

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

**Pentecost Sunday  
Honoring our Graduates  
Baptism of Teagan Allison  
June 8, 2025 11:00 a.m.**

## **We Gather in God's Name**

**PRELUDE** "Come, Holy Spirit " W. G. Gaither

**WORDS of WELCOME**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS and BIRTHDAYS**

**PRAYER CONCERNS**

**2025 GRADUATES  
Baylee Davis ~ Kiski Area High School  
Nathan Summerhill ~ Kiski Area High School  
Alissa Wilson ~ Seneca Valley High School**

### **\* CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: Come and worship!

**All: We will praise the One between, within, and over.**

One: Trust in the One who co-creates the was, the now, and the will-be.

**All: Our hope is in the One who loves, calling us to do the same.**

One: Follow the One who never breaks promises.

**All: We follow the One whose extravagant love calls us to co-create justice for the oppressed, feed the hungry, unlock prisons, and welcome strangers, orphans, and widows.**

One: Praise the One whose justice is grace-full and inclusive.

**All: We praise the Spirit that spans the ages. Amen!**

**\* HYMN #289 "On Pentecost They Gathered"**

## **CALL TO CONFESSION**

Joyce Wildi

### **\* LITANY OF CONFESSION**

One: For ignoring the vision breathed by the living Spirit churning deep within our souls;

**All: Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy, Have mercy upon us.**

One: For refusing to look at the vision alive within those who look or act or sound different from us;

**All: Christ have mercy, Christ have mercy, Have mercy upon us.**

One: For choosing familiarity, ease, and comfort rather than risking the opportunities afforded in the vision

**All: Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy, Have mercy upon us.**

### **\* DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

**\*GLORIA PATRI #581**

**\*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

## **We Listen to God's Word**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**EPISTLE LESSON Acts 2:1-21 NT p. 108**

**MOMENT OF WORD AND WONDER**

**Baptism of Teagan Jean Allison, daughter of  
John Raymond and Jordan Lynn (Guthrie) Allison.**

**\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH APOSTLE'S CREED p. 35**

**GOSPEL LESSON John 14:8-17 NT p. 111**

**PREACHING OF THE WORD "The End...and the Beginning"**

## **We Respond to God's Word**

\* HYMN #733 "We All Are One in Mission"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S PRAYER p. 35

**OUR GIFTS TO GOD**

Offertory "Son of My Soul" L. Smith

\*Doxology #606

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

Holy One, you have given yourself to us in Creator, in Christ, in the Spirit. We now give back to you: this money that seems so little; this worship that seems so small; these words that never quite get it right. Receive what we offer and transform it by the power of your Spirit into: enough money, sufficient praise, worthy words for sharing your peace, justice, and love in the world.

**We Go Forth to Serve**

\* HYMN 488 "I Was There to Hear Your Borne Cry"

\* CHARGE & BLESSING

POSTLUDE "Postlude in D Major" J. Eberlin

\*Please stand in body or spirit

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

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*By Jen Norton, 2021*

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WEEKLY PRAYER CONCERNS

Household: Don and Lydia Summerhill  
 Darla Tamski

Faith Friend: Pat Sharrar

Our Church: Pastor Niki  
 The Churches of the Kiskiminetas Presbytery

Presbytery: South Alabama

Denomination: Church of the Brethren

Nation: Malawi - Lilongwe

**IMMEDIATE** *Congratulation Graduates, Jess Carwile, Antonelli adult children, Jean, Grace Assembly of God supporting F4K, Eric employment, Mrs. Riley, Shane, Thanks from Shelly, Geoff sang National Anthem at Thunderbirds game ☺, Lani Knox, Mollick family, 12 year old drowning victim, Caelin & Alex ☺ ☺, Dillon ☺, Prayer Sister Luncheon, Judy.*

**CONTINUING** *Nora, Traveling mercies for Ben Smoyer, Joyce, Mike & Jerri Mollick, Carole Kennedy, Vacationers, Visitors & families separated, ,Chloe, Gary Harkcom, Barb Hurley & Missy, Peggy's sister, Butch's surgery April 22, Dale Piffer family, Todd, Dave, Martha Jane Wilkinson, Pat Jackson, Curt, Denny, Pat's friend is grandfather, SE Asia earthquake victims, Christine's knee replacement, Karen's brother Gary, Sara Kerr, Pastor Niki's step-dad in remission ☺.*

#### **ONGOING**

Missy, Katie, Bob Reed, 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.*

#### **SUNDAY MORNING COUNTERS, OPENERS & CLOSERS**

**June 8 ~ Amy Zukas & Derek Hilty**

Through the summer months, as per Session action, Session persons who open/close, etc. will also be greeting at the "ramp entrance" vestibule area. Thank You.

Gifts have been received from Don and Shirley Dick **In Memory of LaRue Mumaw and Nancie Allen.** Rob and Becky Kane have given a gift **In Memory of Nancie Allen** designated for the General Fund.

**June 8, 2025 CHURCH FAMILY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

|                 |   |                      |
|-----------------|---|----------------------|
| <u>SUNDAY</u>   | <b>Worship</b>  | <b>11:00 AM</b>      |
|                 | <b>Graduation Sunday</b>  |                      |
|                 | <b>Baptism of Teagan Jean Allison</b> (daughter of John and Jordan Lynn Guthrie Allison, granddaughter of Mark and Tracy Guthrie) |                      |
| <u>MONDAY</u>   | <b>Admin Team</b>   | <b>7:00 PM</b>       |
| <u>TUESDAY</u>  | <b>Ministry Team</b>  | <b>1:00 PM</b>       |
| <u>FRIDAY</u>   | <b>Kid's Krafts</b> (last till September)   | <b>6:30 PM</b>       |
|                 | This Friday and all Fridays thru Labor Day  | <b>Office Closed</b> |
| <u>SATURDAY</u> | <b>PW Quarterly Meeting</b>   | <b>9:00 AM</b>       |
| <u>SUNDAY</u>   | <b>Worship ~ Happy Father's Day</b>   | <b>11:00 AM</b>      |

**Especially since Sunday School will be on summer hiatus, we invite you to take advantage of the PrayGround in the sanctuary for your little ones during worship.**

Yes, caregivers can still enjoy worship during summer months, but just sitting in a different pew! While your children are enjoying the PrayGround, we ask that an adult (caregiver) remain with them. Also, we kindly ask that adults and children leave the PrayGround as sparkling as you found it.

Enjoy and Thank You!

*"One year ago, we commissioned our new playground in the sanctuary. Since then, it has been a well-loved, much-used space for our children to remain in worship and still get wiggly, if they need it. Please remember that if your child is in the playground, they need to have their caregiver present in the playground with them. Please also refrain from bringing loud toys from home; we have lots of great softer toys in our bins! Thanks for continuing to make this a great ministry to our children and their families." ~Pastor Niki*

**ATTENTION: USHERS and ACOLYTES**

Thank you all for your service through the last year!  
Summer is here and you get a well-deserved vacation.

We'll be contacting you if new schedules are made this coming September. Have a safe and healthy summer.



**Beneath the Bulletin Board in the Vestibule:**

\*MAY NEWSLETTERS w/CALENDAR

\* Hand-outs for upcoming events

**In the Vestibule:** CURRENT UPPER ROOM ISSUE

Pastor Niki will be working out of the office **June 16-June 20 and June 30-July 3**. Please feel free to call/email/text to connect!