

LIVING THE *Resurrection*



Pendleton Center
United Methodist Church

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

May 4 & 5, 2024 - Sixth Sunday of Easter

Prelude

Welcome & Call to Worship

Passing of the Peace

Opening Music

Offertory

Doxology & Prayer of Dedication

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Reading: *Acts 9:1-16, Matthew 22:23-33*

Sermon: "Paul - From Enemy to Apostle" - Pastor Scott Johnson

Communion

Closing Song

Benediction

PRAYER CONCERNS

Please lift these people and circumstances to God in your prayers throughout the week

Prayer for Healing: Sandra S, Bob M, Jacquie B, Maryellen S, Ron E, Patrick R, Michael & Cynthia R, Larry, Brian, Genna, Barb, Kingston, Christa, Sherri A, Gary B, Jerry L, Diane, Don, Dana, Evie

General Prayer Concerns: Michele, Family, Finances, Pain, Jeane, Judy B, John A, Those fighting God, Health and wellness, Traveling safety, Nancy C, Tornado victims, Marcia, Debbie

Ongoing Concerns: Young drivers, Becky H, Family, Kid's graduating to be guided by God, Our church, Our country, Cameron K, Norm H, Wendy & Kevin, Peace, Wars to stop, Young drivers, Health, Mike, Judith N, Granddaughter, Ellie K, Closed hearts opening to God, Dennis B, Britt A, Fran G, Audrey B, Sarah S, Michele A, Elections

Random Prayer Selection: Susan Annalora, Shawn & Heather Geary, Cathy Gunnarson, Mary Iuvino, Susan Mayer, Paul Poeller, Randy & Stefanie Rupp, Julie Wolski

Please be in prayer for these randomly selected names and those close to them.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

This Week's Birthdays

- 4 - Kaity Hersee, Lori Knobel, Mike Kozlowski, Logan Mitrowski, Matt Semsel, Sherry Waild, Jacquie Weeks
- 5 - Allison Diedrich, Andrea Diedrich, Sandra Schmidt
- 6 - Lily Anastasi, John Lickers
- 7 - Jill Deibel, Jack Smith
- 8 - Debbie Rey, Kendall Slaght
- 11 - Ronald Diedrich, Bob Franke, Kaitlyn Gustafson, Dave Wagner

This Week's Anniversaries

- 4 - Thomas & Lynne Elbersen - '73
- 5 - David & Theresa Korzak - '79

Communion elements are sponsored by Sherry Waild, "in loving memory of Bruce Waild." Altar flowers are sponsored by Sherry Waild, "in loving memory of Irving & Wauneta Cunningham."

Bulletins are sponsored by Sherry Waild, "in loving memory of Sandra Ponivas & Dawn Noonan."

Mission Moment

Native American Ministries Sunday (NAMS)

is one of the United Methodist Church's Special Sundays. Donations to NAMS support vital ministries and churches in the Native American communities and allow the UMC to partner with existing Native ministries to develop new programs on behalf of Native Americans. Half of the donations collected remain within the Annual Conference to provide hope to children and youth, hope for a brighter future in impoverished communities, and a voice to those who have felt voiceless for years.

When you give generously on Native American Ministries Sunday, you equip seminary students who honor and celebrate Native American culture in their ministries. You empower congregations to find fresh and culturally appropriate ways to minister to their communities with Christ's love.

You can also give by designating towards "Today's Mission Moment" on your giving envelope or by adding "Native American Ministries Sunday" to your gift online at pendletonchurch.org/give.

Feeding Hope

Wednesday, 5/8

We start cooking in the church kitchen at 3:00 PM if you'd like to help prep and package. We leave the church at 6:30 to go downtown Buffalo to serve.

[Sandy Houck](#)

Intergenerational Angel Wings

Saturday, 5/11, 12-3p, Fellowship Hall

It's a lovely day in our neighborhood! New life is showing throughout church, woods, and neighborhoods. At our May meeting, we will plant flowers around the church and have a treat from Uncle G's (The ice cream truck will be here!), have hot dogs, and our devotion will be led by Barb Smith. This is a true celebration of new life for each of us. Please let us know if you will join in on the fun - we need to know for food and the ice cream truck. Contact [Becky Heideman](#).

Women's Book Club

Wednesday, 5/15, 6p, at the Country Cottage at Beach Ridge & Townline Rd

Join us for dinner and a discussion about this month's book, *All Good People Here* by Ashley Flowers. If you want to join the book club or have any questions, let [Yvonne Bova](#) know.

Celebration of Pastor Jennifer's Ministry

Saturday 5/18, 6p

This is a farewell reception for Pastor Jennifer before she moves to her new pastoral appointment. There will be light refreshments. The church is welcome to come and offer their good wishes and celebrate all that she has done during her time at PCUMC.

Mom's Morning Out

This program is designed to enhance social and emotional growth. Little ones have fun playing with others, growing social skills, and strengthening their large motor skills in our spacious gym. Trained and nurturing adults supervise and care for your child while you get some time to yourself or run errands! Registration will open in May for fall 2024. Please call our office (716-625-8306) or visit pendletonchurch.org/mmo for more info.

More Upcoming Events

View the full church calendar:
pendletonchurch.org/calendar

Youth Group

Sundays, 5/5, 5/19, 6-8:30p

The Third Day Bible Study

Thursdays, 11a or 7p, Connection Room 1

Weekly Groups

Sunday Morning Bible Study

Sundays, 10:30a, Connection Room 2

Beginner Pickleball for Adults

Wednesdays, 6:30p, Gym

Niagara Falls Community Dinner

Thursdays, 5p at First UMC, Niagara Falls

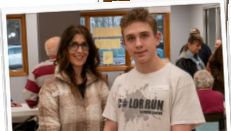
GriefShare

Thursdays, 6:30p, Connection Room 2

Lenten Fish Fry Update

Our Lenten 2024 fish fry season was a tremendous success! This ministry requires many, many hands to put on such a huge event, and we are so blessed to have such amazing volunteers (including several new helpers!). We prepared 3,940 total dinners (563/week average) over the seven Fridays in Lent, which was a big step forward from last year's 3,630 total (519/week average). One goal this season was to break the 600 total meals mark, and we accomplished that on Good Friday with 628 total meals served! The preliminary profit estimate from these dinners is an outstanding \$34,300, which is 28% more than the Lent 2023 profit of \$26,700! We expect to have the final numbers in May. This income will be applied to the General Operations account (i.e., to help pay the bills!).

Our fish fry dinners do more than serve as a fundraiser; they also show our community the loving Spirit of God is alive in our church. Several customers made a special point on Good Friday to thank us for providing this wonderful outreach to the community. None of this would be possible without all the support from our fantastic volunteers. Many, many thanks to all who helped out or bought some dinners!!



RaiseRight Gift Cards

Raise funds for the church by buying gift cards to pay for your everyday shopping and spending year-round. The church earns 2%-15% of each card you purchase. These gift cards are issued by national and local retailers where you already shop. Purchase everyday essentials like groceries, clothing, gas, and special items such as toys and gifts.



Simply fill out the order form available in the brochure racks and drop it off at the church office or in a "Drop Box" with payment in cash or check made payable to PCUMC.

RaiseRight Order Details:

- **Our next order will be placed on Wednesday, May 29.**
- Gift card orders are **usually available within one week.**
- **Order forms** are available in the back of the sanctuary and at pendletonchurch.org/forms.
- **Merchant additions?** If you don't see what you're looking for, you can check for additional merchants and raiseright.com/brands or let us know and we will check to see if they participate in the program.

Please contact [Tracy Masse-Wells](#) at the church office with any questions you may have about this program. Thank you for supporting Pendleton Center Church!