



The Presbyterian Church of Portersville
 1297 Perry Highway – PO Box 126 Portersville, PA
 Sunday School 9:45am - Worship 11:00am
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An Evangelical Presbyterian Church

Presbyterian Church of Portersville

August 2nd, 2026

Our Vision

*Christ's Church; Driven to Serve
 Through Grace and Truth; Toward Shalom*

Pastor: Dana L. Opp

Organist: Sandy Phillips

Nursery: Rick & Della Serafine

Pianist: Joan Courtney

Breakfast: Tyler & Lindsey C.

Acolyte: Shae Crummy

Preparing for God's Word

Welcome & Announcements

Mr. Ralph Phillips

*Call to Worship

Psalm 149:1-4

Leader: Praise the Lord! Sing to the Lord a new song, his praise
 in the assembly of the godly!

***Congregation: Let Israel be glad in his Maker; let the children
 of Zion rejoice in their King!***

Leader: Let them praise his name with dancing, making melody
 to him with tambourine and lyre!

***Congregation: For the Lord takes pleasure in his people; he
 adorns the humble with salvation.***

“Purify My Heart”

No. 96BB^

“’Tis So Sweet To Trust in Jesus”

No. 312GH+

v. 1, 2, 3

Proclaiming God's Word

Special Music

“Total Praise”

-Smallwood

Trio: Sue Ann Aiken, Jill Hennon, & Amy Nichols

Kids Church

Ruth

Tyler & Lindsey

Scripture 2 Timothy 1:7 • Psalm 31:24 • Psalm 91:10 • Psalm 121:1-2

Sermon “Strong & Courageous: Faith Over Fear” -Mr. Ron Walczak

Responding to God's Word

Joys, Concerns and Morning Prayer

Offertory

“Jesus May Come Today”

-Marsh

*Doxology and Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Hymn of Joy

“I Serve a Risen Savior”

No. 158GH+

*Benediction

“Gloria Patri”

No. 575GH+

*Stand (as able) BB^=Burgundy Bk GH+=Green Hymnal WB^=White Book

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, August 2nd

Discipleship: 12:15PM

Monday August 3rd

Office Closed

Wednesday August 5th

Wonderful Wednesday: 6:30PM

Saturday, August 8th

Men's Study: 7:00AM



Wonderful Wednesday: at The Phillips Home,
~ see insert for details!

No Tuesday AM Bible Study through June, July and August.
We will begin again September 1, 2026.

Tech Team: If you are interested in helping with the tech/sound team please see Brian Striegel! Thank you!

Opportunities for Ministry During Week

Mon.	08/03	Office Closed
Wed.	08/05	6:30PM Wonderful Wednesday
Sat.	08/08	7:00 AM Men's Group

Sunday, August 9th

10:00	Sunday School
10:45	Elders' Prayer Time
11:00	Worship Service

Those assisting in worship August 9th

Breakfast: Hertzog Family

Nursery: Dustin Hertzog

Acolyte: Eden Phillips

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2	Kyle Badger & Garrett Marshall
8	Jill Hennon

Prayer Requests & Praises — August 2nd

Individuals with long-term needs: Patty Kern, Weston Foster Clarence Rossi, Rebecca Richards, Melissa Short, Karen Permuko Doug Thompson, Doug M, Clint, Ken Overly, Sue Bowser, Beachem Family, David Blum, Cheryl Yavorsky, Tom Mateja Antoinette & Darius Carter, Jason Porter, Lucy Duffy, Becky Shirey Max Johnson, Erica Johnson, Max Turley, Brad Stickel, Liz Bauder, Richard Badger, Sam M.. Miriam Kucks. Valorie Smith.

Shut-ins: Brenda B., Helen H., Wanda M.

Our Missionary Partners:

Barry & Suzzanne Nichol	Promise of Life Network
Portersville Food Pantry	Child Evangelism Fellowship
City Rescue Mission	EPC Engage/ Fintonia
Gideons International	Portersville Christian School
Jim & Judy Burrow	Pine Valley Bible Camp
Seneca Hills	

Pray for wisdom for government leaders /safety for our country & troops.

Joey Hinkle: Army	Dan Marcyjanik: USMC	Jared Nogee: USMC
Andrew Reichert, Army	Josh Marcyjanik: USMC	Logan Aydelott: ARNG
Josh Keener: USN	Savannah Schwenke: USAF	Nick Mulford: Army
Evan Lee Laderer: USMC	Rese Saunders: USMC	Kellie Grabe: USAF
Will Baldwin: Army	Ethan Mawhinney: USMC	Dalee Smith: USAF
Logan Teodoro: ARNG-PA	Michael Petrie: Army	Jake Clouse: USAF
Bryson Stepleton: Army	Dalton Burns, Army	Dave Dalessandro

Praise:

Grant Striegel: No seizures since March- cleared for work and driving!

Melinda Muehlbronner: is Cancer Free!!! Scans every 3 months.

Theresa Hamm: completed all treatments! Cancer Free!!!

Olivia Leigh: Doing great, praise God!! (Moore)

Dawn Brindle: Cancer Free!!

Concerns:

Condolences: Family and friends of Rev. Daniel Reuter in his passing.

Condolences: Family and Friends of Tim Kennedy at his passing.

Chloe Whiting (Sturgeon): Pain and Headaches, went for testing.

Laurie Bean: Return of cancer, chemotherapy has begun. Prayers for healing.

Sam Matthais: Getting neurological testing, in Kadema nursing home.

Eric Striegel: Lung surgery on Friday 7/24, pray for healing.

Madisyn Brock: has a baby girl in NICU, Ruth, off oxygen & gaining weight.

Lori Prooch: Needs knee replacement, has an infection.

Mara Linaberger: Cancer has metastasized and is in her lung post mastectomy. (Mindyanne)

Diana Yoder.: She is having back/knee numbness and an injection is needed. Please pray for relief from pain and wisdom for Drs

JJ (Jesus) Gaspar: Sprained ankle and torn ligaments

Les Sawyer: Cysts found on pancreas.

Dave Zajac: Recovering from oral surgery, due to cancer.

Katie Dambaugh: Broke arm in bike accident, pray for healing.

Molly Castina: Missionary trip to Ecuador, issues with documents (duToits)

Heaven Hosack: Has pneumonia, in Morgantown Children's for leukemia.

Kathy Green: Surgery was successful at removing tumor. Prayer for healing.

Conflict in Iran

Kim Overly: Cancer diagnosis. (L. Plunkard)

Lisa Tammaro: Prayer for baseline sight, eyesight gotten worse. (SueAnn)

Merle Lesko: Autoimmune disease progressing throughout his body.(Palmosina)

Carl Bleakney: Prayers for health issues (Sue Weigle)

Baby Josie: Became unconscious, seeing pediatrician and cardiologist.

Peg Brenneman: Recovering from fall.

Johnny Holt: Completed Cancer treatments. (Moore)

Joe Lema: Has iron deficiency anemia due to chronic blood loss.

Tim Sturgeon: Recovering from shoulder surgery.

Ron Sturgeon: At home following shoulder surgeries.

Scott Hill: To have leg amputated below knee. (Brenneman)

Wanda Mathias: Leg pain as she undergoes therapy at Avalon Nursing Home

Carol Yost: Diagnosed with both Multiple Sclerosis and Sjogren's Syndrome.

Thankful for the prayers (Moore)

Bonnie Nerison: Prayers that chemo works and tumors stop growing

Dave Fisher: Lung cancer concerns. (Graham)

Willow: Six-year-old, concerns about leukemia. (Graham)

Tami Clyde Reichart: Surgery on good hand, trigger finger, pray for healing.

Fran Wood: Has lymphoma that has metastasized, getting chemo. (Mindyanne)

Marshall Smit: Doing DNA based cancer treatments.

Cancer Patients: Erin, Riley, Bev Wolfe: Lung, **Annie Koontz, Terry**

Dennis: Lung, , **Kari Rickard, Alexa Wilsey, Bill Michaels:** Lung (P.

Brenneman)



If you have a prayer request or update please email the church

portpres@zoominternet.net or let Sarah know

WONDERFUL WEDNESDAY @ 6:30PM

Basics of the Faith

Week 8: August 5th, 2026

Phillips Home- 271 West Park Road, Portersville
Tom Meling Speaking- What is our mission in Christ?
Mexican Night- Mains & Drinks provided. Bring your own
sides & desserts to share.

WEEK 9: August 12th, 2026

Connoquenessing Park, 228 Constitution Ave.,
Connoquenessing
Eric Miller Speaking- How do we articulate our faith?
Pizza Night – Pizza & Drinks will be provided, bring picnic
dishes and desserts to share.

Week 10: August 19th, 2026

Newton Fishing Pond- 116 Peaceful Lane Portersville
No Speaker, BRING BAIT! 
Grill Night- Burgers, Dogs & Drinks provided, bring your
favorite dish and desserts to share.

Strong and Courageous: Faith Over Fear Strong and Courageous: Faith Over Fear

2 Timothy 1:7 • Psalm 31:24 • Psalm 91:10 • Psalm 121:1–2

I. The Spirit God Has Given (2 Timothy 1:7)

"...not a spirit of fear, but of _____, _____, and a _____ mind."

1. Power (Dynamis) — Spirit-empowered _____
2. Love (Agapē) — moves toward _____
3. Sound Mind (Sōphronismos) — disciplined _____

II. Strength for the Waiting Heart (Ps. 31:24)

"Be strong, let your heart take _____, all who _____ in the
Lord."

Courage = _____, not adrenaline

Hope = confidence in God's _____ faithfulness

III. Protection in the Shadow (Ps. 91:10)

"No evil shall befall you, nor shall any _____ come near your dwelling."

Fear magnifies _____. Faith magnifies _____.

IV. Help from the Hills (Ps. 121:1–2)

"My help comes from the _____, who made heaven and earth."

Help comes not from _____, but from the _____.

Fear and the Division in America

Fear fuels: _____, _____, _____, _____

Scripture calls us to: _____, _____, _____

Application: Living Fearlessly Now

1. Guard Your _____
2. Engage Without _____
3. Pray for the _____
4. Support the Spread of _____
5. Model _____ in Relationships

Closing Vision

Fear is _____. Faith is _____. And the Word of God _____.