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, Pam Bottomley, Pat & John Karns, Skip & Nancy Davison, Elliot Crawford, Mary Lou Buckley, Pat Feltenberger, June Mawhinney, Dennis Dingle, Lisa's cousin Bonnie, Rudy Liebmann, Janet Heister, Mason Martin, Mary Vickers, Matt Bean & Family Cindy Pankratz, Emma and family, Jean Myers, Lori White Family, Brian & Theesa Hudson

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Upcoming dates & activities:

4/3 Bible Study 6:30 pm 4/7 Communion 9:30 am

4/9 Prayer Blankets 10 am – 12 pm

4/10 Bible Study 6:30 pm

4/11 Session Meeting 6:30 pm

4/14 Baked Potato Bar for Varha following worship 10:45 am

4/17 Worship Service with Communion at Verlander North 10 am



Polk Presbyterian Church Calendar of Events March 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

Per Capitata for 2024 is \$34

Tuesdays: Prayer Blankets will be made on the 2nd Tuesday of each month downstairs in our Friendship Hall.

Camp Lambec – Erie. Camping schedule 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, March 31, 2024 Easter Sunrise Service

Time for meditation and reflection.

Call to Worship: Luke 24:34, Matt. 28:5-6

L: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

P: The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia

L: "Do not be afraid; I know you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said."

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

L: Alleluia! Christ our Passover Lamb is sacrificed for us;

P: Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, you shattered the power of sin and death. We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death. We overlook the poor and the hungry and pass by those who mourn. We are deaf to the cries of the oppressed and indifferent to the calls for peace. We despise the weak and abuse the good earth you created. God of mercy, forgive us, help us to change our lives, and make us new creatures. Empower us to know the joy of abundant life given in Jesus the Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon Romans 8:34, 2 Cor. 5:17

L: Hear the Good News! Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us.

P: Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun. Fear not, know that we are forgiven and be at peace. Amen.

*Gloria Patri #42

Childrens Message

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: Joys and concerns

Birthdays: Pat Karns (31)

Presbytery Prayers: Tionesta: Roger Snyder & Kevin Vinson, preaching; 12 members of the Commission to Unify the Office of G.A. & Presbytery Mission Agency

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 "The Day of Resurrection" #230 (Hymnal)

RETURNING THANKS TO GOD

*THE DOXOLOGY

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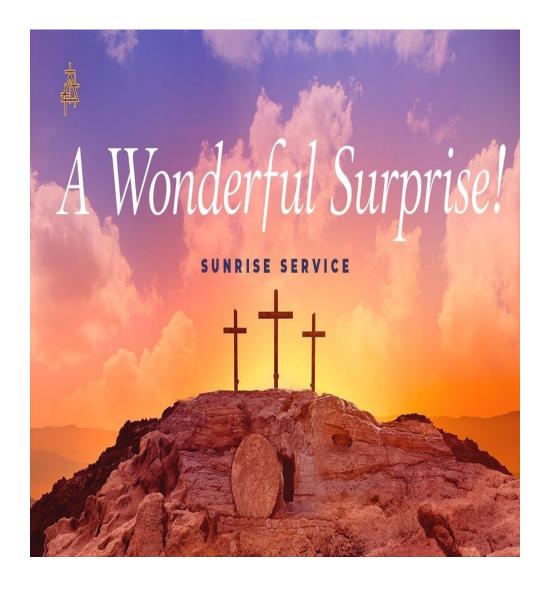
*THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS: John 20:1-18 (P) Amen

SERMON: "Easter Faith"

*CLOSING HYMN "Christ Arose" #232 (Hymnal)

*THE BENEDICTION



Pastor: Larry Myers

Guest Speaker: Pastor Paula Grucza

Music: Debbie Myers