



Pendleton Center

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Real Love. Real Hope.

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February 8 & 9, 2025 - Fifth Sunday After Epiphany

CURRENT SERMON SERIES



Life often brings us to moments where we feel isolated, overwhelmed, and in need of hope. In these times, it's vital to remember that we are never truly alone. Inspired by Max Lucado's book, "You Are Never Alone," this sermon series explores the comforting truth of God's unwavering presence and power. Together, we'll discover the miraculous ways in which God shows up in our lives, reminding us that we are never alone.

WELCOME!

Whether this is your first time watching 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.

If you're new to Pendleton Center or need to update your info, please fill out a [Friendship Card](#). This helps us keep connected with you and let's us know you were watching online with us today.

To learn more about our church, visit pendletonchurch.org.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude

Welcome

Centering Song

Opening Prayer

Passing of the Peace

Opening Music

Offertory

Doxology & Prayer of Dedication

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Reading: *John 9:1-12, 24-34*

Sermon: *"God Is With You In The Dark"* - 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: Navigating difficult family relationships, Michelle, Patricia, Rodney P, Roger B, Judy, Coleen, Sarah P, Jacquie B, Larry, Mrs. O, Brian, Roger, Barb, Good health for those scheduled for surgery, Sue

General Prayer Concerns: Grandchildren, Karen, Michael N, Family, Finances

Condolences for the Family & Friends of: Sandy Climenhaga, Kevin Childs

Ongoing Concerns: Plane crash victims & their families, Fran G, Britt A, Stephanie R, Sherry Z, Children in charter schools, John B, Sherry L, Gary N, Those who are suffering - may they feel God's love, Dorothy T, Fires in California, Unity & harmony in our church, community, & country

Random Prayer Selection: Jeremy & Jessica Smith, Carl Coles & Elizabeth Valentine, Thomas & Nancy Riexinger, Bret Hein & Shannon Hockwater, Suzanne Ruhlmann, Diana Rooney, Steve & Kim Sosnowski, Shannon Tomrowski

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

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

This Week's Birthdays

8 - Sydney Finiki, Jean McMorris, June Oppee

9 - Cody Zimmerman

11 - Eric Knuutila

12 - Mike Clifford, Erin DeVantier, David Korzak, Sue Matheis

13 - Ed Koziol, Hannah McFarlin, Everly Stowe, Riley Wagner

15 - Todd Fisher, Paige Keelty, Anne Santor

This Week's Anniversaries

14 - Robert & Susan Walck - '87

Altar flowers sponsored by Shirley Schlee, "Celebrating Addison & Everly's birthdays."

Bulletins sponsored by Barbara Szaicher.

Communion elements sponsored anonymously.

Please consider sponsoring our worship elements by signing up in the back of the sanctuary or at pendletonchurch.org/worship-sponsor. Leave a message or sponsor anonymously.

“Souper” Bowl Sunday & Pendleton Food Pantry Collection

This week's special offering is to support the Pendleton Food Pantry. We're collecting non-perishable food items like canned veggies, meats, soups, boxed side dishes, and pasta - just to name a few. Drop off food donations by the big soup pot at the back of the sanctuary or anytime during the year at the Food Collection Center in the Fellowship Hall!

You can also give by designating towards "Today's Mission Moment" on your giving envelope or by adding "Pendleton Food Pantry" to your gift online at pendletonchurch.org/give.

Women's Book Club

Wednesday, 2/19, 6p, at the Country Cottage at Beach Ridge & Townline Rd

A night for women to come together and discuss a variety of different types of books, have a meal or dessert, and enjoy conversation. This month's book is *The Only Woman in the Room*, by Marie Benedict. Send an email to let us know you are interested, have questions, or just show up the night of our meeting!

Yvonne Bova

Holy Grounds Café **Sundays at 11:00 AM**

Our innovative worship model offers a refreshing alternative to traditional services, making it an inviting space for all.

Be a part of this exciting ministry! Your support is vital to the continued success of this ministry. **Whether it's helping with setup, providing dishes for the café, or simply spreading the word, your involvement makes a difference.**

If you or someone you know is interested in this worship service, you can find more information at pendletonchurch.org/holy-grounds. Flyers are also available in the back of the sanctuary for you to share with others.

For more details on how you can help with this new ministry, please contact Pastor Scott in the church office or by [email](mailto:).

Feeding Hope ***Wednesday, February 12***

We could use a couple of extra hands, as a couple of our "regular helpers" will be away. Preppings begins in the church kitchen at 3:00 PM. We leave to go downtown at 6:30 to serve. **Anyone is welcome to come help however you can!**

Sandy Houck

Intergenerational Angel Wings

Angel Wings is helping support Lockport CareNet with a baby bottle drive. If you are able, take a baby bottle from the back of the sanctuary home with you to fill it up with change and return it by Saturday, March 1. Funds raised go to support Lockport CareNet's mission of providing love and care for those living with pregnancy issues. Thank you for your prayers, kindness, and help!

Are you a talented knitter or handy with a crochet needle? We've had a donation of yarn and now need those who knit or crochet to create hats. If interested, please speak with Becky H.

We're also creating a team for Operation Christmas Child! Please contact [Becky H.](mailto:)

Parents' Night Out ***Saturday, 2/15, 4-9p, 1 y.o. - 6th grade*** ***Space is limited! Pre-registration is required to attend.***

The Hot Chocolate with God and S'mores leaders are excited to host a babysitting fundraiser for your children! Bring your kids to church for an evening packed with fun activities and crafts, games, gym time, dancing, and a movie!

You can bring your child(ren) anytime between 4:00-9:00 PM. The cost is \$5.00 per child/per hour. Please ensure your child(ren) has had a meal before coming; only snacks and drinks will be provided.

Please contact [Adrienne Demmin](mailto:) by Thursday, February 13, for registration and to let me know how many children you would like to register along with their ages, what times you plan on bringing them and picking them up, or with any questions you might have.



7 Fridays during Lent

March 7 through Good Friday, April 18

This unique ministry allows us to reach out to our community with love and caring in so many Spirit-filled ways. We prepare and serve wonderful meals, we offer friendship, and we are a point of connection for those seeking more love and meaning in their lives.

This ministry is huge! And the 100 or so people who make it happen get the satisfaction of making God happy and bringing joy to others. What a blessing it is!

*So, if you're not yet involved or want to help more, add your name to the sign-up sheets, call the office (716-625-8306), or let **Pastor Scott** or **Louie Bobsein** know.* The sign-up sheets will be available in worship starting this weekend.

Add a note on the sheets or tell us if you're not sure what to do. We can make adjustments and help make it easier for you to join with others and get involved. There are ways to help all week long, and at different times of day. Whatever you can do will help.

This ministry cannot happen without full support from all of you.

God bless you and thank you all for all you do, as we look forward to another year with our Fellowship Hall filled with smiling people!

Thank you,
Louie Bobsein

UPCOMING EVENTS

More information about these events can be found at pendletonchurch.org/events

BIBLE STUDIES & DEVOTIONS

The Tough Stuff

Tuesday, 2/25, 7p, Fellowship Hall

Sunday Morning Bible Study

Sundays, 10:30a, Connection Room 2

New Lights - Faith in Practice

Sundays, 10:45, Café

Closer Walk Wednesdays

Wednesdays, 12p, on Facebook

Thursday Bible Study

Thursdays, 11a & 7p, Connection Room 1

Loyal Ladies Bible Study

Thursdays, 1p, Connection Room 2
(Wed. when United Women in Faith meets)

ADULTS

Women's Book Club

Wednesday, 2/19, 6p, The Country Cottage

Niagara County Senior Lunch

Mondays, 10a, Fellowship Hall

Watercolor Classes

Tuesdays at 1p, Saturdays at 9a, Art Room

Country Line Dancing

1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7p, Gym

Beginner Pickleball

Wednesdays, 6:30p, Gym

CHILDREN & YOUTH

Youth Group (7-12th grade)

Sundays, 2/16, 2/23 6p, Gym

Hot Chocolate with God & S'mores

Fridays, 6p (Check calendar for dates)

MUSIC

Pendletones Bell Choir

Wednesdays, 6p, Connection Room 1

Men of Hymn

Wednesdays, 7p, Choir Room

MISSIONS

Feeding Hope

Wednesday, 2/12, 3p, Kitchen

Intergenerational Angel Wings

Saturday, 3/8, 12-3p, Fellowship Hall

Niagara Falls Thursday Night Dinner

Thursdays, 5p, First UMC

SAVE THE DATE!

Fish Fry Dinners

Fridays, March 7 - April 18

Easter Celebration & Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 12