

Like Living Stones

A LIVING HOPE WORSHIP SERIES



Pendleton Center
United Methodist Church

Order of Worship

May 6 & 7, 2023

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

Opening Music

Introduction to the Offering

Offertory

Doxology & Prayer of Dedication

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Reading

Psalms 31:1-5, 1 Peter 2:2-10

Sermon

"Like Living Stones" - Pastor Jennifer Stamm

Communion

Closing Song

Benediction

Mission Moment: Native American Ministries Sunday

Native American Ministries Sunday (NAMS) is one of the United Methodist Church's Special Sundays; it is a time to recognize the history of Native peoples; marred by colonial violence, land theft, and attempted genocide. Let us all embrace our opportunity and obligation to honor the struggles, perseverance, and achievements of our Native brothers and sisters.

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 give using the special envelope in this bulletin or by adding "Native American Ministries Sunday" to your gift online at pendletonchurch.org/give.

Prayer Concerns

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

*You can share your prayer requests or blessings on your Friendship Card in the bulletin
or online at pendletonchurch.org/fc*

Prayers for Healing

Gary, Larry, Fiona, Jamie, Amber, Kingston, Marcie, Joshua, Sherri A, Vicky L, Joy B, Ed, Victoria, Eric R, Angela M, Fran, Audrey, Britt, Liz, Virginia, Bonnie, Karl, Bruce, Bob M, Jacquie B, Julian B, Julian R, Ron E, Paula, Mary, Amy, Tom D

Prayers for General Concerns

School, Job, Finances, Family, Safe travels, Sally, Family of Pat who passed away, Ongoing COVID concerns, Our nation's unity

Ongoing Concerns

Bear Ridge solar project, Bobbie H, Our country, our church, Michele A, Sarah S, Sheri B, Compromise & understanding between people & nations, Granddaughters, Good test results and plan of treatment, Chelsea G, Russia's invasion of Ukraine, Daughter's health and safety during college program, Our nation's leaders, Susie, Robert W, Violence, Patty, Chrissa M, Christopher S, Nicole, Paula, Mary, Lori B, Sally, Laura J

Random Prayer Selection

Each week, we select several random names to receive prayer. Please be in prayer for the names selected and those close to them. This week's names:

Leonard & Carol Binns, Jean Edmister, Bill & Rosie Heinemann, Chris & Tracy Kneoppel, DJ & Sherry Mahar, Brian & Cindy Neese, Bob & Gretchen Pusch, Steven & Jamie Scalzo

This Week's Birthdays

7 - Jill Deibel, Jack Smith

8 - Debbie Rey, Kendall Slaght

11 - Ronald Diedrich, Bob Franke, Kaitlyn Gustafson, Dave Wagner

12 - Kristen Anastasi, Paul Poeller, Paul Snyder

This Week's Anniversaries

12 - Loren & Annette Beutel - '84

This Week's Worship Sponsors

Altar Flowers are sponsored by Denise Riggles, "in loving memory of my son, Mark Johnson."

Please consider sponsoring our worship elements (communion, altar flowers, and bulletins) by signing up in the back of the sanctuary!

Welcome!

We're glad to have you here with us today!

Whether this is your first time here or you're a member of our church family, we desire to welcome you and offer the opportunity for you to engage in worship and teachings from the Word of God.

Everyone, please fill out a Friendship Card - it helps us know you were here today! You can fill one out digitally on our website or by using the card inside and putting it in an offertory box.

Ways to Give

Give In-person

Place your offering in the plate when it is passed.

Give Online

Visit:
pendletonchurch.org/give

Give by Mail

6864 Campbell Blvd.
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Jr. Church

Children are always welcome in our worship service - we have kids bulletins available in the back. Jr. Church, a program designed for 3 years old - 6th grade, is also offered during the Sunday services. If you would like your child to participate in Jr. Church, bring your children to the Ark before service.

Nursery

Our Nursery is open at our 9:00 AM service with volunteers to watch your 1-2 year-olds while you enjoy the service. At our other services, the Nursery is available as a place for families to watch the service with their children as they play. A Family Room is also available in the back of the sanctuary by the sound booth to use at any time.

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ANGEL WINGS INTERGENERATIONAL

Our next meeting, "Spring into Life," will be on Saturday, May 13, from 12:00-3:00 PM.

We will be planting marigolds along the church entrance and Fellowship Hall outside walls. Bring shovels, hoes, and gloves. It is rumored that ice cream might be made on site! Our meal will be make your own sandwich. Donations for meal appreciated - look for the clipboard in the back of the sanctuary to donate.

All ages - families, adults, children, youth - are welcome to join us. We're asking for a \$3 donation from each family to help cover costs of food.

Becky Heideman, 716-625-8312

FEEDING HOPE

Wednesday, May 17

The menu will be what we had planned for April - we did not serve a meal in April due to illness. The folks were fed by Friends Feeding Friends. So we have everything.

We can always use sandwich bags and quart-size bags. Another need is we could use a couple more hands to help serve the meals in downtown Buffalo. It is at 7:00 PM outside. Contact Sandy Houck.

And if anyone is in need of a meal or knows of a family or elderly neighbor, let me know. A meal can be provided.

*Sandy Houck, 716-903-5183,
ssandyh@aol.com*

WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB

Wednesday, May 17, 6:00 PM

This month's book is *The Wife Upstairs* by Rachel Hawkins. For the meeting location and any questions, please contact me. All women are welcome!

Yvonne Bova, ybova@kaleidahealth.org

THE GATHERING SERVICE

Saturday, May 20 at 7:00 PM

The Gathering Service is a music-centered worship service led by the Gathering Band that includes scripture, a short message, and communion. All are welcome!

Come for the 5:00 Saturday worship service, stay for coffee hour, and join us afterward, or just come by right at 7:00 for The Gathering Service. We'll also be streaming live on pendletonchurch.org.

Praise God and enter into worship, hear His word, and make a joyful noise!

BIBLE STUDIES OPPORTUNITIES

Women's Study - Wednesdays at 7:00 PM

Alright Ladies! Anyone interested get your books! We will watch the video together and follow the study provided in the book *Luke: Gut Level Compassion* by Lisa Harper. Hope you can join us!

*Linda Barczykowski,
lindab125@outlook.com*

**Luke: Jesus and the Outsiders, Outcasts
Thursdays at 11:00 AM & 7:00 PM**

Explore the life, teachings, death, and resurrection of Jesus as told in the Gospel of Luke.

Pastor Scott, ScottJohnson@pcumc.org

The Tough Stuff

Tuesday, May 30 at 7:00 PM

What's the one question you've never gotten a chance to ask? We're committed to making this table a safe place to explore and discuss hard things. We're not going to argue. We're not going to judge. We're not trying to persuade people that one answer is right and others are wrong. Our goal is to look at as much scripture as possible related to a topic, talk about our interpretations and experiences, and listen to one another. Hopefully, we'll all come away from the journey knowing more about the Bible and these difficult issues.

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FAMILY PROJECT

Spend a Sunday afternoon or an hour during the week together, working on an outreach project. We are looking for a few families to take a box of Easter eggs home to un-tape and reassemble the eggs in preparation for next year.

If you would like to help us with this project, please contact me.

AdrienneDemmin@pcumc.org

PRESCHOOL TRIKE-A-THON

Our preschool children will participate in a Trike-a-Thon supporting St. Jude's Children's Hospital in early June. If you would like to support them as they raise money, you can donate directly through the church (check payable to PCUMC with PS St. Jude on the memo line) or by visiting pendletonchurch.org/trikeathon.

GENESIS MOM'S MORNING OUT

Genesis Mom's Morning Out is a toddler program for children one and two years of age. This program is designed to enhance social and emotional growth. Trained and nurturing adults supervise and care for your child while you get some time to yourself or run errands! Enrollment for our fall program 2023-2024 is now open.

Visit pendletonchurch.org/mmo for more information.

WORSHIP SPONSORS

Would you like to sponsor our Altar Flowers, Bulletins, or the Communion Elements for a weekend? Is there a date you'd like to acknowledge in the near future? If you are interested in sponsoring, you can do so easily!

- ▶ On the sign-up sheets in the back of the Sanctuary
- ▶ Online at pendletonchurch.org/worship-sponsors
- ▶ Contact Heather Miner in the office by phone or heatherminer@pcumc.org.

UPCOMING EVENTS

View the full calendar:

pendletonchurch.org/calendar

Youth Group

Sundays, 5/7, 5/21, 6-8:30p, 7-12th gr.

HCWG & S'mores

Friday 5/12, 6-8:30p, PS-3rd gr.

Intergenerational Angel Wings

Saturday 5/13, 12-3p

The Gathering Service

Saturday 5/20, 7p

Weekly Groups

Sunday Morning Bible Study

Sundays, 10a, Connection Room 2

Niagara County Senior Lunch

Mondays, 10a, Fellowship Hall

Monday Night Adult Small Group

Mondays, 7p

Watercolor Class

Tuesdays, 1p & Saturdays, 10a, Art Room

Pendletones Handbells

Wednesdays, 6p, Connection Room 1

Men of Hymn

Wednesdays, 7p, Music Room

Niagara Falls Community Dinner

Thursdays, 5p at First UMC, Niagara Falls

Boy Scouts

Thursdays, 7p, Gym

Upcoming Mission Moments

Lockport CARES - May 20 & 21

Lockport CARES is Eastern Niagara's only Emergency Homeless Shelter. Serving people in need with shelter and compassion through the love of Jesus.

Alex's Lemonade Stand - June 3 & 4

ALS is a national childhood cancer foundation dedicated to raising funds for research into new treatments and cures for all children battling cancer. We'll also have our very own lemonade stand outside church this weekend.