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Hello PCUMC Family,

This week, we remember the 25th anniversary of September 11, 2001. With that in mind, I invite us all to pause and pray:

Gracious and loving God,

On this 25th anniversary of September 11,
we remember all who lost their lives
and hold their families and loved ones in prayer.

We give thanks for the courage of first responders
and all who served with compassion and courage.

Heal those who still carry the wounds of that day.
Turn our grief toward compassion, our fear toward faith,
and our remembrance toward peace and justice.

Help us follow Christ by loving our neighbors
and being instruments of your peace.

In Jesus' name, we pray.
Amen.



When we visited the 9/11 Museum in New York, we saw a fragment of a Bible fused to a piece of steel that had been recovered from the rubble of the Twin Towers. The fragment was from Jesus' Sermon on the Mount, where Jesus teaches us not to respond to evil with violence, but instead to love our enemies and pray for those who have wronged us.

We humans don't always want to listen to Jesus on this one. It is really hard. Loving our enemies, choosing peace, and responding to hatred with love can feel almost impossible. And yet, Jesus tells us that this is the way forward. This is the way toward healing our world and bringing heaven to earth.

Over the next three weeks, we will be exploring Jesus' Sermon on the Mount in our new message series, **"Heaven on Earth: Jesus' Roadmap for Life."** Together, we'll explore what a disciple looks like, what a disciple does, and what a disciple chooses. I look forward to worshipping with you!

Grace and peace,

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 below.



Sunday's Playlist

September 13, 2026 - 16th Sunday after Pentecost

Message: "Heaven on Earth: Jesus' Roadmap for Life - The Beatitudes"

- 9 am - Traditional Service in the Sanctuary. Watch online on YouTube or Facebook Live
- 10 am - Social Time in Fellowship Hall
- 10 am - Youth and Parent Meeting in the Library
- 10:45 am - Blended Service in the Sanctuary
- 6 to 8 pm - Youth Group
- 6:30 pm - The God Story with Pastor Robert at 6:30 pm

Mark Your Calendar



- **Monday, September 14 - Mondays with the Minister** at Price Chopper/Starbucks from 12:30 to 2:30 pm
- **Tuesday, September 15 - Prayer Team** meets at Noon in the Prayer Chapel
- **Tuesday, September 15 - LIFT. [Sign up here to provide snacks.](#)**
- **Tuesday, September 15 - Overcoming Fear and Discouragement** with Joyce Cashier at 6:30 pm in the Library.
- **Wednesday, September 16 - The Good and Beautiful Life** with Pastor Robert at 9:30 am and/or 6:30 pm
- **Thursday, September 17 - Brothers in Christ, Arms Together** at 6:30 pm at Dave Tucker's home (13380 N Highway)
- **Sunday, September 20 - The God Story** with Pastor Robert at 6:30 pm
- **Monday, September 21- Mondays with the Minister** at Price Chopper/Starbucks from 12:30 to 2:30 pm

Two ways to serve PCUMC

- We are looking for new members for the Congregational Care Team. They help write notes to church members to express our care and concern. You can sign up at the Connect Center or email/call the office. Talk to Pastor Robert if you would like more information.
- We're also looking for people to straighten the Sanctuary. This is typically done 2-3 times a month. Helpers serve for one month at a time. Call or email the office if you can help, especially through the rest of 2026.



We are planning to launch a new class for Stephen Ministry training in January. If you are interested in learning how to actively listen, how to deal with grief and provide support to those in need, this training is for you.

This training not only equips you with the skills to become a compassionate caregiver for others, but it also fosters your personal growth as a Christian. By participating in this program, you will enhance your abilities as a parent, spouse, and friend.
For more information, contact a Stephen Minister.

Heaven on Earth: Jesus' Roadmap For Life

The Sermon on the Mount has been described as the heart of Jesus' teaching and the world's most important sermon. It is Jesus' description of what he wanted his followers to be and to do and a roadmap for daily life. It's not an easy path, but one that leads us to a life of purpose, joy and peace.



September 13 - The Beatitudes

September 20 - The Direction

September 27 - The Narrow Gate and The Firm Foundation

**The Mustard Seed Guild continues their work in the garden.
Be sure to check out the table in Fellowship Hall for fresh produce to share.**

Check out the Silent Auction Fundraiser beginning Sunday, September 13. Proceeds will benefit the Blessing Box and Wags & Wipes Ministries.



PLEASE remember to check "Use By" and/or "Best By" dates before you donate!

Most Needed This Week

- ~ Canned chicken & tuna
- ~ Rice (instant)
- ~ Cereal
- ~ Oatmeal (instant)
- ~ Fruit (canned or cups)
- ~ Granola bars or snack packs
- ~ Frosting
- ~ Ketchup
- ~ Mayo
- ~ Sugar
- ~ Diapers - sizes 4 and 5

**Please, NO macaroni & cheese
We have plenty!**

**"Thanks for all the donations!
Keep 'em coming!!"**

Always Needed

- Toilet paper
- Diapers
- Personal care items
 - Feminine hygiene items
 - Shampoo/conditioner
 - Toothpaste
 - Toothbrushes
 - Body wash - soap
 - Deodorant
 - Shaving cream

Click on either image below to read the details of the lesson plans.

Children's Church (Sunday School)

The September theme is "God's Good Kings" from the books of 2 Samuel, 1st & 2nd Kings and 2nd Chronicles.

Our Bible Memory Buddy is Zion the majestic lion. Zion wants us to memorize this Bible verse:

"Give thanks to the Lord and proclaim his greatness. Let the whole world know what he has done." ~ 1 Chronicles 16:8



LIFT Began on September 8.

There are still openings! Let Carrie know if your kids or grandkids would like to attend.

The September unit is "Big Little Lies"

Sign up to provide snacks



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

Always a Good Time! Invite your Friends!

Join us for this 4-week series from the Book of James on **Loving Others**. Click on the image to read more about this series.

- 09/06 - No Gathering - Labor Day weekend
- 09/13 - Youth and Parent meeting at 10 am (between worship services) - Youth Group from 6 to 8 pm
- 09/20 - Youth Group from 6 to 8 pm
- 09/27 - Youth Group from 6 to 8 pm



And Save the Date - June 13-19, 2027 - Mission Trip to Colorado Springs

[Click to provide dinner](#)



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



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

Our Vision
Ignite: Faith. Hope. Love

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.

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.

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