

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, Polk Center, 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, the Dave Allman family during this time of their loss, Dave Gegogine, Mary Vickers, Denny Adams and family, Shawnee Wood

Polk Presbyterian Church
P.O. Box 1027
Polk, PA 16342
polkpresbyterianchurch.com

CHURCH OFFICE: **814-437-3153**

Pastor Larry Myers **412-417-5737**
flyfisher@windstream.net

SESSION MEMBERS:

Jeff Karns **814-428-2754**

IF YOU ARE IN NEED OF ASSISTANCE PLEASE CONTACT:

FINANCIAL SECRETARY:

Scott Heffern **814-673-8667**
scottheffern@yahoo.com

SECRETARY:

Anna Aumiller **814-437-3611**
aaumiller@neo.rr.com

CLERK OF SESSION:

Karns, Clayton M.
PO Box 10253
Valdosta, GA 31604

David & Deb Perry
6153 Crabtree Road
Columbia, SC 29206

Trevor Wood
369 Sherman St.
Akron, OH 44311

June Mawhinney
Caring Place
103 N. 13th Street
Franklin, PA 16323

Jenn & Marty Gilliland
238 W. Washington St.
Harrisville, PA 16038

Zach Stryffeler
3300 N. Main Street
Apt 417
Belton, TX 76513

Upcoming dates & activities:

5/14 Mother's Day, Congregational Meeting following worship to elect ruling elders
5/18 6pm – Mother's Day Banquet at Polk PC in Friendship Hall
5/21 Congregational Meeting following worship to elect ruling elders
5/23 2pm Lake Erie Presbytery Meeting at Wayside PC
6/4 Communion Sunday
6/6 6-8pm Community Father's Day Tureen at Polk Fire Hall
6/26 6pm – Father's Day Banquet at Polk PC in Friendship Hall



Polk Presbyterian Church Calendar of Events May 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.

2023 Baby Bottle Boomerang is requesting our donations. There is a large baby bottle in the vestibule to put your donations (make check payable to Polk Presbyterian). Due by Fathers Day.

2023 Mission: “Revival is a Team Effort”—We will be coordinating with other local churches to attend and participate with their mission programs and events. Specific events will be advertised as they are announced throughout the year.

2024 Mission: “Revival...It Is Time” –We will be hosting our Revival Weekend on 7/12/24. **Revival** is 7 days a week; 12 months of the year; 24 hours a day. Join us in prayer and planning as we prepare for this mission event.

May 20 10am to 1:30pm: Presbyterian Women of Lake Erie Presbytery are holding the Spring Gathering at Irvine Presbyterian Church. This year topic is “The Power of One – You!” More information is in the vestibule.

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.



Polk Presbyterian Church,
May 14, 2023
6th Sunday of Easter
Mother's Day

***Introit** *Praise the Name of Jesus* by Roy Hicks, Jr. #167
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 66:1-5
L: Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth;
P: Sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise.
L: Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!"
P: Because of your great power, your enemies cringe before you.
L: All the earth worships you; they sing praises to you, sing praises to your name."
P: Come and see what God has done: he is awesome in his deeds among mortals.

***Praise Hymn** *Find Us Faithful* by Jon Mohr # 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
Merciful God, forgive us for not sharing our personal faith when the opportunities arise. Have mercy upon us when our fears prevent us from proclaiming the gospel message. Show us compassion when we fail to listen to the Holy Spirit's guidance or fail to demonstrate the love of Christ. Allow the Holy Spirit to convict us of sin, lead us to repentance, and

enable us in our call to ministry. In the name of the risen and glorified Christ, we humbly pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon 1 Timothy 2:11-13
L: This saying is sure: If we have died with Jesus Christ, we will also live with him;
P: If we endure, we will also reign with him;
L: If we deny him, he will also deny us;
P: If we are faithless, he remains faithful—for he cannot deny himself.
All: Praise the Lord!

***Gloria Patri** # 42

Choir and Company: *Precious Lord, Take My Hand* #374
(See overhead) (Hymnal)

CHILDREN'S CHAT

MOMENTS FOR MISSION :

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Joys and concerns:

Happy Birthday: John Aumiller

Presbytery Prayers: Cranesville Bethel, Mel Bendig (UMC), preaching; PCUSA World Mission Co-worker, Rev. Josh Heikkila, Ghana

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 *He Touched Me* # 532

RETURNING THANKS TO GOD

***THE DOXOLOGY**

39

***THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

SCRIPTURE READING: **Psalm 66:8-20**
 1 Peter 3:13-32

(P) Thanks be to God

SERMON "Suffering for Christ"

Affirmation of Faith The Confession of 1967 9.35, 9.37, 9.38
Wherever the church exists, its members are both gathered in corporate life and dispersed in society for the sake of mission in the world.

The church disperses to serve God wherever its members are, at work or play, in private or in the life of society. Their prayer and Bible study are part of the church's worship and theological reflection. Their witness is the church's evangelism. Their daily action in the world is the church in mission to the world. The quality of their relation with other persons is the measure of the church's fidelity.

Each member is the church in the world, endowed by the Spirit with some gift of ministry and is responsible for the integrity of his witness in his own particular situation. He is entitled to the guidance and support of the Christian community and is subject to its advice and correction. He in turn, in his own competence, helps to guide the church. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN *He Lives

550

***THE BENEDICTION**

***Our Response *Lord, Be Glorified* (v. 1) by Bob Kirkpatrick #33**

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: Rev. Larry Myers
Music: Debbie Myers