



Pendleton Center

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Real Love. Real Hope.

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May 25, 2025 - Sixth Sunday of Easter

CURRENT SERMON SERIES



The Heart *of the* Matter

Understanding the Message of Jesus

What did Jesus truly want us to understand? Many wonder about the essential core of Jesus' message. A lot of people understand what He did, but not much of what He taught. This series, inspired by the book *The Message of Jesus* by Adam Hamilton, will provide an overview of some of Jesus' primary teachings. The series emphasizes how Jesus' ministry emphasized these lessons and their application to our everyday lives.

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 **Friendship Card**. 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 pcumc.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 13:12-17, 34-35*

Sermon: *"His Last Teaching"* - 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: Larry, Mrs. O, Michelle, Joann, June, Sarah P, Jacquie B, Coleen, Lower back, Neuropathy

General Concerns: Family, Finances, Pain relief, Ability to sow God's Word, Jamie D, Riley

Ongoing Concerns: Wayne, Tim, Ezekiel, Pain, Family, Michelle, Sue, Becky, Adam, Ryan, Sarah, Open eyes of our nation's heart, John B, Sherry L, Jean P, Gary N, Our church, our country

Random Prayer Selection: Tom & Emily Riexinger, Bev Spencer, Jeremiah & Jennie Stitch, Robin Selino, Lindsay Preston, Joshua Wendt, Melissa Rada, Marilyn Varney, Brian & Jennifer Morrissey, Sue & Norm Wilson

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

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

This Week's Birthdays

25 - Scott Follendorf, Ryan Walck

26 - Lee Brave, Debra Wagner

28 - Robin Selino

29 - Kristin Clark, Rachel Kim-Kubiak, Nick Semsel

30 - Bonnie Bush, Jill Hackett, Abigail Lukasik

31 - Elizabeth Geary, Jacek Mitrowski, Sonja Nelaimischkies

This Week's Anniversaries

24 - Jeffrey & Amy Volpe - '96

26 - Sherryl & Jerry Dugas - '79

30 - Joe & Bea Mattina - '92, Tim & Jeanne Prendergast

Altar flowers & communion elements sponsored by Scott Johnson, "In memory of Sheila Johnson."

Bulletins sponsored anonymously.

Please consider sponsoring our worship elements by signing up in the back of the sanctuary or at

pcumc.org/worship-sponsor. *Leave a message or sponsor anonymously.*

Tough Stuff Bible Study ***Tuesday, May 29, 7p, Fellowship Hall***

Join us for our next Tough Stuff Study where we will be talking about cremation. Come ready with scriptures and/or questions! We hope to see you there! *Pastor Scott and Linda Barczykowski*

United Women in Faith

Our end-of-year luncheon will be at the Fieldstone Restaurant on Transit Road in Lockport on Thursday, June 5 at 12:30 PM.

The cost is \$30 per person. There are three different choices, plus a soup and salad bar, dessert, and a drink included. If you would like to join us, please let me or Kathy Hill know right away, as we have to give a head count by June 1. Hope you all have a safe summer, and may God lead you to join this faithful group of women.

Connie Clifford

Feeding Hope ***Wednesday, June 11***

For our next meal, we are making hamburgers, baked beans, and, of course, brownies and PB&J sandwiches. **We are looking for donations of hamburger rolls, vegetable oil, jelly, and boxed brownie mix.** If you'd like to join in, we start preparing and packaging at 3:00 PM in our church kitchen. We leave to go downtown at 6:30. If you or someone you know is in need of a meal that day, please reach out. Let the church office know.

Sandy Houck

Women's Book Club ***Wednesday, June 18, 6:00 PM*** ***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. June's book is *Still Beating*, by Jennifer Hartmann. Send an email to let us know you are interested, have questions, or just show up the night of our meeting!

Yvonne Bova

Honoring Our 2025 Graduates ***Submissions due by Sunday, June 15***

As the school year comes to a close, we want to recognize and celebrate those in our congregation who are graduating from high school, college, or technical school. Whether it's you or someone you know, we invite you to share their name with us. **To submit a graduate, visit pcumc.org/graduates.**

New Soccer Ball Ministry ***Collecting May through August***

Soccer balls? Yes! Clara's Closet in Buffalo is requesting new or used soccer balls (in good condition) for the children they serve. Clara's Closet is a large ministry housed in the Central Park United Methodist Church and primarily serves the immigrant community, as well as others in need. The soccer balls will provide much-needed recreation and occupation for these children. If you would like to donate, there is a collection box in Mission Central. Thank you! Questions? Contact **Cindy Smist**.

Prepare for Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes Early!

Though Christmas is months away, it's never too early to start planning for our annual shoebox project! Now is the perfect time to stock up on supplies for our shoeboxes. Take advantage of sales happening now to gather items that can fill the shoeboxes. You can donate school supplies, clothing items, small toys, and personal care products.

If you feel inspired, consider picking up some of these supplies during your shopping trips. Every little contribution helps to bring joy and comfort to someone's holiday season.

Thank you for starting early and helping us make this project a success! For any questions, please contact **Becky Heideman**.

Genesis Preschool Director Opportunity

If you or anyone you know has an interest in directing our Genesis Preschool program, please reach out to a member of the SPRC or **Pastor Scott**. More info: **pcumc.org/jobs**

Multi-Church Fall Retreat - "Trust & Faith"
October 10-12, at Camp Asbury in Silver Lake, NY
Friday evening through Sunday noon
Cost: \$195 per person, includes room & meals



What is the hardest thing you do as a Christian? Some of us find that it is difficult to trust in God when the going gets tough. Join us to discuss how we can keep our faith in God's goodness, and relinquish control to God, when life gets overwhelming.

Our Retreat is an opportunity to learn more about God through private and corporate

worship, prayer, Bible study, devotion and fun together. It is a chance to develop closer relationships with God and each other. Join us for faith, fellowship and fun!

A non-refundable deposit of \$50 holds your reservation. **Deposits are required by August 1.** Some need-based scholarships may be available on request.

For more information and registration visit pcumc.org/fallretreat.



Save the date for
Vacation Bible School!
K-6th grade, August 4-8, 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM

Mark your calendars for an unforgettable week at Vacation Bible School 2025!

We'll dive into this year's exciting theme: **Live It Out**. This week-long adventure empowers kids to go beyond learning bible stories; they'll discover how to love like Jesus and explore what it means to truly live out their faith every day.

This year, we're focusing on one powerful action: loving like Jesus. Inspired by John 13:34, kids will discover how Jesus taught His disciples to love one another through kindness, forgiveness, prayer, service, and simple acts of love.

Registration opens in June - pcumc.org/vbs