

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, Dennis Dingle, Jeff Whitman, Rachel Johns, East Palestine OH, Bonnie (Lisa's cousin).

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Upcoming dates & activities:

3/5 Communion Service During Worship
3/9 Session Meeting at 6:30pm
3/18 Soup/Bakesale at Fox St. CoG (11-3)
4/1 Egg Hunt on the Village Green (9am)
4/2 Palm Sunday/Reaffirmation of Baptism (9:30am)
4/6 Maundy Thursday Tureen Dinner (6pm)
4/6 Maundy Thursday Communion Service (7pm)
4/7 Good Friday Service (7pm)
4/9 Easter Sunrise Service (7am)
4/9 Easter Breakfast (8am)
4/9 Easter Service (9:30am)



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Calendar of Events

March 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.

Kids Club will be held at PPC on Wednesday between 3/8-4/12 from 3-5pm. We need volunteers to walk students from Bus Stops, share crafts, music, lessons, or help with food. If you would like to assist in this mission, please contact Janet.

The Kairos Inside team will be participating in their Spring outreach effort at the Lake Erie Correctional Institute in the month of March. Please consider supporting these efforts financially by marking "Kairos" on your offerings. Additionally, a prayer vigil sign-up will be posted in the vestibule as we get closer to this event.

Our congregational mission in the month of March is our support of members of the Citizen's Church Akron and their Puerto Rico Mission Trip. Throughout the month, we will be collecting donations to offset the cost for these dedicated young missionaries. Please mark your offerings "Citizens Akron" to participate in this outreach.



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March 5th, 2023
2nd Sunday of Lent

***Introit: Open the Eyes of my Heart #111**

**Open the eyes of my heart, Lord
Open the eyes of my heart;
I want to see you,
I want to see you.**

Time for meditation and reflection.

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 121: 1-2, 7-8

L: I lift my eyes to the hills—from where will my help come?

P: My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

L: The Lord will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life.

P: The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from
this time on and forever.

***Praise Hymn Find Us Faithful #227**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Compassionate heavenly Father, we all too frequently act like the Israelites who grumbled at Moses and God in the wilderness. Forgive us when we sin and blame everyone but ourselves. Have mercy upon us and help us to look up to Jesus Christ, who is our Savior, Redeemer, and Lord. Empower us through the power of the Holy Spirit to serve the Kingdom of God in a manner worthy of our calling. In the name of the living Christ, we offer this prayerful petition. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON John 3: 16-17

L: For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

P: Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Amen.

***Gloria Patri**

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SPECIAL

I'm So Glad

By the Choir

CHILDREN'S CHAT

MOMENTS FOR MISSION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Joys and concerns:

Happy Birthday: Cindy Swendsen, Jackie Ghering.

Presbytery Prayers: Rev. Dr. Lawson Dzanko, Clerk of the General Assembly, Evangelical Presbyterian Church, Ghana. Rt. Rev. Lt. Col. Bliss Divine Agbeko, Moderator of the General Assembly, Evangelical Presbyterian Church, Ghana.

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 My Faith Looks Up to Thee
#393**

RETURNING THANKS TO GOD

***THE DOXOLOGY**

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***THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**SCRIPTURE READING: Genesis 12: 1-4a
Romans 4: 1-5, 13-17**

(P) Thanks be to God

SERMON "Answering God's Call in Faith"

***Affirmation of Faith** The Apostles Creed 2.1-.3

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by
the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius
Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the
third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and
sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall
come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the
communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the
body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S SUPPER

Let Us Break Bread Together

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***CLOSING HYMN** *Jesus Calls Us* **#424**

***THE BENEDICTION**

***Response:** He Is Good **#45**

**He is Good, He is Good
His love endures forever.
Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good.**



**Pastor: Rev. Larry Myers
Elder on Call: Robin Russell
Music: Debbie Myers**