

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, Dottie Dillin, Bonnie, Nancy Davison,
Lisa's cousin Bonnie, Rudy Liebmann, Mary Vickers,
David Shearer, Alberta Swendson, Pat Karns, Joe Karns,
Lisa & Scott Heffern, Kathleen Raecke,
Joanie Bottomley, Teri Chisholm,
John & Pam Vickers, Sandy Chisholm, Todd Bush,
Bette Bagnal Brooks, Dave Burgoyne, Kevin Gladd, Gail Eakin
Dan Prichard, Gary Hedglin, Mary Dickson, Roger Lambert,
Becky Quail, Christy McCandless

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Upcoming dates & activities:

**4/20 Easter Sunrise Service 7 am
4/20 Easter Breakfast 8 am
4/20 Easter Service 9:30 am
4/23 Genesis Bible Study 6:30 pm
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**Polk Presbyterian Church
Calendar of Events
April 2025**

**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 2nd Thursday of the month at 9:00 am

April Mission: One Great Hour of Sharing

May 10th – Victorian Mother's Day Concert, First Baptist Church, Franklin.

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. We would like to have 3 in the rotation. If you are interested, please contact Pastor Myers.



**Polk Presbyterian Church,
April 20, 2025
Easter Sunrise Service**

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 BCW

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**

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CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

MOMENTS FOR MISSION:

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: Joys and concerns

BIRTHDAYS: John Vickers (20th)

PRESBYTERY PRAYERS: Utica Commissioned Pastor Tina Kaye; Hartstown Presbyterian; Adamsville Presbyterian

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

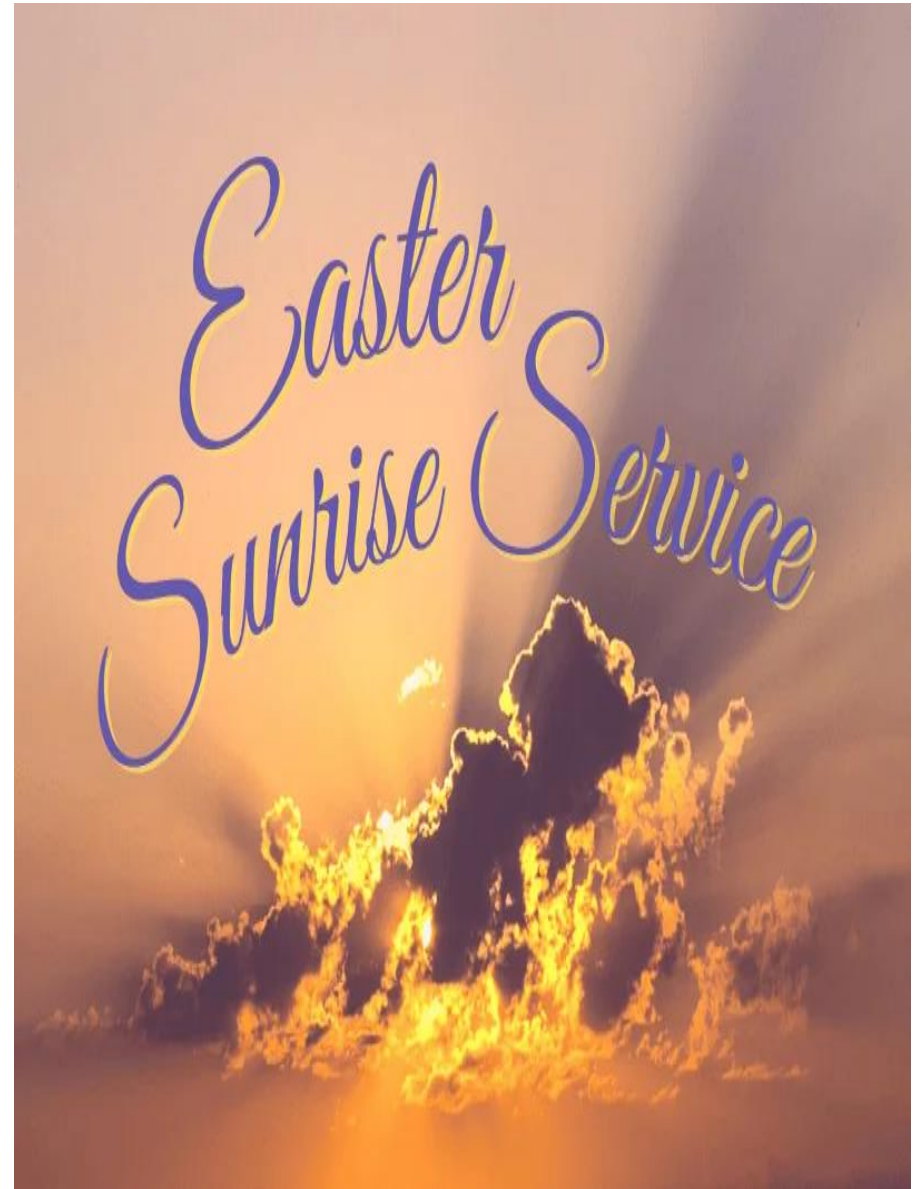
SERMON: “Easter Faith”

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: Apostle’s Creed 2.1 - 3

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only begotten Son, our Lord. Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell. The third day, He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty, from thence he will come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN “*Christ Arose*” #232 (*Hymnal*)

*THE BENEDICTION



Pastor: Larry Myers
Guest Speaker: Pastor Paula Grucza
Music: Deb Myers