

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.
Chris Latchaw, Tim Vickers,
Crystal Dunlap & family (niece of Janet Heister)

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Upcoming dates & activities:

4/22 Bible Study Isiah 6:30 pm
4/29 Bible Study Isiah 6:30 pm
5/3 Communion 9:30 am
5/6 Bible Study Isaiah 6:30 pm
5/7 National Day of Prayer
5/10 Mother's Day
5/12 Mother's Day Banquet 6 pm
5/13 Bible Study Isaiah 6:30 pm
5/14 Ascension Day of the Lord
5/14 Session Meeting 6:30 pm
5/20 Bible Study Isaiah 6:30 pm
5/25 Memorial Day
5/27 Bible Study Isaiah 6:30 pm
6/3 Bible Study Isaiah 6:30 pm
6/7 Communion 9:30 am
6/10 Bible Study Isaiah 6:30 pm
6/11 Session Meeting 6:30 pm
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
April**

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 Capita for 2026: \$37

April Missions: One Great Hour of Sharing, Our Daily Bread

Seneca Hills Bible Camp registration is now open!

Save the Date: Saturday, May 2 Spring Work Day & Open House
Work Day 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM; Open House 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM
Click the link to learn more. RSVPs are appreciated:

<https://www.senecahills.org/programs>

Camp Yard Sale — Saturday, May 2 8:30 AM – 2:30 PM

Harmony Pavilion — follow signs when you arrive. More Info in the Narthex.

Presbyterian Women of Lake Erie Presbytery-Spring Gathering-
Saturday April 25th-Eastminster Presbyterian Church, Erie, PA
More information in the Narthex.

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,
April 19, 2026
Third Sunday of Easter**

***The Introit “Surely the Presence of the Lord Is in This Place”
#159 (Praise Book)**

Time for meditation and reflection.

CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 116:1-4, 16

L: I love the Lord, because he has heard my voice and my supplications.

P: Because the Lord inclined his ear to me, therefore I will call on him as long as I live.

L: The snares of death encompass me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me; I suffered distress and anguish.

P: Then I called on the name of the Lord; “Oh Lord, I pray, save my life!”

L: O Lord, I am your servant; I am your servant, the child of your serving girl.

P: You have loosed my bonds. Praise the Lord!

***PRAISE HYMN: “Praise the Name of Jesus” #167
(Praise Book)**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Glorious heavenly Father, forgive us when our sinfulness, spiritual blindness, and preconceived notions prevent us from recognizing our risen Lord. Have mercy upon us when we focus our attention upon ourselves instead of our neighbor in need, our Lord, and the Kingdom of God. Grant that we might be become born anew from above with imperishable seed, as we heed the living Word of God, place our hope upon the living Christ, and accept our eternal salvation. In the name of the living, resurrected, and glorified Christ, we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON: 1 Peter 1:18-21

L: You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold,

P: But with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish.

L: Christ was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake.

P: Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God. Amen.

***Gloria Patri**

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CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

MOMENTS FOR MISSION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: Joys and Concerns

PRESBYTERY PRAYERS: Utica Commissioned Pastor Tina Kaye; Watson Run and North Shenango Greg VanderVeen, preaching

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 Luke 24:13-35

(P) Thanks Be to God

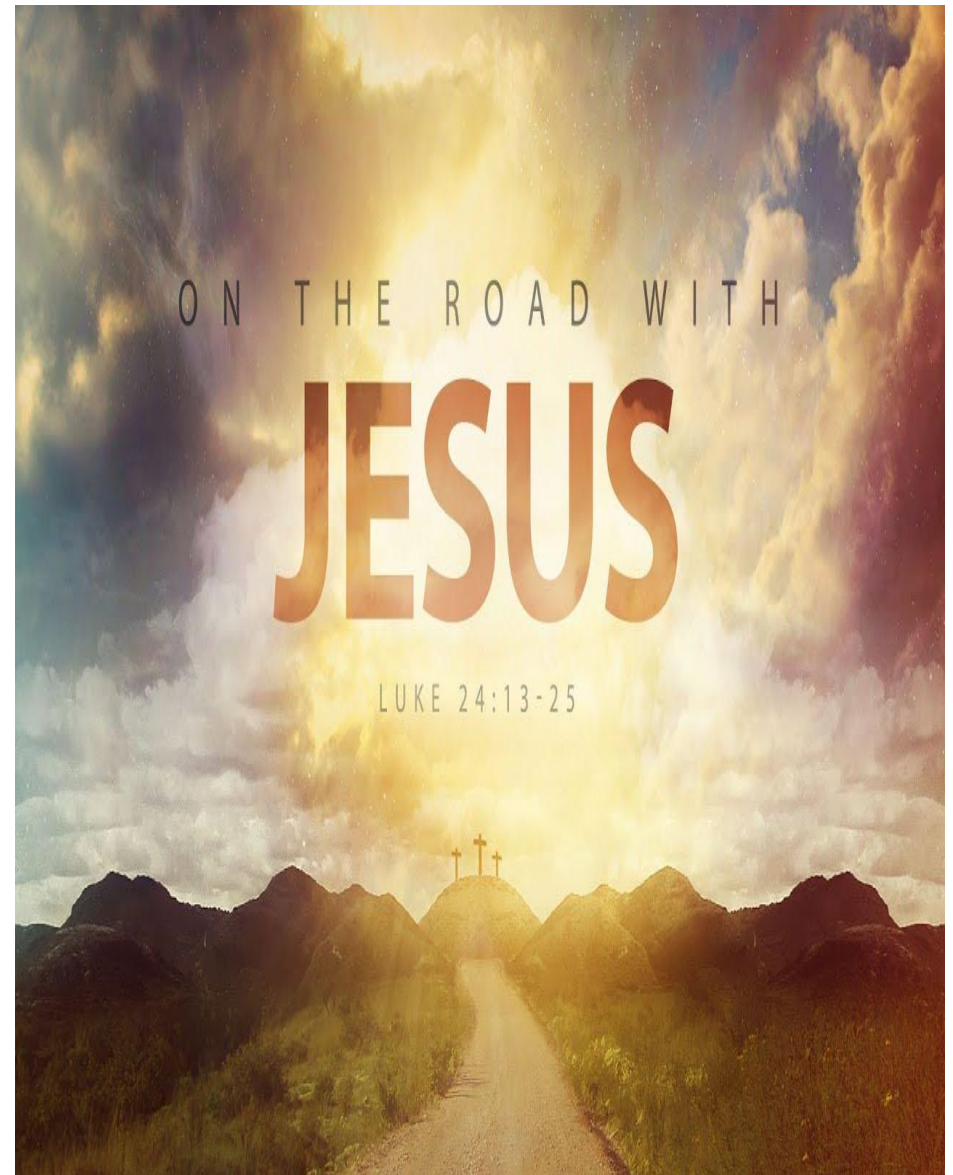
SERMON: “The Gospel According to Moses”

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: The Confession of 1967 9.27-28
The one sufficient revelation of God is Jesus Christ, the Word of God incarnate, to whom the Holy Spirit bears unique and authoritative witness through the Holy Scriptures, which are received and obeyed as the word of God written. The Scriptures are not a witness among others, but the witness without parallel. The church has received the books of the Old and New Testaments as prophetic and apostolic testimony in which it hears the word of God and by which its faith and obedience are nourished and regulated.
The New Testament is the recorded testimony of apostles to the coming of the Messiah, Jesus of Nazareth, and the sending of the Holy Spirit to the Church. The Old Testament bears witness to God’s faithfulness in his covenant with Israel and points the way to the fulfillment of his purpose in Christ. The Old Testament is indispensable to understanding the New, and is not itself fully understood without the New. Amen.

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

***THE BENEDICTION**

***OUR RESPONSE** “*In the Name of the Lord*” #132
(*Praise Book*)



Pastor: Larry Myers
Lay Reader: Shawnee Wood
Music: Deb Myers