NEWS OF INTEREST

<u>Pennies From Heaven</u>: 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

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Upcoming dates & activities:

- 2/9 Souper Bowl for Caring
- 2/12 Kid's Club Planning Mtg PUMC 3 pm
- **2/12 Bible Study 6:30 pm**
- 2/13 Prayer Blankets 9 am
- 2/13 Session Meeting 6:30 pm
- 2/14 Valentines Day
- **2/19 Bible Study 6:30 pm**
- 2/23 Linger Longer 10:30 am
- 2/26 Bible Study 6:30 pm



Polk Presbyterian Church Calendar of Events February 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

Per Capita for 2025: \$35

February: Souper Bowl for Caring; CLA Ultrasounds for Pregnancy Centers (\$28 each); Meal Home Delivery List

Pam B. on vacation Feb. 15th thru Feb. 22nd.

Feb. 20: Christian Worldview In Focus, Inaugural Venango County lecture series, 1st Baptist Church of Franklin, 6:30 – 8 pm; <u>Purpose In Every Reason-No matter What Age</u>, Health, Circumstance, or Ability

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, February 9, 2025 Fifth Sunday after Epiphany Souper Bowl for Caring

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

Time for meditation and reflection.

CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 138

L: I give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart; before the gods I sing your praise;

P: I bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness; for you have exalted your name and your word above everything.

L: On the day I called, you answered me, you increased my strength of soul.

P: Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve me against the wrath of my enemies; you stretch out your hand, and your right hand delivers me

*PRAISE HYMN: "Here I Am, Lord" #54 (Praise Book)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful and compassionate God, forgive our sinful ideas that cloud our minds to the truth about Christ's mission of reconciliation to the world. Forgive us when we keep the gospel message to ourselves and fear sharing salvation with our lost neighbors. Anoint us with the Holy Spirit for proclaiming the truth about Jesus the Christ. Give us the mind of Christ, the compassion of our Savior, and the courage of our martyred Christian ancestors who obediently lived their faith. In the name of Jesus, the risen Christ, we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON: Ephesians 2:4-9

L: By grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is a gift from God.

P: Salvation is not the results of our works, so that no one may boast.

L: We were dead through our trespasses, but made alive together with Christ.

P: By grace, we have been saved, raised up with Christ, and seated with him in heavenly places. Glory be to God. Amen.

*Gloria Patri # 42

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

MOMENTS FOR MISSION:

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: Joys and concerns

BIRTHDAYS: Colleen Scurry (2/10)

PRESBYTERY PRAYERS: Warren First, Rev. Tara Eastman, (ELCA); Edinboro Pastor Nominating Committee 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 "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus" #454 (Hymnal)

RETURNING THANKS TO GOD

*THE DOXOLOGY

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*THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Isaiah 6:1-8 (P) Amen

Luke 5:1-11 (P) Thanks Be to God

SERMON: "Master Fisherman"

<u>AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:</u> Westminster Confession of Faith 6.064

All those whom God has predestinated unto life, and those only, he is pleased, in his appointed and accepted time, effectually to call, by his Word and Spirit, out of that state of sin and death in which they are by nature, to grace and salvation by Jesus Christ: enlightening their minds, spiritually and savingly, to understand the things of God, taking away their heart of stone, and giving unto them a heart of flesh; renewing their wills, and by his almighty power determining them to that which is good; and effectually drawing them to Jesus Christ; yet so as they come most freely, being made willing by his grace. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN "Jesus Calls Us" #424 (Hymnal)

*THE BENEDICTION

*OUR RESPONSE "Alleluia" v. 1 #142 (Praise Book)



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