

# **APOLLO UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA)**

**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

**June 16, 2024**

**11:00 a.m.**

**We Gather in God's Name**

**PRELUDE** "Thoughts on 'Simple Gifts'" H.S. Livingston, Jr.

**WORDS OF WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**BIRTHDAYS**

**JOYS AND CONCERNS**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Then I will pour out my spirit on all flesh,  
thus says the Lord.

**People: Send down the fire of your justice!**

L: Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,

**P: Send down the rain of your love!**

L: Your old shall dream dreams, and your young shall  
see visions.

**P: Send down your Spirit, breathe life in your people!**

L: In those days, I will pour out my spirit.

**P: And we shall be people of God.**

**Hymn #286** "Breathe On Me, Breath of God"

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

Joyce Wildi

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION** God, you have given each of  
us many gifts, but sometimes we cannot recognize what  
gift we have to share, so we hide it under a bushel.  
God, you remind us that all gifts are needed, but sometimes  
we let ourselves be convinced that some gifts are more  
special than others.

God, you call us to work, to live, to love together as parts of  
one body, but sometimes we decide that membership in the  
body is limited by our understandings.

God, for the times we have ignored or mislabeled Your  
gifts, for those times we have cut another off from the  
body, we offer words of repentance, we ask for forgiveness  
and grace.

**\*DECLARATION OF PARDON**

People: We are forgiven, loved, and accepted. Thanks be to  
God! Alleluia! Amen!

**\*GLORIA PATRI #581**

**\*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

**We Listen to God's Word**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**EPISTLE LESSON** 1 Corinthians 12:4-13 NT p. 174

**MOMENT OF WORD AND WONDER**

**GOSPEL LESSON** John 16:12-15 NT p. 110

**PREACHING OF THE WORD** "God the Sustainer"

**We Respond to God's Word**

**\*HYMN**

**\*Affirmation of Faith** (*from the Heidelberg Catechism*)

Q. 53. What do you believe concerning "the Holy Spirit"?

**A. First, that the Spirit, with the Father and the Son, is  
eternal God. Second, that the Spirit is given also to me, so  
that, through true faith, he makes me share in Christ and all  
his benefits, comforts me, and will remain with me forever.**

**PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**OUR GIFTS TO GOD**

Offertory "Pisgah" S. Scott

**\*Doxology #606**

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

**We Go Forth to Serve**

**HYMN**

**\*CHARGE & BLESSING**

**POSTLUDE “Rejoice Thyself, O My Soul”**

J.S. Bach

\*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

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**Come, Holy Spirit**  
**by Lance Brown**  
*oil on canvas, 2014*

Lance Brown, a performance “speed painter,” adds his gifts as a visual representation to worship. This painting was done during worship in 2014 at a youth camp in Norway, Europe.

## WEEKLY PRAYER CONCERNS

Household: Joyce Mollick  
Shirley Mumaw  
Faith Friend: Nick and Sue Arnoldy  
Our Church: Mission Team  
Church(s): Cherry Tree and Heilwood Church  
Moderator: Katie Ward Stear  
Presbytery: Seattle (Synod of Alaska-Northwest)  
Denomination: National Baptist Convention of America  
Nation: Kiribati – Tarawa atol

**IMMEDIATE** Bill Mumaw family, Virginia Madison, Don Aber family, Scott and Nancy Hubbard, Apollo's Graduation ☺, Carole Kennedy test results and traveling mercies, Richard Shaeffer, 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! ☺.**

**CONTINUING** 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, Sam, **family of Diane Magnes, Lisa, Joy! New leadership, TJ Lucas helping Ron & Candy F4K.**

**ONGOING** Donnie Riggle, Gary Harkcom, Donna Fry, Matt Summerhill, 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.

**CLEAN-UP BUCKETS** filled by the month. **June's** requested donations **1 32 to 64 oz. or 2 25 oz. bottles of liquid laundry detergent. 5 scouring pads (no stainless or pads with soap – please remove from package).** Just slip your donation in one of the white buckets in the vestibule. Questions?.... See Jerri Mollick. Thank you.

## June 16, 2024 CHURCH FAMILY ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>SUNDAY</u>	Worship & PrayGround	<b>11:00 AM</b>
<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	Crafters	<b>9:00 AM</b>
	Prayer Shawl Knitters	<b>10:00 AM</b>
	<b>Session</b>	<b>7:00 PM</b>
<u>SUNDAY</u>	Worship & PrayGround	<b>11:00 AM</b>

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

## SUNDAY MORNING COUNTERS, OPENERS & CLOSERS

June 9 ~ Amy Zukas and Scott Hollabaugh

June 16 ~ Laura Uncapher and Shelly Hilty

June 23 ~ Carol Kopnicky and Amy Shupe

June 30 ~ Bill Speer and Laura Uncapher



## VBS Help Needed &

**Information** – Our Apollo Community VBS is July 8-11, 2024 from 5:45 pm - 8:15 pm. Closing worship and program are on July 11. VBS will be held at Boiling Springs Presbyterian Church and we are seeking help for any and all

nights! Clearances are required. Scan QR code for registration form! Additionally, we are seeking donations of cases of small water bottles, Capri Sun drinks, and applesauce pouches. Please drop off any donations in the church nursery for Pastor Niki to take to BSPC. Thank you!



*We'll be taking a summer break. We hope that you've enjoyed our performances this season and we would love to have you join us in September.*

## *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!

**Planning Ahead!** - We will have a joint worship service together on **Sunday, July 7<sup>th</sup> at 10am** with our siblings in Christ AT Boiling Springs Presbyterian Church. Communion will be celebrated, a covered dish lunch will be shared, and decorating for VBS will happen! Make sure you join us that morning for a joyous time of worship!

– **On Sunday, August 11,** the Apollo Community Worship Service will be held at New Beginnings UMC in Spring Church at 10:30am with a potluck lunch to follow. AUPC is asked to bring desserts to share. Members of the Apollo Ministerium will be leading worship, with Rev. Niki Atkinson preaching that morning. \*There will be no scheduled service at AUPC that morning as we worship with our community's siblings in Christ.\*

**\*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, June 23 @ 3:00pm - Alle-Kiski Community Band
- Sunday, July 28 @ 3:00pm - Gibbons Big Band
- Sunday, August 25 @ 3:00pm - Kittanning Firemen's Band

**\*We would like to provide an opportunity for those of you who are interested to participate in worship leadership. Following are the opportunities available.**

**Communion servers** are needed for August 4. Four servers are needed for each Communion Sunday.

**New lay readers** are always welcomed to join the rotation. Anyone who doesn't have difficulty with reading aloud in public is welcome to sign up via email ([office@aupc.comcastbiz.net](mailto:office@aupc.comcastbiz.net)) or call the church office (724.478.4807).



When the craft ladies asked for used greeting cards to be recycled, little did they know the response would be so magnificent! The donations were so plentiful that no more will be needed for quite a while. **THANK YOU ALL AGAIN!**



**Thank you! We're half way to our goal of reaching a mile of pennies! After Sunday's roll of 9,050 we have a total of 43,300 pennies. Thanks to everyone who helped count and roll. Praying for more pennies from heaven.**



**AUPC Annual Kickball Game.**

**Come join the fun on Sunday, June 30 on the field next to Spring Church Lutheran at 1:30PM.**

### **SESSION HAS ADOPTED THE FOLLOWING NEW POLICY:**

The office must be notified if you are planning to enter either of the buildings after hours. When the office is open, please notify when you are in the building and upon leaving.

***Your cooperation is appreciated. Thank You.***





