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# February 2018 Newsletter

PENDLETON CENTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

*If there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. And if Christ has not been raised, our preaching is useless and so is your faith... For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised either. And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins. If only for this life we have hope in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.*

*But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. -1 Corinthians 15*

### What If Eternity Isn't Really Waiting?

Eternal life... Just the words draw us forward to a time that Revelations says will have no pain, sorrow, death, or struggle. It is one of the keystones of the Christian life. A reward waiting faithfulness and service. But what if we are simply wrong, and when we die, it all ends?

Years ago there was a song by Andraé Crouch which asked if serving God was all about gaining our reward in eternity. A line that has echoed through my life went like this, "If heaven never was promised to me, neither God's promise to live eternally, it's been worth it, just having the Lord in my life. Living in a world of darkness, He came along and brought me the light."

Much of the Old Testament contains people who lived for God, and with God, without ever professing a belief in eternal life. Today, we understand about eternal life, but have a hard time getting our rational minds around it. And I can say with confidence along with Andraé, my life is not to be pitied if there is no eternal life as Paul suggests. God gives me purpose, love, power, and rewards in this life that have sustained me and made my life immeasurably better. God turned my life around and transformed it for the better.

But there is Good News: Christ has indeed been raised from the dead. It isn't a fairytale or a story we tell children to give them hope. I know this to be true because I know God. And it is that relationship with God that leads me to have hope and to trust in the words of Jesus. He has promised us glory... And Jesus doesn't lie, and neither does the Holy Spirit that speaks assurance to my spirit.

Life is better with God in it. Abundantly better. And, when the dark, shadowy valleys begin to form around us, God will be with us... to take us to glory.

*Pastor Tom*

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# MISSIONS & OUTREACH

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## **PENDLETON FOOD PANTRY**

Get ready for 'Souper Bowl' on Sunday, February 4. We will be collecting for the food pantry for our mission moment that day and we will also collect non-perishable food items that day. The need is always increasing as the food pantry is serving a growing number of clients and is always in need of cereal, macaroni and cheese, peanut butter, jelly, tuna, paper products, personal care items, and cleaning products. If anyone is in need of food assistance, they can call the Food Pantry at 716-348-9574 or visit the Food Pantry at St. Paul's United Church of Christ at 7416 Campbell Blvd on Thursday mornings between 10am and 12pm.

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## **FEEDING THE HOMELESS**

On Monday, February 19 we will be warming the hearts of the homeless on the street in Buffalo. We're looking for donations of eggs, link sausage and shredded cheese. Come to the kitchen at church and help us prepare the meal anytime between 3pm and 6pm or come after for cleanup. Around 6:15pm we will leave to go downtown Buffalo to serve the homeless and needy on the street.

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## **NICARAGUA BUCKET PROJECT**

This year the Outreach Committee is offering the opportunity to our church family to share their blessings with a Nicaraguan family by simply filling a bucket. Make it fun and an adventure as you search for new and gently used items to fill your bucket. If you would like to participate, here's how you can help.

1. **PICK UP** a clean bucket and lid in Mission Central. There will be a supply of buckets (with information sheets) available throughout the year.
2. Bring your bucket home and decorate it. Use your imagination and talent to **DECORATE** the bucket and lid with **PERMANENT** markers. Incorporate some Spanish words with your drawings...  
Smile! - Reirse!      God loves you and so do we! - Dios te ama y nosotros tambien!
3. **FILL** your bucket with gently used items from home and, or new items from the dollar stores. Here are some suggestions... light colored adult and children's t-shirts, shorts, socks, underwear, flip-flops, baseball caps, toiletries/personal care items, household/kitchen items, candles, school supplies and a small toy. Please pack your bucket as full as possible. The families who receive these buckets will be very grateful!

**\*PLEASE NOTE\***      **The following items CANNOT be packed in the buckets...**  
**NO FOOD, CANDY, SHARP KNIVES, WAR TOYS or BOOKS WRITTEN in ENGLISH**

4. You are welcome to include a card, note, or picture of yourself/family in the bucket if you would like.
5. **SEAL** the bucket with the lid and **RETURN** it to Mission Central at any time. We will deliver them to the Nicaragua Drop-Off Site as they come in.

Imagine the surprise, joy and love the Nicaraguan families will feel when they receive your bucket! They will know there are many families at PCUMC who care enough to share their blessings! **THANK YOU FOR CARING AND SHARING GOD'S LOVE!**

# GENESIS PROGRAMS

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## **GENESIS PRESCHOOL**

It's time to sign up for fall 2018 Genesis Preschool classes! Registration will be open to members of our church and current preschool families on February 1. On March 1, registration will be open to the community.

Classes available are: 3 year olds, two days a week, morning or afternoon  
4 year olds, three days a week, morning or afternoon  
4 year olds, five days a week, morning

Space is limited and classes fill up quickly. Be sure to sign your child up now for the class of your choice. If you would like information about our preschool, please call the office. We have a great staff and curriculum that includes kindergarten readiness skills, basic Christian concepts, music, arts and crafts, field trips and much more.

**If you ordered Easter candy**, it will be available for pick up March 19-23. Thank you to everyone who participated. Your support is greatly appreciated!

# CHILDREN & YOUTH

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The Children and Youth Ministries are thriving and having a great year in ministry! We are actively growing in our relationship with God, as we learn together, serve together, and be together. There are opportunities each month to be together for fun, fellowship, and outings; learn together through lessons and small groups; serve together by doing mission projects, helping others, and performing small acts of kindness.

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## **COMMUNITY EGG HUNT**

*Saturday, March 24 (One week earlier than normal!)*

We will be holding our Annual Community Egg Hunt again this year. Pendleton Center Church hosts 800 to 1,000 people for this event! There are a lot of opportunities to help: from hiding eggs, serving refreshments, handing out prizes, serving refreshments, or donating cookies, hotdogs and rolls! Teenagers can also help! For more information or to sign up for a volunteer opportunity, contact Gidget Hughes or Adrienne Demmin.

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## **EASTER CANDY SALE**

Our Annual Easter Candy Sale ends on Sunday, February 7. We encourage you to sell to your neighbors, friends, relatives and co-workers. Thank you for participating in this fundraiser, all proceeds will go to Children Ministries. Candy will be ready for pick up on Sunday, March 18.

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## **VALENTINES DAY FUNDRAISER :**

Help support the Children and youth ministries here at church. We will be selling truffles, valentines mugs, fake roses, cards and other various Valentine's Day treats! You can buy them separate or make a package for your loved one! You can also get class treats for your child's valentines day party at school.

All orders are DUE by Wednesday, February 7 and pick up will be Sunday, February 11. Money will be due when you pick up your items. When picking up your items, you will be able to pick additional items yourself. Such as your valentines cards, roses, and mugs.

Look for the sign up sheet in the back of the sanctuary or call/ text Adrienne Demmin at 727-8537 to place an order. Items for sale will be listed on the sign up sheet.

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## **PARENTS' NIGHT OUT**

*Saturday, February 10 | 4-9pm*

Help support the Hot Chocolate with God program here at church. We will hold a fundraiser by babysitting your children. Bring your kids (1 year olds - 6th grade) to church between 4-9pm for a fun-filled night of crafts, games, activities, and a movie! The cost will be \$4 per child/hour. Please feed your child(ren) before coming. Snacks and drinks provided.

Space is limited! **Pre-registration required to attend.** Please let Adrienne Demmin (text/call 727-8537) know by February 8. Please let me know many children and what times you plan on bringing them and picking them up.

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## **F.R.O.G.S. (FULL RELIANT ON GOD SINGERS)**

*Wednesdays | 5:30-6:30pm | Choir Room*

All elementary children are invited to sing with the group. Questions? Call Sue Phillips at 691-4850.

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## **ANGEL WINGS**

*Wednesdays | 6:30-8:15pm | 3 years old - 6th grade | Ark*

This is a fellowship program provided for children. Questions? Call Becky Heideman at 625-8312 or Julie Larmond at 990-9063.

Our theme in February will be "I Live for Jesus." We will make Valentine's cards for others to share God's love and prepare for our Spaghetti Dinner and Talent Show on March 3.

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## CHILDREN & YOUTH (CONTINUED)

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### **YOUTH GROUP & YOUTH BAND**

Wednesdays | 6:30-8:30pm | 7th-12th grade | Gym

Youth are invited for a fun night of fellowship, team building, devotions, scripture and snacks! The youth band is open to all youth musicians. They practice and play contemporary Christian praise and worship music where they will occasionally use their skills to lead worship music at different events and locations. We practice on Wednesday nights during youth group. Come join in as we worship our God!

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### **HOT CHOCOLATE WITH GOD AND S'MORES**

- *Friday, February 2 | 6pm | Leaders' Night*  
The leaders of Hot Chocolate with God and S'mores get together for a lesson, small group time, team building, and planning their small groups lesson and activities.
- *Friday, February 9 | 6pm | K-6th grade and leaders*  
We will learn that God is always with us - no matter what!
- *Friday, February 16 | 6pm | K-6th grade and leaders - boys only*  
We will learn that God is in Control of everything - our life, families, future, and everything in between!
- *Sunday, February 18*  
We will be going to Skateland. Look for details in your HCWG/S'mores February Newsletter!
- *Friday, February 23 | 6pm | K-6th grade and leaders - girls only*  
We will learn that God is in Control of everything - our life, families, future, and everything in between!

## FELLOWSHIP

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### **PENDLETON FELLOWSHIP GROUP**

Monday, February 12 | 6pm

We will have a Valentine's pot luck dinner at our February meeting. Bring a dish to pass.

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### **SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE DINNER**

Tuesday, February 13 | 5-6:30pm

Shrove Tuesday (also known as Pancake Tuesday or Pancake Day) is the day preceding Ash Wednesday, the start of Lent. The dinner stems from the tradition of using up the "rich" foods, such as eggs, milk and sugar prior to the 40 days of fasting during Lent. Fasting for 40 days does not mean to stop eating, but it meant switching to "plainer" food and refraining from foods that would give pleasure. For many cultures, this meant no meat, dairy or eggs.

Join us for our Annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner from 5-6:30pm on Tuesday, February 13. The menu consists of pancakes, applesauce, sausage, and a beverage. It's a free will offering, so there is no set price. This is a great time for families and friends to gather and partake of a nice meal.

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### **TRIP TO SIGHT & SOUND THEATER**

**We are putting together a trip to Lancaster, PA to the Sight & Sound Theater see their new production, "Jesus."** We will leave the morning of Monday, April 9, and return home the next evening. We have reserved a bus, a block of hotel rooms, 3 meals, and tickets to the show for a cost of \$300 per person. A \$50 deposit holds your reservation. (Checks payable to PCUMC) **Deadline for reservations is Thursday, March 1,** and final payment is Sunday, March 25. Call Holly Brittain for more information: 716-930-4661.

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# PRAYER & CARE MINISTRIES

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## **GRIEFSHARE**

*First, third, and fifth Thursdays of the month | Thursday, February 1 and 15 | 7pm | Couch Room*

The PCUMC grief support group continues to meet on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Thursdays of each month at 7pm in the couch room. Topics to be covered in upcoming meetings are:

Guilt and Anger, Complicating Factors, Stuck (in grief), Lessons of Grief parts one and two, Heaven, and What Do I Live for Now? Those who have completed the sessions have found these topics to be helpful in many ways as they navigate their new reality without their loved one. Please join us if you are feeling a need for support, friendship, and insight through a faith perspective into your journey.

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## **PRAYER SERVICE**

*6pm on the first Monday of the month | Monday, February 5 | 6pm*

This is a quiet, contemplative service where you can listen for God's voice and feel the Spirit's presence.

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## **PRAYER TEAM MEETING**

*Monday, February 19 | 6:30pm | Office Conference Room*

The Prayer Team is a small group of dedicated people who have agreed to pray for your requests. Our next meeting will be to plan for promoting the prayer life of our church. Anyone who is interested is welcome to attend. Contact Pastor Jean or just show up!

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## **CARE-GIVING TEAM**

*Sunday, February 18 | 1pm | Office Conference Room*

The Care-giving Team is meeting regularly for training and support so that they can help the pastors care for the members of our church. They contact the sick and home-bound members, help with funeral luncheons, contact people we haven't see in worship for a while, and help those in crisis in various ways. If you are interested in being part of this Team, contact Pastor Jean, or just come to our next meeting on February 18 at 1pm.

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## **CHRISTIAN COUNSELING**

Through the use of scripture and family systems theory, Lori offers a unique set of practical life skills that empower individuals to face and move through difficult moments in their life and be successful outside of sessions. Guiding, listening to people, and asking questions to find their own healing in a relationship with God and to transform how they relate to all aspects of themselves and the in church community. Appointment availability days or evenings. Fees are based on a sliding scale. Contact Lori Jagow at [loriannjagow@gmail.com](mailto:loriannjagow@gmail.com).

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# NEWS FROM FIRST UMC

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First United Methodist Church is our sister church in Niagara Falls. All the events below take place there. Their address is 8210 Buffalo Ave., Niagara Falls, NY 14304.

**Free Community Dinners** | *Every Thursday at 5:30pm | Worship at 6:10pm*

We continue to hold our Free Community Dinner every Thursday at 5:30pm and appreciate the help and support of PCUMC and other churches. Our clothing closet is open 5-6pm Thursdays, where anyone can get clothing or small housewares they need. After dinner, there is a worship service led by Pastor Bill Edmister.

**Youth Fun Nights** | *Friday, February 9 & 23 | 6-8pm | Grades K and up*

Youth Fun Nights continue in February. Typically, we have 12-15 in attendance and they are learning about the love of Jesus and having fun doing crafts, games, music, and snacks.

**Ash Wednesday** we will have a worship service at 7pm with imposition of ashes.

The **First Church Care-giving Team** is meeting monthly for training and support. They are doing a great job of keeping our sick and shut-ins connected to the church family.

# MORE CHURCH NEWS

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## **MEMBERSHIP CLASS**

*Sunday, February 18 | 12:30-3pm*

For those interested in becoming an official member of PCUMC there will be a Membership Class on Sunday, February 18, 12:30-3pm. The class will cover the basics of Christian faith in the United Methodist tradition with an emphasis on real life application here at Pendleton Center Church. Membership Vows may be made during worship the weekend of March 17-18, or at another service later in the year when we will be receiving new members (dates TBA). The Membership Class is required for all those desiring to become a member, but only needs to be taken once. Attending the class does not mean you must become a member. That decision may be made after you have attended the class and learned more about what church membership at PCUMC means. Please contact Pastor Lisa or Pastor Jean via email or the church office to reserve your place in the upcoming class, or to express an interest in a future class.

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## **CATCH THE SPIRIT WORKSHOP**

*Saturday, February 24 | Clarence UMC*

The Niagara Frontier annual district workshop and fellowship day is called Catch the Spirit. Information about the workshops and registration form are at the Ministry Connections table in the back of the sanctuary and [pendletonchurch.org](http://pendletonchurch.org) on the homepage. Registrations are due by Friday, February 16. There are a wide variety of workshops and everyone will gather for worship and lunch in between the morning and afternoon sessions. Feel free to forward the information to any friends and family who may be interested. Note: only one registration form per person, but you can mail a group of registrations with one check. It is only \$20 per person that includes two workshop sessions and lunch! (No discount for only taking one workshop.) New this year: we will have a free book table! Pastors can bring in books from their personal libraries that they wish to share with the laity or younger clergy. If you would like to donate books, you can drop them off at the District Office or bring them to Clarence UMC on Friday, February 23 between 7 & 8pm (night before Catch the Spirit).

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## **HANDBELLS**

Want to make a joyful noise? How about playing handbells? The group will play for worship on April 29 and June 3 with rehearsals on Wednesday nights at 6:45. You do not need to read music, so why not try it out for one or both of the upcoming dates. Practice for April will start mid-February and in mid-April for the June date. If you are interested or have questions, contact Julie at [handbellgal@msn.com](mailto:handbellgal@msn.com) or stop by the Welcome and Information Desk on Sunday mornings.

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## **BOY SCOUT ITALIAN NIGHT DINNER**

*Saturday, February 3 | 3:30-8pm*

It's that mouth-watering time again! This is the Troop's major fundraiser for the year which allows them to purchase tents, badges, etc. Come out and support our Scouts while enjoying this annual event! Tickets are \$8.50 or \$6.00 for senior/child and can be purchased from any Boy Scout or by calling the church office. The meal includes spaghetti and meatballs, dinner salad and a drink. Dinner "upgrades" are available at the door.

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# FUNDRAISING INFORMATION

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## **TOPS AND SCRIP RETAILER GIFT CARDS**

**Valentine's Day is just around the corner. Are You Ready?** Are you taking someone special out to eat on Valentine's Day? We have a variety of restaurant gift cards for immediate purchase. If you have a different restaurant in mind, check the master list to see if your restaurant is a participating retailer. Place an order, and your card(s) will be ready for pick up by February 10. Orders are due (paid in full) by Monday, February 5. Your purchase of gift cards helps support programs here at Pendleton Center Church.

As always, Tops gift cards are available as well. PCUMC receives 5% of each card sold. Customers who accumulate purchases of \$1,000, earn a \$20 card as a thank you from us for participating in the program.

Any questions? Call Heather Miner in the office or email her at [heatherminer@pcumc.org](mailto:heatherminer@pcumc.org).

## FUNDRAISING INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

### **LENTEN FISH FRY DINNERS ARE ALMOST HERE!**

We are looking for all kinds of help with our Fish Fry dinners to be held all 7 Fridays during Lent: February 16, February 23, March 2, March 9, March 16, March 23 and March 30. Maybe you can work in one of these areas, whatever weeks you're available.

Taking orders	Cooking fish	Dining hall setup	Baking pies	Making beverages
Seating guests	Washing dishes	Answering phones	Cutting pies	Dining hall cleanup
Making salads	Filling orders	Waiting on tables	Serving pies	Kitchen cleanup

Watch for signup sheets in worship, or call the church office to volunteer. 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.*

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

**Thank you for all you do** to pitch in wherever help is needed to help our fund raising 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!

### **AMAZONSMILE**

Did you know that PCUMC is now a part of the Amazon Smile program? The church will receive a portion of the eligible products you purchase from Amazon. Simply sign onto the website using [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com), pick Pendleton Center UMC as the charitable organization you'd like to support, and shop the way you would normally. Remember to go to [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com) on your future visits to Amazon to support PCUMC.

## CHURCH FINANCES

### **FROM THE FINANCE TEAM**

**2017 Year End Results:** As we mentioned in the January newsletter article, the 2017 financial results weren't available before the newsletter-printing deadline. **Great** news for 2017: we finished the year with enough income to pay all of our regular bills, *including* our apportionments mission pledge!!! Our income was about 3% higher than the previous year, and expenses were lower than our income. Let's keep that positive trend going for 2018!

**Year-end giving summaries for information and tax purposes were sent in January** to those who have us track their offerings to the church. If you have any questions regarding your giving summary, please contact Mary Bobsein at the church office as soon as possible.

**FISH FRY DINNERS START FEBRUARY 16!** We are well known in the area for our Fish Fry Dinners, which are held all seven Fridays during Lent. Our 1st dinner is on February 16. We would be grateful for any help you can provide to ensure they are successful. Signup sheets will be passed weekly in worship starting the weekend of February 3-4. If you're new to our church, volunteering at a fish fry is a great way to meet people. These dinners are our major fundraiser each year, and they also do a great job of showing our community how the loving Spirit of God is alive in our church. All fish fry profit will be applied to the General Operations account.

**Thank you for all you do** to make our dynamic ministries happen. We need to work hard to provide all the support they need, and your continued support will make our ministry a powerful witness to Christ.

# OUR CHURCH FAMILY

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## *Happy Birthday!*

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|--------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1 - David Rodriguez      | 12 - David Korzak       | 21 - Amanda Drexler Stabler |
| 2 - Zachary Bancroft     | Sue Matheis             | Cory Margarucci             |
| Brianna Becker           | 13 - Hannah Folby       | 22 - Lynn Becker            |
| 3 - Mike Duchscherer III | Ed Koziol               | Andrew Ludwig               |
| Kristi Liddell           | Riley Wagner            | 23 - Liam Holmer            |
| Kyle Knobel              | 15 - Amber Del Prince   | 24 - Kate Bobsein           |
| Jill Roberts             | Paige Keelty            | Dorothy Getty               |
| 4 - Jackie Albert        | Annie Santor            | Sharon Haendiges            |
| Bea Mattina              | 16 - Christa Eisenhardt | Mary Rico                   |
| 5 - John Angelucci       | Pam Fuhrman             | 25 - Louie Bobsein          |
| Kurtis Knobel            | Jan Inwards             | Adrienne Demmin             |
| Miguel Ubiles            | Dorothy Steward         | Olivia Mahar                |
| 6 - Megan Cochi          | 17 - Sarah Kinmartin    | Allyson Morris              |
| Ann Perrington           | Rosie Heinemann         | Debbie Terranova            |
| Tyler Slaght             | Abigail Johnson         | 26 - Tammy Heim             |
| 7 - Lynne Reimer         | Brian Marmo             | Janice Hodge                |
| Alec Towne               | Andrew Smist            | Frank Klawitter             |
| 8 - Sydney Finiki        | Tyler Valentine         | Katie LaFever               |
| Betty Gmeinder           | Mackenzie Yerdon        | Lee Muir                    |
| Cara Liddell             | 18 - Jessica Palm       | 27 - Gidget Hughes          |
| Jean McMorris            | 19 - Jesse King         | Carolyn Paterson            |
| June Oppee               | Jim Rettig              | Destiny Varney              |
| 9 - Cody Zimmerman       | Maryellen Schutz        | 28 - Tom Crosby             |
| 11 - Clayton DePronio    | Addison Stowe           | Pastor Tom Kraft            |
| Eric Knuutila            | Anita Walter            | Kaydon Johnson              |
| 12 - Mike Clifford       | 20 - Jim Gondek         | 29 - Judy Schultz           |
| Erin DeVantier           | Alyssa Phillips         |                             |

## *Happy Anniversary!*

- 7 - Doug & Janet Gillon '14
- 14 - Bob & Sue Walck '87
- 16 - Paul & Pam Fuhrman
- 17 - Don & Bonnie Weber '95
- 18 - David & Leslie Wagner '67

## *Baptism*

Gabriel David Prendergast  
*Baptized on December 31, 2017*  
Parents: Steven & Nicole Prendergast

## *Condolences*

*We offer prayers for the friends and families who have lost loved ones:*

- Katherine Deak, mother to the late Les Deak; grandmother to April Deak Farrell,  
Amy Deak Falbo and Aaron Deak
  - Richard Schimschack, Sr.
  - Jennifer Kahley
- Linda Credicott, mother of Kelly Riexinges
- Jerry O'Neill, brother of Dave O'Neill

## *Fish Fry Dinners!*

Pendleton Center United Methodist Church  
6864 Campbell Blvd. at Bear Ridge Rd.  
N. Tonawanda, NY 14120

**Fridays 4:00 - 7:00 pm**  
**February 16 - March 30, 2018**



### **Fish Dinners:**

Regular.....	\$11.00
Large (50% larger).....	\$13.75
Half Portion.....	\$6.75
Baked Fish (Reg. or Cajun).....	\$11.50

### **Shrimp or Chicken Tender Dinners:**

Regular.....	\$10.00
Half Portion.....	\$5.75

### **Sampler Platter - Pick 2**

Fish, Shrimp, Chicken.....	\$12.50
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### **Sampler Platter - All 3**

Fish, Shrimp and Chicken.....	\$13.75
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### **Children's (up to age 10) Dinners:**

Fish, Shrimp, Chicken.....	\$4.00
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<b>Dessert</b> .....	\$1.50
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Dinners include French fries or potato salad,  
applesauce or coleslaw, rolls & beverage.

**For Takeouts, phone 625-8306**

## BIBLE STUDIES

### **WEEKLY BIBLE STUDIES**

#### **Youth Bible Study**

*Led by Dan & Kelli Putney | Sundays at 10:15am | Couch Room*

#### **Women's Bible Study**

*Led by Pastor Jean Edmister | Mondays at 10am | Back of Sanctuary*

#### **The Invisible War by Chip Ingram**

*Led by Linda Barczykowski, CLM | Mondays at 7pm | Back of Sanctuary*

The war we battle on this earth is a spiritual one. Wherever we turn, Satan is trying his best to steer us wrong. This series will prepare you to do spiritual battle with the enemy of your soul... and win! You'll learn to clothe yourself with God's spiritual armor so you can be confident of certain victory over the scheming enemy. If you would like to join this study, please contact Linda at [rbarczykowski@roadrunner.com](mailto:rbarczykowski@roadrunner.com) or 716-946-0124.

#### **Adult Bible Study**

*Led by Pastor Jean Edmister | Wednesdays at 5pm | Disciple Room*

#### **Adult Bible Study**

*Led by Pastor Jean Edmister | Wednesdays at 7pm | Office Conference Room*

#### **Adult Bible Study**

*Led by Pastor Tom Kraft | Wednesdays at 7pm | Back of Sanctuary*

### **BIBLE CHALLENGE**

Reflections may be found on the PCUMC website ([biblechallenge.pendletonchurch.org](http://biblechallenge.pendletonchurch.org)) and on the Bible Challenge Facebook page where you are welcome to ask additional questions, make comments relevant to the week's readings, and share prayer requests and praise reports. God is still speaking to people, and one of the ways we may hear God's voice is through reading and studying God's Word. So let's get started! It only takes four chapters of reading, 10-15 minutes, per day to read through the Bible in a year.

Read 4 chapters per day:

Week 5 - January 29-February 4: Matthew chapters 7-28; Leviticus chapters 1-6

Week 6 - February 5-11: Leviticus chapters 7-27; Hebrews chapters 1-7

Week 7 - February 12-18: Hebrews chapters 8-13; Joshua chapters 1-22

Week 8 - February 19-25: Joshua chapters 23-24; Judges chapters 1-21; 1 Samuel chapters 1-5

Week 9 - February 26-March 4: 1 Samuel chapters 6-31; 2 Samuel chapters 1-2

# February 2018

Full calendar available at  
calendar.pendletonchurch.org

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 12pm - UMW 7pm - GriefShare 7pm - Praise Team Rehearsal	2 6pm - HCWG/S'mores Leaders	3 3:30pm - Boy Scout Italian Night Dinner
4 Mission Moment: Souper Bowl Sunday	5 SCRIP Orders Due 6pm - Prayer Service	6 12pm - Senior Nutrition Program	7 7:30pm - Line Dancing	8	9 6pm - Hot Chocolate with God & S'mores (All)	10 4pm - Parents Night Out
11 - Sunday School Celebration	12 7pm - Pendleton Fellowship Group	13 - Shrove Tuesday 5pm - Pancake Dinner 7pm - Trustee Meeting 7pm - Finance Team	14 - Ash Wednesday - Valentine's Day 7pm - Worship	15 12pm - March Newsletter Deadline 7pm - GriefShare	16 4pm - Fish Fry 6pm - S'mores (Boys Only)	17 9am - Men's Breakfast 10:30am - Seneca Street Cooking
18 12:45pm - Membership Class 1pm - Care-giving Team Meeting 1pm - Children's Outing 6:30pm - The Gathering Worship	19 - Presidents' Day 6:30pm - Prayer Team Meeting 7pm - Women's Book Club	20 9:30am - Newsletter Assembly 12pm - Senior Nutrition Program	21 7:30pm - Line Dancing	22	23 4pm - Fish Fry 6pm - Hot Chocolate with God (Girls Only)	24
25 - Preschool Sunday Mission Moment: Joshua Connection	26 7pm - Guardians Meeting	27	28			

## Sundays

- 9am - Worship
  - Jr. Church - 3 yrs. - 3rd gr.
  - Nursery Care - 0-2 yrs.
- 10:15am - Sunday School for children
  - Bible Studies for youth
  - Confirmation Class
  - Adult Study & Fellowship
- 11:15am - Worship
  - Jr. Church - 3 yrs. - 3rd gr.
  - Nursery Care - 0-2 yrs.

## Mondays

- 10am - Women's Bible Study
- 12pm - Knutty Knitters
- 7pm - Bible Study

## Tuesdays

- 10:30am - Sit, Sip, & Sew
- 1pm - Watercolors

## Wednesdays

- 5pm - Bible Study
- 5:30pm - F.R.O.G.S.
- 6:30pm - Angel Wings
  - Youth Group
- 6:45pm - Pendletones
- 7pm - Chancel Choir
  - Bible Studies
  - Nursery Care Available
- 8:30pm - Men of Hymn

## Thursdays

- 5:30pm - Community Dinner at First UMC

## Saturdays

- 10am - Watercolors
- 5pm - Worship
  - Church School - 3yrs. - 3rd gr.
  - Nursery Care - 0-2yrs.

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## WEEKEND SCHEDULE

### Worship

Saturdays at 5pm  
Sundays at 9 & 11:15am

### Sunday School For All Ages

Sundays at 10:15am

### Boy Scout Italian Night Dinner

Saturday, February 3

### Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner

Tuesday, February 13 and 5pm

### Ash Wednesday Service

Wednesday, February 14 at 7pm

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### Prayer Service

Monday, February 5 at 6pm

### The Gathering Service

Sunday, February 18 at 6:30pm

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