

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, Dottie Dillin, Bonnie, Pam Bottomley, Pat & John Karns, Skip & Nancy Davison, Elliot Crawford, Mary Lou Buckley, Pat Feltenberger, June Mawhinney, Dennis Dingle, Lisa's cousin Bonnie, Rudy Liebmann, Janet Heister, Mason Martin, Pat Stewart, Dan Smayda, Jim Dickson, Brenda Sensenbaugh, Jan Archer, David Shearer, Mary Vickers, Keith Reynolds, Connor McCall, Jane & Bob Sandieson, Cody Buckley & Family

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Upcoming dates & activities:

- 2/28 Bible Study 6:30 pm**
- 3/3 Communion**
- 3/10 Daylight Saving Time Begins**
- 3/24 Palm Sunday**
- 3/28 Maundy Thursday-PPC Tureen & Servicer 6 pm**
- 3/29 Good Friday-PUMC 12 pm**
- 3/30 Easter Egg Hunt -Polk Village Green – 9 am**
- 3/31 Easter Sun Rise Service-PPC-7 am**
- 3/31 Easter Breakfast-PPC 8**
- 3/31 Easter Service-PPC 9:30 am**



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Calendar of Events

February 2024

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 Capitata for 2024 is \$34

Tuesdays: Prayer Blankets will be made on the 2nd Tuesday of each month downstairs in our Friendship Hall.

Church of the Covenant is hosting an Overnight Shelter for Erie's homeless during the winter months. Donations to fill their cupboards are being accepted. Items can be dropped off at First Presbyterian Church of the Covenant, Erie, PA.

Feb. - Souper Bowl for Caring (Community Services);

Trevor Wood Fundraising Breakfast

Ultra Sounds thru Christian Life Academy – AFA Radio – Pre-Born- this organization saves the lives of babies and also presents the gospel to moms. Each ultrasound costs \$28.

Kids Club – Feb. 7th thru March 27th, 3:15 – 5 pm @ Polk United Methodist Church on Wednesdays. Volunteers are needed. For additional information contact Pam B or Nancy Kerr from PUMC.

Good Friday Laymen's Service – March 29 Breakfast @ 6 am K of C Hall, 111 Petroleum St., Oil City. Tickets \$10. See insert for ticket availability. Worship @ 7 am Grace UM Church, 100 Central Ave, Oil City

Oil City Good Friday Cross Walk – March 29 @ 9:30 am, Main & Center Streets.

Lay Reader: We are in search of another Lay Reader. Would like to have 3 in the rotation. If you are interested, please contact Pastor Myers.



Polk Presbyterian Church,
February 25, 2024
Second Sunday in Lent

***The Introit** *“Come, Now Is the Time to Worship” #117*
(Praise Book)

Come, now is the time to worship. Come, now is the time to give your heart. Come, just as you are to worship. Come, just as you are before your God. Come.

One day, every tongue will confess You are God. One day, every knee will bow. Still, the greatest treasure remains for those who gladly choose you now.

Time for meditation and reflection.

Call to Worship: Psalm 22:22-28

L: I will tell of God’s name to my brothers and sisters; in the midst of the congregation, I will praise my God.

P: You who fear the Lord, praise him! All the offspring of Jacob, glorify the Lord; stand in awe of him, all you, offspring of Israel!

L: All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord; and all the families of the nations shall worship before Almighty God.

P: For dominion belongs to the Lord, and he rules over the nations.

***Praise Hymn** *“Come, Now Is the Time to Worship” #117*
(Praise Book)

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, Heavenly Creator, all too often we find ourselves as stumbling blocks to the gospel message by setting our minds on human desires, fearing to act like faithful Christians, and unwilling to witness to others. Forgive our sinfulness, fear, doubt, shame, and guilt. Empower us to put on the righteousness of Christ, deny ourselves, pick up our crosses, embrace our faith, and follow our Lord’s example. In the name of Jesus, the Christ, hear our humble pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon John 3:16-18

L: “For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

P: Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

L: Those who believe in Jesus Christ are not condemned but have eternal life.

P: Those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God.” Thanks be to God. Amen.

***Gloria Patri**

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CHILDREN'S CHAT

MOMENTS FOR MISSION:

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: Joys and concerns

Birthdays: Scott Heffern, Trevor Wood

Presbytery Prayers: Rev. Anita Bernhardt, General Presbyter, Presbytery of Lake Erie; Hartstown, Adamsville and Kinsman, OH
Joint PNC conversations on sharing a pastor

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** *“My Faith Looks Up to Thee”*
#393 (Hymnal)

RETURNING THANKS TO GOD

***THE DOXOLOGY**

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***THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16
Mark 8:31-38 Romans 4:13-25

(P) Thanks be to God

SERMON: “Faith and Righteousness”

Affirmation of Faith: The Heidelberg 4.021

Q. 21. What is true faith?

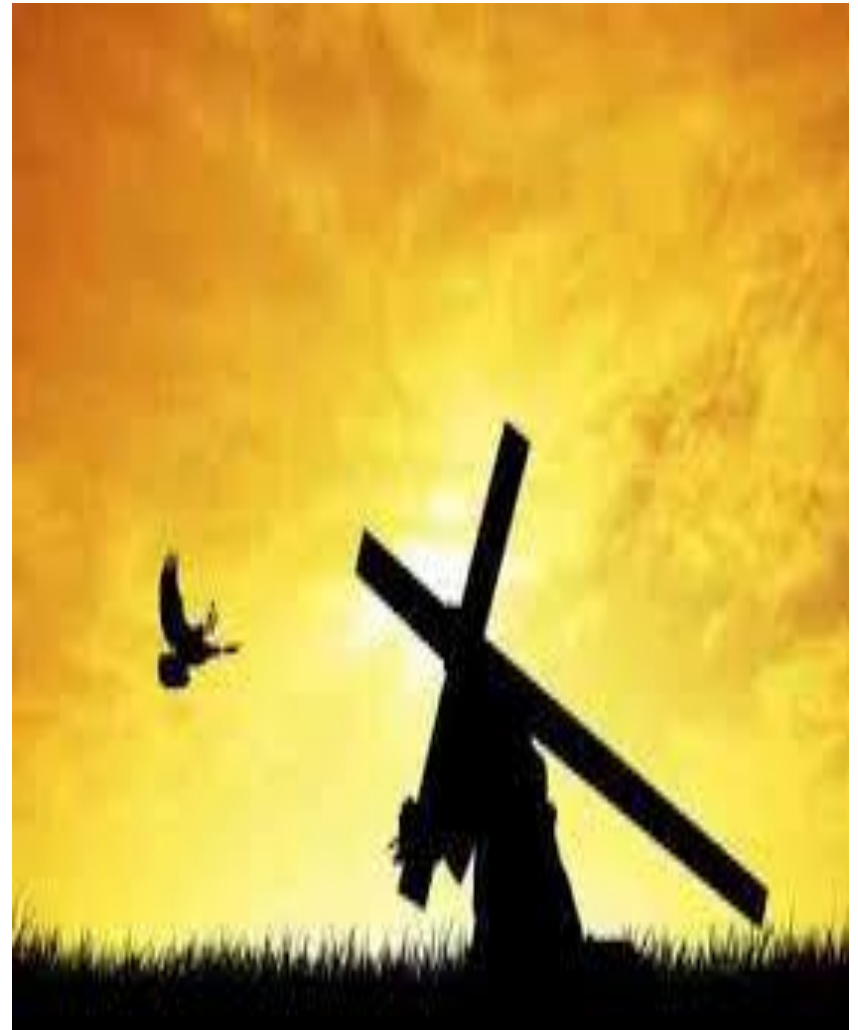
A. It is not only a certain knowledge by which I accept as true all that God has revealed to us in his Word, but also a wholehearted trust which the Holy Spirit creates in me through the gospel, that, not only to others, but to me also God has given forgiveness of sins, everlasting righteousness and salvation, out of sheer grace solely for the sake of Christ’s saving work. Amen.

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

***THE BENEDICTION**

***Our Response** “Awesome God” (Sing twice) #15 (Praise Book)

*Our God is an awesome God,
He reigns from heaven above
with wisdom, pow’r and love.
Our God is an awesome God!
Our God is an awesome God!*



**Pastor: Larry Myers
Lay Reader: Shawnee Wood
Music: Debbie Myers**