



DEFYING GRAVITY

Break Free from the Culture of More



Pendleton Center
United Methodist Church



Order of Worship

October 7 & 8, 2023 - *Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

Prelude

Welcome & Call to Worship

Passing of the Peace

Opening Music

Introduction to the Offering

Offertory

Doxology & Prayer of Dedication

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Reading: *Luke 18:18-30*

Sermon: *"Discovering Gravity" - Pastor Scott Johnson*

Communion

Closing Song

Benediction

Prayer Concerns

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

Healing

Michelle, Family of Kevin B, Christa, Fred, Sherry, Sherri A, Judy B, Gary B, Jan G, Joan, Chris, Two elderly friends with Covid,

General Concerns

Aaron P, Tom, Acceptance of differences, Maureen M, Employment opportunity, Dee M

Ongoing Concerns

Nicole, Sarah S, Michele A, My children, Our country, our church, Leaders of nation, Madison M, Our world healing, Jen S, Covid problems, Lori B

Random Prayer Selection

Please be in prayer for these randomly selected names and those close to them:
Albert & Darlene Brooks, Anthony & Samantha Giambattista, Virginia Kelley, Charles & Karen MacRae, Edward & Patricia McDonald, Daniel & Kelli Putney, Peter & Ulana Scheidle, Joshua & Jen Wendt

Our Church Family

This Week's Birthdays

- 7 - Kaleb Say
- 8 - Teri Hersee
- 9 - Kristofer Gregory
- 10 - Autumn Kraft-DeCota, Stephen Lynch
- 11 - Jillian Ash, Rob Kurczynski, Alex Wasiewicz, Nina Wolcott
- 12 - Bonnie Franke, Mindy (Walck) Frederick
- 13 - Kenny Say
- 14 - Naomi Laskey

This Week's Anniversaries

- 9 - Michael & Shirley Schlee - '93
- 11 - Michael & Jennifer Goris - '12
- Robert & Lynne Rogowski - '02
- 12 - William & Patricia Drexler

This Week's Worship Sponsors

Communion Elements, Altar Flowers, & Bulletins are sponsored by Grace Bartlett, "in memory of my husband, Jim."

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

HEALTH FAIR

This Sunday, 10/8, 10a, Fellowship Hall

We're hosting a health fair filled with great resources and services. Sign up for a flu shot, receive NARCAN training, and get your blood pressure checked. Your health matters, let's take care of it together.

FEEDING HOPE

Wednesday, 10/11 - Prep begins at 3:00 PM in the kitchen

Help is always needed making PB&J sandwiches, prepping, packaging, and, of course, going downtown Buffalo to hand out meals. Please let Sandy Houck know if you can help out 716-903-5183. If anyone is in need of a meal this day, please let Sandy know or call the church office.

PARENTS' NIGHT OUT

Saturday, 10/14, 4-9p, 1 y.o. - 6th gr.

The Hot Chocolate with God and S'mores leaders will hold a babysitting fundraiser for your children! Bring your kids to church for a fun-filled night of activities and crafts, games, gym time, dancing, outside fun (weather permitting), and a movie!

Space is limited! Pre-registration is required to attend. Please contact Adrienne Demmin (716-727-8537) by Thursday, October 12, for registration.

INTERGENERATIONAL ANGEL WINGS

Saturday, Oct. 14, 12-3p, Fellowship Hall

Our theme for our first meeting is "Harvest Home." We'll be preparing a special mission project - creating gifts for the Niagara Falls Community Dinners. There will be games, a simple lunch, devotion, and music. All you need to bring is \$6 per family or \$3 per person. We're excited to see you all there! If you can help in any way or have any questions, feel free to reach out to Ms. Becky at 716-625-8312.

DAWNING OF A NEW SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE HOUR

This past spring, we were fortunate to have had several wonderful coffee hours and times of fellowship. We ask you, the families and ministries of Pendleton Center, to step forward and continue the tradition of coffee and community in between the two Sunday services.

Please consider and discuss with your family or ministry team picking one Sunday (or more) a year to share in the hosting of coffee and treats.

To secure your date or for more details, please get in touch with Beth Arajs at 716-628-4730 or email barajs@verizon.net.

MORE UPCOMING EVENTS

View the full calendar:

pendletonchurch.org/calendar

Youth Group (7-12th gr.)

Sundays, 10/15, 10/29, 6-8:30p

Trustee Meeting

Monday, 10/9, 7p

Women's Book Club

Wednesday, 10/18, 6p

Country Cottage (4072 Beach Ridge Rd.)

Men's Breakfast

Saturday, 10/21, 9am

Bob Evan's (1925 Niagara Falls Blvd.)

Weekly Groups

Sunday Morning Bible Study

Sundays, 10a, Connection Room 1

Niagara County Senior Lunch

Mondays, 10a, Fellowship Hall

Niagara Falls Community Dinner

Thursdays, 5p at First UMC, Niagara Falls

Boy Scouts

Thursdays, 7p, Gym

GriefShare

Thursdays, 7p, Connection Room 2

Yes, we are still looking for all kinds of help with our Fall Fish Fry dinners! 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!



Look for the sign up sheet in the back of the sanctuary!

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!

FALL FESTIVAL AND TRUNK -OR- TREAT

Saturday October 21, 5:00-8:00 PM
Trunk or Treat at 6:30 PM

Join us for a night of games, activities, music, dancing, food, fellowship, and trunk-or-treating. Kids and adults are welcome to wear costumes!

A hot dog dinner and homemade baked goods will be for sale. Proceeds help to fund our annual Fall Festival.



We are looking for volunteers to decorate their cars and pass out candy, help with games, activities and the Hotdog dinner. If you are interested in helping please let Adrienne Demmin know or look for the sign up sheet in the back of the sanctuary!

**Registration and more information:
pendletonchurch.org/fallfestival**

Photos for Church Directory

If you didn't get your photo taken for our church directory last year, here's another chance. Schedule a 10 minute session to help complete our new directory!

Sign up online at pendletonchurch.org/photo
Don't have internet access? Call the church office to schedule.