

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, Rudy Liebmann,
David Shearer, Pat Karns, Joe Karns, Kathleen Raecke,
Gary & Teri Chisholm, Kevin Gladd
John Vickers, Mary Lou Buckley, Amy Zemanski, Bonnie Copeland,
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Upcoming dates & activities:

- 2/10 LEP Meeting @ Titusville PC or via Zoom 11 am**
- 2/11 Kids Club Mtg 4:30 pm PUMC**
- 2/11 Genesis Bible Study 6:30 pm**
- 2/14 Valentine's Day**
- 2/17 Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper 6:30 pm**
- 2/18 Ash Wednesday Worship Service 7 pm**
- 2/25 Genesis Bible Study 6:30 pm**



**Polk Presbyterian Church
Calendar of Events
February**

**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**

Per Capita for 2026: \$37

February Missions: CLA ultrasounds, \$28 each, Souper Bowl for Caring, Chair-Lift Repair

Christian Life Academy is trying to pay off a loan from 2016 for an addition to the high school. Any donations would be greatly appreciated. More information in the Narthex.

Pam B. will be on vacation 2/13 thru 2/21.

Lynn Harriger from Nazarene church in Franklin is collecting grocery bags to make Mercy Mats and also jigsaw puzzles for the Soldiers & Sailors Hospital in Erie. Amy Zemanski will see that Lynn gets any donations.

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



**Polk Presbyterian Church,
February 8, 2026
Fifth Sunday after Epiphany**

***The Introit “Sanctuary” #158 (Praise Book)**

Time for meditation and reflection.

CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 112:1-9

L: Praise the Lord! Happy are those who fear the Lord, who greatly delight in his commandments.

P: They rise in the darkness as a light for the upright; they are gracious, merciful, and righteous.

L: It is well with those who deal generously and lend, who conduct their affairs with justice.

P: For the righteous will never be moved; they will be remembered forever.

L: Their hearts are steady, they will not be afraid; in the end they will look in triumph on their foes.

P: They have distributed freely, they have given to the poor; their righteousness endures forever; their horn is exalted in honor.

***PRAISE HYMN: “Go Light Your World” #39
(Praise Book)**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Merciful and compassionate God, we read and hear that we are the salt of the earth and light to a bland and dark world. Forgive us when we become contaminated and lose our saltiness. Pardon our tendencies to hide our light under a shade, keep the light for ourselves, or attempt to shine using our own power. Enable us to become faithful disciples who proclaim the message of salvation to a dark and fallen world. This prayer we lift in the name of Jesus the risen and glorified Christ. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON:

L: The Lord is gracious and full of compassion; slow to anger, and of great mercy.

P: The Lord is good to all; and His tender mercies are over all His works.

L: The Lord is near unto all them that call upon Him in truth.

P: He will fulfill the desire of them that fear Him; He also will hear their cry, and will save them.

***Gloria Patri # 42**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

MOMENTS FOR MISSION:

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: Joys and Concerns

BIRTHDAYS: Colleen Scurry (1/10)

**PRESBYTERY PRAYERS: Rev. Hal Kelley (HR)
Rev. Nelson “Bud” Horne (HR), Rev. Jim McCormack (HR); Rev. Mary Louise McCullough, preaching Erie, Belle Valley and Elmwood Avenue Presbyterian Churches**

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 “We’ve a Story to Tell”
#502 (Hymnal)**

RETURNING THANKS TO GOD

***THE DOXOLOGY # 39**

***THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION ,**

**SCRIPTURE READINGS Isaiah 58:1-9a (P) Amen
Matthew 5:13-20 (P) Thanks Be to God**

SERMON: “Are We Salt and Light?”

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: The Second Helvetic
Confession 5.115, 5.117**

CONCERNING GOOD WORKS: For we teach that truly good works grow out of a living faith by the Holy Spirit and are done by the faithful according to the will

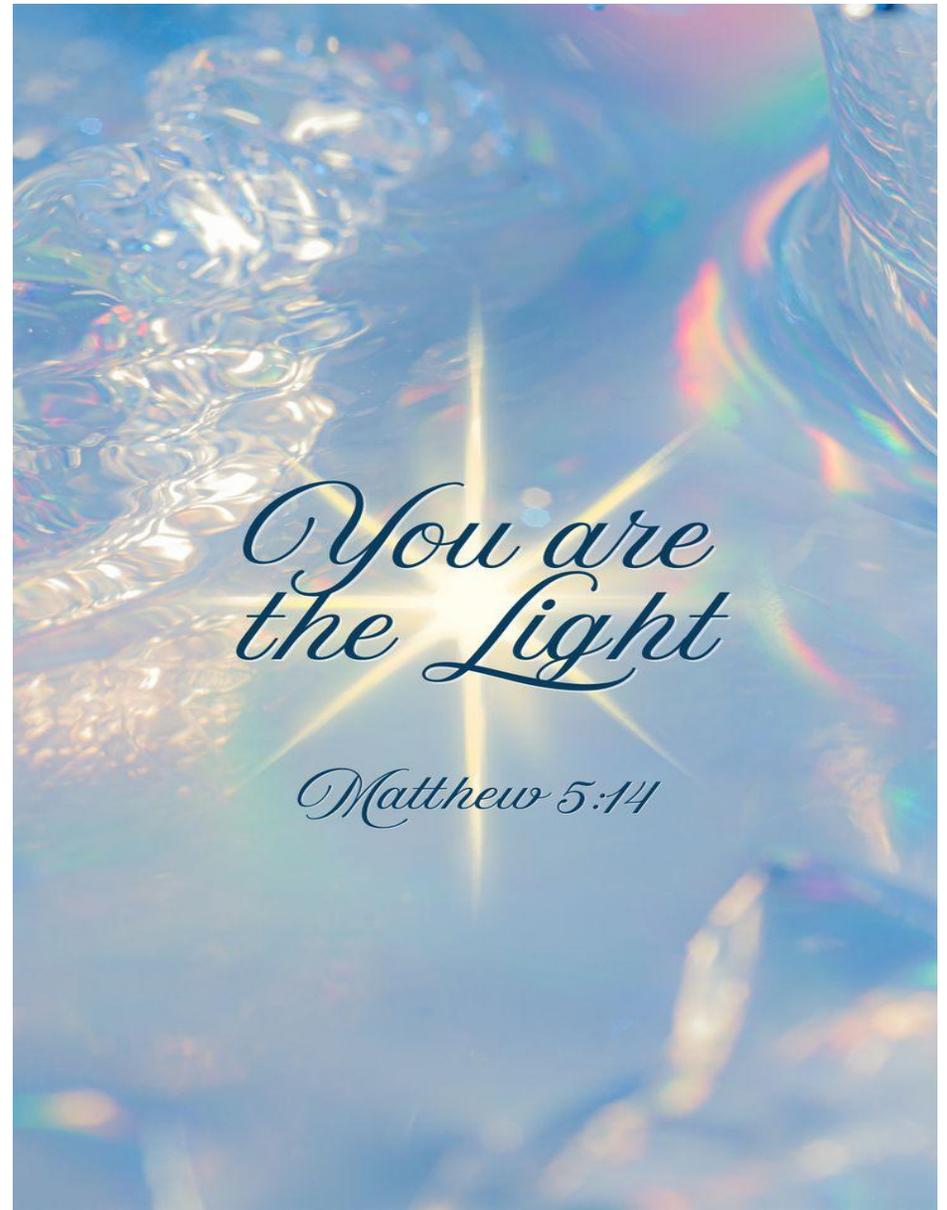
or rule of God's Word.

THE END OF GOOD WORKS: These same works ought not to be done in order that we may earn eternal life by them, for, as the apostle says, eternal life is the gift of God. Nor are they to be done for ostentation which the Lord rejects in Matt., Ch. 6, nor for gain which he also rejects in Matt., Ch. 23, but for the glory of God, to adorn our calling, to show gratitude to God, and for the profit of the neighbor. For our Lord says again in the Gospel: "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven" (Matt. 5:16). Amen

***CLOSING HYMN** "*O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee*"
#508 (Hymnal)

***THE BENEDICTION**

***OUR RESPONSE** "*Change My Heart, O God*" #2
(Praise Book)



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