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# Snapshot

A MONTHLY GLIMPSE OF EAST GLENVILLE  
COMMUNITY CHURCH

## Elder update...

Written by Tom Dreishbach

The Elder Board had been meeting every Tuesday evening through June, and currently is meeting in person every other week. Thanks to the weather we have been able to meet outdoors in the courtyard. These sessions are always started and ended with prayer, recognizing our purpose is to teach, provide and protect the EGCC congregation. Some highlights of what we've been working on:

### People/staff

- Ministering to and praying for families in crisis
- Staying in contact with those who continue to be adversely impacted by the pandemic
- Helping the Senior pastoral transition between Pastor Brad and Pastor Mitch

### Facilities

- Keeping track of the continual updates from NYS on reopening the church and weighing the wisest course of action in having worship and other activities in the building.
- In touch with the Trustee Board keeping up to date on the Buchanan Hall project

### Finances

- Monitoring our financial health with the help of our Finance Manager, Jim Fischer, through these difficult times and ensuring our spending is at or below the budgeted amount.
- As an item of praise – your faithful giving is sustaining EGCC at over 93% of budget through June!
- Securing \$27,400 of funding via the Payroll protection program.

We continue to encourage you to reach one (or all) of the Elders if you have a question or a concern.

## youth group activities.

WITH YOUTH DIRECTOR NICK FELICIANO

COVID 19 has impacted all of us this year. Working closely with the students, I know more about how it impacts them each individually. While we were not able to participate in activities together, I wrote each student a letter, kept in contact with them via online messaging, and held youth group on Zoom attempting different activities to keep fellowship close at hand during what seemed to be a challenging time.

This summer, every other Friday we have been hosting different activities, allowing standing elders to present their testimonies and connect with students on a real level. We have a tentative plan to hear from another one of our elders on August 7th.

My leaders and I are looking forward to being able to connect and meet more frequently and regularly as we learn how to navigate in a different time period in our history. We are looking to move more into discipleship and a personal level with all the students!

Mark your calendars for August 21st as we tentatively have scheduled having a boys and girls night respectively!

Boys meet at the church at 7 pm on August 21st.  
Girls meet at Heidi's house; more details to come!

This is a great opportunity for students to connect with their peers of their gender and enjoy the community and activities that we will have planned! My leaders and I are looking forward to an awesome school year of what God is going to do in our church with our youth!



# mini vbs

## WORSHIP TEAM SPOTLIGHT

Written by Sandie Wanamaker

The Worship Team continues to serve leading our church in worship each Sunday. Over the past two months we've had a few more members rejoin us which has been wonderful! Special thanks to Bill Harrison and his son Josh who have been our sound guys since we started meeting together again on May 31. Whether outdoors or inside, Bill and Josh have been there at 7:30 am every week to set up. Jason King will be joining us again this month.

Our Social Media Team has done an amazing job recording our services with one guy on a phone on facebook live, and another on the video camera recording the service in editable form so that it can be found on our YouTube page @ East Glenville Community Church. There you will find all the services that have been recorded. Steve Blais heads up this team comprised of Jim Fischer, Ted Feurer, Williard Gideon, Joe Mulone, and Nick Feliciano. Please let these guys know how much you appreciate them and the work they do each week! They have done an outstanding job!

Finally, behind the scenes in the Media booth, a lot was happening. In God's providence, work that was desperately needed to replace an aging computer and outdated software was able to be done during the months of COVID shutdown. Adrian Perregaux, who was also working to upgrade the internet for our whole church, worked with Media Team leader Kristin Armstrong to bring in a new computer, and upgrade the software used by our media team. This was a huge undertaking requiring many hours of work. Adrian is very close to finishing the installation of the updated wifi system which will enable great access throughout the entire building. Please let Adrian and Kristin know how much you appreciate them and the work they have done!

## Children's Sunday School

A big THANK YOU to the team of Heidi Peterson and Susan Williams for providing a weekly video to support each lesson (video also) from the curriculum!! Heidi and Susan's video was a two-part combination of prayer, lesson review and questions, and a do-at-home craft. It was posted every week on egcchurch.org and information about it was shared with our church families. Children were able to continue to learn about Jesus from home despite the church closing due to covid-19 and then reopening for worship (without children's classes). This occurred from April 12th to August 2nd. We truly appreciate their faithfulness in serving our children and families in this way. It was a great blessing to many!!

SUSAN PERREGAUX

Tues - Thurs Aug 18-20, 9-11:30am

Music, Activities, Bible lesson & Snack!

Kids entering 1st grade - Kids entering 7th grade

Registration and waiver forms will be mailed and are also available on [egcchurch.org](http://egcchurch.org).

Volunteer staff is needed. Information/planning meeting Sunday, August 2 after church, location TBA.

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