

Mt. Pisgah Presbyterian Church

The View

JUNE 2026

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2 TIMOTHY 1:9

Purpose: To inform, encourage, and promote engagement in Mt. Pisgah's mission in the community, and opportunities for spiritual transformation. To invite reflection on the process of personal spiritual growth. To emphasize the bond that holds us together, and avoid magnifying the differences that separate us.

Worship Service 9:45 am (see back cover for location)



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³³ *"I've told you all this so that trusting me, you will be unshakable and assured, deeply at peace. In this godless world you will continue to experience difficulties. But take heart! I've conquered the world."*
John 16:33 (MSG)

Take a moment right now to close your eyes and sit with these words of Jesus. Let them sink deep down into your soul. Take a couple of deep, slow breaths and notice the Holy Spirit's presence with each breath. These words of Jesus have resounded over millennia and taken root in successive generations of disciples. Jesus' words are as true and timely as the moment he first uttered them on the eve of his death.

You may find these words comforting as we continue to discern our future as the little outpost of the Kingdom that goes by the name of Mt. Pisgah Church. A brief

update is in order, to keep you informed and help you to pray effectively.

The Session has chosen to sign a six-month lease for use of our space. We have determined that we will not be able to financially sustain a longer commitment to this space. The renewed lease will run from November 1 through the end of April 2027. This will give us sufficient time to make proper arrangements for the disposal of furniture and equipment and come to a final decision about the future.

Over the span of that time, we will prepare to make a transition to one of two options. Option one is sharing space with another worshipping community, as we did with Unity Church during the interim period after we left the building on Warriors Road. Option two is dissolution with thanks to God for his faithfulness through the years. Option two may include some of the congregation identifying a worshipping community that together they will call home. It would also include some remaining assets that they would take with them. Decisions about assets left at the time of dissolution will be made by the congregation as a whole, prior to dissolution.

The Session appreciates your ongoing prayerfulness as it weighs these two options and seeks to discern the Lord's leading. The weight of these matters is lightened when we remember the words of Jesus above. We worship and trust the Lord Jesus who has conquered! In him, we too stand victorious, no matter what the future holds.

Peace...Tom



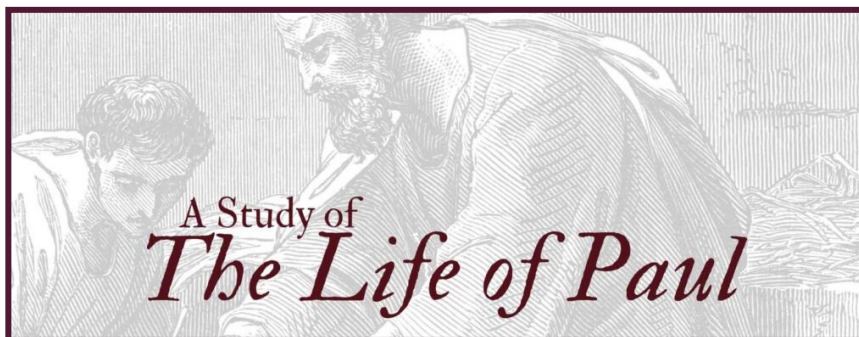
I have told you all this so that you may find your peace in Me.

You will find trouble in the world - but, never lose heart,

I HAVE CONQUERED THE WORLD!

John 16:33

From the Worship, Learning and Prayer Team:



Please join us after worship on the first and third Sundays of each month as we continue to study Paul – his life, his teaching, and his example.

It would be our blessing to fellowship around tables with you for this most wonderful study of the Apostle Paul!

June worship services will be
based on the following:

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| 6/7 | 2 Corinthians 4:7, 5:10 | An Advance on the Future |
| 6/14 | 1 Corinthians 12 | Gifts, Graces, and the
Renewed Image |
| 6/21 | Tom away / no class | |
| 6/28 | Tom away | |



Prayer Corner

to stand every
morning to thank and
praise the Lord, and
likewise at evening;

1 Chronicles 23:30

This verse speaks to the importance of having *regular* conversation with God as we seek to deepen our relationship with Him. I recently heard a DJ on Christian radio ask listeners to consider how much time they spend on their phones each day compared to time spent with the Lord. He suggested that, for many of us, the amount of screen time logged in one day may exceed our prayer time in an entire week!

When King David provided these instructions for the Levites, he was ensuring that prayer would be an integral part of daily life for the Israelites. It was an *intentional* act to be woven into the fabric of everyday living. This rhythm of worship still serves as a model for us today.

"To stand every morning . . . and likewise at evening" demonstrates faithfulness - a commitment to spending time with the Lord each and every day. If you struggle with finding time for regular devotion, try setting aside 5 minutes in the morning and 5 minutes in the evening to start. Think of something else you do consistently each day and use that activity as a reminder prompt. For example, you might pray as you enjoy your morning cup of coffee and after you brush your teeth at night. Try it for a week and see what happens.

Consistency also means staying in touch through the ups and downs of life. Even in difficult circumstances, we can choose to praise God for His faithfulness and remember His many blessings. Beginning and ending the day with prayer sets a foundation for our walk with the Lord and helps us grow in faith as we navigate the daily challenges of life.

Blessings,
Cindy

Prayer Corner Team: Cindy Grindel,
Luann Walton & Marta Pletz

June Breath Prayer

Breathe In: Lord, I will praise you in the morning

Breathe Out: and thank You in the evening; for
You are good.

Afterschool News



The Afterschool Program will end the school year on June 5th with a “Kick Off the Summer Vacation” party.

With the conclusion of the school year, the Session regrettably voted at its May meeting to end the Afterschool program moving forward.

While the program has benefited the students, the enrollment has recently declined and we could not guarantee a complete year for the 2026-2027 school year; this being due to our lease ending in April, 2027.

We are most grateful to JaCinda Rice and Georgia Feild for their dedication to the students and will recognize them in worship on Sunday, July 19th. Please plan to attend worship that day as we celebrate their ministry.

We are also grateful to Carla Bianco and the Hearts on Fire ministry who initiated and supported the program throughout.

For the Community Care Team,
Marta Pletz

PARENTS AND CHILDREN



Match each Bible child with his or her mother.

1. DINAH
A. Rachel B. Leah C. Sarah
2. SOLOMON
A. Bathsheba B. Elizabeth C. Delilah
3. MIRIAM
A. Rachel B. Joanna C. Jochebed
4. OBED
A. Esther B. Ruth C. Naomi
5. SETH
A. Eve B. Sarah C. Rebekah
6. SAMUEL
A. Mary B. Hannah C. Ruth
7. TIMOTHY
A. Lois B. Eunice C. Dorcas
8. JAMES
A. Sarah B. Joanna C. Mary
9. JESUS
A. Mary B. Sarah C. Rebekah

Solution can be found on page 13



On May 19, DayTimers visited The Pittsburgh Botanic Garden. The latest installation, Scraposaurs, transforms old scraps of steel into prehistoric creatures. Enjoy these pictures from their visit!



Scraposaurs



Memory Verse

"He has saved us and called us to a holy life—not because of anything we have done but because of his own purpose and grace. This grace was given us in Christ Jesus before the beginning of time."

2 Timothy 1:9

The Apostle Paul wrote this from a Roman prison to encourage his younger colleague, Timothy, who he is mentoring in the faith.

Source of Salvation: The verse explicitly states that salvation and our "holy calling" are not based on our works or anything we have done.

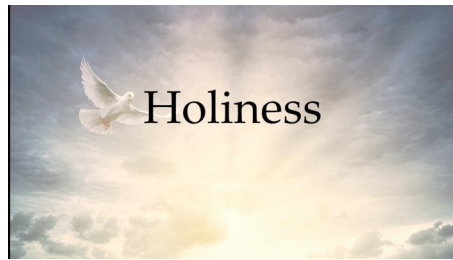
God's Sovereignty: The plan for this grace was established "before the beginning of time" (or "before the world began"), highlighting God's eternal purpose.

Holy Calling: Believers are called to live a "consecrated" or "set apart" life of purpose.

Grace through Christ: This divine favor is specifically granted through **Jesus Christ**.

Through Paul’s teaching, Timothy will be prepared to receive the “baton of faith” as a runner receives the baton in a relay. He will then “pass it on” to other faithful people. This is known as “ministry of multiplication” — truth transferred from one faithful individual to another.

“There is to be no hoarding of divine revelation.”
(Swindoll)



Submitted by Marta Pletz for the
Worship, Prayer and Learning Team



Solution to Parents and Children Puzzle:

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| 1. B | 4. B | 7. B |
| 2. A | 5. A | 8. C |
| 3. C | 6. B | 9. A |

PRAYER FOCUS FOR JUNE

Dear family and friends of Mt. Pisgah . . .

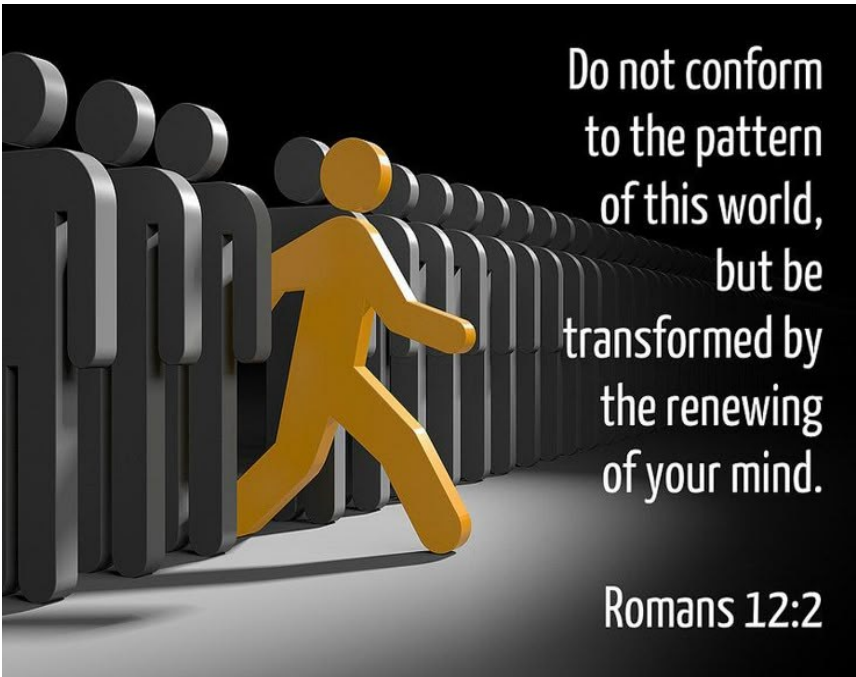
In addition to your own prayers of thanksgiving and petitions to our most capable Father in Heaven, creator and master of all things seen and unseen, all praise and glory be to Him who reigns victorious now and throughout eternity – “O, what a Savior!”

Prayer Focus for June:

**Righteous Lord, help us to discover
a faith like Abraham.**

Hope to see you in worship Sunday morning, 9:45 am.
Submitted by the Worship, Learning and Prayer Team.






Do not conform
to the pattern
of this world,
but be
transformed by
the renewing
of your mind.

Romans 12:2

The Worship team will offer a 6-week video discussion series titled, "Tame Your Thoughts" beginning Sunday, June 14, from 3:30 - 4:30 PM. This series, created by Max Lucado, will explore biblically-based tools for managing worry, self-criticism and other negative thought patterns. Participation is open to the community, so please feel free to invite anyone you think might be interested.

For further information, please contact
Cindy Grindel or Luann Walton.



Father,
I've tried it my own
way--now I want Your
way. Here's my life. Bring
my heart into alignment with
Your perfect plan and help
me trust Your goodness
in every decision.
In Jesus' name,
Amen.

This prayer will appear at the end of the BUZZ each week.

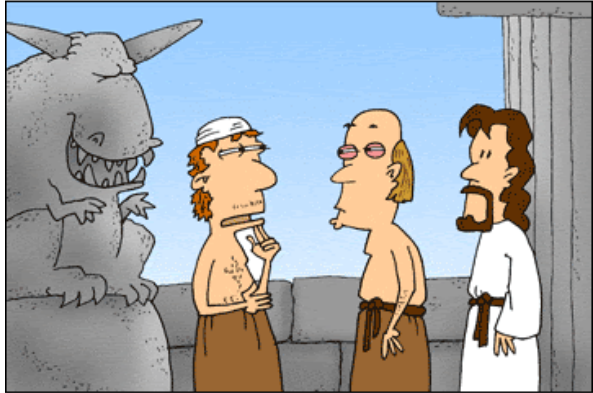
~Submitted by Kim Cook for the Prayer Team



**Please email July VIEW articles
to 37.s.devey@gmail.com
by June 19.
Thank you!**

On the Lighter Side . . .

Submitted by
Sharon Devey



(See Acts 17:16-34)

10-21-2005

HMM ... YOUR GOD SOUNDS PRETTY GOOD,
BUT I'D REALLY LIKE TO SEE A REALLY
SCARY STATUE OF HIM BEFORE I COMMIT

Come to mention it.. I was blinded, beaten,
shipwrecked, snake-bit, jailed,
but I was **TOO BUSY SERVING**
to notice.



THE APOSTLE PAUL.. too wrapped up in his
love of God to notice adversity. **Acts 9-28.**
2 Cor 11:16-31 (I PRAY THIS BE TRUE OF ME)

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OUR CONGREGATION CONNECTS . . .

1 Thessalonians 5:16 “Rejoice Always!”

**Who will receive a June
birthday wish from **you**?**



1st ... Dana Yevak
8th ... Wendy de Vries
12th ... Barbara Dawson
12th ... Sarah Hudnell
14th ... Darin Carlini
16th ... Amelia Folkmire
21st ... Brian Kanai
23rd ... Jeff Hardman
26th ... Brad Slopey
29th ... Ed Porter

Bless this your child, Lord, in the year to come. May they know the comfort of your presence, the certainty of your purpose, and the consolation of your love at work in their life.

**“Let each of us please his neighbor for his good,
to build him or her up.” Romans 15:2**



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

Mark your calendar . . .

- 7th Adult Class following worship
- 14th Tame Your Thoughts, 3:30 - 4:30 pm *(see page 15)*
- 15th Session Meeting, 4:00 pm
- 19th July VIEW articles due *(see page 16)*
- 21st Father's Day
- 21st No Adult Class (Tom away)
- 28th Worship, Learning & Prayer Team Meeting following worship
- 28th SCRIP Order Placed

Weekly

Wednesday, Prayer Group online 5:30 pm

Wednesday & Friday, Afterschool Program, 4:10 - 6:00 pm
(last day June 5)

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