APOLLO UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA)

8th Sunday after Pentecost

July 14, 2024

11:00 a.m.

We Gather in God's Name

PRELUDE

WORDS OF WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHDAYS

JOYS AND CONCERNS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God's faithful love endures forever and ever.

People: Because of God's everlasting goodness, we offer our thanks and praise.

Leader: God's abiding presence endures forever and

ever.

People: Because of God's care and concern for humanity, we offer our thanks and praise.

Leader: Because of God's transforming powers and $\overset{\cdot }{\cdot \cdot }$

actions,

People: we gather as a community of faith and trust, and we offer God our thanks and praise.

HYMN

CALL TO CONFESSION

Carl Zukas

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ONE: God, your word says love is patient and kind.

ALL: We confess the ways in which we have been quick-tempered and indifferent toward others.

ONE: Your word tells us that love is not envious, boastful, or proud.

ALL: We confess the ways in which we have been jealous, pretentious, and arrogant.

ONE: Your word says that love is not rude or self-seeking.

ALL: We confess the ways in which we have been inconsiderate and selfish.

ONE: Your word tells us that love is not easily angered and that it keeps no record of wrongs.

ALL: We confess the ways in which we have been irritable, resentful, and have held grudges.

ONE: Your word says that love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth.

ALL: We confess the ways in which we have found joy in the suffering of others, and lied for our own selfpreservation.

ONE: Your word says that love always protects, always trusts, always hopes, and always perseveres.

ALL: Merciful God, protect us with your love and help us to choose the way of trusting you, knowing that love never fails and that you never fail. Hear this prayer, and hear us as we lift our silent confessions before you now...

*DECLARATION OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI #581

***SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

We Listen to God's Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

PSALTER LESSON Psalm 51:1-12 OT p. 520

MOMENT OF WORD AND WONDER

EPISTLE LESSON 1 Corinthians 13:1013 NT p. 175

PREACHING OF THE WORD "Love Is . . . "

We Respond to God's Word

*HYMN 693

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (adapted from "The Confession of 1967," United States, 1967)

God's sovereign love is a mystery beyond the reach of the human mind. Human thought ascribes to God superlatives of power, wisdom, and goodness. But God reveals love in Jesus Christ by showing power in the form of a servant, wisdom in the folly of the cross, and goodness in receiving sinful people. The power of God's love in Christ to transform the world discloses that the Redeemer is the Ruler and Creator who made all things to serve the purpose of love. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

OUR GIFTS TO GOD
Offertory
*Doxology #606
*Prayer of Gratitude for God's Abundance

We Go Forth to Serve

HYMN

*CHARGE & BLESSING

POSTLUDE

*Please stand in body or spirit

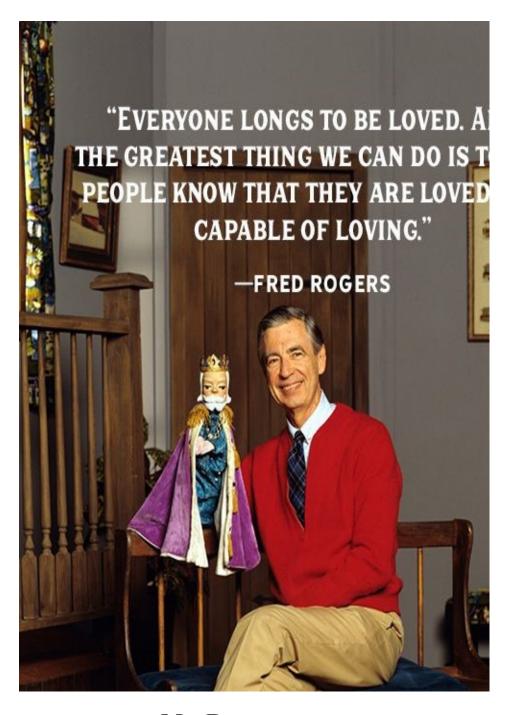
Wrapping our community in God's love, one person at a time.
We believe that we are all ministers supported by:
Rev. Niki Atkinson – Office Hours Wed. & Fri. 9:30-4:00
Please call for appointments.

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Amy Shupe, Organist; Joel Varga, Assistant Organist
Zach Bush, Trumpeter Sam Mullooly, Trombonist
Linda Truffa, Office Administrator
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Mr. Rogers on...

<u>Love</u>

WEEKLY PRAYER CONCERNS

Household: Joe, Stephanie, Joey and Jordan Perona

Cathy (Piper) and Steve Bikle

Faith Friend: Judy Ormsby

Our Church: Session

Church(s): Big Run Church, Moderator Michelle Worzbyt

Jacksonville Church, Moderator Dick Cassel

Presbytery: Detroit (Synod of The Covenant)
Denomination: Polish National Catholic Church

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IMMEDIATE Family of Matt Summerhill, Eric Rebar, Todd, Nancy Campitella, General Assembly, Karen & Denny 56 years, Chris George, Candy George, Carey Pfizer & Victoria Jones family, John Reed, Jane Cessna, Butch Schrecengost, Christine, Linda, Peggy Landon says Thank you, 2 yr.old Nora, Patty Pavetti's sister and Allen, Eric, Carolyn R, Family of Jim Talmadge, Family of Cathy Van der Wheel, Karen's family, Bill Mumaw family, Viginia Madison, Don Aber family, Scott and Nancy Hubbard, Apollo's Graduation ©, Carole Kennedy test results and traveling mercies, Richard Shaeffer.

<u>CONTINUING</u> Jacob & Kloey's wedding, Grads in Pastor Niki's family, family of Darrell Kennedy, Patty Pavetti great-aunt again, Eric, Sierra Kane graduating Magna Cum Laude ©, Barry & Glenna 56 years!, Mat Hilty Defensive Player of the Year! ©, Family of Anna Kanish, Michael Ost family, Chris and Cassie traveling mercies, Kelcey and kids ©, Hall's neighbor adoption ©, Thanks from Niki for birthday celebration.

ONGOING Donnie Riggle, Gary Harkcom, Donna Fry, Bill & Linda Crabtree, Frank Kovak, Josh Hanus, Shannon Pruss, 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.



Today's bulletin has been given **In Memory of Our Beloved Parents, John and Martha Gregg,** from Johna, Carmen, and Mike Infante.

July 14, 2024 CHURCH FAMILY ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY Worship & PrayGround 11:00 AM

Sundaes on Sunday – Youth Group Fundraiser

WEDNESDAY Crafters 9:00 AM

Prayer Shawl Knitters 10:00 AM

SUNDAY Worship & PrayGround 11:00 AM

The office will be closed every Friday, June through August.

SUNDAY MORNING COUNTERS, OPENERS & CLOSERS

July 14 ~ Laura Uncapher and Carol Kopnicky July 21 ~ Bill Speer and Derek Hilty

July 28 ~ Amy Shupe and Laura Uncapher

August 4 ~ Shelly Hilty and Scott Hollabaugh

From the Pastor:

**Starting the week of June 10th through the end of August, Pastor Niki's office days will fluctuate due to lack of childcare for parts of the summer. If she's not in the office, please call/text her or send an email. Thanks kindly for understanding!

*Looking for a fun place to listen to some free live music this summer? Check out these great bands at First Lutheran Church in downtown Apollo!

- Sunday, July 28 @ 3:00pm Gibbons Big Band
- Sunday, August 25 @ 3:00pm Kittanning Firemen's Band

Thank You! Many thanks to Shelly Hilty and members of the AUPC Youth Group who went to Piper's farm and picked blackberries for Meals on Wheels. An hour and a half or two hours of picking yielded 22 pounds of berries.







AUPC will be hosting the Child Evangelism Fellowship 5-DAY CLUB again this year! For 5 consecutive evenings beginning Monday, July 29, from 6:00 – 7:30 PM, AUPC will welcome ALL COMMUNITY KIDS between the ages of 5 through 12.



A gift was sent to AUPC, for **Food 4 Kids**, from Georgette Connor, **In Memory of Patty Hrobak White**. This gift will be transferred to Food 4 Kids at the end of this quarter.

Thanks to all for the many kind thoughts, cards, phone calls, and all the things done for me before and after my knee replacement. Each gesture was appreciated more than you know.

Peggy



CLEAN-UP BUCKETS filled by the month. July's Items: 1 pair work gloves: cotton with leather palm or all leather.1 16-34 oz. bottle of disinfectant dish soapJust slip your donation in one of the white buckets in the vestibule. Questions?.... . See Jerri Mollick. Thank you.