

## **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, Lisa's cousin Bonnie, Rudy Liebmann, Janet Heister, Mason Martin, Mary Vickers, Matt Bean & Family  
Cindy Pankratz, Emma and family, Jean Myers,  
Brian & Theresa Hudson, Gayle Wheeler  
Ruth & Dave Lee

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### **Upcoming dates & activities:**

**May 12 Mother's Day**  
**May 15 Bible Study 6:30 pm**  
**May 15 Communion at Verland 10 am**  
**May 16 Prayer Blankets 9 am – 12 pm**  
**May 16 Session Meeting 6:30 pm**  
**May 19 Day of Pentecost 9:30 am**  
**May 21 Lake Erie Presbytery Meeting @ Camp Lambec 2 pm**  
**May 22 Bible Study 6:30 pm**  
**May 27 Memorial Day.**  
**May 29 Bible Study 6:30 pm**



## **Polk Presbyterian Church**

### **Calendar of Events**

### **May 2024**

**Sunday School at 8:30am**

**Children Sunday School at 8:30am**

**Bible Study on Wednesdays at 6:30 pm at the church & via Zoom**

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/559705244> Meeting ID: 559 705 244 The  
passcode is 202020

**Beginning in May, Prayer Blankets will be done on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of  
the month at 9:00 am.**

**May 12-June 16 Baby Bottle Boomerang Collection**

**Lynn Harriger from Nazarene church in Franklin is collecting grocery  
bags to make Mercy Mats.**

**Lynn is also collecting jigsaw puzzles for the Soldiers and Sailors  
Hospital in Erie. Amy Zemanski will see that Lynn gets any donations.**

**A friend of Shawnee's is collecting Poptabs for a hospital in Pittsburgh.  
There will be a container in the Narthex.**

**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,  
May 12, 2024  
Seventh Sunday of Easter  
Mother's Day**

**\*The Introit** *“Praise the Name of Jesus” #167 (Praise Book)*

*Praise the name of Jesus,  
Praise the name of Jesus.  
He's my Rock, He's my Fortress,  
He's my Deliverer; in Him will I trust.  
Praise the name of Jesus.*

**Time for meditation and reflection.**

**Call to Worship**      **Psalm 1:1-3**

**L:** Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or take the path that sinners tread, or sit in the seat of scoffers;

**P:** **But their delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law they meditate day and night.**

**L:** They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither.

**P:** **In all that they do, they prosper.**

**\*Praise Hymn** *“Awesome God” #15 (Praise Book)*

**Prayer of Confession:**

Heavenly Father, forgive us when fear captivates our will, doubt overshadows our limited faith, and guilt darkens our path. Have mercy upon us when we react like the bewildered disciples who gazed skyward as they watched our Lord ascend into heaven. Pardon our sinful acts when we accept evil lies as truth, surrender to selfish desires, and stray from the Word of God. Enable us to remain faithful to the Will of God and to the teachings of our risen and glorified Lord, in whose name we pray. Amen.

**Assurance of Pardon:**      **1 John 5:9-12**

**L:** This is the testimony of God that God has testified to his Son.

**P:** **Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts.**

**L:** Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son.

**P:** **And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son.**

**All:** **Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life. Amen.**

**\*Gloria Patri**

**# 42**

**Special Music by Choir**

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**MOMENTS FOR MISSION:**

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

**Presbytery Prayers:** Girard Rev. Nicola Vitiello, Pastor; Rev. David Fugate (HR), Validated Ministry Chaplain, Springhill Senior Living

**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**      *“The Day of Resurrection” #230  
(Hymnal)*

**RETURNING THANKS TO GOD**

**\*THE DOXOLOGY**

**# 39**

**\*THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**SCRIPTURE READINGS:** Psalm 1 (P) Thanks be to God

**John 17:6-19**      (P) Amen

**SERMON**      “Sanctified in Truth”

**Affirmation of Faith: The Confession of 1967 9.32**

The life, death, resurrection, ascension, and promised coming of Jesus Christ has set the pattern for the church's mission. His life as man, involves the church in the common life of men. His service to men commits the church to work for every form of human well-being. His suffering makes the church sensitive to all the sufferings of humankind so that it sees the face of Christ in the faces of human beings in every kind of need. His crucifixion discloses to the church God's judgment on man's inhumanity to man and the awful consequences of its own complicity in injustice. In the power of the risen Christ and the hope of his coming, the church sees the promise of God's renewal of man's life in society and of God's victory over all wrong. Amen.

**\*CLOSING HYMN** *"The Church's One Foundation"*  
#131 (Hymnal)

**\*THE BENEDICTION**

**\*Our Response** *"Lord, Be Glorified"* #33  
(Praise Book)

In my life, Lord,  
Be glorified, be glorified.  
In my life, Lord,  
Be glorified today.

In my song, Lord,  
Be glorified, be glorified.  
In my song, Lord,  
Be glorified today.

In Your Church, Lord,  
Be glorified, be glorified.  
In Your Church, Lord,  
Be glorified today.



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