

APOLLO UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA)

3rd Sunday after Pentecost

June 9, 2024

11:00 a.m.

We Gather in God's Name

PRELUDE "Victor's Crown" Zscheck, Houghton and Jobe

WORDS OF WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHDAYS

JOYS AND CONCERNS

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Come and see, come and see!

People: We come to see for ourselves who this Jesus person is.

Leader: Come and see, come and see!

People: We come with open hearts to experience Jesus.

Leader: Come and see, come and see!

People: We come to follow Jesus.

Leader: Come and see, come and see!

People: We come to deepen our relationship with God.

Leader: Come and see, come and see!

People: Yes, Lord we come to follow you!

Hymn #392 "Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies"

CALL TO CONFESSION

Jerri Mollick

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** Almighty God, Creator of the heavens and earth, we confess that we do not always live into the message of hope and salvation, the promise of eternal life. We live in ways that make the here and now more important than the future. We live in ways that put ourselves and our own success first over the needs of others and the long-term needs of the world. Forgive us for our selfish ways and call us into the path of Christ, who

humbled himself and gave himself up for us on the cross, so that death might be no more and that all can share in the joy of salvation and eternal life, through Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

***DECLARATION OF PARDON**

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Amen!

***GLORIA PATRI #581**

***SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

We Listen to God's Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

GOSPEL LESSON John 1:1-18 NT p. 91

MOMENT OF WORD AND WONDER

EPISTLE LESSON Colossians 1:12-20 OT p. 200

PREACHING OF THE WORD "God the Redeemer"

We Respond to God's Word

***HYMN**

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

Q. 29: Why is the Son of God called "Jesus," meaning "savior"?

A. Because he saves us from our sins, and because salvation should not be sought and cannot be found in anyone else.

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Offertory "Lord, We Hold Your Goodness Precious" Setting by R.Horn

***Doxology #606**

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

We Go Forth to Serve

HYMN

***CHARGE & BLESSING**

POSTLUDE "All Praise to God Our Heavenly Father" G.F. Handel

*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.

E-mail pastor@aupc.comcastbiz.net

Amy Shupe, Organist; Joel Varga, Assistant Organist

Zach Bush, Trumpeter Sam Mullooly, Trombonist

Linda Truffa, Office Administrator

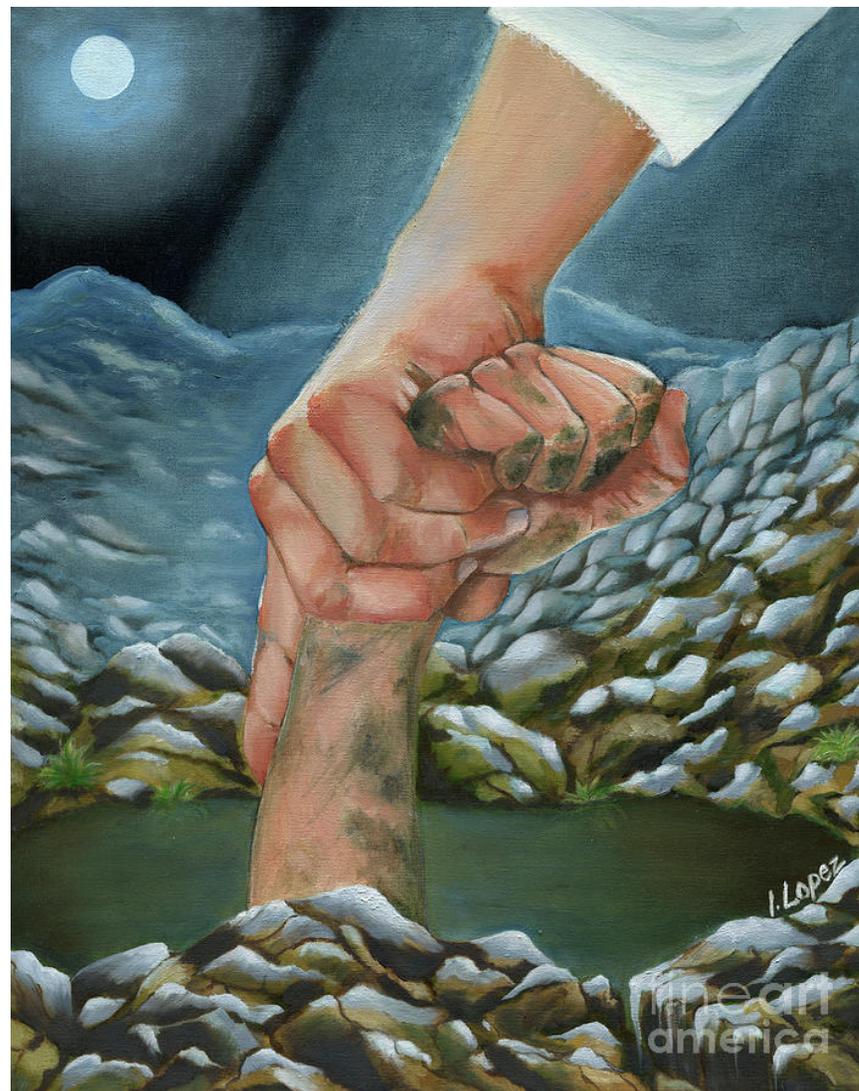
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Redemption

by Ivon Lopez

oil on canvas, 21st century

Psalm 40:1-2 "I waited patiently for the Lord; he turned to me and heard my cry. He lifted me out of the slimy pit, out of the mud and mire; he set my feet on a rock and gave me a firm place to stand."

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 & Kloeys 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.



Gifts have been received **In Memory of William "Bill" Mumaw** from Bob and Terry Reed and from Amy Shupe.

June 9, 2024 CHURCH FAMILY ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY Worship & Sunday school EoY party **11:00 AM**
TUESDAY Admin Team (no Mission Team) **6:00 PM**
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

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 7th 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 July 7 (only 1 for joint service with BSPC) and August 4. With the exception of 7/7, 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) 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.

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.

