

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, David Shearer, Pat Karns, Joe Karns,
Kathleen Raecke, Gary & Teri Chisholm,
Kevin Gladd, Mary Lou Buckley, Bonnie Copeland,
Kohen Dunmire (Wendy Bellin's Grandson), Dottie Dillan.
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Upcoming dates & activities:

5/25 Memorial Day
5/27 Bible Study Isaiah 6:30 pm
6/3 Bible Study Isaiah 6:30 pm
6/10 Bible Study Isaiah 6:30 pm
6/11 Session Meeting 6:30 pm
6/14 Communion 9:30 am
6/17 Bible Study Isaiah 6:30 pm
6/18 Father's Day Banquet 6 pm
6/21 Father's Day
6/24 Bible Study Isaiah 6:30 pm



**Polk Presbyterian Church
Calendar of Events
May**

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

**May Mission: Seneca Hills Bible Camp
Baby Bottle Boomerang (May 10-June 21)**

Seneca Hills Bible Camp registration is now open!

2026 Katherine Hannum Scholarship Application -Applications will be made available on May 17, 2024 and must be submitted to the Scholarship Committee for consideration by July 28, 2026. Applications can be downloaded from the Polk Presbyterian Church website page <https://polkpresbyterianchurch.com/scholarship>. Please send completed application to the following address: Polk Presbyterian Church PO Box 1027 Polk PA 16342 or you can email it to: scottheffern@yahoo.com

Pam B. is on vacation May 21st thru May 25th. If you need anything from the office please contact Pastor Larry Myers.

Lynn Harriger from Nazarene church in Franklin is collecting grocery bags to make Mercy Mats and also jigsaw puzzles for the Soldiers & Sailors Hospital in Erie. Amy Zemanski will see that Lynn gets any donations.

Save your Poptabs for a hospital in Pittsburgh. There is a container in the Narthex.



**Polk Presbyterian Church,
May 24, 2026
Day of Pentecost Heritage Sunday**

***The Introit “Lift Up Your Heads” #107 (Praise Book)**

Time for meditation and reflection.

CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 104:31-35

L: May the glory of the Lord endure forever.

P: I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have being.

L: May my meditation be pleasing to him, for I rejoice in the Lord.

P: Bless the Lord, O my soul. Praise the Lord!

***PRAISE HYMN: “The Bond of Love” #206 (Praise Book)**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Compassionate heavenly Father, forgive us when we fill our day with so much secular business that we allow no or little time for spiritual activities. Have mercy when we fail to heed the Holy Spirit’s guidance, live a Christ-filled life, or witness the blessings of the Father. Forgive our jealousy at seeing the Spirit’s activity in other denominations, our doubt in the revival in other congregations, or our scoffing at the spiritual power of other Christians. Fill us with the Holy Spirit, allow us to accept divine direction, and empower us to proclaim Jesus as the risen and glorified Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON: Romans 8:9-14

L: You are in the Spirit, if the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him.

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

L: 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.

P: All who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. Thanks be to God

***Gloria Patri**

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CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

MOMENTS FOR MISSION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: Joys and Concerns

BIRTHDAYS: Tyler Wood (5/25); Delaney Hansen (5/26)

ANNIVERSARIES: Tom & Karen Chatham (5/29); Roger & Denise Smith (5/30)

PRESBYTERY PRAYERS: Rev. Tommy O’Leary (HR) Rev. Robin Sharp; Rev. Chuck Cammarata (HR) Rev. Charlie McClung (HR)

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 “Breath on Me, Breath of God” #87 (Hymnal)**

RETURNING THANKS TO GOD

***THE DOXOLOGY**

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***THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**SCRIPTURE READINGS: Numbers 11:24-30 (Amen)
John 20:19-23 (P) Thanks Be to God**

SERMON: “Anointed for Service”

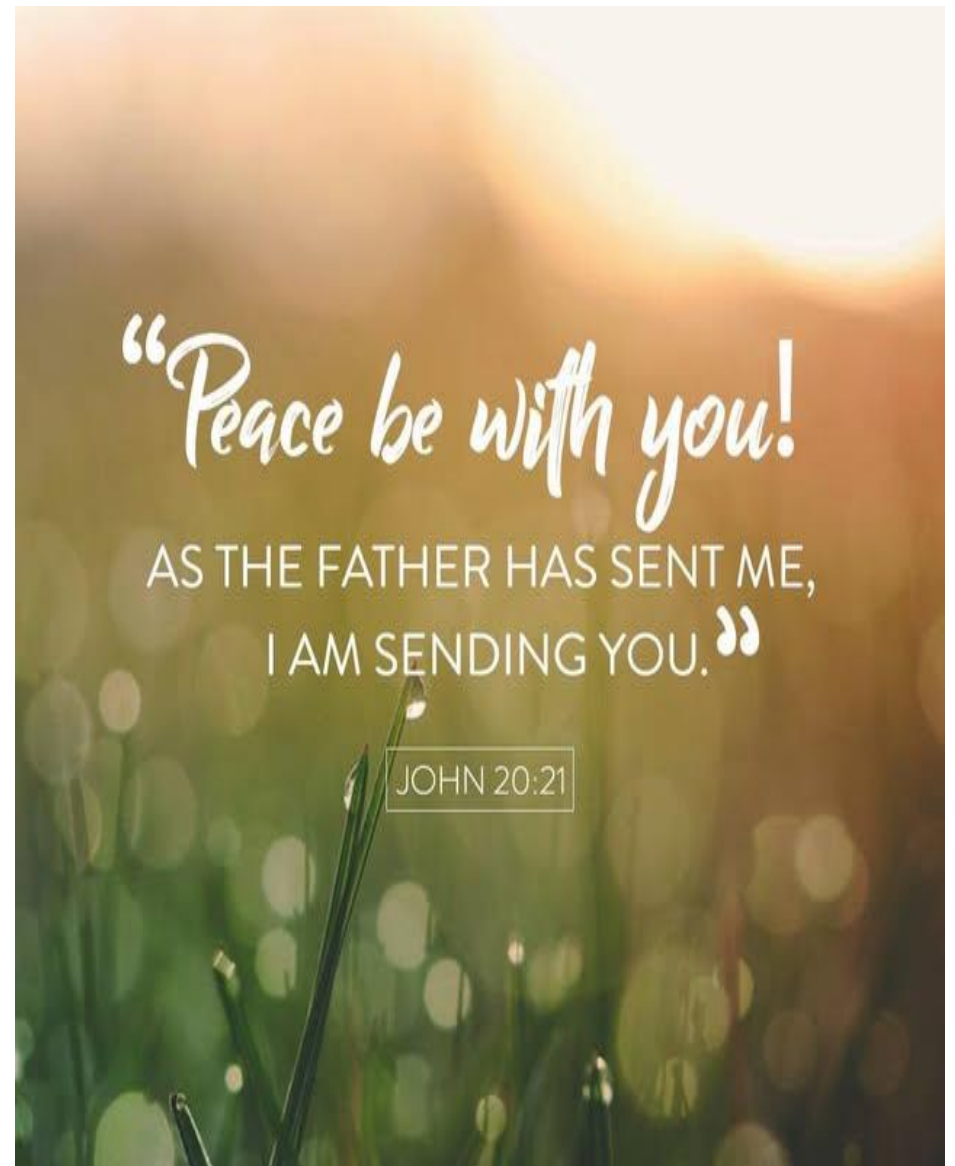
**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: A Brief Statement of Faith 11.4
We trust in God the Holy Spirit everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us**

through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church. In a broken and fearful world, the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

*CLOSING HYMN *"Spirit of the Living God" #90 (Hymnal)*

*THE BENEDICTION

*OUR RESPONSE *"Sanctuary" #158 (Praise Book)*



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