September 13, 2026
How Much Character Does One Person Need
1 Kings 19:19-21 NKJV

1. Evident, not manufactured.

2. Understanding the call.

3. The telltale test.

4. Character production.

THIS WEEK: SEPTEMBER 13 - 20

Sunday morning prayer 8:30 AM in room 207	9/13
Sunday school for all ages 9 AM *nursery room 110*	9/13
Coffee fellowship time 10 AM in the Fireside room	9/13
Koins for Kids / Missions / Children's Church 10:30 AM *nursery room 205*	9/13
Facebook Livestream 10:30 AM	9/13
Sunday Family Night resumes 6 PM *Good News Club, Youth, Adults*	9/13
Ladies' Bible Study resumes 9:30 AM in room 103	9/15
Wednesday Prayer 7 PM room 105	9/16
GriefShare 6-8 PM	9/17
Morning Worship 10:30 AM	9/20
Good News Club, Youth Group, Adult Groups 6-7:30 PM	9/20

UPCOMING EVENTS & MEETINGS

Ladies' Bible Study resumes 9:30 AM in room 103	9/22
Elder Board 7 PM	9/22
Wednesday Prayer 7 PM room 105	9/23
GriefShare 6-8 PM	9/24
Western PA. Alliance District Conference	Sept. 29 – Oct. 1
Mahaffey Camp Applefest	October 9, 10, 11

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⇒ Text "Give" to 814-200-1939
⇒ Visit *www.pcmachurch.org/giving*

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TO WORSHIP

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THE ALLIANCE

Growing Together
at Punxsutawney Alliance Church

Christ-Centered Acts 1:8 Family©

September 13, 2026

Welcome and Announcements

Verse of the Month: Acts 1:11 NIV
"This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen Him go into heaven."

Meet and Greet

Acknowledgement of God's Presence

"Everlasting God"

Our Worship in Giving

Koins for Kids & Missions Moment

"Blessed Assurance"

"Come Thou Fount"

"Here I Am to Worship"

Children's Church Dismissal
ages 3 – 3rd grade

Message: "How Much Character Does One Person Need"

"The Blessing"

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 FAMILY NIGHT

Fall Sunday Family Night resumes tonight for **Good News Club** (ages 3 – 5th grade, divided), **Youth Group** (grades 6-12), **Ladies' Group** ("A Long Obedience in the Same Direction" by Eugene Peterson), and **Men's Group** ("Ephesians"). *See Brenda Troutman with any questions.*

LADIES' BIBLE STUDY

Ladies' Bible Study resumes their study on the book of James this Tuesday, **September 15,** at 9:30 AM, in room 103. Come join us!

MINISTRY NEEDS

Basketball Director for the 2027 season. *See Pastor Jones with any questions.*

Children's Ministries Coordinator to oversee all children's ministries except for Children's Church. *See Brenda Troutman with any questions.*

Children's Church Facilitator to oversee our Children's Church ministry. *See Brenda Troutman or Pastor Jones with any questions.*

BABY BUNDLES

The Baby Bundles ministry is packing gift bags this Tuesday, September 15. Please come to the church at 11:00 AM if you would like to help!

QUARTERLY CHALLENGE

The quarterly challenge for September, October, and November is to encourage each other in Christ. Cards are available on the narthex table and can be delivered personally, mailed, or by using the mail folders in the narthex. Try to choose two different people each week, and let's build each other up in love!

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES

September focus: Clothing & Accessories
Clothing & undergarments, flip-flops, shoes, cold weather items (hat, gloves, scarf, earmuffs, etc.), sunglasses, small drawstring bags, purses, hair accessories, hats, wristwatch, jewelry, flashlight.

CHURCH FAMILY PHOTOS THANK YOU

We would like to thank Nancy Depp and her team for all the work that went into the beautiful banner in the narthex and family photos. Thank you! *Family photos are in your mail folders. See Nancy Depp if you have not had your photo taken yet.*

MAHAFFEY CAMP AND CONFERENCE CENTER

Home Educators' Conference	September 26
Applefest	October 9-11
Quilt Retreat	October 21-24 & 26-29
Crafting Retreat	October 22-24

Visit *mahaffeycamp.com* for more information.

Attendance Last Week	
Inside	110
Facebook	15
Online	4
Total	129

2026 Finances	Needed Weekly	Received
9/6/2026	$7,031.51	$7,479.64
9/13/2026	$7,031.51	
9/20/2026	$7,031.51	
9/27/2026	$7,031.51	

CALL TO PRAYER

SEPTEMBER 2026

SUSTAINED THROUGH FAITH

After witnessing a school expel a child because of a suspected autism diagnosis, we began to plan a way to support families with special needs children by providing a safe place where families with children with special needs can get together and the children can play freely. While many places like this exist in the U.S. that receive support from the government, we wondered if we could do something similar here without outside support.

We met a couple in July 2023, Monan and Phiya, who have been running their own center for children with autism. We shared the idea of creating a gym/play place for children with special needs to come and play. We made sure they understood that they would be the ones running and owning the business, and we would serve alongside them.

A sensory gym is a new concept, so we researched together and spent a year planning it out. We also recognized that, since younger children here tend to have higher exposure to digital devices, the gym could provide a healthy option for development not only for children with autism, but for any child ages one to five.

Many people doubted that a place like this would be able to run itself without outside support, and we had our own financial concerns. Then we had an idea to bring a small coffee shop and bakery into the sensory gym. Phiya's brother runs a coffee/bakery shop and he helped us set up the coffee shop inside of the sensory gym.

Dani Sensory Gym opened its doors in December. While it was challenging to acquire the required monthly finances, we continued to pray with them in faith, reminding them that we would be leaving soon for home assignment. By June, the gym broke even after seven months of operation! Without financial support from the outside, they were able to pay salaries to all six teachers and pay the rent and utility bills (electricity is especially high).

While the gym may need more support in the future, they were able to see the possibilities of them running the gym for special needs children without outside support!

Please pray for:

- For Monan and Phiya as they begin their faith journey and have even begun attending Sunday worship with us.
- For continued provision and sustainability for the Dani Sensory Gym and coffee shop.

by international workers serving with CAMA in Asia/Pacific

TO ACCESS ADDITIONAL PRAYER REQUESTS, PLEASE VISIT CMALLIANCE.ORG/PRAY.

SENDING HOPE

I've recently been attending an Italian-speaking church called Punto Luce. I'm so thankful to come alongside these wonderful people to help share the love of Christ with the kids in their neighborhood. Kids are from various cultures, including Italian, Romanian, Egyptian, and Moroccan—many even from different religious backgrounds. Two different teams from the U.S. who partner with Punto Luce came to help with the two weeks of camp, and praise God that many kids responded that they wanted to follow Jesus!

Would you pray songs and words of praise to Him with me and for the fruit that has been planted?

Over the past eight months, I've been meeting virtually with a group of guys. Recently, God had placed on my heart to go visit one of the guys who is isolated from the rest of the group. He lives in Sardinia where there are hardly any churches. I asked him the best way I can come alongside him, and he said, "I don't have community here. The Zoom meetings are great, but it would be great to meet in person."

Would you pray that a community would grow and for God to send people? Maybe He's asking you to go!

by an international worker serving with aXcess in Europe

THEALLIANCE

CULTIVATING SEEDS OF LIFE

Over the past several months, we have been investing significant time in strengthening our team, reminding us that effective ministry flows from healthy relationships with both Christ and one another.

We are filled with gratitude as the Lord has opened doors to building relationships within one of Paraguay's indigenous communities! What began as a medical care need for an injured woman there over a decade ago has now developed into opportunities to visit there weekly.

Our team's first visits were warmly received. Rather than rushing in with our own plans, we have been spending time learning about their culture, traditions, and daily lives.

We are asking God to prepare hearts as we faithfully plant seeds of the gospel. The indigenous people of Paraguay often face challenges such as limited access to education, healthcare, employment, and biblical resources in their own language. Our prayer is that through these growing relationships, the hope of Jesus Christ will be clearly demonstrated.

Thank you for partnering with us through your prayers and faithful support. We are humbled to witness Him opening doors that only He could open, and we look forward to sharing how He continues to move in the months ahead!

by Jessica, serving with aXcess in Latin America

Thank you for praying for Alliance workers and for the people with whom they share the gospel.
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MEET OUR FEATURED SPEAKER

BRADLEY LOCKWOOD

Based out of, Pennsylvania, with a career spanning over 25 years, **Brad Lockwood** is a highly prominent entrepreneur and television personality within the outdoor and hunting industries. With expertise in instructional media, marketing, and product integration, he has successfully bridged the gap between the thrill of worldwide big game tracking and his expertise in game processing and packing. The breadth of his knowledge and skill have garnered tremendous success in his commercial endeavors, including ***Love of the Hunt TV, Outdoor Edge Knives, Koola Buck, Spectra Broadheads, and Viper Archery Products.***

Outside of the commercial hunting space, Lockwood serves as Lead Pastor at **The Vision of Hope** ministry in Brockway. His commitment to proclaiming Christ to every generation and geographic location has resulted in multi-site campus expansion. With a mission to embrace people where they are, invest in their knowledge of the Almighty, and empowering seekers to a relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ, Brad and the congregations he serves operate out of a mandate to act as a "beacon of light" where all are welcomed to meet Jesus. Through genuine encounters with Christ, lives are transformed. Through discovery of spiritual gifts, the body of Christ is deployed to use those unique talents for God's glory.

As ministry partners with ***Child Evangelism Fellowship®*** in Jefferson, Elk and Clearfield Counties, Brad, his wife Shari, and **The Vision of Hope** community are committed to **Piercing the Darkness** to bring the light and hope of Jesus to the children and families of our community and beyond.