

NEWS OF INTEREST

Pennies From Heaven: the monies collected help send children to the camp of their choice (mostly Seneca Hills). Your donations are appreciated and well spent. Other charities are often contributed to as worthy causes from Pennies From Heaven also.

PRAISES AND PRAYER

Please pray for God's guidance in the future of our church. Please pray for the peace of the world. Pray for the leaders of our country as they earnestly seek peaceful solutions to the problems and crises around the globe. Please pray for our military and police forces and their safety throughout each day. Pray for our public school system. Pray for the mental health of people everywhere. Pray for our mission to Ghana. Pray for all the Christian's who are being persecuted in the world.

Would you like to know what our church has been up to? On the bulletin board in the entryway are the minutes and financial ledgers for each month. Please feel free to copy them and if you have a question, ask any session member or the pastor. We think this is the best way to keep everyone informed.

REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR OUR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS AT HOME or HOSPITALS

Jen & Marty Gilliland, Robin's mom Betty, Bonnie Copeland, David Allman, Pam Bottomley, Skip and Nancy Davidson, Elliot Crawford, Amy Zemanski, Christian and Megan and family, Carol Morrow, Mary Lou Buckley, Pat Feltenberger, June Mawhinney, Rose, Janet Heister, Joseph family, Polk Center residents and staff, Betty Moore, Our Country, Nolan family, Sarah, Jeanie's family, Emilene's Great Grandma, Baby Brogan and parents, Hank, Lori and granddaughter, Joanne, Diecher family, Holly, Hunter Anderson, Kris, Mark, Dale, Megan, Johnson family, Alberta, Diane, Lisa's family, Althea, Kish family, Freer family, Kelly Miller, Violet, Linda Macdonald, Neal Rothen family, Harry Johns family, Rich, Bryan Hudson, Larry, Janet, Jackson family, Steve Caldwell, Drussell family.

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Upcoming dates & activities:

2/4 Firehall Breakfast (7-10am)
2/5 Communion Service During Worship
2/9 Session Meeting at 6:30pm
2/11 Revival Planning Meeting (10 am)
2/22 Ash Wednesday Service



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Calendar of Events

January 2023

Prayer Blankets are being made the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 10am at the Church.

Bible Study: We will be studying the Book of Proverbs. Bible Study is on Wednesday evening at 6:30pm. You can meet at the church or on ZOOM.

2023 Mission: "Revival is a Team Effort"--We will be coordinating with other local churches to attend and participate with their mission programs and events. Specific events will be advertised as they are announced throughout the year.

2024 Mission: "Revival...It is Time"--We will be hosting our Revival Weekend on 7/12/24. Revival is 7 days a week; 12 months of the year; 24 hours a day. Join us in prayer and planning as we prepare for this mission event.

Per Capita Contributions for this year are \$33 per person. For those who would like to contribute, you can use the designated envelope or mark it on your offering.

In the month of January we will be assisting Mustard Seed Ministries by providing bedding (sheets, blankets, comforters, etc.) If you would like to purchase items or offer financial donations, all contributions are appreciated. Any questions, please see Janet.

Our congregation will be supporting a mission group from the Citizens Akron college church. If you would like to participate directly in this sponsorship, please note it on your check or envelope.

January is Human Trafficking Prevention month. If you would like to contribute financially to support Operation Underground R.R., please note it on your offerings.



Polk Presbyterian Church
January 29th, 2023
Fourth Sunday of Epiphany

***Introit:** *Majesty* #8

Majesty, worship His majesty.
Unto Jesus be all glory, honor, and praise.
Majesty, kingdom authority f
low from His throne unto His own; His anthem raise.

Time for meditation and reflection.

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 15: 1-3, 5

L: O Lord, who may abide in your tent? Who may dwell on your holy hill?

P: Those who walk blamelessly, do what is right, and speak the truth from their heart.

L: Those who do not slander with their tongue, and do no evil to their friends, nor take up a reproach against their neighbors.

P: Those who do these things shall never be moved.

***Praise Hymn** *In the Garden* #541 Verse 1

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful and compassionate God, forgive our arrogant, stubborn, and foolish pride that leads to our certain death. Instill within our hearts and minds the knowledge that Christ Jesus is the true wisdom of God, and our righteousness, sanctification, and redemption. Help us to understand that God chose the foolish in the world to shame the wise and God chose what is low in the world so none could boast in the presence of the Lord. Forgive our sinfulness as we pray in the name of the Jesus the Christ.
Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON 1 Timothy 1: 15

L: This saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

P: Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old flesh is gone and the new spirit shall experience eternal life.

***Gloria Patri**

Special Music *I'll Fly Away* *By Tate Daye*

CHILDREN'S CHAT

MOMENTS FOR MISSION :

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Joys and concerns:

Happy Birthday: Zachary Stryffeler.

Presbytery Prayers: First Church of the Covenant, Erie; Rev. Chris Weichman, Pastor; Rev. Britney Knight, Associate Pastor; Erie- Wayside; Rev. James Bernhardt, Pastor; Rev. Nathan Royster, Associate Pastor.

THE LORDS PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

HYMN OF PREPARATION *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* #54

RETURNING THANKS TO GOD

***THE DOXOLOGY** #39

***THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Micah 6: 1-8

1 Corinthians 1: 18-31

(P) Thanks be to God

SERMON “Walking Humbly with God”

Affirmation of Faith The Confession of 1967

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Biblical visions and images of the rule of Christ, such as a heavenly city, a father's house, a new heaven and earth, a marriage feast, and an unending day culminate in the image of the kingdom. The kingdom represents the triumph of God over all that resists his will and disrupts his creation. Already God's reign is present as a ferment in the world, stirring hope in men and preparing the world to receive its ultimate judgment and redemption.

With an urgency born of this hope, the church applies itself to present tasks and strives for a better world. It does not identify limited progress with the kingdom of God on earth, nor does it despair in the face of disappointment and defeat. In steadfast hope, the church looks beyond all partial achievement to the final triumph of God.

***CLOSING HYMN** *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*
#224

***THE BENEDICTION**

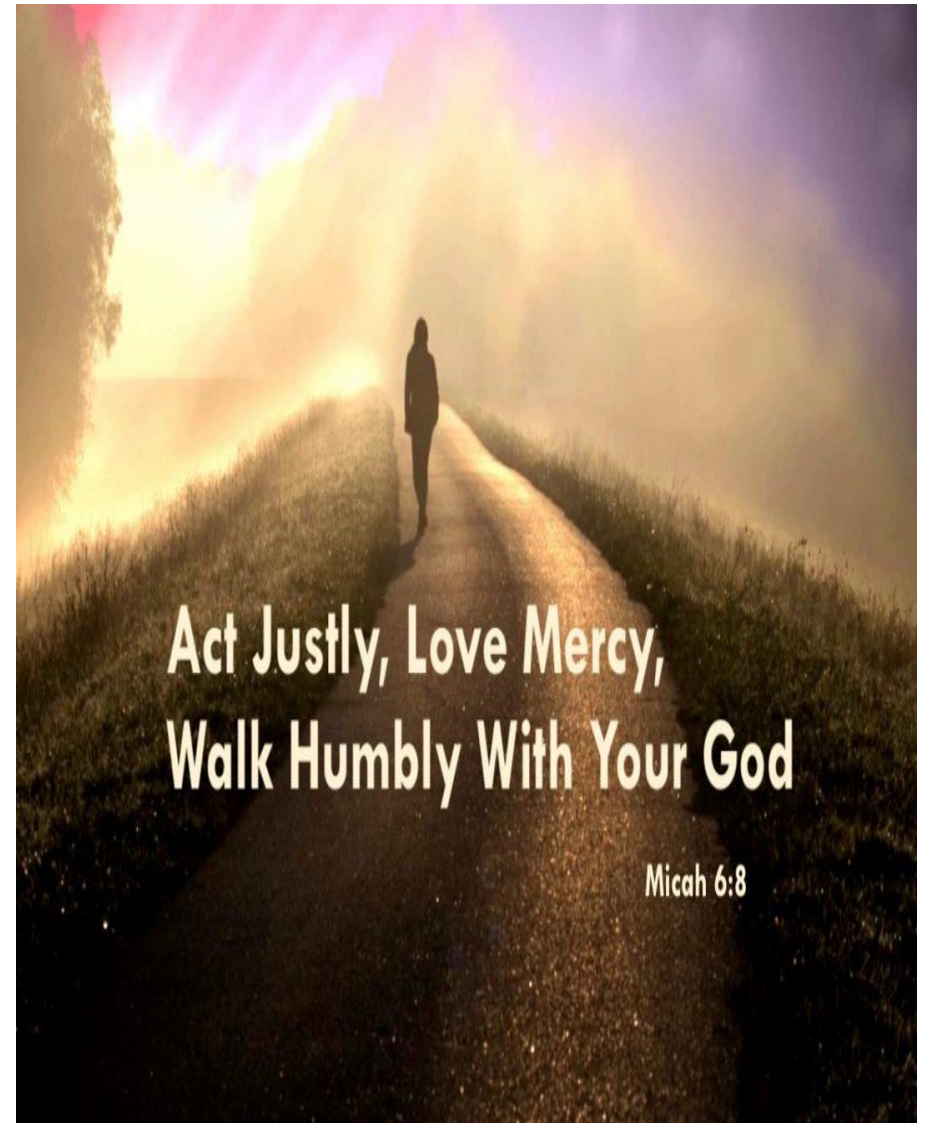
***Response:** *Spirit of the Living God* #201

Spirit of the Living God, fall fresh on me!

Spirit of the Living God, fall fresh on me!

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me!

Spirit of the Living God, fall fresh on me!



**Act Justly, Love Mercy,
Walk Humbly With Your God**

Micah 6:8

Pastor: Rev. Larry Myers
Elder on Call: Regina Allman
Music: Debbie Myers