

APOLLO UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA)

Pentecost

May 24, 2026 11:00 a.m.

We Gather in God's Name

PRELUDE "High In the Heavens, Eternal God" F. Ritter

WORDS of WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS and BIRTHDAYS

JOYS and CONCERNS

* CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The universe is full of God's handiwork,

All: God's Holy Wisdom is the source of life.

One: We celebrate your works, O Holy One,

All: for you are our Creator, your Spirit gives us life.

One: We will sing God's praises as long as we have a voice,

All: We bless you God with our whole being!

* HYMN #280 "Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us"

CALL TO CONFESSION Carl Zukas

* LITANY OF CONFESSION

One: On this day of Pentecost, the church is born and re-born.

The Holy Spirit is poured out and sends us out together,
afame with new life.

**All: God, we pray that your Spirit would set us free from
the prisons of pettiness, jealousy, and greed. Set us
free to be Your church.**

One: We are freed to free others. We are forgiven to forgive
others. We are loved to love others.

**All: You call us to be the church, and you send us to feed
the hungry, clothe the naked, heal the sick, and to be
alleluias even when there is no music. Fill us with
your Spirit, make us again into your body for the
world. Amen.**

* DECLARATION OF PARDON

One: Beloved of God, hear this Good News: The Spirit of Truth
is not distant or demanding, but near, gentle, and
steadfast.

**All: By the Spirit's grace, we are forgiven, renewed, and
never alone. Amen.**

*GLORIA PATRI #581

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

We Listen to God's Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Acts 2:1-21 CEB NT p. 118

MOMENT OF WORD AND WONDER

EPISTLE LESSON 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13 CEB NT p.174

PREACHING OF THE WORD "Our Gifts"

We Respond to God's Word

LITANY FOR PENTECOST

One: The Spirit that rushes in like a violent wind is also the Spirit of
gentleness. The Spirit that tears down walls between people

All: is also the Spirit that opens hearts and minds.

One: The Spirit that burnishes with fire

All: is also the Spirit that renews and creates.

One: The Spirit that brings us to our knees in fear of the Lord

All: is also the Spirit that lifts us up in the light of Christ.

One: The Spirit that brings a language of its own to our lips

All: is also the Spirit that carries the prayers of all to God.

One: We say "Come, Holy Spirit," but we are afraid.

All: We are afraid, but we say, "Come, Holy Spirit."

One: Include us in God's work.

All: Come, Holy Spirit.

One: Increase our understanding.

All: Come, Holy Spirit.

One: Spur us into faithful action.

All: Come, Holy Spirit.

One: Burn away all that is dead within us.

All: Come, Holy Spirit.

One: Strengthen us to stand with our neighbors, to fight against oppression, to stand for peace, to trust in God's faithfulness, and to live and die in Christ for the sake of the world.

All: Come, Holy Spirit! Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Invitation to Offer Ourselves in Ministry

Offertory

"As the Deer"

Nystrom

*Doxology #606

*Prayer of Gratitude for God's Abundance (unison)

Spirit of life, you long for the world's transformation. Your vision is grander than anything we can imagine, and so we thank you for the privilege of participating in your mission. May these gifts be a blessing that speaks the language of this community, and may that blessing multiply out to every place. Breathe in us again this day, that our whole lives may be an offering for your glory. Amen.

We Go Forth to Serve

* HYMN #295

"Go to the World"

* CHARGE & BLESSING

POSTLUDE

"All Hail, King Jesus"

Moody

**Please stand in body or spirit*

Wrapping our community in God's love, one person at a time.

We believe that we are all ministers supported by:

Rev. Niki Atkinson – Office Hours, typically Wed. & Fri. 9:30-4:00

Please call for appointments.

E-mail pastor@aupc.comcastbiz.net

Amy Shupe, Organist; Joel Varga, Assistant Organist

Zach Bush, Trumpeter Sam Mullooly, Trombonist

Linda Truffa, Office Administrator

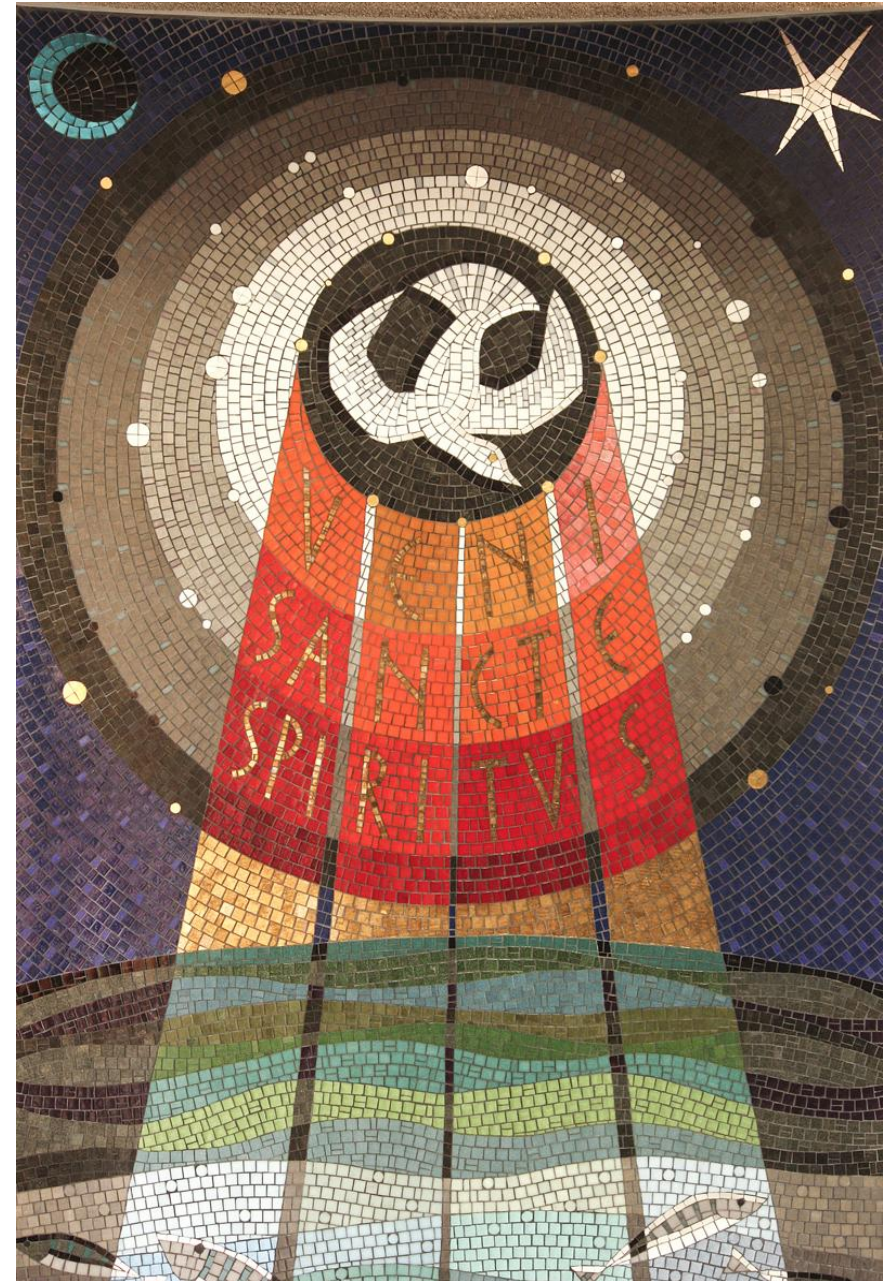
Jerrilyn Mollick, Custodian

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Summer Office Hours: Monday through Thursday: 8:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.



"Veni, Sancti, Spiritus"
ca. 1965; Adam Kossowski

WEEKLY PRAYER CONCERNS

Household: Kim and Rose Bush
Jeff, Niki, Zach and Vivian Bush
Faith Friends: Pat Sharrar
Our Church: Staff
The Churches of the Kiskiminetas Presbytery
Presbytery: Western New York (Synod of the Northeast)
Denomination: United Church of Christ
Nation: Palestine - Jerusalem

IMMEDIATE Candy George, Kim Liska, Joyce Mollick ☺, Joey 1st Holy Communion, Lois Learn, NC lung cancer victim, Carol Kopnicky and the family of Holly Austin, Scott Hubbard, Quinn, Ron George, Barry Hall, Erica & Melanie, Carol says thanks, Marlene Black & family death of brother, Traveling mercies for Jeff Bush, Kim, **Mary Lou Kowalski, Sean engaged ☺, Aubrey, Zach Bush congrats ☺, Safe travels for Mike & Jerri on Mission Trip, Laura Antonelli & family,**

CONTINUING Grant & Garrett Gizler recipients of hockey scholarships, Sam Mullooly in National Honor Society, Carol Kopnicky, Christine, Diane Bradshaw family, Chris, Cindy McDermott, Ronan, Butch. Mary Kaufmann, Lydia, Steve ☺, Shelly ☺, Pat, Butch, Viviana's birth Derek & Shelly's new granddaughter, Missy & Buddy traveling mercies, Eric, sympathy to Kathleen Fouse on loss of her son, Jeff, Jeff R., Chris, **Jess & family, Ann, Kayley, Laura's nieces, our behind-the-scene church workers, Kelly's 40th!!,**

ONGOING Shannan, Nora, Eric Ribar, Missy, Katie, Eddie, Donnie Riggle, Gary Harkcom, Bill & Linda Crabtree, Frank Kovak, Josh Hanus, Shannon Pruss, Chris Hilker, Carol Gallagher, Linda Gould, Snedecor family, Alan Shockey, Bonnie Machak, Lani Knox, Nick Arnoldy, Benjamin Mumaw, Sean George.

MINISTRY All those affected by the Coronavirus, flu, and RSV and those working in the health care field, first responders, research, and government. Food 4 Kids, AUPC Deacon's Emergency Fund, Support for our church, EPR Mugombwa; Victims of violence and natural disasters; President Donald Trump, our country, other world leaders, our church and its leaders, the war & military personnel, wounded military at home and in hospitals, terrorist victims, Kiskiminetas' Rwanda Partnership

MAY 24, 2026 CHURCH FAMILY ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>SUNDAY</u>	Sunday School	10:00 AM
	Worship- Reception	11:00 AM
<u>MONDAY</u>	Office Closed	
<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	Crafters	9:00 AM
	Bell Practice	6:00 PM
<u>SUNDAY</u>	Sunday School	10:00 AM
	Worship/ Gideon presentation	11:00 AM

(loose offering will be donated to Gideons)

SUNDAY MORNING COUNTERS, OPENERS & CLOSERS

May 24 ~ Glenna Kanish & Scott Hollabaugh

May 31 ~ Laura Uncapher & Nancy Russo

June 7 ~ Nancy Russo & Amy Shupe

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS WILL CHANGE AFTER
MEMORIAL DAY! PLEASE NOTE:
SUMMER OFFICE HOURS - MONDAY THRU
THURSDAY - 8:30 AM TO 2:00 PM



Apollo Area Memorial Day Services will be held on Monday, May 25 at Memorial Square, Apollo Plaza, beginning at 9:00 a.m.

The keynote speaker will be former U.S. Army Captain Robert Eugene Jackson, Jr. Captain Jackson is a native of Kiskiminetas Township, and a graduate of

Apollo-Ridge High School and the United States Military Academy at West Point, where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering and MBA from Penn State University.

Veterans in attendance will be recognized and introduced and fitting tributes to fallen military personnel and first responders will be part of the program.

Today's Acolyte~Caleb Flickinger

**APOLLO UNITED
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
PRESENTS**

“DINNER AND A BAND”

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 15
401 1ST ST, APOLLO
DINNER anytime between
5PM & 7PM**

**Sandwiches, Salads, Chips & Snacks,
Desserts & Beverages
Sold Separately or Save With Our
“FULL-MEAL-DEAL”**

**THE KISKI VALLEY
COMMUNITY BAND
at 7:00 PM**



*Free-will Offering for the BAND!
Dinner Proceeds Will Support AUPC's General Fund.*



**Coming in September
Friday 25th & Saturday 26th,
8:00 AM to 2:00 PM**

**Clean, useable items will be accepted through
Sunday, Sept. 20.**

**All items must be taken downstairs and neatly
arranged behind the curtain on the stage.**

**On Wednesdays, during the months of June and
August, from 4 to 6 PM, Bill Speer will be at the
church and available to**

**assist with large items or help if you are unable to
negotiate the stairs. If those dates and times
aren't convenient, an appointment may be made.**

(no assistance will be available in July)

All other donations not requiring assistance may

be brought to the church

Monday thru Thursday,

9:00 AM – 1:30 PM

up to the Sept. 20 deadline.

Apollo Community VBS

Animals ABOUND!

Wild Stories about God's Love

Held at Boiling Springs Church; 1668 Pa-56 Spring Church

MON. JULY 13 - THUR. JULY 16

5:45 PM - 8:15 PM

WHAT TO EXPECT

- Interactive Bible Stories
- Exciting Games & Activities
- Creative Crafts
- Music & Singing
- Friendship & Fun



CONTACT US

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boilingspringschurch@
yahoo.com

All kids welcome!

Friends, our Ministry Team is spending time in prayerful conversation about our Playground, including how it can best serve all ages and abilities in our church family. During this time, the Playground items have been moved to the small Sunday School classroom on the first floor of the education building (across from the large classroom).

If you or your child need space to move around, a quiet place during worship, or time to be comforted, you are welcome to use that room while listening to the service. The church lounge across from the bathrooms, which has a rocking chair, is also available. (There's a Keurig for making coffee too!)

We also have worship resources available in the lobby, including coloring pages, fidgets, small prayer labyrinths, etc. Please feel free to use these items, no matter your age.

Thank you for your understanding and prayers as we seek the Spirit's wisdom in this discernment process.

— Your Ministry Team

SUMMER CHURCH CAMPS ARE REGISTERING CAMPERS!



Pine Springs Camp information is available online. Camps Lutherlyn and Lambec have information in our vestibule. If you have any questions or need more information, contact Amy Zukas @ 724-681-4044. If you're a perspective camper and have questions, speak with Miss Amy or to one of our kids who have already enjoyed church camp. Parents: There are several sources of funding available to get your kids to camp! See Miss Amy. HAPPY CAMPING!

