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Hello PCUMC Family,

The story of Methodism in Platte City began in 1837 when Methodist pastors first came to our area. In 1842, a revival was sparked in Platte City, and ten families came together to form the Methodist Church in our community. What began as small lights flickering has multiplied through the years, shining brightly through all of you today.

As we celebrated 50 years in our current location and unveiled the time capsule from 1976, we had a great opportunity on Sunday to reflect some on our story and to celebrate how God's story continues through us. We are blessed to be part of a church family that allows God's light and love to come to us and then shine through us.

On Sunday it was also a joy to welcome two former pastors. Rev. Dr. Ken Lutgen and his wife, Linda were here when our sanctuary was built, and during lunch he shared several memories with us. Afterwards, he mentioned to me that there is a great spirit in this place and what a wonderful church PCUMC is. I couldn't agree more! It was also wonderful to have Pastor Ron Goodman drive all the way from Tennessee to join us. He even played the piano as we sang "Happy Birthday" to the church.



Thank you to everyone who helped make Sunday a great celebration, whether by volunteering, bringing food, or simply being present. A special thank you to Barney Farley for locating and retrieving the time capsule, and to Jason Utlaut for leading the anniversary festivities.

For the next two Sundays, the contents of the time capsule will be displayed on tables along the west side of the Fellowship Hall. You'll find additional historical materials and information there as well.

This coming weekend, I will be attending the Missouri Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church in St. Charles. The Annual Conference is the yearly gathering where clergy and lay delegates conduct church business, vote on legislation and the budget, worship together, learn, fellowship, and celebrate ministry. Charlie Evans will be joining me as our lay delegate.

While I am away this Sunday, my wife, Carly, will be sharing part of her faith story during both the 9 am and 10:45 am worship services. I hope you will join us for worship!

God Bless,

Robert

### More pictures from the Celebration!



### Check Out Sunday's Blended Worship Songs

Want to hear the songs we will be singing this week during the 10:45 am Blended Service or familiarize yourself with the songs so you are ready to sing with us on Sunday?

[Click here to listen to Sunday's Playlist.](#)

**June 7, 2026 - Second Sunday after Pentecost**  
**Message: *My Faith Story with Carly Sefrit***

- **9 am - Traditional Service in the Sanctuary. Watch online at Facebook Live and YouTube**
- **10 am - Social Time in Fellowship Hall**
- **10:45 am - Blended Service in the Sanctuary**

## Mark Your Calendar



- **Tuesday, June 9 - Prayer Team** meets at Noon in the Prayer Chapel
- **Sunday, June 14 – Youth Group Meet Up** beginning at 11:45 am
- **Sunday, June 14 - The Best of the Carol Burnett Show** at the Atchison Theater at 2 pm. See info below.
- **Monday, June 15 - Mondays with the Minister** at Price Chopper/Starbucks from 12:30 to 2:30 pm
- **Thursday, June 18 – Decorate for VBS** from 4:30 to 6:30 pm
- **June 22-25 - VBS "Snowball Mountain Challenge"**. [Click here to register your children.](#) See the graphic below. Sign up in Fellowship Hall to help or call Carrie.
- **Saturday, June 27 - Men's Breakfast** in Fellowship Hall. Cooking begins at 6 am - Breakfast at 7. ALL men are Welcome!
- **Sunday, June 28 – VBS Sunday – One Blended Service** at 9 am
- **Saturday, August 1 – Afternoon at the Nelson**, from 1 to 5 pm

"Enjoy a side-splitting evening of classic comedy with a collection of Carol's most beloved and hilarious sketches - featuring outrageous characters, clever satire, and laugh-out-loud moments."

Show dates are June 5-7 and 12-14 at Theater Atchison.

**Jason Utlaut is featured in the show.**

The church van will leave on Sunday, June 14th at 1 pm for those wanting to go to the 2 pm showing.

[Click here to purchase tickets.](#)



Recently, a new security system was installed that includes eight security cameras and a monitored alarm system.

**Beginning June 15, the alarm system will be activated daily from 10 pm to 7 am. To avoid accidental alarm activations, anyone needing access to the building during these hours should contact the church office 24 hours in advance.**

Thank you for your cooperation as we work to enhance the safety and security of our church facilities.



**Yes, we're still collecting Best Choice labels!**

We receive \$30 for every 1,000 labels submitted which will go to the Wags and Wipes and Blessing Box Ministries. There is a basket on the coffee bar.

This week's specific requests

- Snack bars, Canned chicken breast, Spaghetti sauce, Canned fruit, Cereal, Cake mix & frosting, Jelly/Jam, Flour, Sugar, Salt, Toilet paper, Paper towels, Diapers (sizes N, 3, 5)

**PLEASE remember to check expiration dates before you donate!**



**Check out the signup sheets in Fellowship Hall for needed food items.**

You can help by sharing some items that will be used for decorations. They will be returned following VBS so be sure your name is included.

Winter Sports Equipment, Sleds, Inner Tubes of snow tubes, Snowgans, Skis, Snowboards, Snow Boots, Ice Skates, Artificial Pine Trees, Snow hats, Mittens and gloves, Scarves, Ski goggles

**JUNE 22-25, 2026**  
**JOIN US ON OUR SNOWBALL MOUNTAIN CHALLENGE VBS**  
**6 TO 8:30 - DINNER IS INCLUDED**  
**FOR CHILDREN ENTERING PRE-K (3-4 YEARS OLD & POTTY TRAINED) THROUGH 6TH GRADE.**

  
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**SCAN QR CODE TO REGISTER**

  
**SNOWBALL MOUNTAIN CHALLENGE**  
Cokesbury Kids  
FIND YOUR STRENGTH IN GOD

Register Now – Use the QR code or the link in the calendar above.

Three Challenger Guides are still needed to shepherd students between stations. There are signup sheets in Fellowship Hall.

(Note: All helpers must be Safe Gatherings Certified.)



### Children's Church (Sunday School)

The June theme is "Follow Jesus" from the books of Matthew, John and Luke.

[Click here to check out the Children's page on the website for full details.](#)

Our Bible Memory Buddy is Sal, the spotted-tail salamander, and he wants us to remember: *"For I can do everything through Christ, who gives me strength."* ~ Philippians 4:13

**Teachers and helpers are needed for VBS, Children's Church and the Nursery.**  
**If you are interested, please reach out to Carrie.**  
**There are signup sheets in Fellowship Hall.**

LIFT has finished another successful year.

We'll resume at the beginning of the 2026-2027 School Year.  
Registration will open August 1.



Youth Group Sunday evening gatherings will resume when school starts in the fall.

All students in Middle School and High School are invited to attend.

**Always a Good Time! Invite your Friends!**

### Summer Plans

**Sunday, June 14** - Meet Up at 11:45 am, following the Blended Worship Service. Stick around for lunch and bring a game to play.

**Tuesday, June 30** - Meet Up at Culvers from 6 to 7:30 pm

Look for announcements of upcoming events.



This is the Prayer Team that meets every Tuesday at Noon - Joyce, Mike, Jason, Barb, Terry and Lori, along with Pastor Robert

New people are always welcome!



One of the clearest marks of a healthy church is a commitment to prayer. Prayer binds us together. Prayer helps us grow closer to God. Prayer shapes who we are and what we do. Prayer changes things.

- Every Tuesday at noon, The Prayer Team meets in the Prayer Chapel.
- Every Wednesday afternoon, the Prayer Chain email group receives a list of Prayer Concerns. If you would like to be a part of this Prayer Ministry, please respond to this email or call the church office.

As always, if you have prayer requests, you may complete a Prayer Request Card or contact the church office or Pastor Robert.



#### Our Mission

**To make new disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.**

#### Our Vision

**Ignite: Faith. Hope. Love**

**PCUMC is a place where FAITH is kindled, HOPE is ignited, and God's LOVE burns bright through us into our church, community, and world.**



You can view past worship services any time using these links.  
FYI - Facebook only retains the videos for 30 days.

Click [here](#) for all staff email addresses.  
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