NEWS OF INTEREST

<u>Pennies From Heaven</u>: 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, 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, Linda MacDonald, Rich, Bryan Hudson, Larry, Steve Caldwell, Dennis Dingle, Rachel Johns, East Palestine OH, Lisa's cousin Bonnie, our country, Pat Stewart, Rhonda Atkins, Olivia Russell, Dan Rockwell, Yvonne, Reb Taylor, Brian, Polk Center people, Mary Vickers, Denny Adams and family

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Upcoming dates & activities:

7/11 10am Make blankets downstairs
7/13 6:30 pm Session Meeting
8/6 Communion during worship
8/8 10am Make blankets downstairs
8/6, 13 Awarding College Scholarships

Polk Presbyterian Church Calendar of Events July 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

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).



Polk Presbyterian Church, July 9, 2023 6th 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 145: 8-9, 13-14

L: The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

P: The Lord is good to all, and his compassion is over all that he has made.

L: The Lord is faithful in all his words, and gracious in all his deeds.

P: The Lord upholds all who are falling, and raises up all who are bowed down.

*Praise Hymn Find Us Faithful (Praise book) # 227

O may all who come behind us find us faithful;

May the fire of our devotion light their way.

May the footprints that we leave lead them to believe,

And the lives we live inspire them to obey.

O may all who come behind us find us faithful.

Prayer of Confession

Immanuel, "God with Us", have mercy upon your wayward children who fail to keep your commandments. Forgive us when we allow sin to enslave us during times we are engaged in the spiritual battle of good and evil, which rages inside our hearts. Help us to embrace our Lord's yoke of grace that

permits us to enter the very presence of God. Grant us the gifts of grace, mercy, love, and faith that enable us to embrace Christian unity, forgiveness, and peace in Christ Jesus, our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon Romans 8:5-11

L: For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit.

P: To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace.

L: But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness.

P: If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

*Gloria Patri # 42

(No choir special)

CHILDREN'S CHAT

MOMENTS FOR MISSION:

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Joys and concerns:

Happy Birthday: Gary Motter

Presbytery Prayers: North Warren, Rev. Buddy Ward, Pastor; Rev Forrest Claassen, Executive, Synod of the Trinity

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.

427 (Hymnal) We will glorify the Lamb.
We will glorify the Lord of Lords,
Who is the great I AM.

RETURNING THANKS TO GOD

*THE DOXOLOGY

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*THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SCRIPTURE READING: Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67

Romans 7:15-25a

(P) Thanks be to God

SERMON "Overcoming Our Physical Limitations"

Affirmation of Faith The Confession of 1967 9.08 In Jesus of Nazareth true humanity was realized once for all. Jesus, a Palestinian Jew, lived among his own people and shared their needs, temptations, joys, and sorrows. He expressed the love of God in word and deed and became a brother to all kinds of sinful men. But his complete obedience led him into conflict with his people. His life and teaching judged their goodness, religious aspirations, and national hopes. Many rejected him and demanded his death. In giving himself freely for them he took upon himself the judgment under which all men stand convicted. God raised him from the dead, vindicating him as Messiah and Lord. The victim of sin became victor, and won the victory over sin and death for all men. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN Precious Lord, Take My Hand #374 (Hymnal)

*THE BENEDICTION

*Our Response We Will Glorify # 67 (Praise book)
We will glorify the King of Kings;

So the trouble is not with the law, for it is spiritual and good. The trouble is with me, for I am all too human, a slave to sin. I don't really understand myself, for I want to do what is right, but I don't do it. Instead, I do what I hate. Romans 7:14-15 NLT

Pastor: Rev. Larry Myers

Lay Reader: Jeff Karns Music: Debbie Myers