



**May 25 through May 31, 2025**



Beloveds,

I will be taking time off from writing a weekly newsletter article over the summer. I will continue to do so once a month, however, I want to open the space to you. I would like to invite you, members of our OUPC community, to share where you have seen God at work in your life recently.

There are 12 newsletter spots available. If you would like to write an article, please do talk with me. The goal would be to have it to Nancy and myself the Tuesday before the newsletter is to go out - this way any edits or adjustments that need made can happen without delay.

Grace & Peace,  
Pastor Kalyn



## Worship

- We gather for worship Sundays at 10am
- 55 in church on May 18
- Children's Sunday School meets during worship following Children's Chat

## Congregational Care

- Women's Association is meeting on Tuesday, June 2 at 6:30
- Pentecost Fellowship Hour is on Sunday, June 8 following worship. Join the community for cake and strawberries.
- **SAVE THE DATE: VBS IS GOING TO BE JUNE 9 - JUNE 13!! See page 6 for details**
- **Mark your calendars for the church picnic on August 17**

## Missions

- Thank you to all the people that helped with Manna on Tuesday evening.

## Operations

Year to date expenses \$74,558  
Year to date collections \$64,040

Property Meeting is on Monday, June 2 at 6:30 pm

The choir ended their season May 18. We are looking for volunteers who would like share their talents with us this summer. Do you like to sing, play an instrument, dance, read a poem? Any other way that you like to praise God. If so, please sign up for a Sunday or two on the sign up sheet located outside the choir room. Any questions, please see Chris Mathias.



- Diane Gennaro–Donna Olexick had a procedure on her bladder on Monday. Prayers that it went well
- Karen Keller–Tom Owczarzek is in the hospital with a growth on his good lung.  
–Jean a camp friend has a growth on the pancreas that was biopsied
- John Martin–Dave Kocher has eye surgery on Tuesday. Prayers for a full recovery
- Prayers for the Wozniak family on the passing of Pat this past week.
- Christina Palmer–A joy that Chandler Dameron graduated from college.



| <u><b>Anniversaries</b></u>      | <u><b>Birthdays</b></u> | <u><b>Birthdays</b></u>  | <u><b>Birthdays</b></u> | <u><b>Birthdays</b></u> |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Ken & Lois Kearns<br>5/3         | Michaela Knox 5/7       | JoAnne Polizotto<br>5/15 | Ed Lawson 5/24          | Mark Mitchell 5/29      |
| Lynn & Ber Smith<br>5/11         | Shelley Summy<br>5/8    | Ray Atwell 5/19          | Nick Hoth 5/27          | Sofia Cronin 5/31       |
| Simon & Megan<br>Hunsberger 5/14 | Jack Nan 5/9            | Kim Hughes 5/20          | Bob Hurni 5/27          | Ava Diccico 5/31        |
| Michael & Linda<br>Duganich 5/15 | Bryan Magee 5/10        | Jeff Barth 5/21          | Victoria Guiney<br>5/28 | Patrick Smith 5/31      |
| Paul & Karin<br>Magee 5/29       | Dolly Kerlin 5/15       | Wendi Rybicki 5/22       | Chris Mathias 5/29      |                         |

## **Highlights from May 13th Stated Session Meeting**

### **Actions by Session:**

- Dismissed and Transferred Keith and Audrey English to the New Bethlehem Presbyterian Church, Aliquippa.
- Approved the wedding of Brian Golightly and Melissa Geier on April 18, 2026 at the church.
- Approved the dedication of baby Grace Hunsberger tentatively scheduled for June 29, 2025.
- Approved the use of the parking lot to Greg and Ivonne Holsinger for their food truck at the Hopewell Community Yard Crawl on July 26, 2025.
- Via email, the Session approved the job descriptions of the Choir Director and the Worship Accompanist.

The Baptism of Wyatt Ray Winkle occurred on Easter Sunday, the 20th of April.

Vacation Bible School is June 9-13.

After the routine business, the rest of the meeting time was spent addressing the discord between Pastor Kalyn, the Session, and the congregation. Rev. Dr. Tom Harmon, Executive Presbyter and Rev. Dr. Becky Kahnt from the Presbytery Mission and Vocation Committee were present to mediate the meeting.

Joe Glatz, Clerk of Session



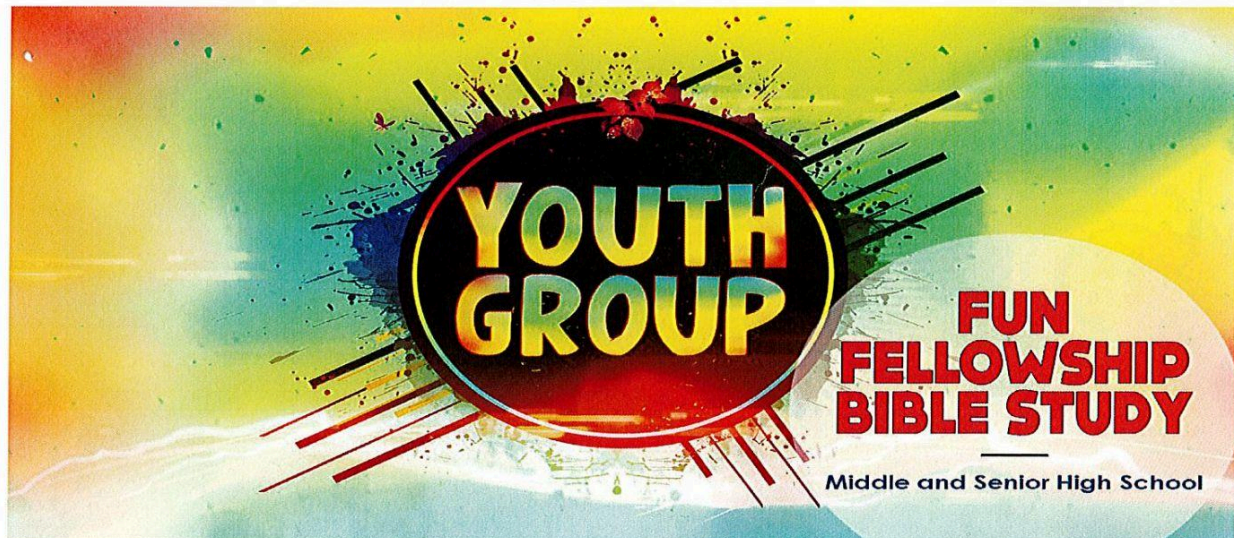






It is that time of the year VBS! I am looking for the following to help decorate the church for our VBS week, June 9-13. If you have any of the following to give or loan me, please let me know. Contact Christina @ 724-622-5882

- Old license plates
- Old/new road maps
- Toy cars, area rugs with roads
- Old vacuum hoses or other “gas pump” style hoses
- Traffic Cones
- Coolers, picnic basket
- Car Wash Supplies (empty containers)
- Empty, recycled bottles of car maintenance supplies (windshield wiper fluid, oil, etc.) for safety, make sure no chemicals are present.



**May 18 – Flag Football (weather permitting)  
Followed by a Pizza Party! Bring your friends!  
Meet at the Church 7:00 – 8:30**

**June 6 - Elevate Trampoline Park  
Cranberry – Fridays Teen Night 7-10  
As we get closer I'll need a count. Chris  
has volunteered to drive van. We can  
only fit 10 kids.**

**We will meet at Church 6:00**