



Pendleton Center
United Methodist Church

MY STORY MY SONG

Order of Worship

July 29 & 30, 2023 - *Ninth 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

Song Reflection: *Sara Krystaf*

Special Music: *"His Eye Is On The Sparrow"*

Scripture Reading: *Psalm 8:1-9, Matthew 10:22-31*

Sermon: *"His Eye Is On The Sparrow" - Pastor Scott Johnson*

Communion

Closing Song

Benediction

Prayer Concerns

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

Prayers for Healing

Charlotte, Jan G, Sherri A, Michelle, Kingston, Amber, Larry, Jane K, Kim, Bob M, Greta K, Maryellen S, Julian R, Jan F, Paula

Prayers for General Concerns

Safe travels, Karen & family, Job, Finances, Family, Michele, The excessive heat that is affecting many throughout our nation, God's guidance for our country's leaders

Ongoing Concerns

Our country, Our church, Gary N, Family of Bill S & Bob F, Sandra S, Sherry J, Long standing issue, Family, Gun control, Linda B, Ben, Upcoming treatment as Roswell

Random Prayer Selection

Please be in prayer for these randomly selected names and those close to them:
Elliott Brown, Thomas & Lynne Elbersen, Tom & Becky Heideman, Rob & Karen Kurczynski, Holly Moss, Deborah Robichaud, Anne Steblein, Sharon Walck

Our Church Family

This Week's Birthdays

- 29 - Emily Diermyer, Maggie Ohol, John Santor, II, Sally Santor
- 30 - Kiarra Furey, Melissa Haniszewski, Jeffrey Volpe, Jr
- 31 - Joan Kirkland
- 1 - Diane Askey
- 2 - David Hocking
- 4 - Walt Holmes
- 5 - Allie Gear, Annabel Selino

This Week's Anniversaries

- 30 - Jon & Nancy Himes - '88
- 31 - Brad & Karrie Paxton - '10
- 4 - Jeff & Dana Thompson - '01

This Week's Worship Sponsors

Communion Elements & Bulletins sponsored by Bill & Cindy Smist.
Altar Flowers sponsored by Irene Tate.

Please consider sponsoring our worship elements (communion, altar flowers, and bulletins) by signing up in the back of the sanctuary or online at pendletonchurch.org/worship-sponsor.

CALLING HEAVEN'S FIRE

Do you find it hard to speak God's truth sometimes? Are you interested in learning how to trust God more when things get tough? Join Pastor Scott for a new Bible Study this August. We're exploring the life and ministry of the Prophet Elijah. Elijah's life teaches many lessons about the challenges of courageously speaking the truth, staying faithful to one's call, and relying on God in difficulty. We'll meet every Thursday for four weeks beginning August 3. There will be a morning session at 11:00 and an evening session at 7:00. The evening session will also be available online. Contact Pastor Scott, Adrian, or the office for the link.

CHRISTMAS IN JULY

Millions of people take time every fall to carefully shop for and pack shoeboxes. These simple gifts bring great joy as children and their families learn about the true meaning of Christmas - the Good News of Jesus Christ. However, Operation Christmas Child is not just reserved for Christmas. We will have Christmas in July! Look for our booth out in Mission Central.

We collect filler items and donations all year round for our "Shoebox Packing Party" in the fall. Check out our Christmas Tree for items needed, grab a tag, and return the item(s) to our collection box.

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to me.

Anna Smith, 716-998-4063



WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB

Wednesday, August 16, 6:00 PM

This month's book is *This Tender Land* by William Krueger. We will meet at Country Cottage at Beach Ridge & Townline Rd. If you want to join the book club or have any questions, let me know. All women are welcome!

Yvonne Bova, ybova@kaleidahealth.org

BACKPACKS FOR STUDENTS!

We are continuing to collect items for our students who will be returning to school so very soon! We would like to help families who might find the cost of a backpack and supplies a little overwhelming. **This is where you can help!** We currently have a bunch of backpacks and are **looking for those supplies such as crayons, index cards, pens, pencils, erasers, glue sticks, rulers, paper, notebooks, etc.,** to be able to fill them and be able to hand out to the young scholars in the community! We'll have a spot to drop off your donations in the Fellowship Hall!

And if anyone wants to come out and help sort and fill the backpacks, we would love your help! Please contact Anna Smith or DJ Mahar for more details!

DJ Mahar, djmahar@pcumc.org
Anna Smith, 716-998-4063

FEEDING HOPE

Once again, the brownies brought out smiles from many!

Wednesday, August 16, will be our next meal. We are looking for donations of *hamburger, penne pasta, spaghetti sauce, vegetable oil, and 2 dozen eggs.* We can always use sandwich bags and quart-size bags.

If you'd like to help cook in the church kitchen at 3:00, package up, or go downtown, leaving church at 6:30, please contact Sandy Houck at 716-903-5183. If anyone is in need of a meal, we can certainly meet that need this day also! Please let Sandy Houck know or call the church office.

CLARA'S CLOSET CLOTHING DONATIONS

Clara's Closet is in need of men's clothing and shoes. Donations can be labeled and left in Mission Central. Thank you!

Pastor Jenn

Worship Outside and Church Picnic

Sunday, August 20 at 11:00 AM

On Sunday, August 20, we will join in *one worship service* at 11:00 AM

outdoors. Come and enjoy the beauty of God's Creation as we celebrate as a church family with a picnic immediately after. We will provide hot dogs and ask people to sign up in the back of the sanctuary to bring a side dish or dessert.

Come for worship, great music, food, fun, and fellowship! Feel free to bring your own chair and an outdoor game to play. We will set them up in the parking lot at the back of the church.

Please see Pastor Jennifer with any questions or call her at 716-603-4470.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

AUGUST 7-11, 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM EACH DAY

We want to invite you on a great adventure that will allow your kids to grow in their faith as they understand how they can follow Jesus here, there, and everywhere. It starts with the Bible and utilizes simple, memorable bottom lines to help kids remember how God's Word fits into their everyday lives.

We hope that you can join us for this incredible week together!

VBS will be for all kids going into kindergarten (in Sept.) up to kids who have completed 6th grade this year.

Registration is required *and now open* - pendletonchurch.org/vbs

Please consider serving in this wonderful ministry! There's a place for you!

Whether it's in the snack team, as a greeter, a station leader, a story teller, or someplace else, your help is greatly appreciated!

Interested in serving at VBS? Please contact Adrienne Demmin or look for the sign up sheet in the back of the sanctuary!