



# Pendleton Center

## UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

*Real Love. Real Hope.*

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**January 25 & 26, 2025 - Third Sunday After Epiphany**

### CURRENT SERMON SERIES

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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!

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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. If you have any questions or need directions, please ask an usher.

If you're new to Pendleton Center or need to update your info, fill out a Friendship Card - they are the green cards in the back of the chairs. You can also fill one out on our website.

To learn more about our church, visit [pendletonchurch.org](http://pendletonchurch.org).

**Children's bulletins & clipboards** with activities are available in the back of the sanctuary.

**Jr. Church** is a service designed just for kids (3 y.o. - 6th gr.), and is available during our 9:00 AM service. Take children to the Ark before service and they'll return at the end of worship.

**Nursery care** is available during the 9:00 AM service for 0-2 years. The Nursery is located by the main entrance to the church. A Family Room is also available next to the sound booth, in the back of the sanctuary, where you can sit with babies or small children if needed.

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

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Prelude

Welcome

Centering Song

Opening Prayer

Passing of the Peace

Opening Music

Offertory

Doxology & Prayer of Dedication

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Reading: *John 5:1-15*

Sermon: *"God Is With You When You're Stuck"* - Pastor Scott Johnson

Communion

Closing Song

Benediction

## PRAYER CONCERNS

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

**Prayer for Healing:** Hannah, Larry, Mrs. O, Barb, Brian, Back issues, Becky, Grace M, Elaine, Patricia & her father, Rodney P, George P, Sherrie P, Coleen, Sarah P, Mark D

**General Prayer Concerns:** Family, Finances, Health & wellbeing, Family of Audrey B

**Ongoing Concerns:** Those who are suffering - may they feel God's love, Dorothy T, Fires in California, Safety for family, New Orleans, Family, Unity & harmony in our church, community, & country

**Random Prayer Selection:** Jacob & Tania Didas, Jane Rennick, David & Amanda Pluff, Sherry & Jerry Dugas, David Knuutila, Emma Browha, Ann & Donald Perrington, Debbie Wilkins, Matthew & Lyndsay Niemiec, Rich & Sally Henderson

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

## OUR CHURCH FAMILY

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### This Week's Birthdays

25 - Alicia Booth, Bob Walck

26 - Dana Daigler, Dora Kubiak, Jason Lickers, Premleela Thacore

28 - Brodie Morris

29 - Kathy Canaan, Rachel Cash, Sue Phillips

30 - Jackson Grimmer, Bob Inwards

31 - Haven Kinmartin

### This Week's Anniversaries

25 - Dave & Sue Lester - '86

29 - Dustin & Jacquie Weeks - '05

Altar flowers, bulletins, & communion elements are sponsored anonymously, "Celebrating God's grace."

*Please consider sponsoring our worship elements by signing up in the back of the sanctuary or at [pendletonchurch.org/worship-sponsor](http://pendletonchurch.org/worship-sponsor). Leave a message or sponsor anonymously.*

## **Mission Moment: Matthew 25**

Today's Mission Moment goes toward helping people who come seeking help right here at Pendleton Center Church. Whether it be for food, financial help, or basic necessities, Matthew 25 helps support our neighbors in need.

You can give by designating towards "Today's Mission Moment" on your giving envelope or by adding "Matthew 25" to your gift online at [pendletonchurch.org/give](http://pendletonchurch.org/give).

## **Tough Stuff Bible Study**

***Tuesday, 1/28, 7p, Fellowship Hall***

Come explore what the Bible says about challenging topics in life and faith. It's a safe place to ask hard questions and wrestle with difficult issues. *Pastor Scott & Linda B*

## **Feeding Hope**

***Wednesday, February 12***

This month, why not breakfast for dinner? We will make a breakfast casserole and, of course, PB&J sandwiches and brownies. If it is still Code Blue, we will take a pan of the casserole to a shelter again. **We are looking for donations of oil, frozen hashed brown potatoes, and shredded cheddar cheese.**

We could use a couple of extra hands, as a couple of our "regular helpers" will be away. Preppings begins in the church kitchen at 3:00 PM. We leave to go downtown at 6:30 to serve. **Anyone is welcome to come help however you can!**

*Sandy Houck*

## **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**

***Saturday, 2/8, 12-3p, Fellowship Hall***

Our mission focus for this meeting is Eight Days of Hope, a national organization that responds to disasters across the country, helping to rebuild homes, communities, and lives.

**Angel Wings is also helping support**

**Lockport CareNet with a baby bottle drive.** If

you are able, take a baby bottle from Mission Central 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.*

## **Parents' Night Out**

***Saturday, 2/15, 4-9p, 1 y.o. - 6th grade Space is limited! Pre-registration is required to attend.***

The Hot Chocolate with God and S'mores leaders are excited to host a babysitting fundraiser for your children! Bring your kids to church for an evening packed with fun activities and crafts, games, gym time, dancing, and a movie!

You can bring your child(ren) anytime between 4:00-9:00 PM. The cost is \$5.00 per child/per hour. Please ensure your child(ren) has had a meal before coming; only snacks and drinks will be provided.

Please contact *Adrienne Demmin* by Thursday, February 13, for registration and to let me know how many children you would like to register along with their ages, what times you plan on bringing them and picking them up, or with any questions you might have.



## **Holy Grounds Café**

***Sundays at 11:00 AM***

Our Holy Grounds Café brings worship and fellowship together over a shared meal. Inspired by The Gathering Service and the popular “dinner church” models, this service is already creating meaningful connections. Worshipers gather around tables, enjoy delicious pastries provided by our church members, and engage in worship and fellowship. 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/holy-grounds](http://pendletonchurch.org/holy-grounds). 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](#).

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

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More information about these events can be found at [pendletonchurch.org/events](http://pendletonchurch.org/events).

### **BIBLE STUDIES & DEVOTIONS**

#### **The Tough Stuff**

Tuesday, 1/28, 7p, Fellowship Hall

#### **Sunday Morning Bible Study**

Sundays, 10:30a, Connection Room 2

#### **New Lights - Soul Satisfaction**

Sundays, 10:45, Café

#### **Closer Walk Wednesdays**

Wednesdays, 12p, on Facebook

#### **Thursday Bible Study**

Thursdays, 11a & 7p, Connection Room 1

#### **Loyal 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, 2/2, 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, 2/8, 12-3p, Fellowship Hall

#### **Feeding Hope**

Wednesday, 2/12, 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