

Always Be Ready

A LIVING HOPE WORSHIP SERIES



Pendleton Center
United Methodist Church

Order of Worship

May 13 & 14, 2023

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

Opening Music

Introduction to the Offering

Offertory

Doxology & Prayer of Dedication

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Reading

1 Peter 3:13-22, John 14:15-21

Sermon

"Always Be Ready" - Pastor Scott Johnson

Communion

Closing Song

Benediction

Mission Moment: Buffalo 10 Scholarship

On May 14, 2022, a mass murderer motivated by racial hatred killed ten African Americans and injured three other individuals. A group of clergy and laity from the Niagara Frontier District gathered to discern ways to address the systemic racism that continues to impact residents of the East Side of Buffalo and elsewhere in our region. The Buffalo 10 Scholarship (UNY-Buffalo 10) was adopted at the 2022 Upper New York Annual Conference and is dedicated to helping youth in identified communities of Buffalo, New York succeed in higher education.

The Mission of the Buffalo 10 Scholarship is to improve educational opportunities in the zip codes adjacent to the Jefferson Avenue Tops Market (14208, 14211, 14214). Specifically, the scholarship helps youth in these areas address persisting inequities by resourcing them to complete their college education.

The Vision of the Buffalo 10 Scholarship is more educated and empowered young adults serving in the designated area to create communities characterized by love, justice, and peace.

You can give using the special envelope in this bulletin or by adding "Buffalo 10 Scholarship" 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

Tom D, Harriot, Mike, Kenny, Sofia, Sherri A, Vicky L, Joy B, Joshua, Marcie, Ron, Fran,
Audrey, Dottie, Britt, Christa, Jill, Berney, Larry, Cooper, Jane, Kim, Mary L

Prayers for General Concerns

Our country needs love of God, Sally, Family, Job

Ongoing Concerns

Mass shootings, 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

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:*

Howard & Leilah Brave, William & Cindy Duthe, Erik & Tiffany Johnson,
Pamela & Bernie Marin, Ken & Bonnie Reed, Justin & Valerie Rybinski, Renae & Alec Towne,
Robert & Susan Walck

This Week's Birthdays

14 - Dorothy Glosser, Donna Hahn, Susan King, Joshua Wildt, Linda Zanke
15 - DJ Mahar
17 - Kathy Hill
18 - Cal Crosby
19 - Jacob Earle, Madison Remillard
20 - Liz Fisher, Emily Reed

This Week's Anniversaries

12 - Loren & Annette Beutel - '84
15 - Wayne & Brenda Forrest - '82, Sue & Norm Wilson - '81
17 - Donald & Barbara Szpaicher - '86
18 - Darren & Lori Wildt - '91

This Week's Worship Sponsors

Communion Elements are sponsored by Judy Snow, "in memory of Shawn."
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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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

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Saturday, May 20, 9:00 AM at

Bob Evan's, 1925 Niagara Falls Blvd

All men are invited to the Men's Breakfast Group, fellowship, devotions, and prayer.

This is an opportunity for men to meet and share with other Christian men in a small group setting.

Shawn M, s.michalski126@gmail.com

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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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!



WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE UMC?

Sun., 5/21 at 10 AM (between services)

Tuesday, May 23 at 6:30 PM

Thursday, May 25 at 1:00 PM

The United Methodist Church is at an important point in its history. Many members of the church have read or heard things about what might be happening in the future. There are also different perspectives about what local churches can or should be doing. Pastor Scott has scheduled three sessions for members of our church to learn more about what's happening in the denomination. These will be:

These sessions are for information only; they are not business meetings. If you'd like to attend but can't make any of these times, please email or call Pastor Scott. Other sessions will be added if needed.

HOT DOG COLLECTION!

The Thursday Night Dinner would like to celebrate the warmer weather and Memorial Day with a hot dog dinner on May 25! If you're able to donate hot dogs for our dinner, please drop them off at church in the fridge by Wednesday, May 24, and, as always, you're all welcome to join us on Thursdays as a volunteer or guest as we welcome the star of summer! *DJ Mahar, djmahar@pcumc.org*

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

View the full calendar:

pendletonchurch.org/calendar

Newsletter Deadline

Monday, 5/15

Email articles: adriana Almeida@pcumc.org

Finance Team Meeting

Tuesday, 5/16, 7p

Youth Group

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

Newsletter Assembly

Tuesday, 5/23, 10a

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.