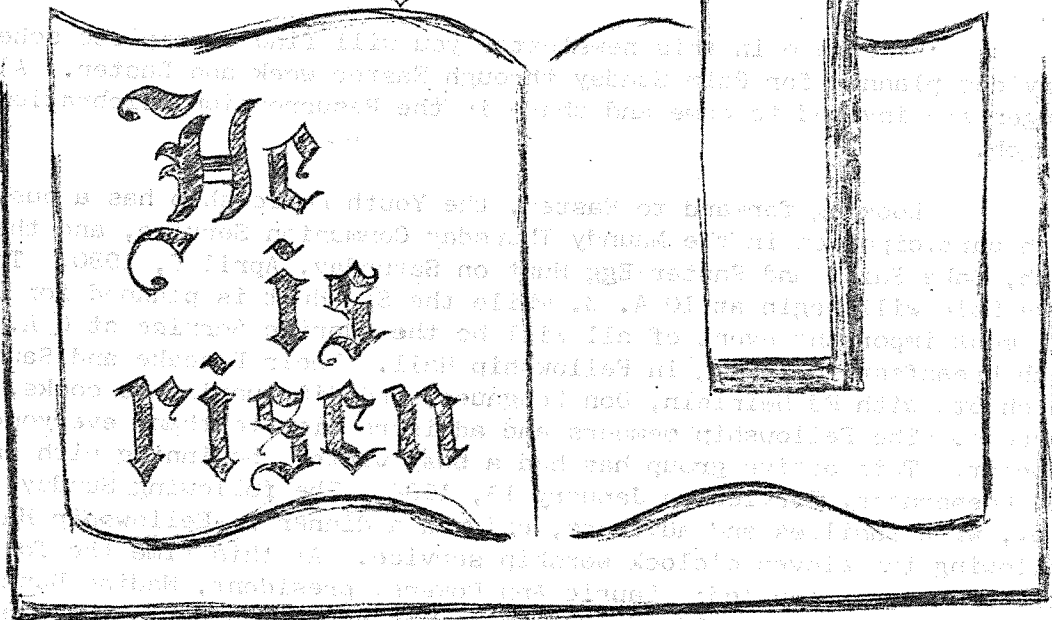


# The Banner



POKE RUN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
R. D. 1, Apollo, Pa.

Matthew 28:17-20

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The Acts 1:8

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Dear Friends,

May we wish all of you a Joyous Easter with this poem by Grace Noll Crowell.

## EASTER

Light the candles, set the tall white lilies  
High upon the altar of your heart.  
Place the picture of the newly risen  
Christ above that altar -- set apart  
This day for worship and for glad rejoicing,  
For once, before the dawn, the Christ arose,  
And hope that had been crushed to earth sprang upward  
More radiant than ay light that glows. (continued on page 2)

Hold fast that hope, keep faith's white fire burning,  
Cling close to truth, and it will make you free.  
Doubt not that he who had been dead is risen  
To be our Light throughout Eternity.  
"Because I live", He said, "Ye shall live also".  
Cry out the news to hearts that grope in need.  
Let the glad tidings be your Easter greeting:  
"The Christ is risen, the Christ is risen indeed."

And then a paragraph from "These Days" appears so very appropriate:

"We hope you will find that your pilgrimage toward Easter is one of joy and power, derived from a deepening relationship to the Christ who lived, died, and was raised from the dead, out of love. We pray your pilgrimage will be one of being put in tune at a new depth with the life-giving work of God in the world. These are days when the Spirit is crying out to us for a renewal of faith and a renewal of involvement with God's redemptive way. Do we hear? And how shall we answer?"

Elsewhere in this newsletter you will find a complete schedule of church services planned for Palm Sunday through Easter week and Easter. All who read this Ranger are invited to come and share in the Resurrection celebration at Poke Run Church.

Looking forward to Easter, the Youth Fellowship has a busy schedule ahead, with participation in the Maundy Thursday Communion Service, and the annual Car Wash, Bake Sale, and Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 5, 1980. The Car Wash and Bake Sale will begin at 10 A. M. while the Egg Hunt is planned for 1:30 P. M. Then, the most important event of all will be the Sunrise Service at 6 A. M. Easter morning with breakfast following in Fellowship Hall. Their Pancake and Sausage Brunch on March 8th with Ed Heinlein, Don Lengauer, and Jim Dunmire as cooks, proved a big success. The Fellowship members and advisers wish to thank everyone for their support. This active group has had a busy winter, beginning with participation in the Preparatory Service on January 13, 1980. The following Sunday, January 20th, they, with families and advisers, enjoyed a dinner in Fellowship Hall immediately following the eleven o'clock worship service. At this time the following new officers were installed: Laurie Ann Powers, president, Nadine Dunmire, vice-president Ruth Ryman, secretary, Brenda Hostetler, treasurer, and Lisa Heinlein, chaplain. On February 3, 1980, Youth Sunday, the entire service was conducted by the Fellowship. "Humble People" was the topic of Brenda Hostetler's talk, while Amy Gebrosky chose "Ruth" as her theme for the "Mini-message" to the children. Instrumental music was provided by Mary Lou Hostetler, Courtney Lavrich, Nancy Painter, Kelly Scott and Amy Gebrosky, and three choral numbers were sung by the whole group. An all-night bowling party was enjoyed by 54 members, parents, and friends on February 22nd. At a recent meeting the Fellowship made a donation to the Heart Fund in memory of Joseph R. Silvis. They are looking forward to a work week at Pine Springs Camp after school is out in June. All young people from the age of twelve on through college age are invited to become involved with this very active organization.

The Women's Association met in Fellowship Hall on Tuesday evening, March 4, 1980, with Circle 4 as hostesses. "In The Image of God", the current theme of Redstone Presbyterial, was expored by the speaker, Mrs. Pat (Edward) Young from Union Presbyterian Church. Her message was especially appropriate and inspirational for the Lenten season. Emma Dunmire, president, conducted the business meeting. Fifty dollars was given to the One Great Hour of Sharing. Decisions were made regarding the placement of the door placques in the upper corridor of Fellowship Hall. Eleanor Zerbin reported on the accomplishments so far of the new Special Dinner Committee. The following announcement pertains to the work of said committee.

The Women's Association has adopted an inclusive policy relating to the serving of a meal -- if requested -- to the family and friends on the occasion of a death in the church membership, or in the immediate family of a member. This meal would be served in Fellowship Hall at a time designated by the family. The request may be made known through the Pastor (Rev. Roy S. Brice - 327-5563), the President of the Women's Association (Mrs. James W. Dunmire - 327-1375) or the Vice-president (Mrs. W. Blair Kiebler - 727-7176). Up to this point, the circles in the Women's Association have extended this service to their own members, and it has been deeply appreciated. This area of Christian service has now been widened to include the entire congregation.

The congregation is invited to attend the Wedding of Miss Cynthia Lynn Bowman to James Robert McQuaide in the Sanctuary on Saturday, March 29th at 7:30 P. M.

The following babies were baptized on Sunday, January 27, 1980: Shilo Breanne Hartman (born October 16, 1979) at Magee Womens Hospital, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania daughter of Jeffery David Hartman and Amy Beth (Ross) Hartman; Stephanie Merle Riggle (born September 21, 1979) at Allegheny Valley Hospital, Natrona Heights, Pennsylvania daughter of David Edward Riggle and Carole Lynn (Fitzsimmons) Riggle; and Brea Lynn Weyel (born November 25, 1979), at Citizens General Hospital, New Kensington, Pennsylvania daughter of William Russell Weyel, Jr. and Barbara Arlene (Painter) Weyel.

Our sympathy is extended to the family and friends of the following members who have died since the last Ranger was issued:

Mr. Joseph R. Silvis on January 26, 1980. Mr. Silvis united with Poke Run Church on March 29, 1953 and was ordained a ruling elder on January 3, 1954. He also was the church grounds caretaker.

Mrs. Edna Mae McQuaide (Mrs. Clarence E.) on January 21, 1980. Mrs. McQuaide united with Poke Run Church on March 26, 1948.

Mrs. Mary Pearl Hartman (Mrs. Lester C.) on March 1, 1980. Mrs. Hartman united with Poke Run Church on October 25, 1925 and was a Sunday School teacher in the Primary Department for many years.

Our sympathy goes out also to families and friends of these related to church members:

Mrs. Esther M. Buzzard of Brackenridge, Pa., sister of John Gearhard, who died on December 31, 1979 in Natrona Heights.

Mr. Norman Kepner, husband of Florence McKown Kepner, who died on January 22, 1980, in Muncie, Indiana. Interment took place in Poke Run Cemetery on January 26, 1980, with Rev. Roy S. Brice officiating.

Miss Edna Blanche Christy, sister of Mrs. Dora Speer, Mrs. Vera Thomas and Mr. Reed Christy, on January 31, 1980, in Murrysville, Pa. Rev. Roy S. Brice officiated at her services on February 2, 1980, with interment at Poke Run.

Mrs. Mabel (Ralston) McCullough (Mrs. Charles) on March 21, 1980, is a sister of John Ralston. Interment was in Poke Run Cemetery.

By Session Action a Special Ecclesiastical Meeting of the Congregation was called for immediately following the 11 A. M. Worship Service on Sunday, March 9, 1980, for the purpose of electing someone to serve on the Session, during the unexpired term presently existing due to the death of Ruling Elder Joseph R. Silvis. At this meeting, Mrs. Helen Silvis, was duly elected to take her husband's place. Mrs. Silvis was ordained and installed at the 11:00 A. M. Worship Service on Sunday, March 16, 1980.

Mr. Glenn T. Ross has been elected by the Session as Interim Benevolence Treasurer, a position held by Mr. Silvis. Mrs. C. McKee Speer has been elected to serve as Treasurer of the \$60,000.00 Additional Funds for Spiritual Renewal and Mission Advance Program.

Babies born into the Poke Run Church family since the beginning of 1980 are: To Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey L. Iams (Carol Dunmire) of R. D. 1, Apollo, Pa., a son Joshua Jeffrey, on January 16, 1980 in Citizens General Hospital, New Kensington, Pa. To Mr. and Mrs. Glenn R. Rairigh (Nancy Ferguson) of R. D. 5, Apollo, Pa., twins - a son, Scott Allen, and a daughter, Mary Elizabeth, on January 17, 1980, in Allegheny Valley Hospital, Natrona Heights, Pa. Carl Ferguson is the maternal grandfather. To Mr. and Mrs. William Koch (Bonnie Leith) of Delmont, a son, Brian Matthew, on February 13, 1980, in Westmoreland Hospital, Greensburg, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. William Leith are the maternal grandparents.

Roses have been placed on the Communion Table for each of these 1980 babies and later presented to the mother. It is hoped the congregation will cooperate in notifying the Flower Committee chairman (Mrs. Robert Pfeffer - 327-4047 or Mrs. Roy Christy, 727-3280) in the event of the birth of a baby to a congregation member.

Also, to Mr. and Mrs. Gerald L. Croff (Carol Gearhard) of Florida a son Joseph Leonard, on March 7, 1980 in Bay Memorial Hospital, Panama City, Florida. Mr. and Mrs. John Gearhard are the maternal grandparents.

Congratulations to all the new parents and grandparents of the above -- and also to Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Fitzsimmons (Debbie Miller) of Russell, Pa., to whom was born a daughter, Crystal Grace, on January 31, 1980, in the Warrren General Hospital. Carl and Eleanor Fitzsimmons are the paternal grandparents and Mrs. Edna Gill, the great-grandmother.

Mr. Wesley Caldwell Gill transferred to the Pine Run Evangelical and Reformed Church of R. D. 4, Apollo, Pa. Mrs. Eleanor Bowman transferred to the First Presbyterian Church of Youngwood, Pa.

Uniting with the church by profession of faith was Miss Kelly Maureen Scott on January 13, 1980. At this same time her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Henry Scott united by certificate of dismissal and recommendation from the Holiday Park United Methodist Church of Pittsburgh, Pa.

The past winter saw many Poke Run members on the move. Mrs. Irene Long and son Pat spent the Christmas holidays with Jim Long and family in Pittsfield, Massachusetts. The following have been in Florida for most of the Season: the Boyd Speers in Clearwater recently returned from a Caribbean Cruise on The Happy Ship, Boheme. They visited Dominican Republic, Virgin Islands, Puerto Rico and Haiti. With them on the Cruise were thirty friends who live in their general area. Everyone enjoyed an abundance of delicious food and happy fellowship. The Harlan Walkers in Zephyr Hills, Mrs. Helen Walker in Miami, Mrs. Alice Herren in St. Petersburg and Mrs. Kathryn Lynch in Fort Pierce. Mrs. Dorothy Elwood is presently visiting her daughter Jane and family, the Howard Lynch's, in Fort Pierce. Mrs. Ruth Kistler is back home after spending some time with son Dean and family in Mexico City and with her sister-in-law, Mrs. Edith Campbell in Clearwater. Robert and Mabel Kiebler had a three week vacation in Florida, stopping to visit their daughter Becky and family, the Charles Richardsons in Lynchburg, Virginia. Gerald and Pat Christy also went south for two weeks. Dave and Janet Thomas visited in Florida and Georgia. The Jack Blairs enjoyed a March vacation in Hawaii.

Peg and Harold Troup of Minneapolis, Minnesota, were recent guests of the Joseph Bowmans.

Mark Lavrich, son of Frank and Evelyn Lavrich, is home on leave from the Air Force until March 26, when he will leave for Anchorage, Alaska, where he will be stationed.

Jeffery and Amy Hartman and infant daughter Shilo will be moving the end of May to Three Springs, PA, where they have bought a home. Jeffery will graduate in May from the University of Pittsburgh School of Dentistry and will assume active duty in the Uniformed Corp as a Public Health Service dentist for two years. He will work in the Clinic at Orbisonia, PA, which services several communities in the surrounding area. Our very best wishes go with them.

The following members have been in hospitals recently: Richard Menk in the Abington Hospital, Philadelphia, Pa., William Knepshield, Harry McDivitt and Hazel Gill in Allegheny Valley Hospital, Natrona Heights, Pa., Stella Elwood in both Allegheny Valley and West Penn Hospital, Pittsburgh, Pa., Robert E. Kiebler also in West Penn Hospital; Florence Walker and Judith Fink in Westmoreland Hospital, Greensburg, Pa., Carl Schutzler and Beverly Matteo in Citizens General, New Kensington, Pa., Richard Kistler and LoDema Bowman in East Suburban Medical Center, Monroeville, Pa.; and Elaine Scutzler Dinsel in Monongahela Valley Hospital in Charleroi, Pa.

David Randolph, husband of Mildred Randolph was in Citizens General Hospital, New Kensington, Pa. and is now convalescing at Georgian Manor Nursing Home of Brackenridge, Pa.

Mrs. Florence Clawson Wishes to thank her Poke Run friends who called, sent cards and gifts, and offered prayers during her recent illness. She extends a special thanks to her Sunday School class, the Adult Academy Sunday School class, the Deacons, the Womens Association, and to Rev. Brice for his calls.

Mrs. Stella Elwood wishes to thank all her Poke Run friends for their concern during her recent illness. Their prayers, cards, visits, gifts of food and flowers - and Rev. Brice's calls and prayers were deeply appreciated.

The family of Miss Blanche Christy wish to express their thanks to the congregation and friends for cards, and all other expressions of sympathy at the time of her death.

A thank you to the congregation, friends of the community and all others for the many expressions of sympathy to the family of Mrs. Mary Pearl Hartman. A special thanks to Rev. Brice for thoughts, prayers and help during her long illness.

Mrs. Mary Hostetler from the Board of Deacons requests assistance from the congregation for material to include in the Deacon's Book. This might include newspaper items, letters, pictures, etc. or anything that would relate to, or be of interest to, Poke Run Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Clair H. Brewer celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on March 1, 1980. Congratulations!

A Lenten Covered Dish Dinner was held in Fellowship Hall on Saturday, March 22nd for 1st and 2nd Grade Sunday School members and families and an open invitation to the congregation. Forty-two attended and an enjoyable dinner was shared by all who attended. Janice Troup, assisted by Becky Lange and Carol Bowman, were teachers in charge.

The Poke Run community is cordially invited to hear "A Barbecue for Ben", a musical version of The Prodigal Son, on Friday, evening, April 11, 1980, at 8 P. M. in the church sanctuary. It will be presented by the Youth Choir of the Apollo United Presbyterian Church with Marian Constanza directing. Circle 3 of the Womens Association is sponsoring this presentation.

Mrs. Leonard C. Hartman, assumed the position of office manager in January, with Mrs. Robert Matteo and Mrs. John Striner as clerical assistants. The office work and printing of the bulletin is now being done on Thursday of each week. All bulletin announcements must be given to Mrs. Hartman (telephone 327-5443) by Tuesday evening or at the latest Wednesday morning. Mrs. Hartman hopes everyone will be understanding about this arrangement as she continues to take announcements along with any member of her family who happens to answer the telephone. On a trial basis, at the present time, copy work is being done for members of the congregation on the new copy machine, provided they have called Mrs. Hartman in advance to have this work done on Thursday mornings at the office either by herself or one of the clerical assistants. To offset the expense of copy paper and the machine supplies, donations may be made to the Current Fund and designated for copy work performed.

Easter lilies will be \$4.50 for a 4-5 bloom plant. To order call Mrs. Robert Pfeffer (327-4047) or Mrs. Roy Christy (727-3280). The deadline for ordering is Monday, March 31st.

<p><u>Youth</u> who are interested in attending Church Camp at Pine Springs should contact Mrs. Joseph R. Silvis, Church School Superintendent.</p> <p>-----</p> <p><u>Frontice Drgwing</u> -- of "The Ranger" by Mrs. Donald P. Lengauer.</p> <p><u>Narrative</u> -- of "The Ranger" by Mrs. W. Blair Kiebler.</p>	<p>: Plans are being projected for <u>Vacation Bible School</u>.</p> <p>: "<u>The Ranger</u>" -- Do you know of something which should be included in the next issue? Have you noticed errors or omissions in this issue? If so, please contact the Church Office relative to such information, or deposit the information in the box on the table in the Narthex.</p>
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Auxiliary Meeting Open House and Spring Shower on the one day Sunday, April 27th from 2 to 5 P. M. at the Redstone Presbyterian Home at Johnstown, 737 Goucher Street. Suggested shower gifts: paper products: napkins (dinner size) regular and for holidays and special occasions; facial tissues and bathroom tissue (white); paper towels, waxpaper, aluminum foil, freezer paper, baggies (large size), paper and styrofoam cups (6 oz. size); lanudry and cleaning supplies; spic & span, fantastik, s.o.s., cleanser, clorex 2, and bounce. Cash -- money is always needed and appreciated. (Your gift is tax-deductible). Won't you care and share? Every item you contribute will help the home. A table will be in the Narthex for you to place your gift.

"LORD, TEACH US TO PRAY"

The 1st and 2nd grades have been learning The Lord's Prayer. When a member of the class feels ready that member recites the Lord's Prayer to the class. For the excellent effort the member receives a bookmarker for The Bible. The following have received their rewards for reciting The Lord's Prayer.

- Scott Bowman
- Melinda Heinlein
- Brenda Staymates
- Amy Bazella
- Jamie Lanfrankie

Report on The SPIRITUAL RENEWAL and MISSION ADVANCE PROGRAM

In 1979 Poke Run Church initiated a major fund campaign to raise money for "The Lord's Inn", Major Mission, and our Local Fund to be used in relation to the program and property needs. The campaign was planned to extend over a three-year period (1979 - 1980 - 1981). A brief review of the three:

- A. "The Lord's Inn" - a 127-bed home for the elderly of the Redstone Presbytery located just north of Greensburg, Pa.
- B. The Major Mission Fund of The United Presbyterian Church in The United States of America
  - 1. To sustain and expand our ministries through congregations
  - 2. To sustain and expand our ministries through evangelism
  - 3. To sustain and expand our ministries through education
  - 4. To sustain and expand our ministries with people of special need
  - 5. To sustain and expand our ministries with people who serve
- C. For the Local Fund to be used in relation to the program and property needs of Poke Run Presbyterian Church--specifically towards such realizations as:
  - 1. New organ
  - 2. Academy restoration, insulation, and development for maximum utilization
  - 3. Library expansion and improvement of facilities
  - 4. Light and energy controls for windows
  - 5. Transept construction and renovation beneath sanctuary--the total project to improve ventilation, provide ramp-style easement of entry and exit, and enhance topography and grounds adjacent to the buildings
  - 6. Enlargement of Capital Reserve Fund
  - 7. Other needs to be specified by the subscriber

The goal of the total program is \$60,000 with one third, or \$20,000, for "The Lord's Inn;" one third, or \$20,000, for Major Mission; and with one third or \$20,000, for the Local Fund.

The amount paid by the close of 1979 follows:

A. <u>"The Lord's Inn"</u> . . . . .	\$2,252.63
B. <u>The Major Mission Fund</u> . . . . .	2,431.54
C. <u>Local Fund program and property needs</u> . . . . .	6,933.47

Included in the Local Fund program and property needs are memorials totaling \$1,318.00.

The needs of these programs are a vital part of your total church. Your prayers and financial support are essential.

If you would like more information about the various programs, contact Wendell Bossart or Ruth Speer. Anyone who would like to make a subscription can obtain the form at the church office.

Closing thought; "Only one life; 'twill soon be past.  
Only what's done for Christ will last."

Scriptures to review as you think about the Lord's work: Matthew 22;37-39; Philippians 4:9; Luke 6:38; Ecclesiastes 11:1; Mark 11:24.

by Wendell Bossart, Coordinator

## LIBRARY CONTINUES GROWTH

These memorial contributions have come to the library in recent months:

<u>In memory of</u>	<u>Donor</u>
EDNA BLANCHE CHRISTY	Mrs. Elbert Homer Elbert Homer, Jr. John Homer
ALBERT LEROY RUBRIGHT	Mrs. Elizabeth Turney
Mrs. EDNA MAE McQUAIDE	Mr. and Mrs. Wendell B. Bossart
LORETTA RUBRIGHT	Ruth Gebrosky
Mrs. BERNICE WIESTER	Mr. and Mrs. Wendell B. Bossart
Mrs. SAMUEL HOSTETLER (mother of Mr. Alvie S. Hostetler)	Mr. and Mrs. Alvie S. Hostetler
Mrs. SUSIE J. ZIMMERMAN (grandmother of Bonnie Thompson)	Officers of Forbes Chapter #524 OES
WILBUR JAMES BOWMAN	Rugh Circle

Other monetary memorials have been given for ALBERT LEROY RUBRIGHT, Mrs. MARY M. WALKER, Mrs. ANNA M. KENNEDY (mother of Mrs. Dorothy Dietrich), ALBERT CLAIR BOWMAN, WILBUR JAMES BOWMAN, EDNA BLANCHE CHRISTY, F. PAUL KIEBLER, CLIFFORD EUGENE BREWER, Mrs. HELEN L. FERGUSON, and CARL T. WALLENBAUGH.

These money gifts have enabled the librarian to place a number of orders for new materials. Among the most recent acquisitions is James Herriot's Yorkshire, the fourth book in our collection by the beloved veterinarian who also wrote All Creatures Great and Small, All Things Bright and Beautiful, and All Things Wise and Wonderful. Another procurement is Francis A. Schaeffer's Whatever Happened to the Human Race? which exposes our rapid loss of human rights. The library also has Schaeffer's earlier work, How Should We Then Live?

The following volumes have been given to the library:

<u>Title</u>	<u>Donor</u>
<u>Holy Holy Land</u> , a devotional anthology	LoDema Bowman
<u>Know Why You Believe</u> , by Paul E. Little	Mrs. Jack Blair
<u>The Holy Bible</u> (large print reference edition)	Youth Fellowship
<u>Special People</u> , by Julie N. Eisenhower	Mrs. Timothy Troup
<u>The Good Provider--H. J. Heinz and His 57 Varieties</u>	Mrs. Timothy Troup
<u>Danny and the Dinosaur</u> , by Syd Hoff	Jamie Lanfrankie
<u>The Fun Encyclopedia</u> , by E. O. Harbin	Mrs. Alvie S. Hostetler

Many more children's books are needed. The library accepts gifts of wholesome, Christian literature, new or in good condition. Perhaps your children have some good books that they no longer need and that other children would enjoy. If so, would you please consider donating them to the church library.

All gifts are recorded in the library's Remembrance Book.





SPRING . . . . . 1980

"My beloved speaks and says to me: 'Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away; for lo, the winter is past, the rain is over and gone. The flowers appear on the earth, the time of singing has come, and the voice of the turtledove is heard in the land.'" Song of Solomon 2:10-12

"While the earth remaineth, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease." Genesis 8:22

"And God said, 'This is the token of the covenant which I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for perpetual generations: I do set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be for a token of a covenant between me and the earth.'" Genesis 9:12-13

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To The

SEASONAL SERVICES and ACTIVITIES

Of

POKE RUN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

R. D. 1, Apollo, Pa.  
(Telephone 327-5563)



Sunday Schedule -- (Unless otherwise indicated)

- 10:00 A.M. -- Church School
- 11:00 A.M. -- Divine Worship
- 7:00 P.M. -- Youth Fellowship

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ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING OFFERING -- To be received on Palm Sunday, March 30th. (Contributions for this good ministry of compassion may be made at any time during the Easter Season.)

\$10 will purchase 1120 pounds of food for hungry people. \$25 will provide blankets for 6 families whose homes have been flooded. \$45 will pay for maternal health care for one year for three mothers and their newborn babies. \$50 will plant 142 seedlings on barren, eroding land. \$75 will immunize 188 children against tetanus. \$170 will send one treadle sewing machine to a job training center to help a young person become a tailor or seamstress.

Palm Sunday, March 30th:

11:00 A. M. Sermon Subject -- "Preparations For Peace"

7:30 P. M. Sermon Subject -- "The Shield of Faith"

(The Session will meet at the close of the 7:30 P. M. Service, at which time those uniting with the Church are to meet with the Session. Persons wishing to unite with the Church and parents with children to be Baptized should contact the Pastor, if they have not already done so.)

COMMUNION SERVICE

8:00 P. M.

Maundy Thursday . . . . . April 3rd

Communion Meditation -- "Unveiled Within The Shadows"

Good Friday Service . . . . . April 4th

8:00 P. M.

Sermon subject -- "On A Hill Not Far Away"



YOUTH EVENTS -- April 5th, Saturday --

CAR WASH, BAKE SALE and EASTER EGG HUNT -- 10 A. M. to 3 P. M. , with the EASTER EGG HUNT to begin at 1:30 P. M.

SUNRISE SERVICE -- 6:00 A. M. on

Easter Sunday, April 6th (followed by Breakfast in Fellowship Hall.) Our Youth Fellowship is sponsoring the above events. Please join them.

EVERYONE WELCOME!



Schedule for Easter Sunday, April 6th:

6:00 A. M. The Sunrise Service, followed by breakfast in Fellowship Hall.

All are welcome! Sermon subject -- "Blessed Assurance"

10:00 A. M. -- Church School, with classes for all age groups -- a good time to begin regular attendance

11:00 A. M. -- Easter Service, with seasonal music and public reception of new members.

Sermon subject -- "His Excellent Word"

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BAPTIZED CHILDREN AT HOLY COMMUNION

A recent change in the Book of Order of our denomination presents us with a unique opportunity to work together in helping our children understand and benefit from Holy Communion. For quite a few years our Book of Order has allowed for the possibility of a Session to "permit" parents to have their baptized children take communion. Under this policy some Presbyterian Church Sessions voted to use this 'power to permit' others did not. As a result an uneven practice developed across our Church. At our most recent General Assembly an overture was adopted which now standardizes this practice for all United Presbyterian Churches.

The Directory of Worship, Chapter VI, Section 4 of the Book of Order now reads:--

"An invitation to partake shall be extended to all who confess their faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior and shall include baptized children who are being nurtured and instructed, so that they will participate with an understanding of the significance of the invitation to the Lord's Table and their response in faith thereto."

This change recognizes parents as indispensible to the nurture of a child, and points up the importance of Sessions and Congregations in the total instructional program of the Church. All are to bear in mind that the "invitation" to communion applies only to baptized children. Questions relating to this subject should be directed to the Pastor:

Rev. Roy S. Brice  
R.D. 1, Box 221, Apollo, Pennsylvania 15613  
Telephone 327-5563

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THE HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE  
(After Easter)

Sunday, April 13th ..... 11:00 A. M.

Please remind others.

Communion Meditation ..... "Mysteries and Marvels of Life Force"

Upon request, arrangements will be worked out to take the Sacrament to the sick and to others unable to be present at the Communion Service because of age and infirmity.

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THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Sunday, April 20th ..... 11:00 A. M.

Sermon subject . . . . "Ambassadors In Chains"

Parents with children to be Baptized are requested to please contact the Pastor if they have not already done so.

The Risen Christ said: "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age."

\_\_\_\_\_ Matthew 28:18b-20

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The Directory of Worship, Chapter VI, Section 4 of the Book of Order now reads:--  
"An invitation to partake shall be extended to all who confess their faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior and also include parents of children who are being baptized and instructed in the faith. Participation in Holy Communion is the privilege of the baptized and is to be withheld from those who are not baptized in this way."

This change recognizes parents as individuals in the nurture of a child, and points up the importance of sessions and congregations in the local instruction program of the Church. All are to part in what the "invitation" to communion applies only to baptized children. Questions relating to this subject should be directed to the pastor:  
Rev. Roy H. Nelson  
R.D. #1, Box 221, Apollo, Pennsylvania 15011  
Telephone 377-2581

THE HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE  
(After Easter)

Sunday, April 17th ..... 11:00 A.M.

Please remind others.

Communion Meditation ..... "Mysteries and Miracles of Life Force"  
Upon request, arrangements will be worked out to take the sacrament to the sick and to others unable to be present at the Communion Service because of age and infirmity.

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THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Sunday, April 17th ..... 11:00 A.M.

**U. S. POSTAGE**  
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**15613**

Sermon subject: "Ambassadors in Christ"

Parents with children to be baptized are requested to please contact the pastor if they have not already done so.  
The Rites of Christ said: "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age."  
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