

APOLLO UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA)

2nd Sunday after Pentecost

June 22, 2025

11:00 a.m.

We Gather in God's Name

PRELUDE "Sing to the Lord" Smith

WORDS of WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS and BIRTHDAYS

PRAYER CONCERNS

*** CALL TO WORSHIP** (based on Psalm 42)

One: As a deer longs for flowing streams, our souls long for you,
O God.

All: Our souls thirst for God, for the living God.

One: Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you
disquieted within me?

**All: Hope in God, for we shall again praise the Lord, our
help and our God.**

*** HYMN #14** "For the Beauty of the Earth"

CALL TO CONFESSION Carol Kopnicky

*** PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

God of good news, we find it difficult to imagine that we
could indeed be your children through faith. We cannot
believe that we could belong to Christ and be heirs of the
promise made to Abraham and his offspring. Help our
unbelief; rekindle our imagination. Bring us back to
ourselves and to you. Amen.

*** DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

***GLORIA PATRI #581**

***SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

We Listen to God's Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

EPISTLE LESSON Galatians 3:23-29 NT p. 189

MOMENT OF WORD AND WONDER

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON 1 Kings 19:1-15a OT p. 326

PREACHING OF THE WORD

"Have a snack, take a nap, get back to work"

We Respond to God's Word

*** HYMN #626** "As the Deer"

*** AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** Insert

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

*After hearing "Breath of Life, in your mercy" please respond "Hear our
Prayer"*

OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Offertory "Joy of My Desire" Randolph

***Doxology #606**

Loving God, you meet us in our joy and in our struggles.
Thank you for your gentle care and constant presence.
Bless these gifts we bring. Use them to lift up the weary,
feed the hungry, and bring hope to those in need. In Jesus'
name we pray, Amen.

We Go Forth to Serve

* HYMN

Congregation's Choice

* CHARGE & BLESSING

POSTLUDE

"All Hail, King Jesus"

Moody

*Please stand in body or spirit

As many of you may know, our Emergency Food Pantry provides food for those in need, throughout our local community and beyond. We do not, however, have the capacity to store and provide fresh food items, i.e. eggs, milk, lunchmeats, etc. Nor can we anticipate other needs such as diapers, over-the-counter medicines or toiletries. Therefore, vouchers for Nasers Foods are made here and given in \$15 increments to those in need. When presented as payment for fresh food items at Nasers, the vouchers are then collected and are to be turned into the church for payment. (We used to purchase gift certificates to hand out. When not used, we had still spent that money.) Bill Naser suggested that we make the vouchers, costing us nothing, and then pay for what has been redeemed. Great system. So many have been helped. However for quite a while now, when used vouchers totaling hundreds of dollars are presented to our church for payment, the total due has been ZERO. **Please show Nasers Foods our appreciation for donating the amount of all those vouchers by patronizing their business.** The Nasers' kindness has truly helped many in the community and their generosity has enabled our Emergency Food Pantry to help many more.

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 Tues. & Wed. 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

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Summer Office Hours: Monday through Thursday – 9:30 AM to 2:00 PM



"Prophet Elijah in the Desert"
by Dieric Bouts, 1415-1475

St. Peter's Church, Leuven, Belgium

WEEKLY PRAYER CONCERNS

Household: Laura Uncapher
AJ, Krystle, Natalie, & Mia Uncapher
Faith Friend: Nick and Sue Arnoldy
Our Church: Mission Team
The Churches of the Kiskiminetas Presbytery
Presbytery: Western Kentucky (Synod of Living Waters)
Denomination: Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
Nation: Mauritania – Nouakchon

IMMEDIATE *Israel & Iran, Missy, Kenny Bash, Howard, Thank you all from Joyce Mollick, Thanks Joyce W for new banner, Kathy's brother Tom, Family of Martha Jane Wilkinson, 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 ☺.*

CONTINUING *Lani Knox, Mollick family, 12 year old drowning victim, Caelin & Alex ☺ ☺, Dillon ☺, Prayer Sister Luncheon, Judy, 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, Pat Jackson, Curt, Denny, Pat's friend is grandfather, SE Asia earthquake victims, Christine's knee replacement.*

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*

June 22, 2025 CHURCH FAMILY ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY

Worship

11:00 AM

FRIDAY

This Friday and all Fridays thru Labor Day

Office Closed

SUNDAY

Worship

11:00 AM

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!

SUNDAY MORNING COUNTERS, OPENERS & CLOSERS

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



Get ready for some parade and fireworks fun! Join our church family and our partners in ministry at AUPC to march in the July 5 Apollo Independence Day weekend parade. Wear your red, white, and blue, decorate your "little red wagon" or bicycles, and

let's share some community joy! Parade begins at 1pm on Saturday, July 5, in downtown Apollo; line up is by 12pm. Fireworks are at dusk on Sunday, July 6, in downtown Apollo. (Stay tuned for further details!)

SUNDAY. JULY 6 will be a Joint Worship Service with BSPC

Apollo Community VBS

Holy Holidays!

July 7-10

5:45pm-8:15pm

Boiling Springs Presbyterian Church
stay tuned for more info!



June 16-June 22 and June 30-July 3.

Please feel free to call/email/text to connect!

KISKI VALLEY COMMUNITY BAND CONCERT AT AUPC

Sunday, July 27th ~ 6:00 p.m.

Free Will Offering

**Food Items for Sale ~ Come for
dinner!**

Hot dogs, snacks, baked goods & beverages.

Sale of food items will benefit AUPC General Fund.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

WISH LIST:

Our church has been asked to provide the following items:

CAPRI SUNS

MINI BOTTLED WATER(S)

APPLESAUCE CUPS or POUCHES

AUPC will also be helping with dinner one evening. We
have been asked to donate:

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Thank You for your donations!

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The Church is to be a community of hope, rejoicing in the sure and certain knowledge that, in Christ, God is making a new creation. This new creation is a new beginning for human life and for all things. The Church lives in the present on the strength of that promised new creation.

The Church is to be a community of love, where sin is forgiven, reconciliation is accomplished, and the dividing walls of hostility are torn down.

The Church is to be a community of witness, pointing beyond itself through word and work to the good news of God's transforming grace in Christ Jesus its Lord.

HEAR YE! HEAR YE!

The Apollo United Presbyterian Church is once again going to have a **Rummage Sale**, with proceeds to benefit the General Fund!

Save the Date—Friday and Saturday, October 10th and 11th, 8:00 am to 2:00 pm

You may begin bringing in good, clean, quality donations to be sold at the sale, effective immediately. Please put these items behind the curtain on the stage in the large dining room. We have set a “drop dead” date of Sunday, October 5th for arrival of these donations. It would be most helpful if the donations, if at all possible, arrive in stackable boxes as we have space constraints for storage.

More information and sign-up sheets will be available closer to the date of the sale!

If you have any questions, please contact Bill Speer.