

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, Christian & Megan and family, Mary Lou Buckley, Pat Feltenberger, June Mawhinney, Rose, Sarah, Hank, Lori and granddaughter, Holly, Hunter Anderson, Kris, Mark, Dale, Alberta, Diane, Lisa's family, Althea, Violet, Rich, Bryan Hudson, Larry, Steve Caldwell, Dennis Dingle, Rachel Johns, East Palestine OH, Lisa's cousin Bonnie, Pat Stewart, Rhonda Atkins, Dan Rockwell, Yvonne, Reb Taylor, Brian, Denny Adams and family, Teri Chisholm, Bill Foster, Colleen Scurry

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Calendar of Events

July 2023

Sunday School at 8:30am

Children Sunday School at 8:30am

No Bible Study in August. It will resume on September 6, Wednesday at 6:30pm: at the church & via Zoom

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

Upcoming dates & activities:

7/30 Congregation Meeting following worship to discuss selling our manse

8/1 No Bible Study until 9/6

8/6 Communion during worship

8/6, 13 Awarding College Scholarships

8/7,8,9 @ 6:30 pm VBS in fellowship hall

8/8 10am Make blankets downstairs

8/10 Session meeting 6:30 pm outside concert

8/11 Shamburg Church of God

8/20 Blessing of Backpacks during worship

Aug 6 and 13th : Katherine Hannum College Scholarship Applications are in the narthex and on-line. Applications will be received until the end of June.

Tuesdays: Prayer Blankets will be made every Tuesday downstairs in our Friendship Hall.

Aug 11 4-8pm Spaghetti dinner benefit for Jen Gilliland at Slippery Rock Township Building. Adults @ \$10; children 3-12 @ \$5 (Children under 3 free).

Aug 7- 9 @6:30pm Volunteers needed for Vacation Bible School. Contact Julie Karns for more information. 814-428-2754.

Aug 11: Shamburg Church of God is hosting an outside concert featuring "Three Heath Brothers". Tickets are \$10. Bring a lawn chair or blanket. For more information call Shirley at 814-755-4746.

Sept 22 @ 7 PM at Christ United Methodist Church in Franklin

Sept 24 @ 5 PM at Grace Chapel Community Church in Hermitage:

Aspire Women's Events-an evening of laughter, learning, stories and music. See Insert.



Polk Presbyterian Church,
July 30, 2023
9th Sunday after Pentecost

***The Introit** *O How He Loves You and Me* (Hymnal) # 214

O how He loves you and me,
O how He loves you and me;
He gave His life what more could He give?
O how He loves you, O how He loves me,
O how He loves you and me.

Time for meditation and reflection.

Call to Worship

Psalm 105:1-4

L: O give thanks to the Lord, call on his name, make known his deeds among the peoples.

P: Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of his wonderful works.

L: Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

P: Seek the Lord and his strength; seek his presence continually.

***Praise Hymn** *"Think About His Love"* (Praise Hymn) # 24

Think about His love,
Think about His goodness,
Think about His grace
That's brought us through.
For as high as the heavens above,
So great is the measure of our Father's love.
Great is the measure of our Father's love.

Prayer of Confession

Great loving and holy God, we come this day to Bethel, the house of the Lord, seeking forgiveness, transformation and revitalization. We come with a mustard seed of faith seeking the eternal Kingdom but are constantly drawn back into a fallen world. Enable the Holy Spirit to help us in our weakness, intercede on our behalf, and empower us to walk

the path of righteousness. Help us to hear the still quiet voice of God, recognize His divine love, and embrace the Kingdom of God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, we humbly pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

John 3:16-19

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 him are not condemned.

P: But those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. Amen.

***Gloria Patri**

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(No choir special)

CHILDREN'S CHAT

MOMENTS FOR MISSION :

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Joys and concerns:

Presbytery Prayers: District Pastor, Rev. Robert Awuah, Saboba District, Upper Northern Presbytery, 20 Congregations; Rev. Nelson E. Sippitey, Chaplain, EP Church Senior High School Saboba, Upper Northern Presbytery

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 *Jesus Loves Me* (Hymnal book)

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RETURNING THANKS TO GOD

***THE DOXOLOGY**

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***THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Pastor: Rev. Larry Myers
Lay Reader: Shawnee Wood
Music: Debbie Myers