

SONSHINE NEWSLETTER

June 2024

A Publication of Rocky Grove Avenue Presbyterian Church



“Sharing, Preparing and Caring in Jesus’ Name”

Rocky Grove Avenue Presbyterian Church

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Worship – 9:30 a.m.

Church Staff

Rhonda Rust, Secretary

Mike Burkhardt, Organist

Janet Bish, Assistant Organist

Scott Donaldson, Custodian

Church Office Hours

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

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If you would like to provide flowers for Sunday morning worship, please contact the church office (814-432-4162). You will want to advise Rhonda as to whether you will order your own flowers, how you want it listed in the bulletin and if you will be removing them after the service.

Lake Erie Presbytery Prayer List for month of June

Week of June 2nd

Oil City Second Presbyterian Church
Rev Tim Harmon, Pastor

Rev. Harvey Boal (Honorably Retired)
Rev. Sue Montgomery (Honorably Retired)

Week of June 9th

Rev. Francis Adjei, District Pastor, Bimbilla
Rev. Foster Mawusi, Second Minister, Bimbilla

Rev. Bonda Napari,
Katiejeli District Pastor

Week of June 16th

Lake City Presbyterian Church
Deb Rimmer, Commissioned Pastor

Nick Barber, Financial Administrator,
Presbytery of Lake Erie

Week of June 23rd

Harmonsburg Presbyterian Church
Emlenton Presbyterian Church

New Hope Presbyterian Church (Erie)
Clay Woodring, Commissioned Pastor

Week of June 30th

The 224th General Assembly Commissioners,
Rev. Britney Knight and Patricia Tracy (Ruling Elder)

Young Adult Advisory Delegate,
Paige Irwin



Happy Birthday!



June Birthdays

- 21 Phyllis Vogan
- 24 Piper Sparling (2018)



Servants for June

Recorders: Lois Pierce & Joyce Wetjen

Pulpit Supply:
2 Rev. Joseph Martin
9 Rev. Joseph Martin
16 Rev. Edward Patterson
23 Peggy Massung
30 Rev. Becky Patterson

Worship Leaders:
2 Rhonda Rust
9 Lois Pierce
16 Rhonda Rust
23 Lois Pierce
30 Rhonda Rust



ACTIONS TAKEN BY SESSION – May 8, 2024

- 1) Approved the minutes of the March 13, 2023, Session meeting.
- 2) Approved the financial reports for March and April 2024 as prepared by the Financial Secretary and Treasurer.
- 3) Approved a donation of \$100 to Rocky Grove Volunteer Fire Department.
- 4) Approved the annual renewal of the domain registration for rockygrovepres.org.

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**FATHER’S DAY FACTS:**

On July 5, 1908, a West Virginia church sponsored the nation’s first event explicitly in honor of fathers, a Sunday sermon in memory of the 362 men who had died in the previous December’s explosions at the Fairmont Coal Company mines in Monongah, but it was a one-time commemoration and not an annual holiday.

The next year, a Spokane, Washington, woman named Sonora Smart Dodd, one of six children raised by a widower, tried to establish an official equivalent to Mother’s Day for male parents. She went to local churches, the YMCA, shopkeepers and government officials to drum up support for her idea, and she was successful: Washington State celebrated the nation’s first statewide Father’s Day on June 19, 1910.

Slowly, the holiday spread. In 1916, President Wilson honored the day by using telegraph signals to unfurl a flag in Spokane when he pressed a button in Washington, D.C.

However, it was not until 1972—58 years after President Woodrow Wilson made Mother’s Day official—that the day honoring fathers became a nationwide holiday in the United States. Father’s Day 2024 will occur on Sunday, June 16.

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Puzzle Answers:

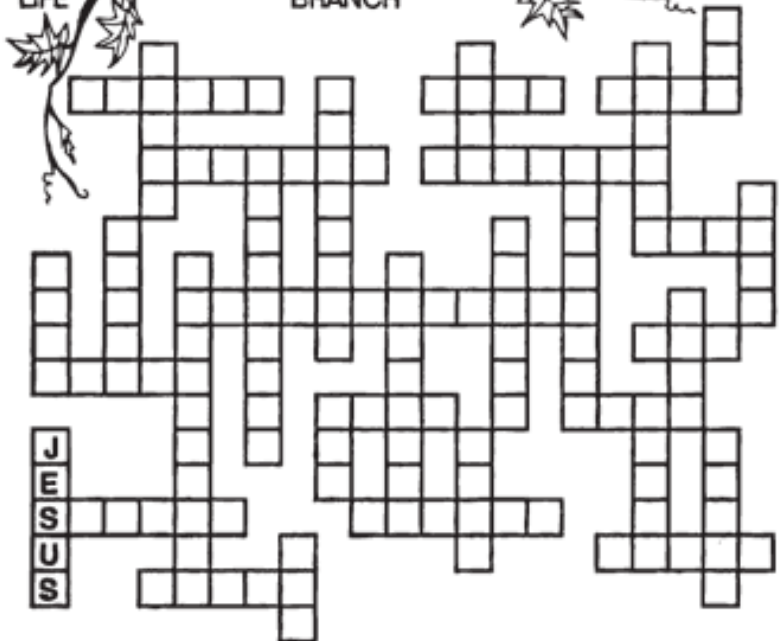
ACROSS: Christ, Vine, Gate, Teacher, Messiah, Root, Resurrection, God, Bread, Seed, Lord, Savior, Branch, Light, Omega

DOWN: Truth, Life, Father, One, Shepherd, Counselor, Immanuel, Star, Stone, Prince, Lamb, Bridegroom, Redeemer, Word, Sun, Rabbi, Jesus, King, Alpha, Way

And His Name Shall Be Called . . .

Jesus had many names. All the words below were used to refer to Jesus in the Bible. Fit the names into the puzzle. (Hint: Start with the longest names.)

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| GOD | SEED | CHRIST |
| SUN | STAR | SAVIOR |
| WAY | RABBI | MESSIAH |
| ONE | BREAD | TEACHER |
| ROOT | LIGHT | REDEEMER |
| WORD | TRUTH | IMMANUEL |
| LAMB | ALPHA | SHEPHERD |
| GATE | OMEGA | COUNSELOR |
| LORD | STONE | BRIDEGROOM |
| KING | FATHER | RESURRECTION |
| VINE | PRINCE | |
| LIFE | BRANCH | |





JUNE 2024



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 9:30 Overeaters Anonymous
2 9:30 Worship <i>Joe Martin</i>	3	4	5	6	7	8 9:30 Overeaters Anonymous
9 9:30 Worship <i>Joe Martin</i>	10	11	12	13	14 	15 9:30 Overeaters Anonymous
16 9:30 Worship <i>Ed Patterson</i> <i>Father's Day</i>	17	18	19	20 <i>First Day of Summer</i>	21	22 9:30 Overeaters Anonymous
23 9:30 Worship <i>Peggy Massung</i>	24	25	26	27	28	29
30 9:30 Worship <i>Becky Patterson</i>						

Newsletter articles are due in the church office by the 20th of each month or risk being omitted from next month's issue.