



Weekly E-News

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Hello PCUMC Family,

Last Sunday we began our “Knocking On Heaven’s Door” message series where we said the biblical story is not about how we get to heaven, it’s about how heaven gets to earth and that the New Testament never uses the word heaven as a place where God’s people go after their death for their long term future. If you missed it, you can check out the message on You Tube by clicking [here](#).

This Sunday during our message we will take a biblical look at Hell and the relevance it has for our lives today. I think we might find a few surprises.

I wonder, however, what scripture references from last Sunday speak to you this week? What is God saying to you?

- Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me (Jesus in John 14:1).
- Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day (2 Corinthians 4:16).
- I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us (Romans 8:18).
- Now this is eternal life: that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent (John 17:3).
- (God) will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more . . . (Revelation 21:4).
- So we make it our goal to please Him, whether we are at home in the body or away from it (2 Corinthians 5:9).

We can be people of hope because God’s good purposes for our lives and THIS world will prevail! That reminds me. It has been said, “Hope is the ability to hear the music of the future. Faith is the courage to dance to it today.” Anyone feel like dancing?

God’s Joy and Peace,

Robert

On Serve Sunday, some of you took blankets for Project Linus home to finish.
If you've not yet returned them, please do so ASAP. Thanks!!

Sunday, May 18

KNOCKING ON HEAVEN'S DOOR: Heaven Yes, Hell, No!

- 10 am - Worship in the Sanctuary. Watch online at Facebook Live and You Tube
- 3:30 to 5 pm - Next Steps Class in the Library
- 6 pm - Youth Group

Mark Your Calendar

- **Wednesday, May 14 - "The World Changing Message of Jesus"**, led by Pastor Robert, meets in the Library at 9:30 am
- **Thursday, May 15 - Brothers in Christ AT** studying "The Gospel of Mark & What it Means to Follow Jesus", meets at Dave Tucker's home at 6:30 pm
- **Monday, May 19 - Mondays with the Minister** at Starbucks inside Price Chopper from 12:30 to 2:30 pm (final session for the spring)
- **Monday, May 19 - Sisters in Christ** studying "12 Daring Women of the Bible" led by Elyse McInteer, at 6:30 pm in the Music Room
- **Tuesday, May 20 - Prayer Team** meets at Noon in the Prayer Chapel
- **Tuesday, May 20 - Final LIFT session for this school year**
- **Wednesday, May 21 - "The World Changing Message of Jesus"**, led by Pastor Robert, meets in the Library at 9:30 am (final session)
- **Thursday, May 22 - Red Cross Blood Drive** from 1:30 to 5:30 pm. [Click here to register.](#)
- **Thursday, May 22 - Brothers in Christ AT** studying "The Gospel of Mark & What it Means to Follow Jesus", meets at Dave Tucker's home at 6:30 pm (final study session for the spring)
- **Sunday, May 25 - Wags & Wipes Distribution** from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm at the east door by the bell
- **Tuesday, May 27 - Prayer Team** meets at Noon in the Prayer Chapel
- **Thursday, May 29 - Brothers in Christ AT dinner** at Dave Tucker's home for all men and their partners. Gather at 5 pm, Dinner at 6 pm
- **Sunday, June 22 - Men's Breakfast** at 8:30 am in Fellowship Hall
- **July 7-10 - Road Trip VBS: On the Go with God!** 6 to 8:30 pm. [Click here to register your children.](#)



Blessings and Congratulations to Addyson Schlake and Ireland Shank, Platte County High School Graduates.



The hail storm didn't stop the Happy Gardeners!
They have replanted and were giving out radishes on Sunday after worship. Be sure to watch the table in Fellowship Hall for more produce from the church garden.



Partner with us to take kids on a "Road Trip" to discover God at VBS this summer!

Platte City UMC is hosting
Road Trip VBS: On the Go with God!
July 7-10, 2025 from 6 to 8:30 pm.



We are seeking volunteers to help in many different roles. We need a lot of Safe Gathering Certified adults and older youth volunteers to make VBS possible. We need storytellers, craft leaders, guides for our travelers, recreation leaders, kitchen helpers, and more.

Please contact Carrie VanNess, Jessica Eslick or Linda Evans if you are ready to partner with us or if you need more information.
[Click here](#) to register your children.



Children's Church (Sunday School)

The May unit is "Hope Now and Later", from the books of Exodus, Psalms, Lamentations and Revelations.

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

Our Bible Memory Buddy is Rover the dog, a faithful friend.
"For the Lord is good. His unfailing love continues forever, and his faithfulness continues to each generation." ~ Psalm 100:5

LIFT is offered to students in Kindergarten through Fifth Grade and meets each Tuesday that school is in session, from 4 to 5:30 pm.
The final session for this school year is May 20.

May Lesson topics - "PRAISE MAKERS: We Worship God Together in Different Ways"

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

Transportation to the church is available from Compass and Siegrist schools. Parents pick up kids at the Church at 5:30 pm.

Contact Carrie VanNess for more info - cvanness05@gmail.com



Youth Group meets on Sunday evenings at 6.
NO Youth Group on May 4, 11 and 25

All students in Middle School and High School are invited to

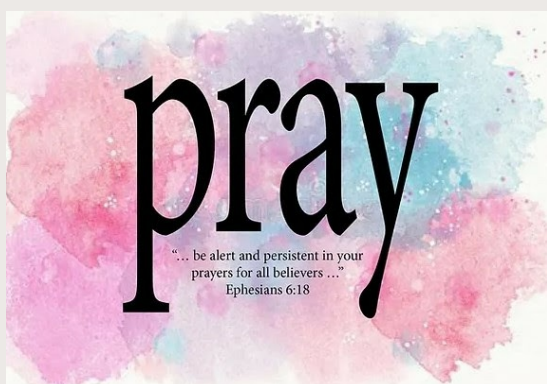
This month, things will look a little different as the school year comes to an end and summer begins. As noted above, the only regularly scheduled gathering will be May 18.

[Click here to read all the details on the Youth page of the website.](#)



Have you downloaded and completed your Profile and Picture in the Instant Church Directory?
(If you've already added a picture, you can update or make a change anytime.)

[You can read instructions for all devices here.](#)



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.

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