congregation, nor does she know a lot about details of the church’s history, but upon my invitation to develop a Prayer Profile, she was eager to tell us about the church! Thank you, Pastor Twyla!

“We are in an exciting time of ministry at Penfield with many new beginnings:”

- a new pastor
- a new neighbor coming at the Heritage Christian Services House (under construction on what was once part of Penfield church property)
- the reopening of the Penfield Presbyterian Early Learning Center after months missed due to COVID mandates
- the return of in-person worship beginning June 21 (outside with bring-your-own-lawn-chair seating, weather permitting or socially distant inside if weather is bad; and available via Zoom, as long as connections work, whether in- or outdoors)
- a new prayer time via Zoom on Monday mornings starting June 22
- the beginning of a hybrid in-person and Zoom interstate book club starting June 24 (we will be studying “So You Want to Talk About Race”).

“We are praying our way through all the things others are praying about based on ever-changing world events:”

- issues of racial and social justice
- a safe way forward in the pandemic
- open eyes, ears, and hearts to the new things God is calling us to through the challenges we have faced during COVID-19 stay at home orders
- the mental health of all who have been affected by recent events as well as in general
- healing for our members with health struggles
- comfort for those who are grieving
- our older members (especially those in nursing homes)
- for God’s guidance in all we do that we may bring God glory and be good ambassadors for Christ here on earth



Scenes from Penfield Presbyterian Church life, or, as Twyla notes, “Somehow, food is nearly always involved!”

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