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Sunday Morning Prayer 8:30 am room 207	8/10
Sunday School for all ages <i>nursery room 110</i>	8/10
Coffee Fellowship Time 10 AM in the Fireside Room	8/10
Koins for Kids/Missions/Children's Church 10:30 AM <i>nursery 205</i>	8/10
Facebook Live Church 10:30 AM	8/10
Summer Family Night at the Blews' 6 PM	8/10
Wednesday Prayer 7 PM	8/13
Board of Ministries 7 PM	8/14
End of Summer Picnic Outreach 5-8 PM	8/15
Morning Worship 10:30 AM <i>nursery 205</i>	8/17

Ladies' Lunch at Gimmicks 11:30 AM	8/19
Elder Board 7 PM	8/19
Wednesday Prayer 7 PM	8/20
GriefShare begins 6-8 PM	8/21
Summer Family Night 6 PM (location to be determined)	8/24
First Day of School	8/25
Sunday Family Night resumes 6 PM <i>Good News Club, Youth, Adults</i>	9/7
Ladies' Bible Study resumes 9:30 AM in room 103	9/16

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at Punxsutawney Alliance Church

Christ-Centered Acts 1:8 Family®

August 10, 2025

Welcome and Announcements

Verse of the Month: Isaiah 12:2 ESV

Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and will not be afraid; for the Lord God is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.”

Acknowledgement of God’s Presence

“Soul on Fire”

Meet and Greet

Koins for Kids/Missions Moment

Prayer for Our Children (no children’s church)

Our Worship in Giving

“Blessed Be Your Name”

“Open the Eyes of My Heart”

“What a Beautiful Name”

Message: K & D

“How Great Is Our God”

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.

SUNDAY SUMMER FAMILY NIGHTS

Everyone is invited to the Blews’ (202 Pine Street, Punxsy) **tonight** at 6:00 PM, as Summer Family Night continues.

Bring: Foods with dips, lawn chairs, swim suits/towels (children must be accompanied by an adult while swimming). **Provided:** Paper products, drinks. *Sign up in the narthex.*

Remaining dates:

August 24 (location to be determined)

See Rich Williams with any questions

END OF SUMMER OUTREACH PICNIC

Friday, August 15

5:00 pm—8:00 pm

Free event. Invite your neighbors! Food, games, face painting, free lunchbox filled with snacks.

We are collecting the following items to fill the lunchboxes that will be handed out: Gummy fruit snacks, fruit roll ups, snack cracker packs, applesauce/fruit cups, pudding cups, small bags of chips/pretzels/popcorn, brownies or snack cakes, granola bars, cookie packs. Thank you! *A donation bin is in the narthex. See Brenda Troutman with any questions.*

LADIES’ LUNCH

All ladies are welcome to join us for lunch at Gimmicks on Tuesday, August 19, at 11:30 AM. See you there!

MAHAFFEY GROVE THANK YOU

Dear Punxsutawney Alliance Church Family, Thank you so very much for the way you blessed our lives and the lives of all the IWs at The Grove last week at Mahaffey Camp. It was our first experience at The Grove, and we were overwhelmed with love and amazing generosity. Even though we are not from your district, you included us and made us feel part of the wonderful Western PA C&MA family. You made us feel so special, so cared for and so loved. Together taking all of Jesus to all of the world, Z & J

GRIEFSHARE

GriefShare begins Thursday, August 21, from 6:00—8:00 PM, here at the church. Griefshare is a support group designed to help with the grieving process. This is a 13-week course that meets every Thursday from August 21—November 13. *Sign up in the lobby or see Pat Jones for more information.*

NEW ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL QUARTER

A new adult Sunday school quarter begins September 7, with three new topics to choose from: “Respectable Sins: Hope in the transforming grace of God to overcome our “respectable sins” by Jerry Bridges in room 103, “Old Testament Overview” by the Bible Project in room 105, and “The Divinity of Christ—The Gospel of John” by Dr. David Jeremiah in room 112.

LOOKING AHEAD

SUNDAY FAMILY NIGHT RESUMES	September 7
NEW ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL QUARTER	September 7
LADIES’ BIBLE STUDY RESUMES	September 16

Attendance Last Week		2025 Finances	Needed Weekly	Received
Inside	127	8/3/2025	\$6,770. ⁰⁰	\$7,116.42
Facebook	32	8/10/2025	\$6,770. ⁰⁰	
Online	2	8/17/2025	\$6,770. ⁰⁰	
Total	161	8/24/2025	\$6,770. ⁰⁰	

CALL TO PRAYER

AUGUST 2025



HOPE BEYOND FUTOKO

We've been praying that God would open doors for us to help kids in our community who are struggling at school. It's called "futoko"—school drop-out or non-attendance. Our prefecture has the highest rates of futoko of any prefecture in Japan—there are currently more than 500 futoko in Ishinomaki City. What complicates and compounds this problem is that adulthood social isolation, which affects more than 1 million Japanese, sometimes finds its start in childhood school drop-out.

For the past two years we've been carrying a burden for futoko and trying to find inroads to help. We have been praying, educating ourselves, networking, partnering and vision casting with the missionaries that we've partnered with for the past seven years at Be One Academy (BOA). BOA is the educational cooperative that we created in order to help our middle and high school missionary kids finish their education through homeschool and/or online school.

While we were recently volunteering at an event for futoko put on in our city, we unexpectedly met Macy and her mother. Macy has been friends with our daughter since they attended kindergarten together. Macy is an outstanding student and an athlete; she has a super-likable person-

ality and a close-knit, supportive family. However, when she started attending her high school of choice, she quickly found out that, in addition to the one+ hour one-way commute every morning and evening and the extremely full class load, she was also expected to study three+ hours every night at home. The schedule was overwhelming, so she quit, opting instead to complete her education online. Almost one-year into studying online at home, Macy was feeling alone and isolated.

After listening to her story, we invited Macy and her mom to come check out BOA to see if it might be a good fit for her while she finishes high school online. Long story short, she LOVES it! She is connecting with peers, is on-track educationally, and is protected from the all-too-common story of slipping into isolation. Praise the Lord for His great love for Macy and kids like Macy, for bringing the needs of futoko in our city to our attention, and for opening so many doors!

While BOA is now closed for the summer, we and our BOA educational partners are excited to see what God is doing. We look forward to Macy rejoining us in the fall and to seeing what new students God will send our way.

| by Alan and Jill, serving with aXcess in Japan

ALLIANCE YOUTH CALLED: HERE & NOW

In early July, more than 5,500 students, ages 13-19, came together in Indianapolis, IN, for LIFE 2025. As the largest and most anticipated gathering in The Alliance, the LIFE Conference is a place where God consistently works in powerful and personal ways. Many of our international workers and ministry leaders first felt called into ministry at this very event.

Students were fully engaged—listening to life-changing messages, worshiping passionately, and serving the local community. The next generation of the Alliance family encountered God and His Kingdom in profound ways, and many responded to His leading.

Please join us in praying that the seeds sown during LIFE would continue to grow. Ask God to help students carry what they experienced into their schools, churches, and communities—and that some would continue to hear His call into ministry and missions. Please also pray specifically for the 800+ students who responded to a call to ministry!

BEYOND THE BARRIERS

The border tension between Thailand and Cambodia has escalated into a war. Thai armies initiated the war on July 24, and the war zone is approximately 70 kilometers away from Along Veng, where we just left two months ago. According to the news, three Cambodian soldiers

were killed. Local authorities issued an evacuation order for all civilians from the surrounding areas.

We have received phone calls from church leaders stating that the tension has reached the border along the Anlong Veng region, about 20 kilometers away from the Anlong Veng church. About 60 percent of the population (mostly children and women) have already fled to a temporary shelter about 30 kilometers away. The men were encouraged to stay behind to guard the houses/villages and tend to the livestock. Farmers, who were in the middle of cashew farms away from home, could not find their way back to the village and were forced to make temporary shelters out of tree branches without a toilet, electricity, water, or basic food.

Please pray for the safety and protection of the people in Cambodia and Thailand amid the border tension that has escalated into war. Pray for the leaders of both countries to have humility and profound love and mercy for their citizens to finally have an agreement, to talk, and make peace happen. Pray for protection, provision of food and shelter to those who have nowhere to go.

May we continue to find hope, peace, and discernment in the presence of God despite the chaos. Amid conflict, we praise the Lord that He will never leave us nor abandon us; in His presence is the safest place to be.

| by Seouth and Syna, serving with aXcess in Cambodia

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BACK TO SCHOOL



10 VERSES TO PRAY AS TEACHERS HEAD BACK TO SCHOOL

1. DEUTERONOMY 6:4-9 - MAY THEY LOVE YOU WITH ALL THEIR HEART, SOUL AND MIND.

2. JOSHUA 1:9 - GIVE THEM STRENGTH AND COURAGE.

3. PSALM 1:1-2 - MAY THEY SEEK GODLY COUNSEL.

4. PROVERBS 3:5-6 - MAY THEY TRUST IN YOU, GOD, AND NOT LEAN ON THEIR OWN UNDERSTANDING.

5. ROMANS 12:5-6 - MAY THEY KNOW YOU'VE GIFTED THEM.

6. LUKE 6:40 - MAY THEY SHOW HUMILITY.

7. EPHESIANS 3:16-19 - STRENGTHEN THEM THROUGH YOUR SPIRIT.

8. EPHESIANS 4:11 - MAY THEY KNOW YOU EQUIP THEM.

9. COLOSSIANS 3:16 - MAY THE WORD OF CHRIST DWELL RICHLY IN THEM.

10. JAMES 1:5 - MAY OUR TEACHERS AND LEADERS COME TO YOU FOR WISDOM.

