

June 8, 2025

Notes:

THIS WEEK: JUNE 8 - 15

Sunday Morning Prayer 8:30 am room 207	6/8
Sunday School for all ages <i>nursery room 110</i>	6/8
Coffee Fellowship Time 10 AM in the Fireside Room	6/8
Missions / Koin for Kids / Children's Church /	6/8
Graduation Sunday 10:30 AM <i>nursery room 205</i>	
Facebook Live Church 10:30 AM	6/8
Online Church 10:30 AM, Noon, 6 PM	6/8
Summer Family Night at the pavilion 6 PM	6/8
Wednesday Prayer 7 PM room 105	6/11
Flag Day	6/14
Morning Worship/Communion/Father's Day	6/15

UPCOMING EVENTS & MEETINGS

Worship Camp, Teen Camp, STEM Camp at Mahaffey Camp	June 15-20
Ladies' Lunch at Anchor Inn 11:30 AM	6/17
Wednesday Prayer 7 PM room 105	6/18
Board of Ministries 7 PM	6/19
Sunday Summer Family Night at the Carley's 7 PM	6/22
Elder Board 7 PM	6/24
Youth Yard Sale collection days	June, 21, 23, 24, 25
Youth Yard Sale	June 26, 27, 28
Young Adult Connect Group—Yard sale clean up at noon	6/28
Young Adult Connect Group—fellowship, games and food	3-5pm 6/28
Vacation Bible School 9:30—11:30 AM	July 14-18

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ONLINE GIVING OPTIONS

- ⇒ Scan the QR code to set up one-time or recurring giving.
- ⇒ Text "Give" to 814-200-1939
- ⇒ Visit www.pcmachurch.org/giving



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Growing Together

at Punxsutawney Alliance Church

Christ-Centered Acts 1:8 Family[©]

June 8, 2025

Welcome and Announcements

Verse of the Month: Ephesians 2:8-9 NKJV

For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast.

Acknowledgement of God's Presence

"The Reason I'm Alive"

Meet and Greet

"Our God"

Recognition of Graduates

"Graves Into Gardens"

Koins for Kids & Missions Moment

Our Worship in Giving

"From the Inside Out"

Guest Speaker: Sarah D.

Parting Prayer

WELCOME!

We start with Jesus—He is the One who is the source of our love, the cause of our worship, and the core of our message. Acts 1:8—We rely on Holy Spirit filling as we seek to fulfill our calling to every segment of society. Family—We are at our best when we do this together—serving in a local church and among a community of local churches.

We sincerely WELCOME you today! If you are a first-time guest, we invite you to stop by the table in the narthex to select a gift from us.

SARAH

Please welcome Sarah, our guest speaker for today. Sarah will also be here tonight for our Summer Family Night kick-off at the church pavilion (in the gym if it rains.) Everyone is welcome!

SUNDAY SUMMER FAMILY NIGHTS

Summer Family Nights will kick off TONIGHT with a picnic at the church pavilion. **PROVIDED:** buns, meat trays, drinks and paper products. **BRING:** a picnic side dish and/or dessert to share, and lawn chairs.

The next Summer Family Night is June 22 at 6:00 PM at the Carley's (210 Elk Street, Punxsy). **Provided:** Hot dogs, burgers, buns, roasting sticks, and condiments. **Bring:** paper products, drinks, a side dish or dessert, and lawn chairs. **Attention hosts!** Please fill out the host form in your mail folder and return it to the office as soon as possible. Thanks!

LADIES' LUNCH

All ladies are invited to lunch at the Anchor Inn on Tuesday, June 17, at 11:30 AM.

PIRATE GAME SIGN UP

Everyone is invited to the Pirates vs. the Texas Rangers on Friday, June 20. Game time is 6:40 PM and tickets are \$29 each and includes a \$5 loaded value. A Zambelli fireworks show will follow the game. Sign up in the narthex and see Chris Troutman to prepay.

USHERS

Please see Chris Troutman if you would like to be included in the monthly usher schedule.

Responsibilities include handing out bulletins, greeting visitors and passing the offering plates.

MEGAN TROUTMAN GRADUATION PARTY

Chris and Brenda Troutman would like to remind everyone of Megan's graduation party this Saturday, June 14, from 1:00 PM—4:00 PM here at the church. No RSVP is needed.

VBS SAVE THE DATES!

Vacation Bible School is July 14—18 from 9:30—11:30 AM. More information and sign up coming soon. Volunteers needed!

LANDSCAPING THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who helped landscape around the outside of the church. It looks great!

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

JUNE SHOEBOX FOCUS - CLOTHING & ACCESSORIES
Shirts, shorts, pants, loose sundress (youth clothing sizes), wrist watch, underwear, socks, sunglasses, small tote bag or purse, friendship bracelet, hair ties/bows/clips, scarf/hat/gloves, ball cap/bandana, flip flops/slippers

Attendance Last Week		2025 Finances	Needed Weekly	Received
Inside	136	6/1/25	\$6,770. ⁰⁰	\$8,269.38
Facebook	32	6/8/25	\$6,770. ⁰⁰	
Online	4	6/15/25	\$6,770. ⁰⁰	
Total	172	6/22/25	\$6,770. ⁰⁰	

CLASS OF 2025 Congratulations

Punxsutawney Alliance Church
June 8, 2025



Jillian Blews

Jillian Jane Patricia Blews

Punxsutawney Area High School
Attending I.U.P. as an Art Education major

Jillian has received three scholarships plus an academic scholarship from IUP, and has been accepted into the prestigious Cooks Honors College within IUP. School functions include Art Club, Theatre Club, Musical Theatre, Indoor Track and Field, and Band. Other activities include church nursery volunteer, One Piece, youth group, Mahaffey Camps, AWANA, VBS volunteer, ceramic painting, and prolific novel reading. Favorite school memory: "is when Bri and I would hang out in homeroom." Favorite teachers: Mrs. Young, Mrs. Schultz, Mrs. Miller; Favorite subject: Art; Favorite quote: "Some journeys lead us far from home. Some adventures lead us to our destiny." C.S. Lewis. Jillian's advice to future graduates is "Don't overthink it."

"Thank you mum and dad."

Jillian Elisabeth Gerhard

Home Education Program
Attending Penn State Dubois as an Occupational Therapist major

Jillian is looking forward to pursuing a degree at Penn State Dubois as an occupational therapist assistant. Philippians 2:13 says, "For God is working in you, giving you the power to do what pleases Him." (NLT) This is the verse I have chosen to guide my life as I begin a new chapter and face many challenges.



Jillian Gerhard



Megan Troutman

Megan Elizabeth Troutman

Dubois Christian School
Entering employment as a machinist

Megan graduated as valedictorian of the Dubois Christian School class of 2025. During her high school years, Megan participated in the Weather Capital Robotics club. In robotics, she held the positions of student ambassador, vice-president of the club, and driver of the robots during competitions. Her team made it to Nationals in both her junior and senior years. Megan has always loved designing and building things, and she has found her niche in machining and soldering, leading her to pursue a career in the manufacturing field. After completing a pre-apprenticeship program, she plans to apply at Miller Fabrication in Brookville. Megan's life verse is Philippians 4:13, "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."

LET YOUR LIGHT
SHINE
BEFORE OTHERS
THAT THEY MAY SEE YOUR
GOOD WORKS
AND GLORIFY YOUR
Father in Heaven
-MATTHEW 5:16



Young Adult Kick-off Event!

Saturday, June 28

for ages 18-39

sign up in the narthex
See Ryan or Emily Sutter for info



**PICNIC, GAMES,
& FELLOWSHIP
3-5 PM**

BRING A SIDE DISH OR DESSERT TO SHARE



Ways to Give

- **ONLINE**
Go to cmawpa.org/give and follow the prompts to give online to the Children's Missions Project
- **BY MAIL**
Make check payable to WPA District of C&MA and designate that it is for "Oasis of Grace."
Mail to:
WPA District of C&MA
P.O. Box 395
Punxsutawney, PA 15767

All donations must be received by May 31, 2026 to go towards the Oasis of Grace project.

2025-26 WPA District of The Alliance CHILDREN'S MISSIONS PROJECT



The burning desert will have pools of water,
and the dry ground will have springs.
Where wild dogs once lived,
grass and water plants will grow.
Isaiah 35:7 NCV



WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA DISTRICT
OF THE CHRISTIAN AND MISSIONARY ALLIANCE

Isaiah 35:7 illustrates a powerful transformation from a once barren and desolate landscape to a vibrant and flourishing environment. This symbolizes struggle and hopelessness that is transformed by God's grace and the hope we can have in Him. Serving in Western Asia, our WPA international workers, D & K, want to share this hope with children in the country where they serve through a project called Oasis of Grace. Our district wants to help fund these efforts and has adopted this as our 2025–26 WPA District Children's Missions Project.

WHAT IS OASIS OF GRACE?

Through Oasis of Grace, they will meet with 40 disenfranchised 10–14 year old kids for a weekly summer program. Then they plan to launch this same activity for kids ages 6–10 in the fall. These kids have lost at least one parent. Many of them have lost both parents. They are marginalized in society due to being extremely poor with the lack of someone providing money for their household. In partnership with local believers, Oasis of Grace will be an extension of the church by providing a safe place at the community center where they will teach the kids worship songs, pray together, learn a Bible verse, and have fun together with stations including crafts, music lessons, games, and English classes each week. Lunch will also be provided for the kids at the end of each class. The prayer is that the kids will feel loved and seen, and will have the opportunity to learn more about Jesus through this program.



DISCOVER THIS LAND

A Place of History, Culture, and Surprises!

A Rich Heritage

The country has a long, fascinating history. They have faced challenging times and lost many loved ones due to the fighting, but they remain proud of their heritage. They proudly display their flag everywhere. You will also see palm trees swaying in the breeze—a symbol of the beauty and strength of the land.

City Life

Traveling by car in their busy city can be an adventure. The streets can be narrow and bustling, which makes every journey feel like a mini-adventure. Their city is transformed at night time when many people go out shopping and side streets turn into markets.

The Weather – Hot Summers and Cool Surprises

Here the summers can be very hot—perfect for enjoying delicious ice cream! Winters are not very cold at all. Some local adults have never even seen snow! Even though they have little rain, sometimes a rainy day may even cancel school. Imagine having a day off of school due to rain! And when it rains, the dust in the air can make their cars all muddy, so they always give them a good wash afterward.

Delicious Food

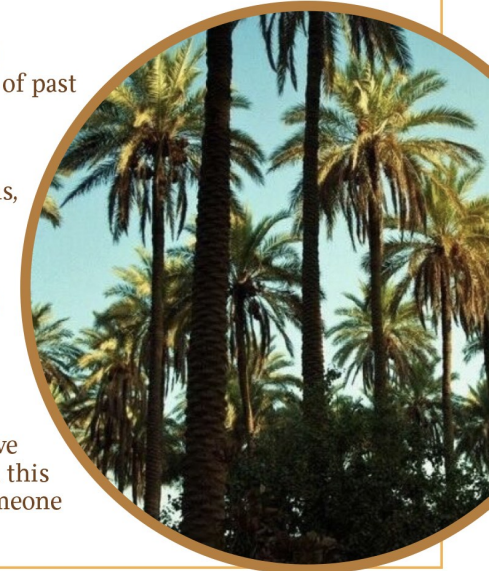
Their food is as diverse and exciting as their history. Thanks to an ancient river that flows nearby, fresh fish is a local favorite. And who can forget the taste of grilled corn on the cob? Cooked over charcoal and sprinkled with butter and spices, it's a treat enjoyed by everyone.

Amazing Landmarks

Their land is filled with ancient sites and impressive monuments that tell the story of past civilizations.

Faith and Community

Many people in their country are Muslims, and they follow this religion because that is all they have ever heard. Muslims think that they have to work their way to God, and they hope that they can be good enough people to have their good works outweigh their bad works. Christians believe that there is no way to work our way to God, and turning away from our sins and following Jesus is the only way we can be forgiven. But many have not heard this truth— and how can they know unless someone tells them?



Quarterly Challenge

June, July, August

Read and study the Bible with Verse Mapping

Each week, the challenge is to read the assigned text and complete the following:

- **MONDAY:** Write out the given verse(s).
- **TUESDAY:** Write them in at least two other translations.
- **WEDNESDAY:** Circle key words to look up in the original languages and write down the definitions, synonyms, and root words.
- **THURSDAY:** Explore the meaning and message of the verse or verses. Consider the people, places, and context involved, and make connections to other relevant passages and concepts in Scripture.
- **FRIDAY:** Write a 1-2 sentence summary of what you learned and consider how you can apply it.
- **SATURDAY:** Use Saturday to catch up if you missed a day.

Verse Mapping

June 1-7:	Philippians 2:1-2
June 8-14:	Philippians 2:3-4
June 15-21:	Philippians 2:5-7
June 22-28:	Philippians 2:8
June 29-July 5:	Philippians 2:9-11
July 6-12:	Colossians 1:13-14
July 13-19:	Colossians 1:13-14
July 20-26:	Colossians 1:13-14
July 27 - Aug 2:	Colossians 1:13-14
Aug 3-9:	John 1:1-2
Aug 10-16:	John 1:3-5
Aug 17-23:	John 1:10-11
Aug 24-30:	John 1:12-13

Suggested Resources:

biblegateway.com

YouVersion app

blueletterbible.org

Bible dictionary

Concordance

Bible cross-references

Idea taken from Biblegateway.com

YOUTH YARD SALE

SET UP NEEDS

- **SATURDAY, JUNE 21 3 PM - 8 PM**
EVERYONE to help set up | Trucks to haul bigger items
Pizza provided, bring drinks or snacks to share
- **MON - WED, JUNE 23-25 5 PM - 7 PM**
ANYONE willing to come set up, sort, organize, price

SALE NEEDS

- **THURSDAY & FRIDAY, JUNE 26 & 27**
8 AM-2 PM & 5-7 PM
Put up signs, straighten tables, work the sale

- **SATURDAY, JUNE 28**
8 AM-NOON

work the sale, straighten tables
We need EVERYONE at noon to box left over items & tear down

Adults & Teens are needed to work the sale
Sign up in the narthex to help with set-up and/or sale
See Brenda Troutman for more info
You can also sign up to help by using the QR code below



Come out and support our youth group! All proceeds are used to send students to LIFE or provide scholarship assistance to our youth attending Mahaffey Youth Camps.

NO DONATIONS ACCEPTED DURING THE SALE

CALL TO PRAYER

JUNE 2025



REJOICING IN GOD'S PROVISION

For several months, we have been praying about finding a meeting place for our church plant in Baan Bo, Thailand—a community with no churches. The Friday night group that meets in our living room continues to grow. As everyone looked around Baan Bo, we all set eyes on a row of seven three-story, store-front buildings on the main road through town. Only three units were being used; the other four sat empty. We needed to find the owner of the unused ones.

After several dead ends, Ooh, a new believer in our group, used her “gift”—she’s very friendly and well connected—and found a store owner who knew the owner’s daughter. After many phone calls, Ooh connected us with Mr. Wichai. He is a believer in Jesus and an elder at a large church in Bangkok, where he lives. With Thailand less than 1 percent Christian, it’s amazing that we would find a Christian landlord! When Mr. Wichai bought the unit new seven or eight years ago, he had hoped it could one day be used for Christian fellowship or even a church plant! He bought the units as a possible retirement

investment. Although he did some initial renovations, he never used it—the units sat empty at least seven years.

Mr. Wichai sent a representative with the key the next day. The building already has tiled floors, painted walls, attractive light fixtures installed, and modern bathrooms on every floor. The kitchen area may have some structural damage, but Mr. Wichai said he will help pay for any repairs by giving us several months of free rent. He is also letting us have the building for half the typical rental price for that area—which is within the ability of our small group of believers to pay each month. He told us he can envision a cross boldly in the center front of the unit!

Praise God for providing a place to launch Sunday worship in Baan Bo in such an amazing way! Pray for us as we continue the renovations. Pray that God will use this place to raise up many new disciples of Jesus in Baan Bo.

by Ed and Sue, Alliance international workers serving with aXcess in Thailand

TO ACCESS ADDITIONAL PRAYER REQUESTS, PLEASE VISIT [CMALLIANCE.ORG/PRAY](http://cmalliance.org/pray).

PRAY FOR LIFE 2025

Please intercede this month for LIFE 2025, a gathering of the next-generation Alliance family to experience God and expand His Kingdom locally and globally. On July 4, thousands of teens will descend on Indianapolis, Indiana, for five days of interaction, fun, and challenging teaching to encourage them in their commitment to Christ and His work. LIFE seeks to glorify God in worship, word, and community; to introduce Jesus Christ into the whole life of each student; to expose God’s heart for the lost; and to inspire students to join the global Alliance family. Many attendees make life-altering decisions at LIFE, so pray for hearts receptive to what God is saying to each participant.

After the final planning meeting for this gathering, Dan Min, who leads the LIFE Prayer Support Team, shared some prayer requests from various team leads: more volunteer workers, wisdom and favor in working with the venue staff, and boldness and courage for seminar speakers. Pray also that the prayer, justice, and missions experiences would profoundly engage students. Dan said, “It is evident that the enemy is at work—we’re experiencing some of that in real time. Please pray for spiritual covering, supernatural provision, and divine favor as we continue to draw closer to LIFE 2025.”

CELEBRATING NEW LIFE IN CHRIST

For the last year, we have been working with a small church plant in West Africa, where we serve as international workers with CAMA Services, the relief and development arm of The Alliance. Recently, we had the opportunity to baptize two believers at a beach near the church. This is huge step for those coming from the majority religion in this country.

As we filed out of the church and stepped over the debris scattered along the coast leading to the beautiful ocean, the scene seemed symbolic of leaving behind a life of sin and walking into new life with Christ. This is what these two men were publicly saying to all those in attendance. The waves were big as we lowered these men under the water. People watching broke into cheers and clapping as the men came up out of the sea. Will you pray for them and their families? Pray, too, that many others will come to know Christ through this church plant. We are few in number, but we serve a great God!

by Alliance international workers serving with CAMA in West Africa



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