



# LOOKIN' FOR LOVE

IN ALL THE WRONG PLACES

# **Order of Worship**

February 25 at 5:00 PM and February 26 at 9:00 & 11:00 AM

*First Sunday in Lent*

**Prelude**

**Welcome**

**Call to Worship**

**Opening Music**

**Offertory Introduction**

**Offertory**

**Doxology & Prayer of Dedication**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Scripture Reading**

*Psalm 32, Matthew 4:1-11*

**Sermon**

*"Look for the Resister" - Pastor Scott Johnson*

**Celebration of Communion**

**Closing Song**

**Benediction**

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*Notes:*

# 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](http://pendletonchurch.org/fc)*

## Prayers for Healing

Reagan, Larry, Cooper, Ron S, Laura L, Vicky L, Britt, Audrey, Fran, Susie, Rae C, Maryellen D, Guy B, Sue W, Bob M, Jacquie B, Julian B, Susan R, Brian R, Mary L, Paula, Patty S, Ron E, Nadene M

## Prayers for General Concerns

Family, Finances, Job, Family & friends of Audrian Erkenbrack, Children with fetal alcohol syndrome, Anger in this world - may compassion reign, Larry S, Tim M, Prayers for the United Methodist Church

## Ongoing Concerns

Dee M, Stephanie R, Grace, Ramarian, Our country, Earthquakes, Anger ruling peoples' lives, Sally, Liz, Virginia, Bonnie, Madison M, Sherry J, Sally, Yvonne M, Joseph family, Kathy, Christa, Mass shooting violence, Climate change, Michele A, Finances, Sarah S, Members of PCUMC

## 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:*

Jonathan & Victoria Berry, Corey & Sarah Gamble, Rick & Kelly Jesse, Lois Macaluso, Delbert & JoAnn Pfohl, Rob & Vicki Schraufstetter, First Niagara Falls UMC, Taylor & Meghan Wienke

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## This Week's Birthdays

25 - Louie Bobsein, Adrienne Demmin, Olivia Mahar, Allyson Morris, Debbie Terranova  
26 - Tammy Heim, Jan Hodge, Frank Klawitter  
27 - Carolyn Paterson  
28 - Tom Crosby, Kaydon Johnson  
29 - Judy Schultz  
1 - Tom Finiki, Drusilla Harris, Jane Routt  
2 - Donald Weber  
3 - Evan Lemma, Donald Schloerb  
4 - Sarah Rivera

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## This Week's Worship Sponsors

Communion Elements and Bulletins are sponsored by Mary Bobsein, "in honor of Kate's & Louie's Birthdays."

*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](http://pendletonchurch.org/give)

### Give by Mail

6864 Campbell Blvd.  
N. Tonawanda, NY 14120

## 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.

## Stay Connected



### Website

[pendletonchurch.org](http://pendletonchurch.org)



### Instagram

@pendletonchurch



### Email

[theoffice@pcumc.org](mailto:theoffice@pcumc.org)



### Facebook

[pendletoncenterumc](https://www.facebook.com/pendletoncenterumc)



### Address

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### Phone

716-625-8306

### Pastoral Emergencies

*After office hours*  
716-291-7529

## Wi-Fi

### Network

PCUMC Guest

### Password

pcumcwifi

# Lenten Fish Fry Dinners are Here!

**Yes, we are still looking for all kinds of help with our remaining Fish Fry dinners on March 3, March 10, March 17, March 24, March 31, and April 7!**

*Maybe you can work in one of these areas, whatever weeks you're available:*

|                  |                   |                     |
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| Making Salads    | Making Beverages  | Dining hall setup   |
| Cooking fish     | Baking pies       | Waiting on tables   |
| Answering phones | Filling orders    | Cutting pies        |
| Serving pies     | Washing dishes    | Dining hall cleanup |
| Kitchen cleanup  | Dish room cleanup |                     |

**Volunteer today!** Watch for signup sheets in worship, or call the church office (716-625-8306) to volunteer.

**Youth, do you need to do community service hours for school? Why not help at your church?** Just add your name to the signup sheets!

Even if you can't work at a dinner, we hope you will come and eat with us! Besides our fried haddock, we also offer shrimp, chicken fingers, or even combo platters for those who like all three! We also have an option for those who don't eat fried food: Baked Haddock, offered with either regular or Cajun seasoning.

**Thank you for all you do** to pitch in wherever help is needed to help our fundraising efforts. It's a wonderful blessing to be able to provide fish fry dinners to our community. It brings new people into our church and lets them see how well we work together to make great dinners while enjoying great fellowship!



## **LENTEN BIBLE STUDY**

**Begins Thursday, Feb. 23, 11 AM & 7 PM**

During Lent, I'll be offering a Bible study on *Entering the Passion of Jesus* by Amy-Jill Levine. The study offers an in-depth look at Jesus' activities during Holy Week and a fresh examination of what the events say to us today. There will be a morning session on Thursdays at 11:00 and an evening session on Thursdays at 7:00. The evening sessions will also be available online. We started last week, but you can still join. Anyone interested can see me after service or email me.

*Pastor Scott, [scottjohnson@pcumc.org](mailto:scottjohnson@pcumc.org)*

## **SMALL GROUP OPPORTUNITIES**

Everyone is invited to join our small group meeting almost every Monday night at 7:00 PM at the church. We discuss what's going on in our lives, souls, and ministries for God. You can contact me to ensure a meeting is taking place.

**Is God calling you to lead a Bible study?** Would you like to be part of a team first and learn in a non-threatening environment? Join us as we participate with residents at the Degraff Nursing facility.

*Scot Jaynes, 716-949-1303*

## **WORSHIP SPONSORS**

Would you like to sponsor our Altar Flowers, Bulletins, or the Communion Elements for a weekend? Is there a date you'd like to acknowledge in the near future? If you are interested in sponsoring the bulletins, flowers, or elements, you can do so easily!

- ▶ On the sign-up sheets in the back of the Sanctuary
- ▶ Online at [pendletonchurch.org/worship-sponsors](http://pendletonchurch.org/worship-sponsors)
- ▶ Contact Heather Miner in the office by phone or [heatherminer@pcumc.org](mailto:heatherminer@pcumc.org).

## **UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH**

**Thursday, March 2, 12:00 PM**

All women are invited. Bring a sandwich; our hostesses, Kathy Hill and Naomi Laskey, will provide the dessert, along with coffee and tea.

Our next Rummage Sale is scheduled for Saturday, April 29. We are looking for help in pricing items, selling items, and for cleanup at the end. Any and all help is greatly appreciated so we can continue supporting all of our missions. Please let me know if you would like to help.

*Naomi Laskey, 716-622-2360*

## **MORE UPCOMING EVENTS**

More info: [pendletonchurch.org/events](http://pendletonchurch.org/events) or call the office, 716-625-8306.

**Youth Group**

Sundays 2/26, 3/5, 3/26, 6-8:30p

**HCWG & S'mores**

Friday, 3/3, 6-8:30p, PS-3rd gr. girls

**Angel Wings Intergenerational**

Saturday, 3/11, 12-3p

**The Gathering Service**

Saturday, 4/1, 7p

## **WEEKLY GROUPS**

**Sunday Morning Bible Study**

Sundays, 10a, Connection Room 2

**Niagara County Senior Lunch**

Mondays, 10a, Fellowship Hall

**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

**GriefShare**

Thursdays, 7p

**Boy Scouts**

Thursdays, 7p, Gym



## Visitation Team

Do you enjoy sitting, listening, and really connecting with someone one on one? On Saturday, March 18, from 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM, we will be having a training for our visitation ministry. It only takes a few hours each month to form that bond with our homebound people.

*Pastor Jennifer,*  
JenniferStamm@pcumc.org

## Feeding Hope

**We'll be serving a chicken dinner on Wednesday, March 1.** Contact me if you'd like to help prepare, package up meals, or serve in downtown Buffalo.

Our next meal will be Wed., March 15. We'll be having soup again - this time with tuna fish sandwiches. We're looking for canned tuna, mayonnaise, eggs, bread, and box brownie mix.

*Sandy Houck, 716-903-5183,*  
ssandyh@aol.com

## MEMBERSHIP CLASS

You're invited to gather to learn about what it means to be a member of Pendleton Center UMC, our beliefs, and how we work together to grow in faith and walk as disciples of Jesus Christ. We're planning to schedule a class in March, and will have more details soon. Although this class is required for membership, it does not obligate you to join. We hope you will join us so we can get to know one another!

If you are interested, contact Pastors Scott or Jennifer:  
(ScottJohnson@pcumc.org) or  
(JenniferStamm@pcumc.org)

## Candy Donations

When shopping for candy for Easter, please consider picking up an extra bag of individually wrapped candy for our children and youth ministries. You can label it and drop it off in the food collection area in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you!

## Share Your Musical Gift In Worship

If you are feeling called to share your musical gifts, please contact Nancy Himes, nancyhimes@pcumc.org or Tom Crosby, tomcrosby@pcumc.org. There are opportunities available during the offertory time in service whether you play an instrument or you would like to sing.

## Easter Sunday Instrumentalists

For Easter Sunday, if you play a brass or woodwind instrument and would like to play on the first hymn, Christ the Lord is Risen Today, please contact Nancy Himes, nancyhimes@pcumc.org or Tom Crosby, tomcrosby@pcumc.org. We can provide music. Practice would be on your own. A final group practice would be on Saturday, April 8 at 12:00 PM.

## ANGEL WINGS MISSIONS FOR ALL AGES

Angel Wings is a mission-based program on the move! In January, we made 60 bags of hope, and these were distributed through the Feeding Hope program. I was told many homeless were thankful for the gift, with big smiles all around.

February was also a success! Cards of hope for the shut-in and facility bound were given to the visitation team. The cards were full of colorful designs and positive thoughts from our group. To celebrate love, we had singing and dancing along with lunch and cookie frosting. Kaitlyn Sosnowski provided the devotion.

**Our next meeting will be Saturday, March 11, from 12:00-3:00 PM.** Our focus is "New Life," with a devotion provided by Scot Jaynes. The mission project is decorating & filling laundry baskets with cleaning supplies for families in need. These will then be delivered to Journey's End. *Donations of cleaning supplies would be appreciated.*

Journey's End is a place where those who have been displaced through war or life changes can go to find non-judgmental support to restart their life. PCUMC has been a loyal supporter of this organization - setting up apartments and collecting clothing and school supplies over the past years. A volunteer from Journeys End will be present and provide testimony on how PCUMC and other organizations have made a difference in the life of the displaced.

**All ages - families, adults, children, youth - are welcome to join us.** We're asking for a \$3 donation from each family to help cover costs of food. This month's meal is pancakes and applesauce.

*Becky Heideman, 716-625-8312 & Anna Smith, 716-998-4063*

## Thursday Night Dinners at First UMC, Niagara Falls

**Holy Hams!** Now that I got your attention, it's never too early to get Easter on your radar, and remember the Thursday Night Dinner as we prepare for the upcoming Holy celebration. **We like to plan a wonderful Easter dinner for the folks in Niagara Falls, which we'll be serving Thursday, April 6. We will need hams, boxes of scalloped potatoes, frozen peas, lots of eggs and butter, and canned crushed pineapple.** We also appreciate any financial support for all the other items needed. Prayerfully consider helping or even coming out to participate in cooking or serving.

*DJ Mahar, [djmahar@pcumc.org](mailto:djmahar@pcumc.org)*