

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, the unspoken request, Dottie Dillin, Bonnie, Pam Bottomley, John Karns, Skip & Nancy Davison, Elliot Crawford, Amy Zemanski, Christian & Megan and family, Carol Morrow, Mary Lou Buckley, Pat Feltenberger, June Mawhinney, Rose, Betty Moore, Sarah, Hank, Lori and granddaughter, Holly, Hunter Anderson, Kris, Mark, Dale, Alberta, Diane, Lisa's family, Althea, Violet, Linda MacDonald, Rich, Bryan Hudson, Larry, Steve Caldwell, Dennis Dingle, Rachel Johns, East Palestine OH, Lisa's cousin Bonnie, Ellen Kelly, our country, Pat Stewart, Rhonda Atkins, Olivia Russell, Dan Rockwell, Yvonne, Bill Jarris, Reb Taylor, Brian, Polk Center people, Mary Vickers, Denny Adams and family

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Upcoming dates & activities:

7/2 Communion during worship

7/13 6:30 pm Session Meeting

8/6 Communion during worship

8/6, 13 Awarding College Scholarships



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Calendar of Events

June 2023

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 We will be studying Romans.

Camp Lambec Summer Camps schedule is posted in the vestibule.
Starting date is June 18th. A place apart to explore God's love!

VARHA No-show Barnyard Olympics: asking for donations to be mailed to 150 Wagner Drive, Franklin, PA 16323.

July 2 Congregational collection for **Jen and Marty Gilliland.**

Seneca Hills Bible Camp scholarships are available.

Katherine Hannum College Scholarship Applications are in the narthex and on-line. Applications will be received until the end of June.



**Polk Presbyterian Church,
June 25, 2023
4th Sunday after Pentecost**

***The Introit** *What a Mighty God We Serve* # 177
**What a mighty God we serve.
What a mighty God we serve.
Angels bow before Him, heaven and earth adore Him;
What a mighty God we serve.**

Time for meditation and reflection.

Call to Worship **Psalm 86:1-4**

L: Incline your ear, O Lord, and answer me, for I am poor and needy.

P: Preserve my life, for I am devoted to you; save your servant who trusts in you.

L: You are my God; be gracious to me, O Lord, for to you I cry all day long.

P: Gladden the soul of your servant, for to you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

L: For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving, abounding in steadfast love to all who call on you.

P: Give ear, O Lord, to my prayer; listen to my cry of supplication.

***Praise Hymn** *This Is the Day* (Praise book) # 118

**This is the day, this is the day
That the Lord has made, that the Lord has made.
We will rejoice, we will rejoice
And be glad in it, and be glad in it.
This is the day that the Lord has made,
We will rejoice and be glad in it.
This is the day, this is the day that the Lord has made.**

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, forgive us when we listen to the ways of the fallen world and fail to place our complete trust in the teachings of our Lord found in the Word of God. Have mercy

upon us when we cling to material riches of this consumer world and fail to have faith in the true treasures in the Kingdom of God. Enable us to become faithful disciples who take up our crosses daily, following our Lord's perfect example. Empower us to demonstrate our love for Jesus the Christ, in whose name we humbly pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Romans 5:8-10

L: God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

P: Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through Jesus Christ from the wrath of God.

L: For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, Jesus Christ.

P: How much more surely having been reconciled will we be saved by his resurrection and eternal life. Praise the Lord!

***Gloria Patri**

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(No choir special)

CHILDREN'S CHAT

MOMENTS FOR MISSION :

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Joys and concerns:

Happy Birthday: Jon Foster

**Presbytery Prayers: Oil City Second, Rev. Tim Harmon, Pastor;
Rev. Harvey Boal, HR, Rev. Sue Montgomery, HR**

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 *Nothing But the Blood* # 268
(Hymnal)

RETURNING THANKS TO GOD

***THE DOXOLOGY**

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***THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

SCRIPTURE READING:

Genesis 21:8-21

Romans 6:1b-11

(P) Thanks be to God

SERMON "A Honest Look at Death"

Affirmation of Faith The Heidelberg Catechism 4.001

Q. What is your only comfort in life and in death?

A. That I am not my own, but belong— body and soul, in life and in death— to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

***CLOSING HYMN** *Wonderful Words of Life* (Hymnal) # 128

***THE BENEDICTION**

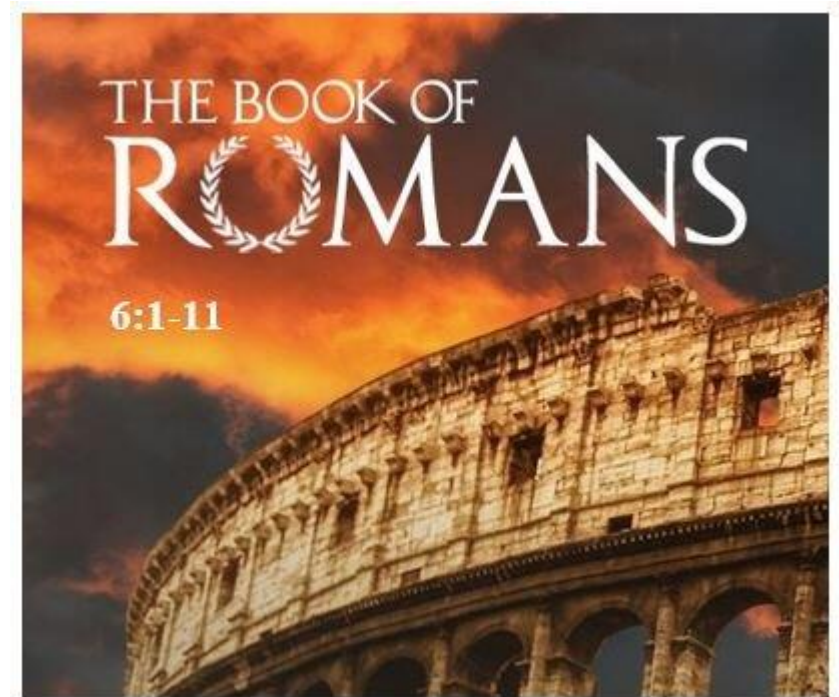
***Our Response** *Spirit of the Living God* # 201

Spirit of the Living God, fall fresh on me!

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Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me!

Spirit of the Living God, fall fresh on me!



Pastor: Rev. Larry Myers
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