

CORNERSTONE

Pewee Valley Presbyterian Church

Summer
2023

A SEASON OF LIGHT

The Arrival and Engagement of the Holy Spirit!

From the Desk of
Reverend Joel Weible



Whether you have been here every Sunday since Advent when the new church year began, or you haven't been here on the campus of your beloved church – Pewee Valley Presbyterian – for far too long (*You know who you are. So do we, and we miss you ☺!*), this summer is the time for **everyone** to get here and have some fun! We “soft launched” the weeks ahead on Pentecost Sunday (May 28th) as ***A Season of Light***. We have named it a “season” because it may last less than or longer than the summer! But it's a time for you, as ***one point of light in the life*** of Pewee Valley Presbyterian Church to shine together with the other points of light that are a part of our beloved community.

Every single one of us wants this congregation to be *vital*. To be vibrant and full of life. We have different ways of understanding what that vitality and vibrancy look like – some of us desiring what “used to be,” some of us hoping to figure out “what is now”, and all of us trying to be faithful to what “can be.” But if any of us want life ***in and for*** this church then all of us need to give life ***to*** this church, this congregation. And we're in luck.

We celebrated the ***arrival*** of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost, the last Sunday of May. And in the months of our summer together we ***engage*** that Spirit – we become the fire, we become the light. So, ***read*** this special Summer edition of our *Cornerstone* newsletter and set aside a few events that you will show up for in the months ahead: *Sunday Coffee Chats / Worship / Patio Fellowship; Wednesday Community Meals; Thursday morning game tables; Sunday Evening Book Group; the Annual Ice Cream Social and Church Picnic, and everything in between!* Your time to shine: ***Let's light it up!*** This summer we not only hope to see ***in*** church, but to ...

See you ***as*** church,

Pastor Joel

With the Holy Spirit, Anything is Possible

2023

JANUARY

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There are seasons to our Christian calendar that we mark in our sanctuary by changing the colors of the paraments that adorn the table and pulpit. Seasons that we recognize with words spoken and special services. These seasons offer a rhythm of life to the practice of our faith that anyone who has attended PVPC for some time now is likely familiar with; but nothing makes explicit these seasons in the same way this liturgical calendar, pictured to your left does.

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While all other aspects of our lives mark the beginning of the calendar year as January 1st, our Christian calendar (or liturgical calendar, as it is formally called) begins (in 2023) on December 3, in purple, with Advent.

MARCH

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In Advent we prepare for the coming of Jesus. Then, in white, we celebrate Christmas and Epiphany before the calendar goes green for roughly two months of “ordinary time”. Then purple again, this time for Lent, as we prepare ourselves for Christ’s death. The calendar goes grey the evening of Maundy Thursday through Holy Saturday, before the calendar returns to white on Easter with Jesus’ resurrection.

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As Christians, we live in this space of resurrection or Eastertide for 50 days until Pentecost, with red marking the day Holy Spirit descends like tongues of fire on the Jesus followers. Then back to green for some more “ordinary time”. This is a simplified explanation of the liturgical calendar, but it covers the basics and makes it clear that we have entered a six-month period of green, called “ordinary time.”

MAY

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“Ordinary time” is a bit of a misnomer because we associate “ordinary” with other words such as typical, usual, and common. But when living in light of Pentecost our life together should be anything but, because “[...] on the Day of Pentecost, we celebrate God’s gift of the Holy Spirit which draws us together as one people, helps us to comprehend what God is doing in the world, and empowers us to proclaim, in word and in deed, God’s plan of reconciling all people in the name of Christ (Eph. 1:10).¹

JUNE

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In receiving the Holy Spirit on Pentecost, Christians take on the Body of Christ in the world, empowered to live as he did, sharing God’s love with all people. Whether you wore red to church on May 28th or not, you have received the same Spirit that descended so long ago, you are part of the body of Christ empowered by this Spirit, and with this Spirit anything is possible.

May we dare to live into the possibilities of the Holy Spirit this summer as a church called to share God’s Love with each other and the word. May the Spirit burn within you, Amen.

Ashia Stoess, Director of Family Ministry and Community Engagement

¹<https://www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/worship/christianyear/pentecost/>



SUMMER 2023 WORSHIP SCHEDULE

*May 28th (Memorial Day Weekend) through
September 3rd (Labor Day Weekend)*

Worship Service remains at 10:30 a.m.

We are excited again this year about the fellowship before and after worship that the “lazy days of summer” provide as we celebrate the love, life, and promise of God this summer.

Your Christian Formation Team Reminds You ...

Beginning on May 28th (Memorial Day weekend), our “regularly scheduled” Sunday School class will take the Summer off to re-group for the Fall. We will be providing nursery and toddler care, of course, beginning at 10:15 a.m.

Be sure to let the CF Team know of any other ideas or needs that arise this summer so that we may continue to meet the needs of our teaching ministries!

SUMMER COFFEE CHATS

Sunday mornings at 10:00 a.m.

With the Sunday school class on summer break, we need something to talk about and someone to talk about it with. Consider coming a bit early to Worship on Sunday morning and joining Pastor Joel in the Gathering Room. You never who else may show up, but you’ll always be glad you did!

SUMMER PATIO FELLOWSHIP

After Worship, on the Patio every Sunday, beginning June 4th

The Congregational Life Team has once again found volunteers to prepare and serve light refreshments and cool drinks on our Patio after worship. We hope that you will spend a few more minutes together with all who have gathered for worship. Thanks to all who have volunteered to prepare and serve this summer!

And now for something completely different, but totally familiar:

GAME TABLES IN THE MORNING!

Thursday mornings from 10:00 – 11:30 in the Parish House

This summer, we'll have Game Tables set up for all ages, every Thursday morning, beginning on June 8th

Scrabble will be one of those games and the only missing letter is “U”. Stop in every week, or whenever you can, on Thursday mornings this summer and flex your “gaming skills” while you spend time sharing life and love. Coffee (14 points) and some sweets (9 points) are always on the menu (6 points). Join us to double and triple our “fun-score”!

COOKOUT



COMMUNITY COOKOUTS

Community Cookouts are just one of the opportunities we will have this summer to share God's Love with each other and the world. Join us outside this summer on the third Wednesday of each month from 6-7:30p to enjoy a meal and time getting to know each other better and getting to know our neighbors.

PVPC SUMMER BOOK CLUB

In the Parish House on Fourth Sundays

6:30p-8:00p

This summer, we are hosting three in-person Book Clubs on our campus:

- June 25th** Together: The Healing Power of Human Connection in a Sometimes Lonely World, by Vivek H. Murthy. *Together's* message is about the importance of human connection, the hidden impact of loneliness on our health, and the social power of community. Led by Pastor Joel Weible
- July 23rd** Church of the Wild: How Nature Invites Us into the Sacred, by Victoria Loorz. *Church of the Wild* is the perfect book for all who feel a little broken by the world right now and yearning to reconnect with something larger. Led by Ashia Stoess
- August 27th** The Gifts of Imperfection: Your Guide to a Wholehearted Life, by Brené Brown. In *The Gifts of Imperfection*, Brown provides guides to a way of engaging with the world from a place of worthiness. Led by Joshua Lenavitt

Enjoy a summer full of reading and an evening full of sharing every month this summer!

Season of Light

Community Cookouts

6:00-7:30p
June 21st
July 19th
August 16th

Book Club in The Parish House

6:30-8:00p
June 25th
July 23th
August 27th

Game Tables in The Parish House

Thursdays
10:00-11:30a
June 8th - August 31st

Coffee Chats in the Gathering Room

Sundays
10:00-10:30am

Patio Fellowship Sundays After Worship

BRING A
FRIEND

Annual Church Picnic

August 6th
After Worship

ALL ARE
WELCOME

**Sharing God's Love,
with each other & the world.**

Pewee Valley Presbyterian Church, 119 Central Avenue, Pewee Valley, KY 40056

MONTREAT 2023

June 11 - June 17

This year Sarah Volk will be attending the Annual Montreat Youth Conference with Ashia and members of Second Presbyterian Church's Youth Group.

This summer's Youth Conference theme is ***"In Joy"*** and all who gather will explore the sources and meaning of authentic joy grounded in the light of God's love and healing power through worship, music, learning, and of course, play!

Please let Sarah and Ashia know that you are praying with them and look forward to hearing about the experiences they will share during this week together.

CAMP BOOKWORM

An Orton-Gillingham Summer Reading Camp

This summer camp is designed to increase reading and writing levels for K-9th grade students. The camp includes reading, writing, handwriting, reading comprehension, syntax, semantics, prefix, suffix and root word instruction.

JUNE 19-30 (Mon.-Fri.)

6:00-9:00p

(held in the church basement)

Hosted by Jill MacNiven, Amy Carey, Paula Malone, and Marge Hodge

Note: Church members and CDC parents receive 50% off the camp price

Pre-register by phone or email:

jillmacniven@gmail.com / 502-612-5095

The Annual PVPC Church Picnic!

Sunday, August 6th

Immediately following our Sunday Worship Service.



We will gather once again on our front lawn for our beloved Church Picnic. The Congregational Life Team will provide the “main dish” and asks all of you to bring a favorite side dish to share. Dessert will be ... **Pie!**

The CL Team will once again host the **Ted Merhoff Memorial Pie Contest**. All who would like to enter, please bring your favorite pie (rules below) and enter the contest. Mark your calendars and we'll see you on August 6th!



TED MERHOFF MEMORIAL PIE CONTEST

We continue to remember our beloved friend and avid pie baker with our Annual Pie Baking Contest in his honor. There are many contributions for which we remember Ted Merhoff at PVPC, and the pie baking contest may not be the most significant one, but it's a good one.

Steps for Entering the Ted Merhoff Pie Contest (aka “Channeling Ted”)

**Note the disclaimers*

1. Be Eager and Enthusiastic: Ted entered every year and required no encouraging. **If you require encouraging, that's OK too.*
2. Know your craft: You don't think Ted was just born knowing how to create the tallest, tastiest most perfect meringue; I'm pretty sure he researched and tested. We are talking about Ted here! **But if you don't have time for that, well there was only one Ted; so not to worry, short cuts are OK for the rest of us.*
3. Plan ahead and arrange your kitchen for efficacy: Once again we are channeling Ted. **If you get up early on Sunday and throw it together, OK. Didn't someone once say something about the best cooks and their messy kitchen?*
4. Bring your pie to the Church kitchen with the biggest, proudest look of ‘I've got this one’ that anyone has seen on Sunday Morning ... before or as soon after church as possible and get it registered a CL Team member. **There is no disclaimer on this one, we can all picture Ted doing this and follow suit.*

Bon Appetit!



June Birthdays

- 9** Benjamin Faul
- 12** Ed Staats
- 14** Sue Toole
- 14** Jack Wood
- 15** Anita Hicks
- 23** Betsy Warren
- 28** Shirley Orr
- 28** Ron Warren

July Birthdays

- 5** Judy Hall
- 9** Bob Payne
- 9** Richard Wayne
- 9** Katie Weible
- 10** Edessa Stoess
- 10** Sarah Volk
- 14** Kathy Haid
- 16** Serayah Fletcher
- 16** Patty Weeks
- 17** Ashia Stoess
- 18** Linda Heleringer
- 23** Jill MacNiven
- 25** Paul Culbertson, III
- 29** Mary Boone
- 29** Mary Ann Warren
- 30** Laura Volk

August Birthdays

- 02** Catherine Meade
- 02** Colton Meade
- 03** Andre Faul
- 05** Billy Meade, Jr.
- 08** Larry Vice
- 11** Jamie Kingsley
- 14** Jane Killion
- 15** Major Wheat
- 17** Mary Sue Armour
- 20** Ralph Hall
- 22** MacKenna Williams
- 24** D.D. Hendrickson
- 31** Sam Weible

June

- 06** Jack & Peggy Wood
- 09** Joel & Katie Weible
- 10** Rock & Debbie Thompson
- 18** Mike & Maria McCarson
- 20** Allen & Peggy Morris
- 29** Kenny & Stephanie Willis



July

- 06** Dan & Laura Fisher
- 12** Alan & Joanie Walser-White
- 22** Regan Moore & Margaret Hill

August Anniversaries

- 15** Mike & Lucy Yelton
- 16** Ron & Carol Warren
- 17** Billy & Amy Meade
- 17** Ed & Barbara Staats
- 29** Jerry & Jan Beaverson

Summer Ushers

JUNE

- 4 Larry Vice, Ron Warren
- 11 Mary Sue Armour, Gary Torrens
- 18 TBD
- 25 LaMont Coverstone, Thom Guilford

JULY

- 2 TBD
- 9 Mary Sue Armour, Gary Torrens
- 16 TBD
- 23 LaMont Coverstone, Thom Guilford
- 30 TBD

AUGUST

- 6 TBD
- 13 Mary Sue Armour, Gary Torrens
- 20 TBD
- 27 LaMont Coverstone, Thom Guilford

SEPTEMBER

- 3 TBD

Summer Patio Refreshments

JUNE

- 4 Rebecca Byford
- 11 Rick Fletcher, Clare Grant
- 18 Linda Heleringer
- 25 Ice Cream Social

JULY

- 2 Rebecca Byford
- 9 Karen Wood
- 16 Connie Vice
- 23 Lynn Stoess
- 30 Holly Clark

AUGUST

- 6 Picnic Sunday
- 13 Stephanie Willis
- 20 LaMont Coverstone, Thom Guilford
- 27 Holly Clark

SEPTEMBER

- 3 Rebecca Byford

June 2023

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18 Coffee Chat, 10:00a Worship, 10:30a Patio Fellowship, 11:30a CL Team/Finance Mtgs	19 Session	20	21 Community Cookout, 6:00p	22 Game Table, 10:00a	23	24
25 Coffee Chat, 10:00a Worship, 10:30a Ice Cream Social, 11:30a CF Team Mtg Book Club, 6:30p	26	27	28	29 Game Table, 10:00a	30	

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August 2023

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13 Coffee Chat, 10:00a Worship, 10:30a Patio Fellowship, 11:30a MSR Team Mtg	14 Session	15	16 Community Cookout, 6:00p	17 Game Table, 10:00a	18	19
20 Coffee Chat, 10:00a Worship, 10:30a Patio Fellowship, 11:30a CL Team & Finance Mtgs	21	22	23	24 Game Table, 10:00a	25	26
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Members:

Mary Boone

Ann Finney

Lee Goss

Ralph & Judy Hall

Sis Sleadd

Wilma Wayne

Alan White

Family and Friends:

Beverly McMakin (Jan Beaverson)

Tim Torrens and Family (Gary & Arlene Torrens)

Jeff Webb (Barbara Webb Staats)

Amy Carey & her family– Joel, Madelyn, Maria

Beanie Cummins (Connie Vice)

David & Shannon DeBeer (Clare & Rick Fletcher)

Alan Shelton (Tommy & Mary Sue Armour)

Patsy Scott (Lynn Wilkinson)

Carol Anne Wilson (Margaret Hill)

David Goodman (D.D. Hendrickson)

Sue Keller (D.D. Hendrickson)

Ursula Brooks (Barbara Staats)

Flo Campbell (Clare Grant)

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Gary Hartman (Tom Deibel)

Tim Age (Marlo Age)

Penny Roggenstein (Julia Hood)

Stan Penn (Karen Wood)

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