

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, Bonnie, Nancy Davison Family,
Lisa's cousin Bonnie, Rudy Liebmann, Mary Vickers,
David Shearer, Pat Karns, Joe Karns,
Lisa & Scott Heffern, Kathleen Raecke,
Gary & Teri Chisholm, Kevin Gladd
Bleakley Strawbridge (4 yr old friend of Tripp Hansen
Who has Lyme's Disease), Sandy Chisholm, Dave Burgoyne

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Upcoming dates & activities:

**5/20 Voting Day
5/20 Lake Erie Presbytery Meeting @ Wayside PC, Erie
5/21 Bible Study (Genesis) 6:30 pm
5/26 Memorial Day
5/28 Bible Study (Genesis) 6:30 pm**



**Polk Presbyterian Church
Calendar of Events
May**

**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.

**May Mission: Seneca Hills camping Scholarships
Baby Bottle Boomerang (May 11-June 15)**

Pam B. on vacation from 5/14 – 5/19. If you need anything from the office contact Pastor Larry Myers.

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,
May 18, 2025
Fifth Sunday of Easter
Mission Worker Sunday**

***The Introit** *“Lord, We Praise You” #22 (Praise Book)*

Time for meditation and reflection.

CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 148:1-2,13-14

L: Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise him in the heights!

P: Praise him, all the angels; praise him, all the host!

L: Let them praise the name of the Lord, for his name alone is exalted; his glory is above earth and heaven.

P: He has raised up a horn for his people, praise for all his faithful, for the people of Israel who are close to him.

All: Praise the Lord!

***PRAISE HYMN:** *“He Is Good” #45 (Praise Book)*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, you have called us to live a Christian life in a fallen world but all too often we become tainted by secular society instead of being salt and light. Forgive us when we join the crowd instead of speaking the words of truth. Have mercy when fear, doubt, and apathy override our compassion to hear the cries of our brothers and sisters in need. Empower us to live our everyday lives in Christian love as our Lord commanded. Teach us to faithfully walk in our Savior’s footsteps, as we wait for Christ’s return. In the name of our risen and glorified Lord, we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON 1 John 3:14-17

L: We know that we have passed from death to life because we love one another. Whoever does not love abides in death.

P: All who hate a brother or sister are murderers, and you know that murderers do not have eternal life abiding in them.

L: We know love by this, that Christ laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another.

P: How does God’s love abide in anyone who has the world’s goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?

***Gloria Patri**

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CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

MOMENTS FOR MISSION:

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: Joys and concerns

PRESBYTERY PRAYERS: Cranesville, Bethel Mel Bendig (UMC), preaching; PCUSA World Mission Co-worker Rev. Josh Heikkila, 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** *“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” #31 (Hymnal)*

RETURNING THANKS TO GOD

***THE DOXOLOGY**

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***THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

SCRIPTURE READINGS Revelation 21:1-6 (P) Amen

John 13:31-35 (P) Thanks Be to God

SERMON: “I Make All Things New”

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: The Westminster Confession of Faith 6.146

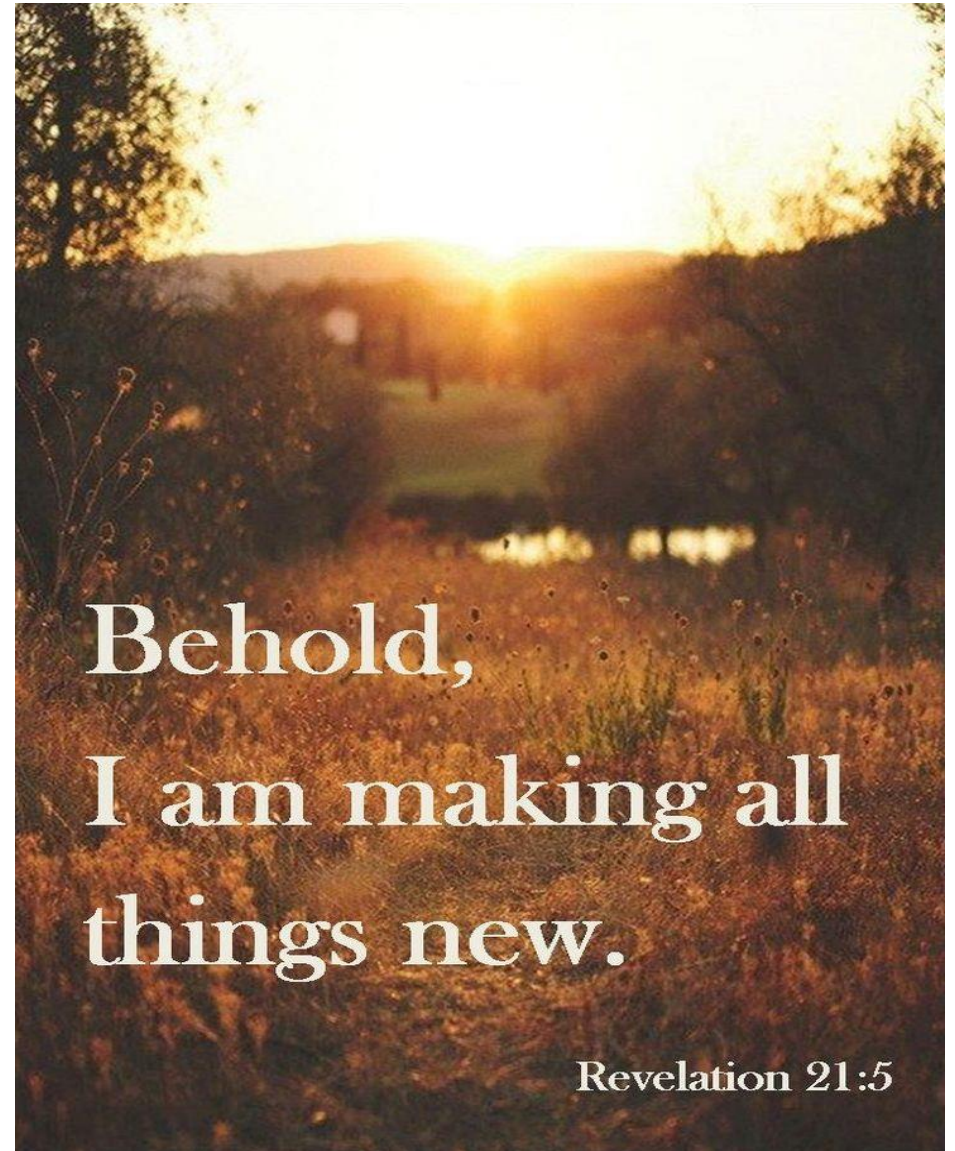
All saints being united to Jesus Christ their head, by his Spirit and by faith, have fellowship with him in his graces, sufferings, death, resurrection, and glory: and, being united to one another in love, they have communion in each other’s gifts and graces, and are obliged to the performance of such

duties, public and private, as to conduce to their mutual good, both in the inward and outward man. Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN** *“Spirit of the Living God” #90 (Hymnal)*

***THE BENEDICTION**

***OUR RESPONSE** *“Bless His Holy Name” #155 (Praise Book)*



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