

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, David Shearer, Pat Karns, Joe Karns,
Kathleen Raecke, Gary & Teri Chisholm,
Kevin Gladd, Mary Lou Buckley, Bonnie Copeland,
Kohen Dunmire (Wendy Bellin's Grandson), Dottie Dillan.
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Upcoming dates & activities:

- 5/10 Mother's Day**
- 5/12 Mother's Day Banquet 6 pm**
- 5/13 Bible Study Isaiah 6:30 pm**
- 5/14 Ascension Day of the Lord**
- 5/14 Session Meeting 6:30 pm**
- 5/20 Bible Study Isaiah 6:30 pm**
- 5/25 Memorial Day**
- 5/27 Bible Study Isaiah 6:30 pm**
- 6/3 Bible Study Isaiah 6:30 pm**
- 6/7 Communion 9:30 am**
- 6/10 Bible Study Isaiah 6:30 pm**
- 6/11 Session Meeting 6:30 pm**
- 6/17 Bible Study Isaiah 6:30 pm**
- 6/18 Father's Day Banquet 6 pm**
- 6/21 Father's Day**
- 6/24 Bible Study Isaiah 6:30 pm**



Polk Presbyterian Church
Calendar of Events
April

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

May Mission: Seneca Hills Bible Camp

Seneca Hills Bible Camp registration is now open!

Elder's Communion training at the Waterford Presbyterian Church on Wednesday, May 20, beginning at 6:30 pm. Please RSVP with Melinda in the office or with RE Rick Learn, richardlearn22@gmail.com

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,
May 10, 2026
Sixth Sunday of Easter
Mother's Day**

***The Introit “Lift Up Your Heads” #107 (Praise Book)**

Time for meditation and reflection.

CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 66:8-10, 20

L: Bless our God, O peoples, let the sound of his praise be heard,

P: Who has kept us among the living, and has not let our feet slip.

L: For you, O God, have tested us;

P: You have tried us as silver is tried.

L: Blessed be God, because he has not rejected our prayer,

P: Or removed his steadfast love from us.

***PRAISE HYMN: “The Bond of Love” #206 (Praise Book)**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Merciful God, forgive us for not sharing our personal faith when the opportunities arise. Have mercy upon us when our fears prevent us from proclaiming the gospel message. Show us compassion when we fail to listen to the Holy Spirit's guidance or fail to demonstrate the love of Christ. Allow the Holy Spirit to convict us of sin, lead us to repentance, and enable us in our call to ministry. In the name of the risen and glorified Christ, we humbly pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON: 1 Timothy 2:11-13

L: This saying is sure: If we have died with Jesus Christ, we will also live with him;

P: If we endure, we will also reign with him;

L: If we deny him, he will also deny us;

P: If we are faithless, he remains faithful—for he cannot deny himself.

All: Praise the Lord!

***Gloria Patri**

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CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

MOMENTS FOR MISSION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: Joys and Concerns

PRESBYTERY PRAYERS: Girard Rev. Nicola Vitiello, Pastor; Rev. Emily Chudy, Board of Pensions, Regional Representative

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 ” #31 (Hymnal)**

RETURNING THANKS TO GOD

***THE DOXOLOGY**

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***THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

SCRIPTURE READINGS: John 14:15-21 (P) Thanks Be to God

SERMON: “Alive in Spiritual Love”

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: The Confession of 1967 9.35, 9.37, 9.38

Wherever the church exists, its members are both gathered in corporate life and dispersed in society for the sake of mission in the world.

The church disperses to serve God wherever its members are, at work or play, in private or in the life of society. Their prayer and Bible study are part of the church's worship and theological reflection. Their witness is the church's evangelism. Their daily action in the world is the church in mission to the world. The quality of their relationship with other people is the measure of the church's fidelity.

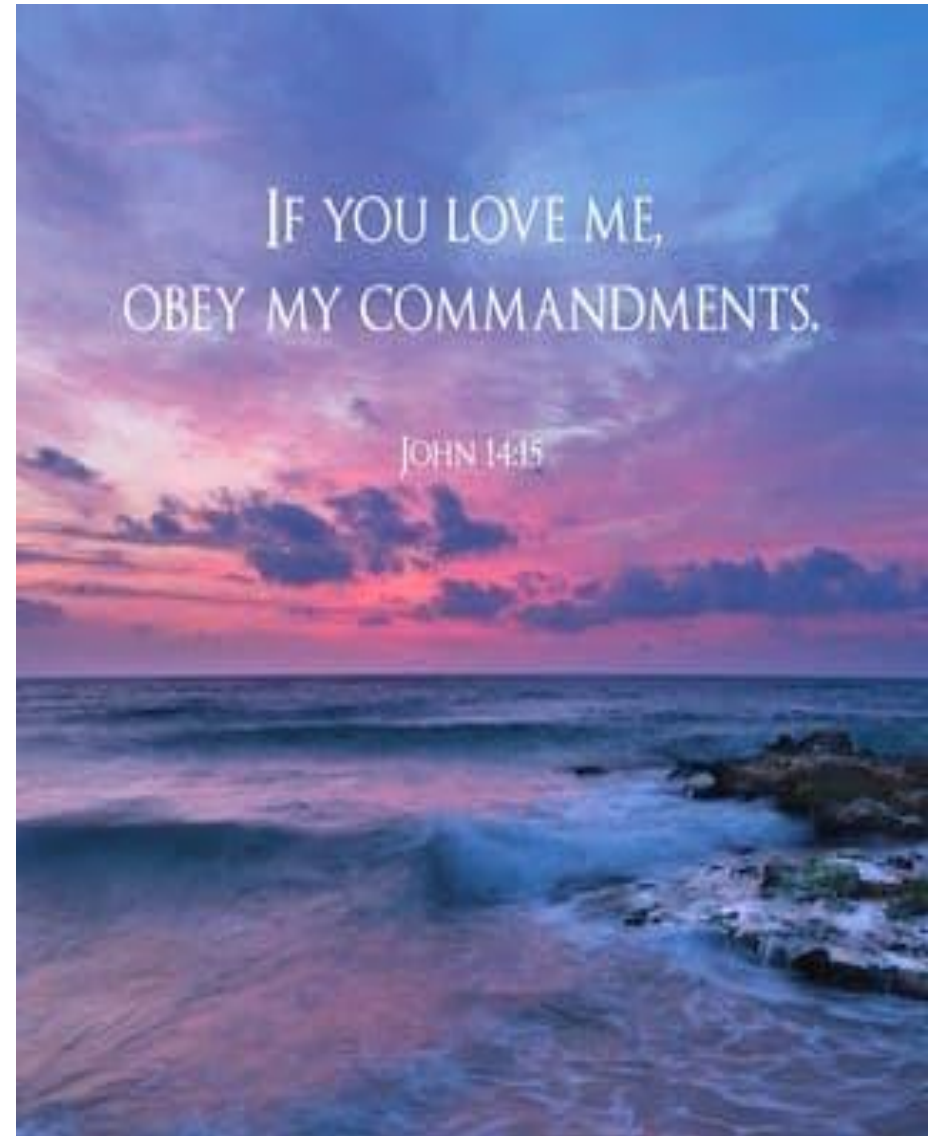
Each member is the church in the world, endowed by the Spirit with some gift of ministry and is responsible for the integrity of his witness in his own particular situation. He is entitled to the

guidance and support of the Christian community and is subject to its advice and correction. He in turn, in his own competence, helps to guide the church. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN *“Sweet, Sweet Spirit” #89 (Hymnal)*

*THE BENEDICTION

*OUR RESPONSE *“Sanctuary” #158 (Praise Book)*



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