

The Good News

March 2016 Newsletter

Pendleton Center United Methodist Church

“Where Christ is at the Center of all we do”

From the Pastor's Desk

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. I Peter 1:3

What happens on the first Sunday after the first full moon occurring on or after the vernal equinox?

Well Easter of course. You all knew that, right? Confused?

So we will be celebrating Easter on March 27 this year. That is unless you attend an Orthodox church, which will celebrate Easter on May 1. Of course, we all know that the first Easter was the Sunday after Passover; but Passover this year is celebrated from April 22 to April 30.

Confused yet? How could these dates get so mixed up?

It all has to do with old calendars and decisions made at a council of all the churches in Nicaea in 325 AD. There it was decided that Easter fulfilled Passover. Now Passover no longer determines the date of Easter (since that would have non-Christians determining a Christian celebration). Even though all the churches agreed with the formula above for determining Easter, the Western church follows the Gregorian calendar, while the Eastern church follows the older Julian calendar. Every 133 years these calendars are off by one day. So after centuries, our date for Christmas and Easter are very different in the Western and Eastern churches.

Still confused?

Sometimes people ask me when I was “born again” or in other words, when was my spiritual birthday to Jesus? I’m one of those people who honestly doesn’t know when, I only know it happened. That’s the point of a celebration. These things really trouble historians and even theologians. As a pastor, the date of Easter is much simpler to me. It is the day you accept the risen, alive, Jesus in your heart. It doesn’t matter if you know the exact date. It is cause to celebrate that it happened, not when it happened. The celebration of Easter is not really about marking a historical date so much as marking a life changing event. Christ is risen in our lives!

Come and celebrate the risen Lord in your life,

Pastor Tom



Holy Week Events

Sunday, March 20 is Palm Sunday and marks the beginning of Holy Week. Everything is exciting! Palm branches are waved exalting Jesus, as we remember His triumphal entry into Jerusalem. It's easy to worship and exalt Jesus when everything is going well, when everything is fun and things are happening as we expect. But our lives do not always go so smoothly. It's not all upbeat. It's not all happy. It's much like our own lives, going through times of turmoil and confusion. It's not always easy to see God in those times.

Thursday, March 24, is traditionally celebrated as the day that Jesus instituted His holy meal, Communion. We take it every week, but where does it come from? Why is it so important? What does it mean? That Thursday at 7 pm, you and your family will have an opportunity to experience the origins of Communion. It's a fun evening, as we do an abbreviated Passover service. Sometimes it's called the Seder Meal, but the "meal" is strange - horseradish, parsley, etc. Childcare will be available for very small children, but most children find it fun! The evening then ends in the Garden of Gethsemene, with a time of reflection and prayer. This evening brings a greater respect and understanding of the sacrament of Communion and it will then have greater importance and meaning for you. The disciples were confused and concerned. We don't need to be.

Friday, March 25 from 12-3 pm, the Sanctuary will be open for prayer. These are the hours traditionally believed that Jesus hung on the cross, dying for each of us. Take some quiet time, either at church or wherever you may be, to express gratitude and awe for all that God did and all He is doing.

Friday, March 25 from 4-7 pm is the last of this year's Lenten Fish Fry dinners.

Friday, March 25 at 8 pm is the Good Friday Service. Often it is asked, "Why do we call it 'good'?" But God is good, taking all the sins of the world, yours and mine upon Himself, and dying on the cross for us. Only a good and loving God would do such a thing for us! On Good Friday, we experience some of the suffering and pain Jesus endured on the cross. We take time to remember how much of a sacrifice was made and the reason it was necessary – our own sin. In the good times and in the bad, God is there. He wants us to understand why Communion is important. He wants us to know about the pain He endures, not only on the cross, but every time we sin. He especially wants us to know He loves us.

Saturday, March 26 at 10:30 am we host a Community Egg Hunt. This is always a lively time and volunteers are needed before, during and after the event. There will be a Bunny Village for children two years and under; refreshments are served after the egg hunt and there are prizes for everyone!

Saturday, March 26 our 5 pm worship will be an Easter Vigil service where we remember our baptism and anticipate the Resurrection of our Lord.

Easter Sunday, March 27 at 9 and 11 am, we will again shout "Hallelujah!" to our King. He is risen! He is risen, indeed!

Children's Ministries

March Children's Mission Projects: This month our two projects are very important ones for the people we will be serving. Our collection project is to provide a take-home meal-in-a-bag for those families who attend the Thursday dinners at the Niagara Falls church. You can donate items to make a spaghetti dinner for a family in need! The Do-At-Home project is equally important since you will be making cards for people who cannot attend church right now. You will be letting them know that they are missed and still thought about and loved. Won't you join us in making March a special month for families in need of food, and for those at home who would like to remain connected to our church? Thank you so much!

Angel Wings will have a spaghetti dinner on Saturday, March 5 at 5 pm followed by entertainment at 7 pm. Food will be kept warm for those unable to arrive at 5 pm. Reservations are encouraged. Call Becky Heideman at 716-625-8312.

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Easter is very early this year. We will be holding our Annual Community Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 26 and we typically host 800-1,000 people for this event. Here's how you can help! Bring in individually wrapped candy (all kinds) that will fit inside a plastic egg. Take a box of eggs home and stuff them with goodies (all supplies provided). Eggs will be available February 28 and/or March 6. *ALL eggs must be returned by March 13!*

On the day of the hunt, we need volunteers to hide eggs, serve refreshments, hand out prizes and help where needed! Watch for signup sheets during worship on March 13. Teens are welcome to volunteer! Cookies are needed for refreshments following the hunt. You can donate hot dogs and rolls to be sold during the event.

Any questions contact Barb Jeffords (barbjeffords@pcumc.org) but don't miss out on the fun!

Youth Ministries

CIA (Christians In Action) All youth are welcome to join us on Wednesdays at 6:15 in the gym! We play games, have Bible study and work on different ministries such as youth band, cooking for missions (1st and 3rd weeks), handbells (2nd and 4th weeks), sewing for cancer patients, scenic painting, creating items for special dinners, construction, painting - never wear nice clothes! Come join us! *Meeting dates this month: March 2, 9, 16 and 30. No meeting on March 23!*

Bible Study is available at both the 9:30 and 11:15 services this year. Bill Becker leads the 9:30 session and Kelli and Dan Putney lead the 11:15 session.

First UMC Dinner needs youth to help serve dinner the first Thursday of every month at First UMC in Niagara Falls. Contact Pastor Sherry if you are interested. We will meet at 4:30 at First UMC or 4:00 at Pendleton Center if you need a ride.

Monster Golf – The youth will be playing some mini golf on Sunday, March 6 from 2-4pm. The cost is \$10 and will include 18 holes of mini-golf and pizza. Monster Golf is on Sheridan Drive so we will also need help with driving. If you are interested, your permission slip and money are due by Wednesday, March 2.

Mission Trip Planning Meeting will be on Tuesday, March 8 at 7pm in the Choir Room. The Mission Trip is scheduled for July 17-24, and is open to youth 14 and up. At this meeting, youth will be receiving paperwork, as well as signing out candy that they can sell to help with costs. We will be having other fundraising activities as well. We are also looking for adults to go on the trip. If you are interested in the Mission Trip, but are unable to attend the meeting, please contact Kristin Clark at Kristin.clark72@gmail.com.

There will be a Mission Trip Bake Sale at the Fish Fry on Friday, March 18. We need help with selling the items and baking!

30 Hour Famine is just around the corner! Pick up your information packet starting on March 2 and start collecting sponsors! Look in the next youth newsletter for more details!

Holy Week Helpers – Pastor Sherry needs help right after service on Sunday, March 20 to set up for Holy Week. If you can help, please let her know asap!

First Church Easter Egg Hunt – Our youth will be helping with the Easter Egg Hunt at First Church in Niagara Falls on Saturday, March 19. If you are interested in helping, please contact Pastor Sherry! (sherrymahar@pcumc.org)

Genesis Programs

Mom's Morning Out – The toddlers at Mom's Morning Out are enjoying our wonderful program. If you are looking for some time to shop, run errands or just relax while your child is having fun, making new friends, singing songs, running off energy in our huge gym area, all while under the watchful eye of loving and nurturing trained adults, please call 716-625-8306 for registration information.

Preschool – It's time to sign up for fall 2016 Preschool Classes! Registration is currently open and openings are filling fast!



Classes available are:

3 year olds, two days per week, morning and afternoon

4 and 5 year olds, three days per week, morning and afternoon

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, fieldtrips and much more.

For those of you who participated in our Easter candy sale fundraiser, we greatly appreciate your support! Delivery date for candy is Wednesday, March 9.

Adult Bible Study Groups

For a complete list of our Bible Studies, please visit our website at www.pcumc.org or contact the church office.

Christianity 101: What Christians Believe - The Basics of Christian Faith and Practice. This course is designed as an introduction for new believers and is a great refresher for those who have found they have questions about what the Christian faith is all about. The Christianity 101 series is especially recommended for new members and those considering becoming a member of Pendleton Center UMC. This is the second in the series of four, three-part classes. The classes may be taken in any order, so you can start with this one! Pastor Lisa will be teaching it on Wednesdays, March 2, 9 and 16, 6:30-8 pm - meet outside the Sanctuary. Contact the church office or Pastor Lisa (lisataylor@pcumc.org) to sign up or for more information. ► The next course, *What is the Church?* Will begin on Sunday, April 3 and Wednesday, April 6.

Happening around PCUMC

Fish Fry Weekly "Extra" Table – You may remember that different groups have an "extra" table at the entrance/exit of the Lenten fish fry dinners. The following groups will appreciate your support. On March 4 you may pick up Girl Scout cookies from Troop 70157. Angel Wings will have chili and cornbread that you can take home on March 11; sales will support their outings and mission projects. March 18 you can support our Youth Mission Trip's candy bar sale and Hot Chocolate with God will have a bake sale on March 25.

Portrait Photography Fundraiser – Have your Easter, high school senior portrait, family or special occasion photos taken professionally by Lori Jagow Photography to benefit the children ministries this spring. Schedule your session with Lori or sign up for a phone consultation at the display in the Fellowship Hall. Contact Lori at 716-639-7983 or <http://lorijagow.wix.com/lorijagowphotography>.

Pendleton Center and First Church Retreat Planned for September 23-25 – Mark your calendars to set aside the last weekend in September! The church is going on retreat to Camp Asbury on Silver Lake near Perry, New York. Everyone is welcome to attend, including adults, youth, and children. There will be time for quiet reflection, fun together, learning, and worship. There will also be free time built in when you can go to nearby Letchworth State Park, or visit some of the local shops. We stay in the beautiful Manor and have meals next door at the Koinonia Inn. Watch for updates in the newsletter and registration brochures. Contact Pastor Jean (jeanedmister@pcumc.org) or Linda Weatherall (funshipfan@yahoo.com) for more information.

Opportunities for Christian Fellowship

The United Methodist Women will meet on Thursday, March 3 at noon in the Fellowship Hall, weather permitting. Bring a sandwich, and a friend. Coffee and dessert provided by our hostesses, Gloria Falbo and June Phillips. Newcomers are always welcome!

Women's Book Club will meet at Ship 'n Shore restaurant, 5612 Tonawanda Creek Rd., Lockport on Monday, March 21 at 7 pm. The book is "Flying Changes" by Sara Gruen. If you have any questions, please contact Yvonne Bova at ybova@kaleidahealth.org. Come join us! You do not need to read the book – we welcome all ladies to this monthly get together!

Care Ministries

The Guardians - Pendleton Center's information and support group for adults caring for elderly family members, will meet on Monday, March 28 at 7 pm in the Fellowship Hall. The Guardians meet to seek God's help in caring for our beloved elders, share and receive information and prayer needs, and hold one another up. For more information, contact Connie Pasisz at 716-481-2272.

Do you like to care for others? Here are some of the ways you can do that through our church:

1) Lay Visitation Team – These people are trained to go out and visit our sick and home-bound members, making them feel as though they are still an important part of our church family. Some are trained to take Communion to shut-ins, as well.

2) Helping Hands Meal Ministry – Sometimes people who are sick or recovering from surgery need help with meals for a few days. We have good cooks who are willing to take a turn making a meal and bringing it to the church or delivering it in person.

3) Lay Shepherds – These are people who are willing to befriend another family from our church. They might send cards of welcome and encouragement, give a phone call to someone who's been missing, stand up as a sponsor with a new person who is joining the church, or let the pastors know when someone is in need of a pastoral visit.

4) Guides – These folks love to meet new visitors to the church. Guides make visitors feel welcome, show them around the building, introduce them to others, and answer any questions they may have about the church or about starting out on the faith journey.

5) Prayer Team – This special team of people loves to pray for others. Some of them sit at the Prayer Station at the back of the main sanctuary and offer to pray or talk with anyone who comes by during worship. This team also plans our 24-Hour Prayer Vigils.

6) Prayer Chain – These prayer warriors keep in touch by e-mail and are willing to pray for any concerns that are submitted to the office, Pastor Jean, or Linda Barczykowski.

Counseling Services Available - Lori Jagow is available for Christian counseling services for marriage and family, divorce recovery, Christian dating or personal Christ-centered guidance. There is a nominal fee based on a sliding scale. Contact Lori for an appointment or more information at loriannjagow@gmail.com or call the church office at 716-625-8306.

Leading the Christian Life

The Gathering worship will happen on Sunday, March 13 at 6:30 pm. Come experience this worship service of music, devotion and communion.

Prayer Centered Worship Service – Monday, March 7 at 6 pm. This is a quiet and contemplative service. There will be Scripture, a short message, silent and spoken prayers and Holy Communion. Individual prayer with or without laying on of hands and/or anointing with oil is always available.

The Sanctuary will be open for anyone to come and be in quiet prayer on Good Friday, March 25 from noon until 3 pm, the traditional hours which Jesus was on the cross. Our next 24-hour Prayer Vigil is scheduled for April 29-30, starting at 1 pm on Friday.

2016 Bible Challenge!



Feb 29-Mar 6: **M** Take extra time to pray; **T** Lev 13; Mk 7:14-37; **W** Lev 14; Mk 8:1-21; **Th** Lev 15-16; Mk 8:22-38; **F** Lev 17-18; Mk 9:1-29; **S** Lev 19-20; Mk 9:30-50; **Su** Lev 21-22; Mk 10:1-31

Mar 7-13: **M** Leviticus 23-24; Mark 10:32-52; **T** Lev 25; Mk 11:1-18; **W** Lev 26-27; Mk 11:19-33; **Th** Numbers 1-2; Mk 12:1-27; **F** Num 3-4; Mk 12:28-44; **S** Num 5-6; Mk 13:1-20; **Su** Num 7-8; Mk 13:21-37

Mar 14-20: **M** Numbers 9-11; Mark 14 :1-26; **T** Num 12-14; Mk 14:27-53; **W** Num 15-16; Mk 14:54-72; **Th** Num 17-19; Mk 15 :1-25; **F** Num 20-22 ; Mk 15 :26-47; **S** Num 23-25; Mk 16; **Su** Num 26-27; Luke 1:1-20

Mar 21-27: **M** Numbers 28-30; Luke 1:21-38; **T** Num 31-33; Lk 1:39-56; **W** Num 34-36; Lk 1:57-80; **Th** Deuteronomy 1-2; Lk 2:1-24; **F** Deut 3-4; Lk 2:24-52; **S** Deut 5-7; Lk 3; **Su** Deut 8-10; Lk 4:1-30

Mar 28-Apr 3: **M** Deuteronomy 11-13; Luke 4:31-44; **T** Deut 14-16; Lk 5:1-16; **W** Deut 17-19; Lk5:17-39; **Th** Deut 20-22; Lk 6:1-26; **F** Deut 23-25; Lk 6:27-49; **S** Deut 26-27 ; Lk 7:1-30; **Su** Deut 28-29 ; Lk 7 :31-50

Our Church Finances

March Mission Moments: A few weeks each month we highlight a "Mission Moment" when you have an opportunity to give to the charity that is featured. You are encouraged to give to those groups or programs that you are interested in or want to support as you feel led. *These are always optional and up to you!* March 6 is One Great Hour of Sharing which benefits United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR). On Good Friday we take an offering to support the Kairos Prison Ministry. An Easter offering will be taken on March 27.



Tops Markets' Ca\$h for Causes: PCUMC has been participating in this program for over 9 ½ years, and have sold over \$459,000 in Tops Cards! The church receives 5% profit for every Tops card we sell.

- Tops cards are always available in the church office and Christian Ed office, in denominations of \$100, \$50, \$25, \$20, and \$10.
- Buy as little or as much as you need! *All purchases help the church.*
- The cards can be used at any Tops Friendly Market location -- on groceries, gas or prescriptions. They are great as gifts too!
- Receive a \$20 "rebate" card from the church for every \$1,000 you spend on Tops Cards. It's easier than you think to reach that mark!

SCRIP Cards: PCUMC began selling SCRIP retailer gift cards over five years ago. The church receives a percentage on each card purchased.

- Popular Scrip cards are available in the church office and bookstore.
- Order forms and payment (cash or check payable to PCUMC) are **due by 9 am on Monday, March 7** for our next group order. This way you can order exactly what you need!
- Pick up an order form in the church Christian Education office (in Fellowship Hall).
- Choose cards for your own shopping and as gifts. *All purchases help the church.*

Any questions? Call Heather Miner in the office or email her at heatherminer@pcumc.org.



Thank you to all who are helping with the Lenten Fish Fry dinners. At the time this article was written, we only had our first dinner, which came with blizzard conditions that afternoon! Who knew our delayed winter was finally going to start with a vengeance on February 12? Well, we got through it and served 400 dinners (with 250 takeouts!). Our fish fry 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 income from these dinners will be applied to the General Operations account.

How are we doing? It's still way too early to project our 2016 income, but it appears we're off to a fairly good start with January results. We generally have a clearer picture after we have April or May results. Meanwhile, we will continue to keep a close watch on our spending and income.

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Some notes from the Finance Team:

1. Your offerings to the church can be made with:

- **Cash** (No Canadian or other foreign currency please!)
- **Check** (payable to PCUMC; no need to write it all out. Also, please use blue or black ink; no pencil or red or green ink!)
- **Date on Checks:** checks must have the current date (i.e., Saturday or Sunday); NOT Monday or Tuesday or any other future date. 😊
- **Electronic Funds Transfer** (contact Mary Bobsein in the church office if you'd like to enroll in this program)

2. If you use pew envelopes (i.e., you don't use assigned boxed offering envelopes): please **PRINT** your **FIRST and LAST NAME** on the envelope to ensure we record your giving properly to **your** name. There are too many similar last names within our church!

3. **2015 Giving Summaries:** if you need another copy of your calendar year 2015 giving statement for tax purposes, please contact Mary Bobsein in the church office ASAP.

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

Fish Fry Dinners: 3 down, 4 to go! We are still looking for help with our remaining Lenten Fish Fry dinners to be held: March 4, 11, 18 and 25. We expect to need more help on the final dinner on Good Friday, March 25. This is typically our largest dinner crowd, and several of our regular helpers will be unable to help since they're away on vacation. Consider this an open invitation to anyone who is interested in helping out: just sign your name on the clipboards being passed during worship, or call Mary Bobsein in the office to find out where help is needed. *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!

Our Fish Fry dinners provide a fantastic opportunity for fellowship and to get to know people within our church. 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

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! While there are no trans fats in our fried dinners, 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 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!

Opportunities to be In Service

Niagara Hospice spring bouquets will be on sale after worship on Saturday, March 12 and Sunday, March 13. Cost is \$8 each. There is a great community/church give back this year from Niagara Hospice! For each bouquet sold, the church will receive \$1. So - hey, small groups, you can take pre-sale orders to help out. Also, for any youth needing community service, this is a great opportunity. Niagara Hospice will give you a letter showing community service if you help with selling bouquets. Please contact Sandy Houck (716-438-2144) to sign up. Also, anyone willing to help sell and promote the bouquets after worship on the above dates, please contact Sandy.

First UMC, Our Church in Niagara Falls

Community Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, March 19 at 10am at First UMC – We will be holding an Easter Egg Hunt the day before Palm Sunday. Be sure to invite all the children you know! Donations of candy and prizes would be greatly appreciated. Contact Gidget Hughes (gidgethughes@pcumc.org) or Pastor Jean (jeanedmister@pcumc.org) for more information.

Baked Goods Sale – Palm Sunday – Come to First UMC and purchase some fresh baked goodies after worship on Sunday, March 20. Proceeds go to the general fund of the church. Donations of baked goods are welcome! Contact Pastor Jean for more details.

There will be a **Holy Thursday service** at 7 pm on March 24, which includes an opportunity to take part in a foot or hand washing ceremony.

A Good Friday service of the Cross will take place at noon on March 25, and a **Prayer Vigil** will be held from 3 pm Friday until 3 pm Saturday.

Easter Resurrection service takes place at 10 am on March 27.

Thursday Community Dinners – Our free dinners on Thursday evenings continue to be an important outreach ministry of our church. At 5:30pm on the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Thursday of each month we feed about 80 hungry people! This dinner is open to everyone: neighbors, friends, members of the church, strangers...everyone! We have a time for devotions and prayer as part of the dinner, and all are welcome to share their joys and concerns. Our clothing closet is also open during dinner for anyone who would like to take advantage of the items offered there. Donations of food, clothing, and volunteers are always welcome. Contact Gidget Hughes for information.

First UMC is located at 8210 Buffalo Avenue in Niagara Falls. Come by and visit sometime!
For more information about First UMC, contact Pastor Jean Edmister at jeanedmister@pcumc.org.

Church Family News

Anniversaries

- 6 – Brett & Sarah Johnson '04
- 15 – Eric & Linda Knuutila '69
- 20 – Dave & Linda Stevens '14
- 24 – Mike & Julie Maciejewski '79
- 26 – Brian & Kathy Dick '94
- 27 – Richard & Bonnie Loring '82

*If you have corrections or additions,
please contact Julie at juliem@pcumc.org.*

Wednesday Convenience Meals*

- Mar. 2: Pork steaks, mashed potatoes, vegetable and dessert
- Mar. 9: Meatloaf, roasted potatoes, vegetable and dessert
- Mar. 16: Baked chicken, parsley potatoes, vegetable and dessert
- Mar. 23: Spaghetti with meat sauce, salad and dessert

Saturday Fellowship Meal*

- Mar. 19: Meatloaf, potatoes, vegetable and dessert

*Reservations required through the church office or your Friendship Card. *Menu subject to change.*

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

Sandra Farnham
Cheryl Jaenecke
Anna Lutz, mother of Shawn Lutz
Tim Meyers, brother of Theresa Grear
John Thornton, father of Len Thornton



Birthdays

- 1 – Drusilla Harris, Jane Routt
- 3 – Evan Lemma, Janelle Ludwig, Don Schloerb
- 4 – Mathew Booth, Fiona Innus, Sarah Rivera
- 5 – Brian Dick, Kerrie Platt
- 6 – Lindsay Hocking, Sheri Lemma, Steve Schroeder, D. Tucker Smith
- 7 – Michael Borner, Wayne Forrest, Victoria Jaynes-Fuller, Bonnie Reed, Dana Thompson
- 8 – Lindsey Oddy, Patrick Perry
- 9 – Becky Banas
- 10 – Jennifer Grimmer, John Leous
- 11 – Allison Hahn, Jade King, Karen Long, Kayla Weber
- 12 – Eric Duchscherer, Bob Glosser, Tony Licata, Andrew P. Machaby, Don Weber
- 14 – Tom Thompson, Dorian Duchscherer, Timothy Lukasik, Julia Lukasik, Laurie McGinn, Violet Nelson
- 15 – Dawn Fish, Sandy Teeter
- 16 – Mike Jamieson, Janet Semsel, Brian Snyder
- 17 – Maynard Climenhaga, Steve Keelty
- 18 – Benjamin Walck
- 19 – April Boudreault, Ethan DeVantier
- 20 – Dave Bazinet, Jane Diedrich, David Haniszewski
- 21 – Emma Eisenhardt, Lilly Eisenhardt, Diane Lenhard, Marlene Morrison, Lori Rivers, Nicole Valentine
- 22 – Evelyn Coty, Barbara Habberfield, Sarah Johnson, Sam Koplak
- 23 – Debbie D'Amico, Victoria Hocking
- 24 – Bridgette Bova Weller, Nancy Dimmig, Bill Fish, Madison Gold, Matthew Thompson
- 25 – Debbie Jamieson
- 26 – Renee Haniszewski
- 29 – Jean Bieger, Tom Bush, Karen Bush, Brian Clapsadle, Erin Fisher, Kelley Pickard
- 30 – Emily Lambe
- 31 – Michelle Bullock, Caspian Gustafson, Tim Lorenz, Joe Mattina

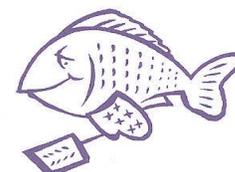


Emily Vera Ellis was born on January 26 to Lauren and Kevin Ellis. Grandparents are Tom and Lynne Elberson.

Fish Fry Dinners!

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

**4:00–7:00pm Fridays during Lent
February 12 – March 25, 2016**



Fish Dinners:

Regular.....	\$10.50
Large (50% larger).....	\$13.00
Half Portion.....	\$6.50
Baked Fish (<i>Regular or Cajun</i>).....	\$11.00

Shrimp or Chicken Tender Dinners:

Regular.....	\$9.50
Half Portion.....	\$5.50

Sampler Platter – Pick 2

Fish, Shrimp, Chicken.....	\$12.00
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Sampler Platter – All 3

Fish, Shrimp and Chicken.....	\$13.00
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Children's (age 10 & under) Dinners:

Fish, Shrimp or Chicken.....	\$4.00
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<i>Dessert.....</i>	\$1.50
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**Dinners include French fries or potato salad,
applesauce or coleslaw, rolls & beverage.
(Our fried dinners contain no trans fats!)**

For Takeouts, phone 625-8306

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 Noon Senior Lunch	2 6:30 Christianity 101	3 Noon UMW	4 World Day of Prayer 4-7 Fish Fry #4 Extra: Girl Scout cookies 6pm-9am Hot Choc w God & S'mores Leader Sleepover	5 9:30-11:30 Financial Peace University 5:00 Worship 5:00 Angel Wings Dinner
6 Membership Sunday Order Easter Flowers 8:15, 9:30 & 11:15 Worship 9-11:15 Breakfast 12:45 AGAPE Youth 1:00 Christianity 101	7 SCRIP Orders Due 7:00 Prayer Service	8 7:00 SPPRC 7:00 Trustees	9 6:30 Christianity 101	10 7:00 Praise Team	11 4-7 Fish Fry #5 Extra: chili & cornbread 6-9 Hot Choc w God (all) 6-9 S'mores (all)	12 Hospice Bouquet Sale 9:30-11:30 Financial Peace University 10:30 Hospitality Training 5:00 Worship
13 Girl Scout Sunday Hospice Bouquet Sale Order Easter Flowers 8:15, 9:30 & 11:15 Worship 9-11:15 Breakfast 12:45 4twelve 6:30 The Gathering worship	14	15 April Newsletter Items Due Noon Senior Lunch	16	17	18 4-7 Fish Fry #6 Extra: candy bars 6-9 Hot Choc w God (all) 6-9 S'mores (all)	19 9:30-11:30 Financial Peace University 5:00 Worship 6:30 Saturday Fellowship Meal
20 Palm Sunday 8:15, 9:30 & 11:15 Worship 9-11:15 Breakfast 12:45 AGAPE Youth 1:00 Christianity 101 	21 7:00 Women's Book Club	22 9:30 Newsletter Assembly	23	24 Maundy Thursday 7:00 Seder Service	25 Good Friday 12-3 Open for Prayer 4-7 Fish Fry #7 Extra: Bake Sale 8:00 Good Friday Service	26 Holy Saturday 10:30 Easter Egg Hunt 5:00 Easter Vigil Service
27 Easter Sunday 9 & 11 Worship NO Breakfast 	28 7:00 Guardians	29 Noon Senior Lunch	30	31	Apr. 1 6-9 Hot Choc w God (leaders) 6-9 S'mores (leaders)	Apr. 2 5:00 Worship

Christian Education Classes for Children and Youth are offered Sundays at 9:30 & 11:15 am
Sunday Breakfast is served most Sundays from 9:00-11:15 am

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- Lenten Fish Fry Dinners – Friday, March 4, 11, 18, 25
- SCRIP Orders Due – Monday, March 7
- Palm Sunday – March 20
- Maundy Thursday Seder Service – March 24
- Good Friday – March 25
- Community Easter Egg Hunt – Saturday, March 26
- Holy Saturday, Remembrance of Baptism – March 26
- Easter Sunday – March 27

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