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## February 15 & 16, 2025 - Sixth 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 <u>Friendship Card</u>. 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 11:38-44

Sermon: "God Is With You In The Valley" - 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:** Michele, Fran, Tom, Elaine, Sarah P, Jacque B, Larry, Mrs. O, Jena, Roger, Barb

General Prayer Concerns: Kathy & Ralph, Our government, My family, Finance, June P

**Ongoing Concerns:** Michael N, Susie, Reggie & family, Political climate, 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, People with cancer, dementia, & other conditions, Unity & harmony in our church, community, & country

**Random Prayer Selection:** Andrew & Marianne Yaeger, Julie, Wolski, Tom & Sara Crosby, David & Kristen Foster, Patrick & Amanda Rindfleisch, Dan & Kelli Putney, Scott & Jenna Wolcott, Carol Visscher, Robert & Stefanie Udell

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

#### **OUR CHURCH FAMILY**

## This Week's Birthdays

- 15 Todd Fisher, Paige Keelty, Anne Santor
- 16 Christa Eisenhardt, Jan Inwards
- 17 Rosie Heinemann, Abby Johnson, Sarah Kinmartin, Tyler Valentine, Mackenzie Yerdon
- 19 Jesse King, Maryellen Schutz, Addison Stowe, Anita Walter
- 20 Jim Gondek, Alyssa Phillips
- 21 Cory Margarucci
- 22 Lynn Becker, Andrew Ludwig

### This Week's Anniversaries

- 17 Donald & Bonnie Weber '95
- 18 Richard & Debbie Stern '89, Dave & Leslie Wagner '67

Altar flowers, bulletins, & communion elements sponsored anonymously: "Celebrating God's peaceful presence at work."

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

### **Genesis Preschool**

It's time to sign up for 2025-2026 Genesis Preschool classes! **Registration to members of our church and current preschool families is now open.** On March 1, registration will be open to the community.

Classes currently available are:

- Tue/Thur Class for 3-year-olds Morning and Afternoon (with the option to add a 3rd day)
- Mon/Wed/Fri Class for 4-year-olds -Morning
- Mon Fri Class for 4-year-olds Morning
- Genesis Afternoon Adventure Program for 4-year-olds - Mon/Wed/Fri in the afternoon

Space is limited and programs fill up quickly. Be sure to sign your child up now for the class & program of your choice. We have a great staff and curriculum that includes kindergarten readiness skills, basic Christian concepts, music, arts and crafts, and more.

If you would like information about our Preschool or the Afternoon Adventure program, please call <u>Kelly Grimmer</u> in the office or visit <u>pendletonchurch.org/</u> preschool.

Registration for the 2025-2026 Mom's Morning Out program will begin in May.

### **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/holygrounds. 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.

# 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

## **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.

# **Easter Celebration**

Save the date - Saturday, April 12

Save the date and join our church and community for our annual Easter Celebration and Egg Hunt! Discover the true meaning of Easter as we come together to celebrate.

## Ways you can help right now:

- Donate individually wrapped candy & toys that fit inside a plastic egg
- Donate prizes for children ages 3-12 years old, such as frisbees, footballs, stuffed animals, nail polish, mini board games, headbands, fidget toys, candy, etc.

Donations can be left in the labeled bin in Mission Central. Thank you! For any questions or to get involved, please contact Adrienne Demmin.



# 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.

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

**Loval 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

**Intergenerational Angel Wings** 

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

**Feeding Hope** 

Wednesday, 3/12, 3p, Kitchen

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

Freedom is being reunited with the Father through Jesus Christ our Lord.

2 Corinthians 5:17 says, "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new."

### Freedom

Nancy Himes

I feel like I'm locked in a prison of pain Burdened by challenges I don't know how to tame Holding too tightly to past memories Stuck in my mind I just want to be free

There's freedom in receiving
The gift God gave for you and me
There's freedom in Jesus
Knowing in the end that He is King

There's freedom from this fallen world Freedom for body, mind and soul There's freedom in Jesus Knowing that He came to make us whole

Be there for each other like Jesus is for us We need to remember it's in God we trust

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We thank You for Your sacrifice We that You that You gave Your life

We thank You that we are renewed The moment we accept Your Word is true The moment we accept Your Word is true

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