



LOOKIN' FOR LOVE

IN ALL THE WRONG PLACES

Order of Worship

March 4 & 5

Second Sunday in Lent

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

Opening Music

Offertory Introduction

Offertory

Doxology & Prayer of Dedication

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Reading

Psalm 121, John 3:1-17

Sermon

"Look for the Helper" - Pastor Scott Johnson

Celebration of Communion

Closing Song

Benediction



This weekend we are kicking off a church-wide mission project! We are encouraging and challenging our whole congregation and church programs to participate in this wonderful project called Rice Bowls during the season of Lent.

Rice Bowls is a non-profit organization that seeks to provide food for orphaned children in the name of Christ. They partner with loving, grass-roots children's homes around the world to cover 100% of their delicious, locally sourced meals. The homes can then focus on loving, teaching, protecting, and providing for the children in their care. In addition, Rice Bowls helps organizations like ours collect money in a fun and meaningful way.

Take a bowl, or a few, home with you and fill it up with change (or cash!) from your family, friends, coworkers, or anyone that you may know. Then bring them back to church after Easter for a smashing party! (Look for more details on this part soon.)

Rice Bowls and more information are available in Mission Central.



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

Al, Guy B, Angela M, Rich J, Madonna, Linda, Tom, Michele A, Fran, Audrey, Britt, Vicky L,
Joan S, Sherry J, Laura J, Bob M, Jacquie B, Julian B, Brian R, Ron E, Mary L, Stephanie R,
Larry, Debbie, Cooper

Prayers for General Concerns

Luvanna E, Elderly friends' health and safety, Grace, Safe travels, Susan R, Family, School,
Job, Decision concerning the Bear Ridge solar project in Cambria

Ongoing Concerns

Joan S, Sarah S, Dee M, Stephanie R, Grace, Ramarian, Our country, Earthquakes, Anger
ruling peoples' lives, Sally, Liz, Virginia, Bonnie, Madison M, Sherry J, Sally, Yvonne M,
Joseph family, Kathy, Christa, Mass shooting violence, Climate change, Michele A

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:*

Jeffrey & Patricia Broecker, Lisa & Paul Dannebrock, Christopher & Melissa Griffin,
Robert & Janice Inwards, Alan & Joyce Lane, Gidget & William Meland,
Joshua & Theresa Prezioso, Janet Semsel

This Week's Birthdays

4 - Sarah Rivera
5 - Brian Dick, Hannah Tanalski
6 - Lindsay Hocking, Sheri Lemma, Tucker Smith
7 - Michael Borner, Wayne Forrest, Victoria Jaynes-Fuller, Cassie Mangan, Bonnie Reed,
Sue Stout, Dana Thompson
10 - Jennifer Grimmer
11 - Allison Hahn, Jade King, Karen Long, Kayla Weber

This Week's Anniversaries

6 - Brett & Sarah Johnson - '04

This Week's Worship Sponsors

Bulletins are sponsored by Jill Hackett.

*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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Lenten Fish Fry Dinners are Here!

Yes, we are still looking for all kinds of help with our remaining Fish Fry dinners on March 10, March 17, March 24, March 31, and April 7!

You may not know we no longer have a paid staff person managing these dinners; all the coordination is now being done by our fabulous volunteers! It takes an enormous amount of volunteer help to make these dinners run smoothly. What a great way to meet new people here at the church! We can do this, Church!!!

Maybe you can work in one of these areas, whatever weeks you're available:

Making Salads	Making Beverages	Dining hall setup
Cooking fish	Baking pies	Waiting on tables
Answering phones	Filling orders	Cutting pies
Serving pies	Washing dishes	Dining hall cleanup
Kitchen cleanup	Dish room cleanup	

Volunteer today! Watch for signup sheets in worship, or call the church office (716-625-8306) to volunteer. **Youth, do you need to do community service hours for school? Why not help at your church?** Just add your name to the signup sheets!

Even if you can't work at a dinner, we hope you will come and eat with us! Besides our fried haddock, we also offer shrimp, chicken fingers, or even combo platters for those who like all three! We also have an option for those who don't eat fried food: Baked Haddock, offered with either regular or Cajun seasoning.

Thank you for all you do to pitch in wherever help is needed to help our fundraising efforts. It's a wonderful blessing to be able to provide fish fry dinners to our community. It brings new people into our church and lets them see how well we work together to make great dinners while enjoying great fellowship!



SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE TIME

A time for us to reconnect, have a time of fellowship, and share the love of God. Coffee Time has been going strong for January and February. Our next coffee time will be hosted by the Folbys on Sunday, March 19. Please let them know if you would like to bring something - sfolbyjr@gmail.com.

KAIROS PRISON MINISTRY

Are you being called to do prison ministry? Kairos Prison Ministry gives you the opportunity to volunteer with others spreading the love of Jesus. This is an ecumenical program. Contact Sandy or Jim if you are interested or for more details.

Sandy Houck, 716-903-5183

Jim Hohensee, 716-628-4644

GENESIS PRESCHOOL

It's time to sign up for our fall 2023 Genesis Preschool classes! Registration is currently open.

Classes available are:

- 3-year-olds, two days a week, morning or afternoon
- 4-year-olds, three days a week, morning or afternoon
- 4-year-olds, five days a week, morning

Space is limited, and classes fill up quickly. For more information, please contact Heather Miner (HeatherMiner@pcumc.org or 716-625-8306) or visit pendletonchurch.org.

EASTER SUNDAY INSTRUMENTALISTS

For Easter Sunday, if you play a brass or woodwind instrument and would like to play on the first hymn, Christ the Lord is Risen Today, please contact Nancy Himes, nancyhimes@pcumc.org or Tom Crosby, tomcrosby@pcumc.org. We can provide music. Practice would be on your own. A final group practice would be on Saturday, April 8 at 12:00 PM.

MORE UPCOMING EVENTS

More info: pendletonchurch.org/events or call the office, 716-625-8306.

Youth Group

Sundays 3/5, 3/26, 6-8:30p

HCWG & S'mores

Friday, 3/10, 6-8:30p, PS-3rd gr. boys

Angel Wings Intergenerational

Saturday, 3/11, 12-3p

The Gathering Service

Saturday, 4/1, 7p

WEEKLY GROUPS

Sunday Morning Bible Study

Sundays, 10a, Connection Room 2

Niagara County Senior Lunch

Mondays, 10a, Fellowship Hall

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

GriefShare

Thursdays, 7p

Boy Scouts

Thursdays, 7p, Gym

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 the bulletins, flowers, or elements, 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.

Visitation Team

Do you enjoy sitting, listening, and really connecting with someone one on one? On Saturday, March 18, from 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM, we will be having a training for our visitation ministry. It only takes a few hours each month to form that bond with our homebound people.

Pastor Jennifer,
JenniferStamm@pcumc.org

Feeding Hope

Our next meal will be Wednesday, March 15. We'll be having soup again - this time with tuna fish sandwiches. We're looking for canned tuna, mayonnaise, eggs, bread, and box brownie mix. Items can be placed in the Fellowship Hall collection area.

If you'd like to help out, prepping, packing up, or going downtown, we'd love to have you!

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

MEMBERSHIP CLASS

You're invited to gather to learn about what it means to be a member of Pendleton Center UMC, our beliefs, and how we work together to grow in faith and walk as disciples of Jesus Christ. We're planning to schedule a class in March, and will have more details soon. Although this class is required for membership, it does not obligate you to join. We hope you will join us so we can get to know one another!

If you are interested, contact Pastors Scott or Jennifer:
(Scott.Johnson@pcumc.org) or
(JenniferStamm@pcumc.org)

When shopping for candy for Easter, please consider picking up an extra bag of individually wrapped candy for our children and youth ministries. You can label it and drop it off in the food collection area in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you!



Share Your Musical Gift In Worship

If you are feeling called to share your musical gifts, please contact Nancy Himes, nancyhimes@pcumc.org or Tom Crosby, tomcrosby@pcumc.org. There are opportunities available during the offertory time in service whether you play an instrument or you would like to sing.

Easter Sunday Instrumentalists

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ANGEL WINGS MISSIONS FOR ALL AGES

Angel Wings is a mission-based program on the move! In January, we made 60 bags of hope, and these were distributed through the Feeding Hope program. I was told many homeless were thankful for the gift, with big smiles all around.

February was also a success! Cards of hope for the shut-in and facility bound were given to the visitation team. The cards were full of colorful designs and positive thoughts from our group. To celebrate love, we had singing and dancing along with lunch and cookie frosting. Kaitlyn Sosnowski provided the devotion.

Our next meeting will be Saturday, March 11, from 12:00-3:00 PM. Our focus is "New Life," with a devotion provided by Scot Jaynes. The mission project is decorating & filling laundry baskets with cleaning supplies for families in need. These will then be delivered to Journey's End. *Donations of cleaning supplies would be appreciated.*

Journey's End is a place where those who have been displaced through war or life changes can go to find non-judgmental support to restart their life. PCUMC has been a loyal supporter of this organization - setting up apartments and collecting clothing and school supplies over the past years. A volunteer from Journeys End will be present and provide testimony on how PCUMC and other organizations have made a difference in the life of the displaced.

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. This month's meal is pancakes and applesauce.

Becky Heideman, 716-625-8312 & Anna Smith, 716-998-4063

Thursday Night Dinners at First UMC, Niagara Falls

Holy Hams! Now that I got your attention, it's never too early to get Easter on your radar, and remember the Thursday Night Dinner as we prepare for the upcoming Holy celebration. **We like to plan a wonderful Easter dinner for the folks in Niagara Falls, which we'll be serving Thursday, April 6. We will need hams, boxes of scalloped potatoes, frozen peas, lots of eggs and butter, and canned crushed pineapple.** We also appreciate any financial support for all the other items needed. Prayerfully consider helping or even coming out to participate in cooking or serving.

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