



The Highlander

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*Come beat the heat
with your PCOP family every
Sunday morning at 11 a.m.!*
*Summer will feature guest ministers
as well as members of the congregation!*

*Please stop in, call
or email the office
by **TUESDAY
JUNE 26th** with
any information,
announcements,
updates, etc. that
you would like to
see in July's
newsletter!*

~GREEN TEAM SIGN-UPS~

Be sure to check the calendar on the bulletin board outside the Memorial Parlor to volunteer to mow the garden lawn and/or water the flowers! Stop down any time during your week (weather-dependent)

THANK YOU to all our WORSHIP volunteers!

Have a question, or would you like to volunteer to help with some part of worship?
Contact either Chairperson Roberta Dinsmore or the office!

****We NEED more volunteers for screen and sound on Sundays!****
It's as simple as coming to worship and clicking a button on a laptop!
There is even an instruction sheet!

Please contact the office or ask a current screen volunteer
for more information.

DATE	JUNE 3	JUNE 10
PASTOR/LEADER	Donna Anderson	Karina Blose
LITURGIST	Pam Hogan	Donna Kengersky
**SCREEN & SOUND		
ACOLYTE		
NURSERY	Debby Elder	
FLOWERS	Greg Gaston	Pam Hogan
USHERS	R. Barrett, W. Divelbiss, D. Forsythe, J. Hughes	J. Haire, T. Fezell, C. Haire, P. Young
DATE	JUNE 17 Father's Day	JUNE 24
PASTOR/LEADER	James Whited	Brian Kapustik
LITURGIST	Janey London	Flo West
**SCREEN & SOUND		
ACOLYTE		
NURSERY		Kayla Brothers
FLOWERS	Kay Nesbitt	Lee Blose
USHERS	R. Dinsmore, R. Fetterman, R. Dinsmore, B. Burkett	K. Hughes, R. Lettie, D. Hartman, L. Lettie

Since some of our supply ministers do not choose hymns, we would like to use YOUR favorites!

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If you have a hymn that you would like to sing in church or at a hymn sing, please let Nancy know. You can email her at npearce@hotmail.com or write the name and give it to her at church.

FINANCE & GENEROSITY

Thank you for donating funds, time, and energy to PCOP!

Date	Attendance in worship	Weekly offering	% to Current Fund
May 6	48	\$3,619.00	96.32%
May 13	64	\$2,711.00	98.34%
May 20	67	\$1,670.00	91.92%
May 27	40	\$1,962.00	90.21%

MAY 2018 FINANCIAL HEALTH			
	Current	Year to Date	2018 Total Budget
Receipts	\$10,037.35	\$66,653.75	\$163,584.00
Expenses	\$5,510.32	\$47,716.48	
Excess or [Deficient]	\$4,527.03	\$18,937.27	

A Letter from Ben Fitzgerald-Fye

Let me begin by offering my sincere thanks to all of you who have sent me cards of encouragement, messages of support, and other words that have offered me hope when this journey has been rough. Let me also thank those who have given of their resources to support the fund that has been established at PCOP to help me with the very real, very challenging costs of this journey. Now that the grades are in, and another semester is over, I am officially entering my last year of seminary and I am learning the humbling reality of asking for help. I have great opportunities for learning and growth this summer through attending General Assembly as a student assistant, through ongoing seminary education, and through continuing service as a student pastor. Tuition, travel expenses, living expenses, books, supplies, and a variety of other costs make these opportunities daunting at times. I have been blessed by so much support and I have been blessed by a loving community of friends and neighbors at PCOP who are going through this process with me; so, as we enter the last leg of this particular race, I am hoping you will offer your support once more. Know that I do not make this plea lightly and know that I pray only to be a good steward of the generosity offered to me by so many. We are so close to the finish line on this seminary journey and there is so much good and exciting work to be done. I thank God for you, each of you, and for the love and the support that comes from you. God's peace be with you.

**Monthly Giving
Spotlight:
Support Your
Local Seminarian**

MEMBERSHIP & PCOP UPDATES

Birthdays, prayer requests, moving and more!



DIRECTORY UPDATE

Bill Ward
 Mahoning Riverside Manor Room 9
 106 Foundry St.
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO...



- June 1 Joe Karetski
- June 3 Jackson Fezell
Susan Wydra
- June 4 Jean Deeley
- June 8 Donna Grabany
Terry Studebaker
- June 9 Dorothy Jenks
- June 17 Laurie (Keeley)
Prutzal
- June 18 Donna Kengersky
- June 23 Jack Haire
- June 27 Beverly Divelbiss
Amy Williams

Those Needing Our Prayers

Arianna Aires	Angie Barkley	DJ Bianco
Betty Brumbaugh	Duane & Pam Carr	Betty Cessna
Gillen Geary	The Graham Family	Jacob Hielman
John Hughes	Martha Irvin	Dorothy Jenks
Marie Jenks	Kathy Kopp	Geraldine VanWhy
The Ward Family	The White Family	



Our Christian sympathies to Donna Grabany, whose father Lauren Lavelle Conrad entered into rest on May 10, 2018.



Our Christian sympathies to Joyce Cooper, whose mother Araxi Hubbard Dutton Palmer entered into rest on May 27, 2018.

SESSION & THE BOARD OF DEACONS

Keeping up with the committees and officers of PCOP!



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

The next meeting of the Board of Deacons will be:
AUGUST TBD (19th or 27th)
9:45 a.m.
Memorial Parlor

The next meeting of Session (Unicameral Board)
will be:
MONDAY JUNE 11th
7:00 p.m.
Lester Seminar Room

A reminder from Kathi Cessna,

Board of Deacons Flower Coordinator:

If you have flowers on the communion table or in the urns on Sunday morning, please make sure the assigned flower Deacon (in the bulletin) knows if you would like to keep your flowers. This is especially important if you will not be in worship on Sunday morning and would like them set aside.

A reminder from the Finances & Giving Committee:

If you are turning in a receipt for purchases you made for something here at PCOP (Community Meal, Sunday school, etc.) please attach a note or write somewhere on the receipt what the purchases were for.

Thank you!



Beautify the sanctuary with flowers

Write "Deacons Flowers" in check memo line (\$25) and call the office to place your order. Available dates:

June 10, 17

July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29



MISSION & OUTREACH

A “Choose Your Own Adventure” to get more involved at PCOP!

Recruiting for the Prayer Chain

We're planning to start an email prayer chain.

Unfortunately, the list of those who signed up last year cannot be found, so we're asking that those willing to be “Prayer Warriors” sign up again.

Prayers will be made on a daily basis for a two-week period, unless the request asks for a longer or shorter time period. This is most common when someone is receiving a longer-term treatment for a healthcare condition, although it could be for other reasons.

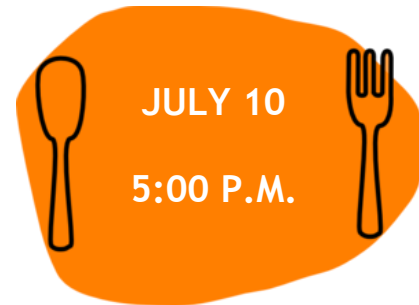
To participate in the prayer chain, send an email to the prayer chain email address:

pcop.prayer.chain@gmail.com

In about a month, once participants are signed up, we'll begin taking prayer requests.

Rex Lettie, Mission Chair

Volunteers are always welcome to help at the next First Tuesday Community Meal!



Chicken Chip Casserole

Barclay Square Fruited Gelatin

Napa Cabbage Salad

French Bread & Butter

*Huckle Buckle Blueberry
Coffee Cake*

Recipes and sign-up sheets for food, kitchen help, serving, and clean-up are located on the bulletin board outside the Memorial Parlor

Crosstown Ministries Food Pantry
Woodland Avenue United Methodist Church
203 Woodland Ave.
June 18th @ 5:30 P.M.

Volunteers are always needed throughout the month to: donate food, unload the food truck, prepare boxes for the distribution, and distribute the boxes to those who need them

Please contact Pastor Clint Phillips @ (814) 938-8160 for more information

FELLOWSHIP

Have fun and spend time with your PCOP family!



Saturday, June 23rd
@ 8 A.M.

Questions? Ask Keith Hughes or Rex Lettie
Men's Breakfast meets 4th Saturday of every month!
(unless otherwise noted)

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Saturday Friends Out

Saturday, June 16th
@ 11:45 A.M.

Join us @ Gimmick's Restaurant
(no reservations!)

Questions? Ask Ann Mumper
Saturday Friends Out meets 3rd Saturday of every month!

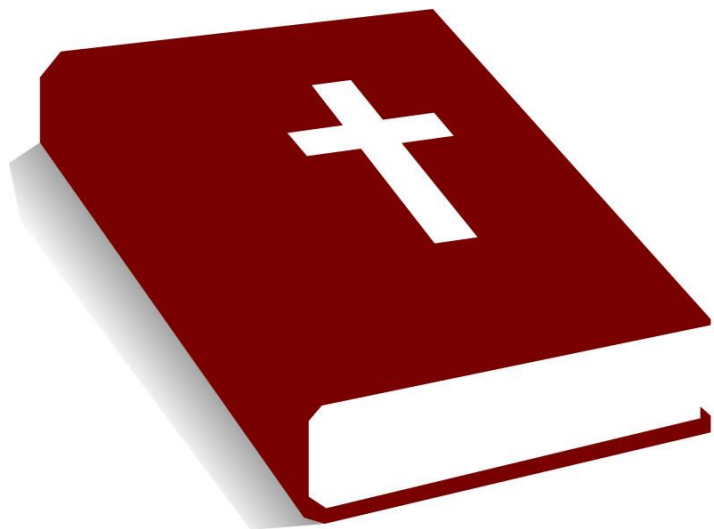


If anyone needs arts and crafts supplies for Sunday School, Fellowship projects, Mission projects, etc. Donna Anderson currently has the tax exemption cards for Pat Catan's Craft Center and Jo-Ann Fabrics (both located in Dubois). Please contact her if you would like to make purchases.



YOUTH & CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

How to love God, share the gospel, and live as Disciples of Christ



Join Tuesdays @ 10
in June
as they read and
compare the
Synoptic Gospels:
Matthew, Mark,
and Luke

Adult Sunday School

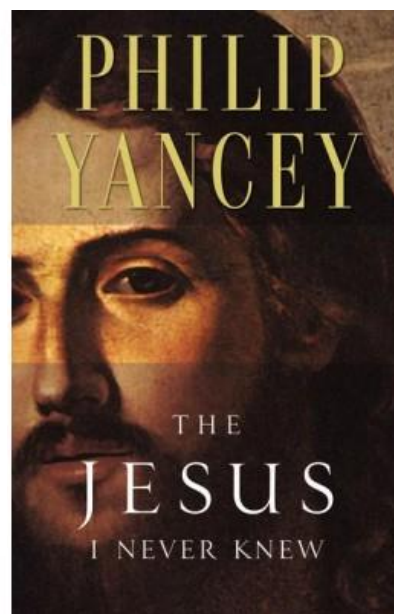
When Christians Get It Wrong by Adam Hamilton
&

The Jesus I Never Knew by Philip Yancey

Offered Sundays @ 9:45 a.m.

in the Lester Seminar Room

All are welcome to join us for these two studies



WHO DO I CONTACT?

“I have a question about . . .”

Schedules, quarterly financial statement, newsletter, ordering flowers, bulletin information, ordering church supplies, using church facilities, etc. <i>And anything else!</i>	Keri in PCOP office
Hospitalizations, Emergencies, Member Care	Keri in PCOP Office Board of Deacons
Worship information, pulpit supply	Worship Committee Chair Roberta Dinsmore
Baptisms & Weddings	Clerk of Session Doug Chambers
Funerals & Memorial Services	Keri in PCOP Office Funeral Director
Mission Opportunities	Mission Chair Rex Lettie
Youth Group & Children’s Sunday School	Youth Group—Dana Hartman Christian Education Chair—Janey London
Finances & Giving	Finance Chair Richard Fetterman
New Members (Joining PCOP)	Clerk of Session Doug Chambers
Choir & Music	Music Director Nancy Pearce
First Tuesday Community Meal	Donna Anderson
Current Members of Session	Richard Fetterman, Keith Hughes, George West, Roberta Dinsmore, Janey London, Rick Nesbitt, William Cooper, Dana Hartman, Rex Lettie
Current Board of Deacons	Jennifer Gaston, Carole Haire, Melissa Polczynski, Greg Gaston, Pam Hogan, Kay Nesbitt, Lee Blose, Kathi Cessna, Jean Hughes

JUNE 2018 CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p><i>Be sure to check the bulletin board for coffee hour sign-ups! Everyone loves cookies and coffee!</i></p>					1	2
3 9 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	4	5 Goodwill Pickup 10 A.M. Tues @ 10 5 P.M. Community Meal	6	7	8	9
10 10 th Sunday in Ordinary Time 10:30 A.M. Worship Committee meeting	11 7 P.M. Session Meeting	12 10 A.M. Tues @ 10	13	14	15	16 11:45 A.M. Saturday Friends Out @ Gimmick's 223 rd General Assembly convenes
17 Father's Day & 11 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	18 5:30 P.M. Crosstown Food Pantry	19 Juneteenth 10 A.M. Tues @ 10	20 World Refugee Day	21 First Day of Summer	22	23 8 A.M. Men's Breakfast 223 rd General Assembly ends
24 12 th Sunday in Ordinary Time PC(USA) World AIDS Sunday	25	26 10 A.M. Tues @ 10 July Newsletter info deadline	27	28	29	30

~ Sunday Morning Schedule ~

9:45 A.M. Adult Sunday School in Lester Seminar Room
 11:00 A.M. Worship in Sanctuary
 Fellowship Coffee Hour following Worship
No Youth Sunday School during summer



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FINAL DAY
for Goodwill clothing
drive donations is
MONDAY, JUNE 4TH

All proceeds benefit
the First Tuesday
Community Meal program

