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, Dottie Dillin, Bonnie, Nancy Davison, Lisa's cousin Bonnie, Rudy Liebmann, Mary Vickers, David Shearer, Alberta Swendson, Pat Karns, Joe Karns, Lisa & Scott Heffern, Kathleen Raecke, Joanie Bottomley, Teri Chisholm, John & Pam Vickers, Sandy Chisholm, Todd Bush, Bette Bagnal Brooks, Dave Burgoyne, Kevin Gladd, Gail Eakin Dan Prichard, Gary Hedglin, Mary Dickson, Roger Lambert, Becky Quail, Christy McCandless

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Upcoming dates & activities:

4/13	Reaffirmation	of Ba	ptism	during	Palm	Sunday	y Worship	J
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- 4/16 Genesis Bible Study 6:30 pm
- 4/17 Maundy Thursday Tureen 6 pm
- 4/17 Worship Service with Communion 7 pm
- 4/18 Good Friday Service at PUMC 7 pm
- 4/19 Easter Egg Hunt in Village Green 10 am
- 4/20 Easter Sunrise Service 7 am
- 4/20 Easter Breakfast 8 am
- 4/20 Easter Service 9:30 am
- 4/23 Genesis Bible Study 6:30 pm
- 4/30 Genesis Bible Study 6:30 pm



Polk Presbyterian Church Calendar of Events April 2025

Sunday School at 8:30am Children Sunday School at 8:30am

Bible Study on Wednesdays at 6:30pm at the church & via Zoom https://us04web.zoom.us/j/559705244 Meeting ID 559 705 244 The passcode is 202020

Prayer Blankets will be done on the 2^{nd} Thursday of the month at 9:00 am

April Mission: One Great Hour of Sharing

The Devine Inspirations present <u>AT THE CROSS</u> Sunday, April 13, 2025, 5:00 pm Hosted By: Cooperstown United Methodist Church 156 Cooperstown Rd Cooperstown, PA 16317

Good Friday Laymen's Service 4/18, Grace UM Church, Oil City More information in the Narthex.

Oil City Good Friday Crosswalk, 4/18, 10:30 AM. More information in the Narthex.

May 10th – Victorian Mother's Day Concert, First Baptist Church, Franklin.

Lynn Harriger from Nazarene church in Franklin is collecting grocery bags to make Mercy Mats. Amy Zemanski will see that Lynn gets any donations.

Save your Poptabs for a hospital in Pittsburgh. There is a container in the Narthex.

Lay Reader: We are in search of another Lay Reader. We would like to have 3 in the rotation. If you are interested, please contact Pastor Myers.



Polk Presbyterian Church, April 13, 2025 Palm / Passion Sunday

*The Introit "In the Name of the Lord" #132 (Praise Book)

Time for meditation and reflection.

CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 31:9-16

L: Be gracious to me, O Lord, for I am in distress; my eye wastes away from grief, my soul and body also.

P: For my life is spent with sorrow, and my years with sighing; my strength fails because of my misery, and my bones waste away.

L: But I trust in you, O Lord; I say, "You are my God." My times are in your hand.

P: Let your face shine upon your servant; save me in your steadfast love.

All: The Lord preserves the faithful. Be strong, and let your heart take courage, all you who wait for the Lord.

*PRAISE HYMN: "O How He Loves You and Me" #83

(Praise Book)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION BCW

Lord, have mercy upon us. Remember the promises You made to us in our baptism. Forgive our sinful ways that separate us from You, wash us clean of unrighteousness, and heal all our brokenness. Set us free from all that enslaves us and raise us to new life in Jesus the Christ. Enable us to become faithful servants of our risen Lord, demonstrating his healing love to the world. In the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON: Romans 6:3-8

L: Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death?

P: Therefore, we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

L: For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.

P: But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him.

*Gloria Patri # 42

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

MOMENTS FOR MISSION:

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: Joys and concerns

PRESBYTERY PRAYERS: Bradford, First Rev. Katherine Randall and Rev. Rob Klouw, Co-pastors; Rev. Foster E. Mawusi, Ag. Synod Moderator, Upper Northern Presbytery & Chaplain of the E.P. College of Education, Bimbilla

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 "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" #224 (Hymnal)

RETURNING THANKS TO GOD

*THE DOXOLOGY

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*THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Isaiah 50:4-9a (P) Amen

Luke 23:1-49 (P) Thanks Be to God

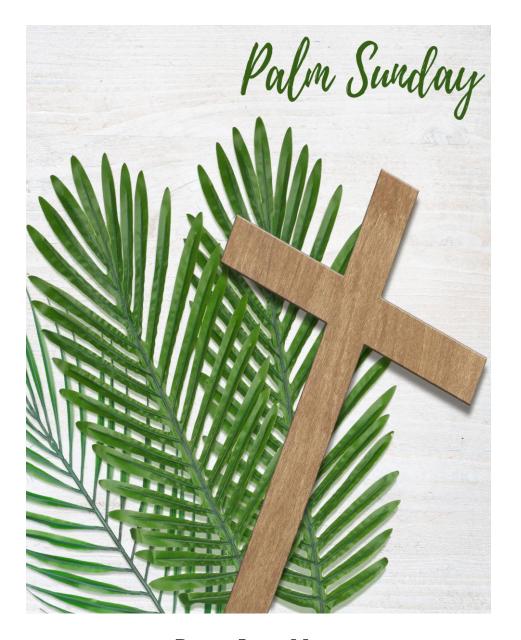
SERMON: "Glimpses of a Suffering Servant"

REAFFIRMATION OF THE BAPTISM COVENANT

*CLOSING HYMN "Were You There?" vv. 1-3" #228 (Hymnal)

*THE BENEDICTION

*OUR RESPONSE "Spirit of the Living God" #201 (Praise Book)



Pastor: Larry Myers Lay Reader: Jeff Karns Music: Deb Myers