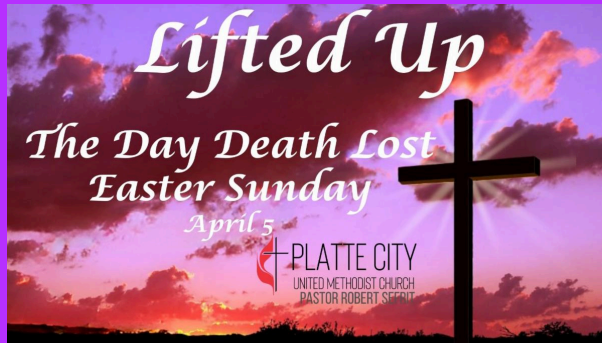


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Hello PCUMC Family,

A big **THANK YOU** to everyone who helped with our Easter Eggstravaganza on Saturday, including those who helped us fill hundreds of Easter Eggs. It was a fun day, and a meaningful opportunity to connect with our community!



This Friday is the day we mark the death of Jesus on the cross. The Gospel of Luke tells us that Jesus' last breath was at 3 pm. So, this Friday at 3 pm, I encourage you to **STOP, DROP, and PRAY**. STOP wherever you are, DROP whatever you are doing, and pause to PRAY. At the very moment that changed the world, pause to reflect on how Jesus changed your life and express your gratitude.



With that said, during this Holy Week, we have several special opportunities (see below) to walk together with Jesus through His final hours and to give thanks for the depth of God's love revealed to us through his suffering and death. **I encourage you to join us, beginning this Thursday.**

I also invite you to **consider reaching out to someone who may need hope and inviting them to join you for Easter worship** (see schedule below). Your invitation could help that person find hope and find Jesus this Easter.

By the way, **for both Easter services I will be dressed as the Easter Bunny**, and our message will be "Hopping into New Life."

Just kidding. April Fools! While, I will not come dressed as the Easter Bunny, the new life we celebrate in Jesus is no joke.

I look forward to celebrating with you!

In Christ's Love and Joy,

Robert

### Check Out Sunday's Sunrise Worship Songs

Want to hear the songs we will be singing this week during the 7 am Sunrise 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.](#)




**Holy Week at PCUMC**


**April 2 - Maundy Thursday Worship with potluck meal and Holy Communion at 6:30 pm in Fellowship Hall**

**April 3- Good Friday Worship at 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary**

**April 5 - Easter Sunday**

- 7 am - Sunrise Service Beginning outside by the bell
- Followed by Breakfast in Fellowship Hall
- 9am - Traditional Easter Service in the Sanctuary - Special Music from the Adult Choir

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**Easter Sunday, April 5, 2026**

**Message: *Lifted Up: The Day Death Lost***

- 7 am - Sunrise Service beginning outside at the Bell
- 7 to 8 am - Breakfast in Fellowship Hall
- 9 am - Traditional Service in the Sanctuary with Special Music from the Adult Choir - Watch online at Facebook Live and YouTube
- NO Confirmation Class (Next class is April 12)
- NO Youth Group Gathering (Next gathering is April 12)

**Mark Your Calendar**



- **Wednesday, April 1 - Good and Beautiful You** at 6:30 pm in the Music Room guided by Pastor Robert
- **April 2 - Maundy Thursday Worship with potluck meal and Holy Communion** at 6:30 pm in Fellowship Hall
- **April 3 - Good Friday Service** at 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary
- **Sunday, April 4 - Easter** - see above
- **Monday, April 6 - Office Closed**
- **Tuesday, April 7 - Prayer Team** meets at Noon in the Prayer Chapel
- **Tuesday, April 7 - LIFT** from 4 to 5:30 pm
- **Tuesday, April 7- Good and Beautiful You** at 6:30 pm in the Library, guided by Joyce Cashier
- **Wednesday, April 8 - Good and Beautiful You** at 9:30 am in the Music Room, guided by Pastor Robert
- **Wednesday, April 8 - Good and Beautiful You** at 6:30 pm in the Music Room guided by Pastor Robert

- **Thursday, April 9 - Brothers in Christ AT** at 6:30 pm at Dave Tucker's home (13380 N Highway)
- **Sunday, May 31 - 50-year Anniversary of PCUMC Building.** Special events are being planned. Watch for more details.
- **June 22-25 - VBS "Snowball Mountain Challenge".** Watch for more details and registration.



The crucifixion stands at the heart of our faith, and yet it also raises deep and honest questions. How does a cross two thousand years ago change our lives today? In this message series we'll explore the meaning of the cross and discover how, in Christ being lifted up, we find hope, grace, and new life.

- March 1– Lifted Up: A Promise for All
- March 8 – Lifted Up: God Speaks
- March 15 – Lifted Up: The Cost of Grace
- March 22 – Lifted Up: The Way of the Cross
- March 29 – Lifted Up: No Greater Love (Palm Sunday)
- April 5 – Lifted Up: The Day Death Lost (Easter)**

**Thanks so much to everyone who has contributed to the Blessing Box and Wags and Wipes Ministries!!**

**On Easter Sunday, you will have the opportunity to make a cash contribution to further support these ministries.**

This week's specific requests (still NO canned goods, please)

- Dry egg noodles, Pancake syrup, Mayo, Toilet paper, Feminine hygiene products, Diapers (sizes 3, 5, 6), pull-ups.



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



### Children's Church (Sunday School)

The April unit is "Wanted: Leader for Israel" from the book of Judges.

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

Our Bible Memory Buddy is Moe the sloth, and he wants us to remember:

*"The Lord is merciful and compassionate, slow to get angry, and filled with unfailing love." ~ Psalm 145:8*

**Additional teachers and helpers are needed for Children's Church and the Nursery on Sunday mornings. If you are interested, please reach out to Carrie. There is also a signup sheet at the Connect Center.**

Our unit this month is "Noah - The Big Flood" and comes from the book of Genesis.

The memory verse this month is:

*"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding: in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight." (Proverbs 3:5-6 NIV)*





Youth Group meets on Sunday evenings from 6 to 8 and begins with dinner.

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

Always a Good Time! Invite your Friends!

**NO Youth Gathering on April 5 - Next meeting is April 12.**



Use this QR code to sign up to provide a meal for the group. There is also a signup sheet at the Connect Center.



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



**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**

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.

**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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