

APOLLO UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA)

**2nd Sunday of Easter ~ Communion Sunday
Youth Service Sunday**

April 7, 2024

11:00 a.m.

We Gather in God's Name

PRELUDE "There is a Balm in Gilead" arr. R. Jeffords

WORDS OF WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS & BIRTHDAYS

PRAYER SHAWL DEDICATION

JOYS AND CONCERNS

MINUTE FOR MISSION Pine Springs Camp

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Sam Mullooly

Leader: Praise the Lord. Give thanks to the Lord because he is good. His faithful love continues forever.

All: Who can speak enough about the mighty acts of the Lord? Who can praise Him as much as He should be praised?

Leader: Blessed are those who always do what is fair. Blessed are those who always keep doing what is right.

All: Lord, remember me when you bless your people. Help me when you save them. Then I will enjoy the good things you give your chosen ones. I will be joyful together with your people. I will join them when they praise you.

Hymn #729 "Lord I Want to be a Christian"

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** Answer me when I call to you, O my righteous God. Give me relief from my distress; be merciful to me and hear my prayer. How long will humanity

turn your glory into shame? How long will your people love delusions and seek false gods? In my anger I have sinned; though you continue to search my heart for love. Forgive me, O Lord, and help me to follow your teaching and live a life that is pleasing to you, so that your face may once again shine upon me. Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

***GLORIA PATRI #581**

***SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

We Listen to God's Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 28:1-20 NT p. 33

MOMENT OF WORD AND WONDER

GOSPEL LESSON John 8:23-33 NT p. 101

SERMON "Living as a Disciple of Jesus" Mariana and Sam
by Dee Renaud

We Respond to God's Word

***HYMN #300** "They Will Know We Are Christians By Our Love"

***Affirmation of Faith** Apostles' Creed p. 35

INVITATION TO OFFER OURSELVES IN MINISTRY

Offertory "The Cross of Christ" R. A. Martens

***Doxology #606**

***Prayer of Gratitude for God's Abundance**

HOLY COMMUNION

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER p. 35

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

PRAYER FOLLOWING COMMUNION (unison) Jesus Christ, our Risen Lord, on this day, we celebrate that in life and death we belong to you. We celebrate that it is not death but life that has the final word. We thank you for your Table — where you nourish both our bodies and our souls. May we go forth this day and all days in the certainty of your love and grace, proclaiming your glory to the world. Alleluia and Amen.

We Go Forth to Serve

*HYMN #722 “Lord, Speak to Me”

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE “Chorale” G. Cantionale

*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 Wed. & Fri. 9:30-4:00

Please call for appointments.

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Amy Shupe, Organist; Joel Varga, Assistant Organist

Zach Bush, Trumpeter Sam Mullooly, Trombonist

Linda Truffa, Office Administrator

Dan Tomlinson, Custodian

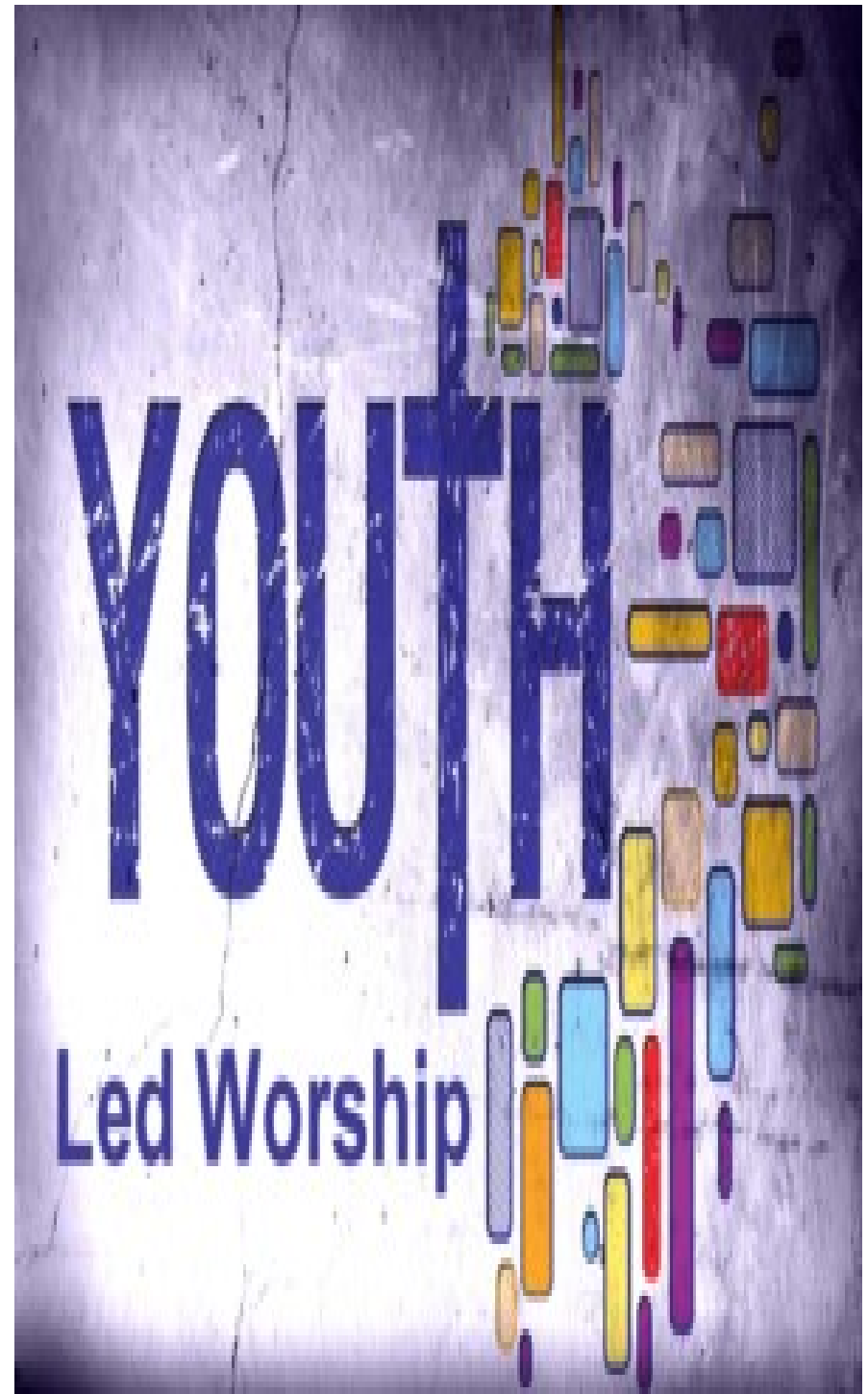
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TODAY’S ACOLYTE: AVERY ZUKAS



WEEKLY PRAYER CONCERNS

Household: Scott and Mary Ellen Hollabaugh
Ron, Joanne, Drew and Zach Hreha
Faith Friend: Mary Harbison
Our Church: Pastor Niki
Church(s): C.A.P.N.W.P.
Rwanda Partner: Twabumbogo
Presbytery: Shenango (Synod of The Trinity)
Denomination: Christian Methodist Episcopal Church
Nation: Venezuela – Caracas

IMMEDIATE *Geoff Atkinson, Family of Kayla Green, family of Marge Bernat, family of Judy Herstek, Kiski Musical joy, Chester Ferracio family, Niki's father (David Brodeur), Marilyn Repasky, Kirk Siverling, Cindy ,Linda's shoulder, Butch and Donna Schrecengost, Clarissa Dill Family, Joelene, Family and friends of Jane Perkins, 8-yr-old John, Kim Altmire, Tim Kanish, **Sam Deliek, Candy Graham and family, Bill Schriber family, Cathy Piper-Bikle,***

CONTINUING *Chelsea, Nancy Campitella, Cathy, family of Dorothy Hancock, Eddie, Scott and Nancy Hubbard, Matt, Soup donations ☺, patient with kidney disease, Carol Kopnicki ☺, Sidney Jones family, Linda Gould, Ann Cloonan, Dwayne S. traveling mercies & also for Stephanie's brother, **Charlie Kukalis family, Florence Truffa family.***

ONGOING Donnie Riggle, Jim Crawford, Gary Harkcom, Donna Fry, Matt Summerhill, Bill & Linda Crabtree, Frank Kovak, Josh Hanus, Shannon Pruss, Mary Harbison, LaRue Mumaw, 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 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 Joe Biden, 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.

April 7, 2024 CHURCH FAMILY ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>SUNDAY</u>	Youth-Led Worship/Communion (no Sunday school)	11:00 AM
<u>TUESDAY</u>	Admin Team	6:00 PM
	Mission Team	6:00 PM
<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	Crafters	9:00 AM
	Prayer Shawl Knitters	10:00 AM
	Bells	6:00 PM
<u>THURSDAY</u>	Ministry Team	9:30 AM
	SPAGHETTI DINNER	4:00 – 7:00 PM
<u>FRIDAY</u>	Kids' Krafts	6:30 PM
<u>SATURDAY</u>	Annual Family Dance	6:00 – 8:00 PM
<u>SUNDAY</u>	Worship & Children's Sunday School	11:00 AM

COMMUNION SERVERS

Sunday, April 7: Derek Hilty, Shelly Hilty,
Mariana Shurina, Sam Mullooly

SUNDAY MORNING COUNTERS, OPENERS & CLOSERS

April 7 ~ Bill Speer and Shelly Hilty
April 14 ~ Laura Uncapher and Amy Zukas

A special welcome to our visitors. If you are seeking Christ, we trust you will find Him; if you are sorrowing, we pray you will receive comfort; if you are troubled in spirit, we pray you will gain the blessings of peace; if you are discouraged, we pray you will find hope in our Lord. If you are seeking a spiritual home, we invite you to consider uniting with us.

COMING UP!

SPAGHETTI DINNER ~ April 11 ~ 4 to 7 PM

KIDS KRAFTS ~ April 12 ~ 6:30 PM

ANNUAL FAMILY DANCE ~ April 13 ~ 6 to 8 PM

YOUTH CLEAN-UP NIGHT ~ April 15 ~ 6 PM



We're not quite penniless, but we're almost centsless and we have a counting and rolling day planned for Sunday, May 5 after worship!

HELP!! We're still trying to collect a mile of pennies for Haven. Please add your 2 cents to this project so we can continue "rolling" this project along. And, to "coin" a phrase, "a penny saved is a penny earned", but a mile of pennies does some saving.

Thank you, Christian Ed

Soon you will be seeing new (traffic) signs on the church property. This is to limit some of the liberties our neighbors have been taking regarding our property. The signs are meant to protect church property and reduce our liability in the event of accidents. The signs will also be a means of protecting unattended children who use the church property without permission and will help to protect the children in our programs and participants in the DanceClik. For members or friends of AUPC, we will allow non-church hour parking with prior notice and permission. If you have a need to use our parking lot for an extended period of time, please contact the office. Thank you, Building and Grounds



The Session has approved a spaghetti dinner for Thursday, April 11, 2024. Volunteers are needed for the dinner, but we also need the support of the congregation, friends and family to make the fundraiser a success! So please put the event on your calendars!

I have a reservation sign-up sheet in the vestibule. Reservations will not be necessary, but they sure do help in planning!

Also, there is a sheet to sign up for volunteering to help with the event, also in the vestibule. If you are able to help, please let us know. We will need people to make desserts, to set up, to clean up and to help serve the meals. All help is appreciated. Last year's dinner brought in over \$1,700! Let's try and top that! See you all at the dinner!

Thanks, Amy Shupe

3RD ANNUAL FAMILY DANCE

Saturday, April 13 ~ 6 - 8 PM



If you're a 2 person family or your family can fill a van, **ALL families** are welcome to dance the night away.

More information will be available closer to the date. Hope **YOU** can come!

