

## Douglas J. Kortyna

Our candidate for pastor, **Douglas J. Kortyna**, graduated from Dallas Theological Seminary in Dallas, Texas, with a Master of Arts degree in Biblical Studies. He subsequently graduated from Trinity School for Ministry in Ambridge, Pennsylvania, with a Masters of Divinity degree. During this time, Douglas came under the care, supervision, and mentorship of the Ministerial Committee of the Presbytery of the Alleghenies of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church.



Douglas served as a pastoral intern for Mt. Lebanon Evangelical Presbyterian Church, which is located within the South Hills of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. During his internship, he spent time preaching and teaching, was involved with the ministry to children and youth, and aided the church's staff with various other ministries.

Douglas has a passion for seeing people come into a life-transforming relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ and growing into a lifelong commitment to His church and to His mission throughout the world.

Douglas is married to Sara who, on March 22, 2018, gave birth to a baby girl, which the couple named Zoe. The Kortynas also have a spunky basset hound named Chaya.

In their spare time, Douglas and Sara enjoy activities such as hiking, fishing, gardening, trying to make new recipes, and spending time with their extended families.

Upon receiving approval of the congregation for the Call and Terms of Call, in accordance with the policies of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church, Douglas will be able to complete the few remaining steps that will lead to his ordination as a Teaching Elder. It is anticipated that his examination by the Presbytery enabling his ordination will take place at the 28th Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of the Alleghenies scheduled for September 21-22, 2018, at Memorial Park Presbyterian Church in Allison Park, Pennsylvania.

