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, Dottie Dillin, Bonnie, Pat & John Karns, Skip & Nancy Davison, Elliot Crawford, Mary Lou Buckley, Lisa's cousin Bonnie, Rudy Liebmann, Mason Martin, Mary Vickers, Cindy Pankratz, Joe Karns, Shawnee Wood, David Shearer, Ben Andrews, Cindy Sweetapple, Rich Harriger, Deborah Bossett, Tammy Strain

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Upcoming dates & activities:

Aug 11	Worship	with	Communion
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- Aug 12-14 VBS at PUMC 6-8 pm
- Aug 14 Worship with Communion Verlander North 10 am
- Aug 15 Session Mtg 6:30 pm
- Aug 18 Linger Longer (Picnic) at Scott/Lisa Heffern 11 am
- Aug 20 Blanket Ladies Shopping Spree 9:15 am
- **Aug 25 Blessing of Backpacks**



Polk Presbyterian Church Calendar of Events August 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

Prayer Blankets will be done on the 2^{nd} Thursday of the month at 9:00 am

There will be no Bible Study in the month of August

Community Services is great need of water, juice (bottles or juice boxes)

Mission: Kairos Prison Ministry; Trevor Wood Ministry

Presbytery 13 Month Calendars are available to order for \$11. If you would like to order one please let Pastor Larry Myers know.

Vacation Bible School – August 12 thru 14, 6-8 PM at PUMC. Please see Pam B. or Judy Krizon if you would like to volunteer.

Aspire Women's Events: Information in the narthex. If interested please let Pam B. know.

Lynn Harriger from Nazarene church in Franklin is collecting grocery bags to make Mercy Mats. Amy Zemanski will see that Lynn gets any donations.

Save your Poptabs for a hospital in Pittsburgh. There is 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, August 11, 2024 Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

*The Introit "Awesome God" #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.

Time for meditation and reflection.

CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 130

L: Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord. Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!

P: If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered.

L: I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in his Word I hope; my soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning.

P: O Israel, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem. It is he who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities.

*PRAISE HYMN "The Bond of Love" #206 (Praise Book)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Forgiving heavenly Father, we admit that all too often the sun has risen on our hatred and gone down on our anger. We admit that too often we have spoken hurtful words rather than uplifting comments of encouragement. We admit that too often we have cultivated bitterness rather than offering forgiveness. Fill us with your Holy Spirit, that we may become true imitators of a holy God, persons of divine love, and catalysts of reconciliation. We offer this prayer in the name of the risen and living Christ. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON: Ephesians 4:1-2, 5:1-2

L: I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called,

P: With all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love.

L: Making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

P: Therefore, be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

*Gloria Patri # 42

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

MOMENTS FOR MISSION:

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: Joys and concerns

ANNIVERSARIES: Skip and Nancy Davison (12th)

PRESBYTERY PRAYERS: Northeast Rev. Gregg Townsend, Pastor; Coordinating Commission of the Presbytery of Lake Erie

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 "O How He Loves You and Me" #214 (Hymnal)

RETURNING THANKS TO GOD

*THE DOXOLOGY

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*THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS: 2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33 (P) Amen

John 6:35, 41-51 (P) Thanks Be to God

SERMON: "Walking in God's Shoes"

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: The Westminster Confession of Faith 6.146, 6.147

All saints being united to Jesus Christ their head, by his Spirit and by faith, have fellowship with him in his graces, sufferings, death, resurrection, and glory: and, being united to one another in love, they have communion in each other's gifts and graces, and are obliged to the performance of such duties, public and private, as to conduce to their mutual good, both in the inward and outward man. Saints by their profession are bound to maintain a holy fellowship and communion in the worship of God, and in performing such other spiritual services as tend to their mutual edification; as also in relieving each other in outward things, according to their several abilities and necessities. Which communion, as God offers opportunity, is to be extended unto all those who, in every place, call upon the name of the Lord Jesus. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S SUPPER

Let Us Break Bread Together

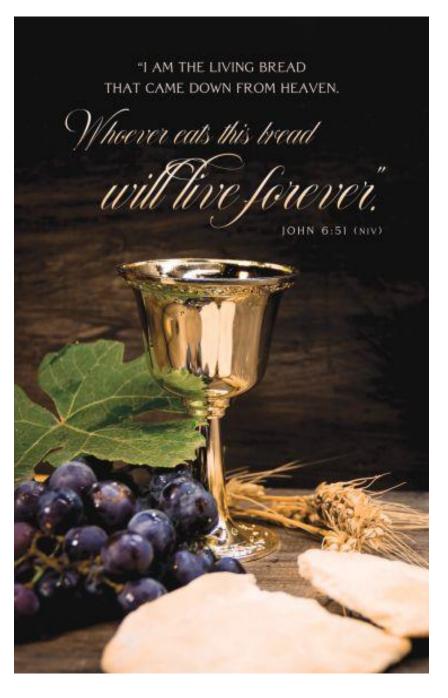
#162 (Hymnal)

*CLOSING HYMN "Jesus Loves Me!" #555 (Hymnal)

*THE BENEDICTION

*OUR RESPONSE "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.



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