

## **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  
Sandy Chisholm, Jeff Karns, Julie Karns, Ernie Banks,  
David Woodworth Family, John Vickers, Brian Chisholm,  
Dottie Chisholm, George Smith, Eddy Krizon, John & Leah Book,  
Denny Adams

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**Upcoming dates & activities:**

**8/3 Communion**  
**8/6 Planning Mtg for Aug 20<sup>th</sup> summer picnic at PUMC 4 pm**  
**8/6 Bible Study (Genesis) 6:30 pm**  
**8/9 Lisa Heffern's Memorial Service 11 am**  
**8/13 Bible Study (Genesis) 6:30 pm**  
**8/14 Session Mtg 6:30 pm**  
**8/17 Blessing of Backpacks**  
**8/17 & 8/24 College Scholarship Awards**  
**8/20 Summer Picnic at PUMC 4 pm**  
**8/20 Bible Study (Genesis) 6:30 pm**  
**8/27 Bible Study (Genesis) 6:30 pm**



**Polk Presbyterian Church  
Calendar of Events  
August**

**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 not be done in June, July or August.**

**August Mission: Trevor Wood, H2O**

**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.**



**Polk Presbyterian Church,  
August 3, 2025  
Eighth Sunday After Pentecost  
Young Adult Sunday**

**\*The Introit**    *“In the Name of the Lord” #132 (Praise Book)*

**Time for meditation and reflection.**

**CALL TO WORSHIP:**            Psalm 107:1-3, 43

**L:** O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever.

**P:** Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, those he redeemed from trouble

**L:** And gathered in from the lands, from the east, west, north and south.

**P:** Let those who are wise give heed to these things, and consider the steadfast love of the Lord.

**\*PRAISE HYMN:**    *“You Are My All in All” #1 (Hymnal)*

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Merciful God, we come to Your throne of grace once again seeking forgiveness for a myriad of transgressions. We ask divine absolution but fail to extend mercy to those who wrong us. Failing to accept a heavenly pardon, we hold on to unworthiness, guilt, shame, or self-destructive feelings. We make our best attempt to walk the path our Savior taught, to live our life in Christ, and obey our Lord’s teachings but our own human efforts cause us to stumble. Enable the Holy Spirit to empower us to take our root and grow in Christ Jesus our Lord in whose name we offer this corporate prayer. Amen.

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**            Colossian 3:1-5, 9-10

**L:** If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.

**P:** Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.

**L:** When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

**P:** Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed.

**All:** You have stripped off the old self with its practices and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in

**\*Gloria Patri**

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**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**MOMENTS FOR MISSION:**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:** Joys and concerns

**PRESBYTERY PRAYERS:** Rev. Mawuli Agbo, Tatale District Pastor  
Pastor Presbyter Dr. Eng. Anyhony Mawutor Atsu, Ghana Partnership Coordinator;  
Rev. Eusebius K. Agbesi, Tamale District Pastor, Rev. Christopher Nfodzo, Second Pastor, Najong, Rev. Stephen Nibo, Third Pastor, Buipe

**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**    *“Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus”  
#284 (Hymnal)*

**RETURNING THANKS TO GOD**

**\*THE DOXOLOGY**

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**\*THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**SCRIPTURE READINGS**    Hosea 11:1-11    (P) Amen  
Luke 12:13-21    (P) Thanks Be to God

**SERMON:**    “Living by a New Value System”

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:** The Confession of 1967

9.21, 9.23, 9.26

The reconciling work of Jesus was the supreme crisis in the life of mankind. His cross and resurrection become personal crisis and present hope for human beings when the gospel is proclaimed and believed. In this experience the Spirit brings God's forgiveness to men and women, moves them to respond in faith, repentance, and obedience, and initiates the new life in Christ.

The new life does not release a person from conflict with unbelief, pride, lust, fear. They still have to struggle with disheartening difficulties and problems. Nevertheless, as they mature in love and faithfulness in their life with Christ, they live in freedom and good cheer, bearing witness on good days and evil days, confident that the new life is pleasing to God and helpful to others.

Life in Christ is life eternal. The resurrection of Jesus is God's sign that he will consummate his work of creation and reconciliation beyond death and bring to fulfillment the new life begun in Christ. Amen.

**INVITATION TO THE LORD'S SUPPER**

*Let Us Break Bread Together*

#162 (Hymnal)

\***CLOSING HYMN** "Seek Ye First" #438 (Hymnal)

\***THE BENEDICTION**

\***OUR RESPONSE** "He Is Lord" #78 (Praise Book)



Pastor: Larry Myers  
Lay Reader: Judy Krizon  
Music: Deb Myers