

*Welcome to
St. Peter's Pikeland
United Church of Christ*

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*Souper Bowl
Sunday*

February 8, 2026
10 a.m.

WELCOME AND JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRELUDE “This Little Light of Mine” arr Hartsell

COMING OF THE LIGHT

*Please use this time for silent meditation before worship.
During the service, the people will make the responses
in the **bold print**.*

GATHERING

What does it mean to win? What does it mean to be in great shape? What is the actual game we are playing, according to God?

We gather to remember what is important in your eyes, O God.

We gather to support one another as people of God in this world of struggle.

We gather to celebrate our diverse gifts that, together, carry on as the body of Christ in the world.

As a team is not all quarterbacks or linemen, so the body of Christ is made up of different parts and gifts, and yet are one.

ALL: Let us praise God's holy name!

HYMN 55 "Rejoice You Pure in Heart"

All who are able may stand for the hymn and prayers that follow.

RITE OF RECONCILIATION

The love of sport; the love of competition, is rooted in the American soul. And yet, we also know that sport ends when humanity calls us together, in all situations and all places.

O God, we confess our great need for you.

As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are God's thoughts higher than our thoughts, and God's ways higher than our ways.

O God, we confess our great need for you.

Hear the Good News. The grace of God is greater than the powers of the world. Turn to God and find guidance, strength, and help in all things and at all times. Praise be to God.

Amen.

Please be seated.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Holy One, your words of scripture call us to new life, true, life, and life eternal. Help us, we pray, as we seek to live your words of life. **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON
False and True Worship

Isaiah 58:6-9a
Pew Bibles, Page 688

A LESSON FROM PSALM 112 (various verses)
The psalm will be read responsively

Praise the Lord!

Happy are those who fear the Lord,
who greatly delight in his commandments.

**They rise in the darkness as a light for the upright;
they are gracious, merciful, and righteous.**

For the righteous will never be moved;
they will be remembered forever.

**They are not afraid of evil tidings;
their hearts are firm, secure in the Lord.**

They have distributed freely; they have given to the poor;
their righteousness endures forever;
their horn is exalted in honor.

GOSPEL LESSON
Salt and Light

Matthew 5:13-20
Pew Bibles, Page 4

SERMON

Dialogue sermon with Maureen Wookey and Pastor Doug Hanson

HYMN 181 “You are the Salt of the Earth, O People”
After the Hymn, please be seated.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

GIVING AND RECEIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY “In Remembrance” arr Rasley

PRESENTATION

*All who are able may stand as the offering is presented
and remain standing for the prayer that follows.*

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Gracious God, we thank you for the privilege of partnering with you and each other in the work of the ministry. Bless our gifts and our efforts to the glory of your name. On this Super Bowl Sunday, we celebrate all the gifts of life in your creation. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Please be seated.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION

Jesus said: I am the bread of life.

You who come to me shall not hunger;
you who believe in me shall never thirst.

**In company with all who hunger for spiritual food,
we come to this table to know the risen Christ
in the sharing of this life-giving bread.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to God.

Let us give thanks to God Most High.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Holy God, our loving Creator, close to us as breathing
and distant as the farthest star, we thank you for your
constant love for all you have made.

We thank you for all that sustains life, for all people of faith
in every generation who have given themselves to your
will, and especially for Jesus Christ, whom you have sent

from your own being as our Savior.
We praise you for Christ's birth, life, death, and
Resurrection, and for the calling forth of your church
for its mission in the world.
Gifted by the presence of your Holy Spirit, we offer
ourselves to you as we unite our voices with the entire
family of your faithful people everywhere:

**Holy, holy, holy God of love and majesty,
the whole universe speaks of your glory,
O God Most High.
Blessed is the one who comes
in the name of our God!
Hosanna in the highest!**

Merciful God, as sisters and brothers in faith,
we recall anew these words and acts of Jesus Christ.
Now as they were eating, Jesus took bread,
and blessed, and broke it,
and gave it to the disciples and said:
"Take, eat: This is my body."
Jesus took a cup, and after giving thanks,
gave it to the disciples and said:
"Drink of it, all of you; for this is my blood
of the covenant, which is poured out for many
for the forgiveness of sins."

Let us say boldly what we believe:
**Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

Come, Holy Spirit, come.
Bless this bread, and bless this fruit of the vine.
Bless all of us in our eating and drinking at this table,
that our eyes may be opened,
and we may recognize the risen Christ in our midst,
in each other, and in all for whom Christ died. **Amen.**

PRAYER OF OUR SAVIOR

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit,
let us pray as Jesus taught us:

Our Father, who art in heaven... (*Use debts . . . debtors*)

THE BREAD AND THE CUP

The gifts of God for the people of God.
Come, for all things are ready.

The ushers will invite you to come forward for Communion. Visitors are welcome to come forward. It is our custom to take the bread individually, and the cup together at the Pastor's signal. After receiving, the Pastor will dismiss you with a blessing. Use side aisles to return to your seat. Place cups in one of the baskets provided. We use wine, water, and white grape juice in our celebration of Holy Communion.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**We give thanks, almighty God,
that you have refreshed us at your table
by granting us the presence of Jesus Christ.**

**Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another,
and send us forth into the world in courage and peace,
rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit; through
Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

HYMN 465 "Rejoice You Pure in Heart"

BENEDICTION

After the Blessing, all may be seated until the postlude begins.

TAKING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

POSTLUDE

Toccata in C Major

Zipoli



TODAY'S WORSHIP

THE MESSAGE is brought to us by Pastor Doug Hanson

THE ORGANIST AND MUSIC DIRECTOR is Kat Bowman

THE LECTOR today is Dave Wise

THE ALTAR FLOWERS today are given to the glory of God by Dee McClimon in memory of her sister, Judy

THE SOCIAL HOUR is hosted by Souper Bowl Fans

TODAY'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIBLE STUDY: After worship and refreshments *next* Sunday, February 15th, Pastor Doug will hold a Bible Study in the Conference Room, with the theme, "A Quick Dig into Lent." The session will end before noon.

ASH WEDNESDAY: A Communion service will be offered at the church at 7pm that evening, including the imposition of ashes for those who would like to come forward. Please note that the service this year will be at 7pm, and not 7:30pm. Individual ashes and blessings will be given for anyone from 11:30-1:30pm.

SEWING CIRCLE FOOD DRIVE: The Sewing Circle will be collecting non-perishable food items throughout January and February.

WORSHIP HELPERS: Please take a look at the sign up sheets posted in Fellowship Hall to see where you may be able to help. We would love to be able to start filling the early months of 2026.



You can give to the church by scanning the QR code here:

All online giving will be designated on your giving statements. Thank you!

Our Prayer List

Andrea Lafleur
Angie Schlessman
Annette Noce, JoAnn Thomson's mother
Austin Myers
Barbara Broyles, friend of the Wachsmuths
Barbara Shivers
Carol Meyer
Connie Hershey, friend of Micki and Alyssa Menkins
Charlie Fishman, Pete Warner's Nephew and Godson
Charles and Virginia Garber
Danielle Smith, friend of Sara Hackman
David Richman, friend of Grace Merryman
Debbie Rittenhouse, mother-in-law of Mitchell Warner
Dr. Michael J. Ward
Ed McCarthy, friend of Sarah Hackman's
Ernie P., friend of Dee McClimon
Fred Schilling, husband of a friend of Kathy Krasley
Gayanne Loring, sister of Dawna DeRosa
Heidi Kieffer, daughter of Eric Johnson's cousin
Jamie Glennon, friend of Eric Hanson
Jeff Johnson, Co-worker of Eric Johnson
Jeanine Leber, friend of Alyssa Menkins
Jennifer Osborne
Jessica G., friend of Grace Merryman
Jim Smith, Denise Harlow's brother
John Pittock, friend of Grace Merryman
Karl Longenbach, friend of Deb Wetty
Kelly Maldonado friend of Maureen & Kenzie Wookey
Laura Dick
Laura S., friend of Grace Merryman
Linda Cherek, friend of Deb Wetty
Lisa, cousin of Eric Johnson
Mary Andersen, friend of the McCarthy
Paul Pascale, friend of the McClimons
Penny, friend of Linda Johnson
Richard, friend of Dee McClimon
Sally Kramer, Cherri Romano's sister
Sandy C., Friend of Dee McClimon
Sandy McKeever, Maureen Wookey's Sister in law
Sandy Pereni, Joyce Rosen's sister
Sharon Basile, Jennifer Basile's mother-in-law
Sue and Jeff, Linda Johnson's sister and brother-in-law
Tara Cantello, friend of Denise Harlow
Tina Frick, friend of Sarah Hackman
Tracey Knox, cousin of Kathy Krasley
Travis McClimon
Virginia Lawrence